



MINUTES

Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
Date: December 6, 2023
Time: 6:00 PM

CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	POSTING
City of Scotts Valley 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 440-5600	City Council Chambers 1 Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 OR Zoom Video Conference https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83295730901	The agenda was posted on 12-01-2023 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at www.scottsvally.gov .

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Jack Dilles, Mayor Randy Johnson, Vice Mayor Donna Lind, Council Member Derek Timm, Council Member Allan Timms, Council Member	CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mali LaGoe, City Manager Kirsten Powell, City Attorney Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director Bret Swain, Public Works Director Scott Garner, Police Captain Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk
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SPECIAL SET MATTER

1. Mayor's Proclamation honoring Chuck Fetter for his community contributions

Mayor Dilles presented a proclamation to honor Chuck Fetter for his many community contributions over the past 28 years. Mr. Fetter also said a few words.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Lind attended a Criminal Justice ad hoc committee meeting where they reviewed the annual report on behavioral health services. This report will be coming to the Criminal Justice Board on 12/14.

CM Lind thanked everyone who attended the tree lighting festival on 12/2. She recognized and thanked the following sponsors: Garrison Plumbing, Council Member Timm, the Exchange Club, the Police Department, the Fire Department, the City, Business with Pleasure, Erik's Deli, Lightspeed Martial Arts, Paul Burroughs, Valley Churches United, Scout Troop BSA 614, Cruise Coffee, the Rotary Club, the Moose Lodge, Bobby Ward, Ray Goerske, Otis Cohen, and Vineyard Church. The Council Members added a huge thank you to Council Member Lind for her exceptional work on the event.

CM Timm participated in the Visit Santa Cruz meeting, and they received an update on the hotels. The hotel bookings are back to pre-pandemic levels and the year ahead is looking favorable. He also noted that Visit Santa Cruz is searching for a new location for its office.

Mayor Dilles attended a meeting of the City Selection Committee, which consists of Mayors from across the county for the purpose of approving appointments under state law. The Mayor of Capitola was appointed as a representative to the Countywide Remote Access Network Committee.

Mayor Dilles, along with all other Council Members coordinated and attended the Civic Appreciation Lunch for the City's Commissioners, Board Members, and Committee Members.

Mayor Dilles attended the Employee Appreciation Lunch for the City's staff members.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Leadership Santa Cruz (Cohort 37): City Manager LaGoe attended the Leadership Santa Cruz Meeting last Friday where the topic was small business and tourism. Visit Santa Cruz provided an update on tourism, and they heard from several small businesses and the organizations that support small businesses.

Special Planning Commission Meeting: There will be a special meeting of the Planning Commission tomorrow evening, 12/7, regarding the Housing Element.

Development Impact Fee Report (DIF): The DIF is posted on the website and available for public viewing. This report will come to the City Council on 12/20.

Administrative Services Department: The department has been working with the auditors on the 2022/2023 audit and the expected completion in January 2024.

Public Works Updates: The permanent road repairs for the Green Hills Road mudslide from last winter will begin next week, with Granite Rock under contract to complete this work. The Bean Creek slide has been stabilized in preparation for the winter weather. The final design for the permanent repairs will be completed soon.

Social Media: Please follow the City on social media for updates on road closures, road construction, and more.

Town Center Project: City Manager LaGoe met with the Town Center architects and the Town Center planning consultants today. The next step will be to set up interviews with individual Council Members and the property owners in the Town Center area to receive input on the proposed design ideas.

Police Department Foot Patrols: The Police Department is increasing the foot patrols in the shopping areas of the City for the holiday shopping season.

New Public Works Director: City Manager LaGoe introduced the City's new Public Works Director, Bret Swain, to the Council and to the Community.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Public comment was received from Megan Carroll, the Volunteer Coordinator for the Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter. Ms. Carroll indicated that the shelter is facing an urgent crisis that is being blamed on animal overpopulation, but she feels the reason is internal disarray and lack of oversight. She noted that the shelter is understaffed and there is a lack of resources and management issue. She feels this impacts residents because it effects the level of service they are able to provide. She requested that people check in with their representative who sits on the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) board.

Public comment was received from David Alreck, a resident of Scotts Valley. Mr. Alreck thanked the Council for all the recognition given through the various proclamations, and he thanked the staff for the response to his records request regarding an accounting of the Lennar funds. He feels that there should be some type of criteria in place for using the Lennar funds, and he feels that some of the funds should be earmarked for historical purposes. Mr. Alreck placed some articles regarding Polo Ranch on the back table for the Council Members to read.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

M/S: Lind/Timms

To approve the Consent Agenda with no alterations.

Carried 5/0 (AYES: Dilles, Johnson, Lind, Timm, Timms)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council minutes of 11-15-2023 and Special Meeting minutes of 11-29-2023
2. Approve check register dated 11-10-2023 through 11-27-2023
3. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 170.1 amending Municipal Code Section 02.19.020 regarding the Arts Commission
4. Approve a resolution to give authority to add one Police Officer Trainee

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Future Council Agenda Items

None.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The Council adjourned to closed session at 6:27 PM to discuss the matter below.

CLOSED SESSION SUBJECT(S)

1. Conference with legal counsel regarding liability claim
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9
Name of Case : Nordgreen Claim
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney, Police Captain

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Council reconvened to open session at 6:39 PM.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKE DURING CLOSED SESSION

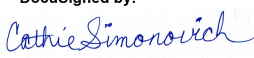
City Attorney Powell reported that the Council voted unanimously to deny the claim based on untimeliness and to deny the request to file a late claim.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

City Council Meeting Minutes
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Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

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Jack Dilles, Mayor