



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council
Held on July 16, 2019

Mayor Bill Biasi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Council Members Harold Anderson, Jesse Loren, Pierre Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Wade Cowan and Mayor Bill Biasi
Absent: None
Staff: City Manager John W. Donlevy, Jr., City Attorney Ethan Walsh, Economic Development/Housing Manager Dan Maguire, Public Works Superintendent Eric Lucero, Police Chief John Miller, Police Sergeants Jose Hermosillo and Kelly McCoy, Police Detective David Gonzalez, Police Officers Victor Barajas and Alan Pinette, and City Clerk Tracy Jensen

Tina Lowden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: City Manager Donlevy confirmed the agenda had been revised to include the Police Department presentation. Motion by Council Member Cowan, second by Council Member Loren to approve the revised agenda. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan, Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS: Verbal updates were provided by Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Al Vallecillo, 210 Main St., thanked Mayor Biasi for proposing a workshop or meeting to be held regarding annexation. He said the process has started and the developer is working on a specific plan without any

input from the citizens in the community. He asked Council to refer to the letter that was e-mailed to them today.

As this is not an agenda item, Mayor Biasi confirmed that Council is unable to discuss the matter, but confirmed that a workshop will be scheduled to address these questions and public input will be invited.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Winters City Council Held on Tuesday, July 2, 2019
- B. El Rio Villa Sewer Services MOU Renewal
- C. Claim Against the City of Winters - Christopher Bennett
- D. Resolution 2019-30, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Winters Authorizing Bids for Phase 2 WWTF Influent Screen Project and Approve a Budget Adjustment for the Revised Project Budget Sheet

City Manager Donlevy gave an overview. For Item B, the El Rio Villa Sewer Services MOU with Yolo Housing, unnecessary language is being stricken as follows: a portion of Section 1, Item 2, Service, is being revised to exclude "to be located at the site of the existing Winters Wastewater Treatment Plant", which references the old main pump station. Section 5, Item 1, Rates & Fees, is being revised to exclude all verbiage except for "The current rate of \$67.02 per unit sewer service fee per month (\$8,310.48/month).

If Item D, Authorizing Bids for Phase 2 WWTF Influent Screen Project, is approved, staff will hold until a funding opportunity becomes available.

Motion by Council Member Loren, second by Council Member Neu, to approve the Consent Calendar with the noted revisions made to Item B. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PRESENTATIONS

Robert Burris, President and CEO of Solano Economic Development Corporation, gave a power point presentation entitled "Solano Means Business" which included annual highlights, a marketing update, revenue growth, the housing affordability index, business prospect activity, marketing metrics, on-line

tools, research and services. Robert provided suggestions for the strategy and tactics for Winters and to find a way to work together to create opportunities and added that development is a team sport.

Mayor Biasi said the Winters EDAC has also discussed many of these things, including connections with other groups in the area. City Manager Donlevy said the Winters EDAC report's first two recommendations talk about collaboration. So many in Winters are looking for jobs within the community and the ability to generate jobs locally is so important. Hotel Winters is a great example of job creation. Most residents drive out of town and head south to Solano County, but regarding food and ag technology, some of the best agricultural minds can be found in Winters, California. Mayor Biasi said the City should focus on ag and food products and Robert Burris said he values these types of new opportunities, the value of their output, and the jobs they create.

Winters Police Chief John Miller then presented commendations to the following Police Officers:

Winters Police Officer Alan Pinette was commended for his project in bringing Narcan to the department. He also collaborated with Winters Healthcare to develop an emergency trauma kit to be carried in the police vehicles. He was ahead of the curve when he brought Narcan to the department, free of charge. Since 2018, Narcan has become a statewide protocol.

Winters Police Detective David Gonzalez was commended for heading up the investigation that led to the arrest and conviction of Margarito Alvarez, a child molester who was recently sentenced to 90 years to life behind bars. Officer Gonzalez said it was a team effort and thanked the community and the Police Department for their efforts.

Winters Police Sergeant Jose Hermosillo was commended for responding quickly to a house fire on Hillview Lane on June 5th, ushering residents to safety and offering his assistance at the scene. Sergeant Hermosillo said he was lucky to be patrolling in the area and he did what any of the other officers would have done.

City Manager Donlevy said he was proud of our officers and Mayor Biasi thanked the officers for their hard work and for making us proud to have them as our officers.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Designation of a Voting Delegate and Up To Two Alternates for the League of California Cities Annual Conference

Mayor Biasi said Council Member Loren has done a great job as the City's representative to the League. Following some discussion, a motion was made by Council Member Neu and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cowan to designate Council Member Jesse Loren as the Voting Delegate at the League of California Cities Annual Conference, scheduled for October 16 - 18 in Long Beach. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anderson, Loren, Neu, Mayor Pro Tem Cowan,
Mayor Biasi
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

CITY MANAGER REPORT: City Manager Donlevy said he was honored to introduce Sue Moualin, the new Executive Director for the Winters Chamber of Commerce, who comes to Winters from Solvang, a destination community. Sue brings with her many qualifications not only as Executive Director, but she and her husband are also small business owners and will encourage other small business owners to come to Winters. Sue has a great background in collaboration, working with economic development groups, City Council members, and regional groups.

As an owner of a sealant and coating manufacturing business with her husband, she comes from a business background. While in Solvang, Sue ran the Chamber of Commerce and worked on the EDAC committee for the City and the County as a voting member. She hopes to bring her expertise to Winters and supports this great town as it moves forward.

The Council welcomed Sue and Mayor Biasi said she was off to a good start by getting us going and get some economic development in Winters. Sue said she has a lot of great people helping and she truly appreciates the wonderful reception she has received.

City Manager Donlevy said some comments received regarding the EDAC report will be discussed at the next Planning Commission meeting. A report will then be brought back to Council at the August 20th City Council meeting.

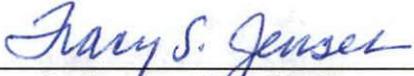
Council Member Loren inquired about the Civic Spark fellow. City Manager Donlevy said the City received a partial grant to work on climate issues and after interviewing 4 or 5 candidates, staff focused on one gentleman, a recent UCD graduate who is very passionate about the environment. The fellowship starts after September and he will be limited to 1,300 hours. Once he is on board, he will be introduced to Council.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Biasi adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.



Bill Biasi, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Tracy S. Jensen, City Clerk