



MINUTES

Meeting of the
Scotts Valley City Council
Date: May 15, 2024
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 5-10-2024 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works Building, and on the Internet at www.scottsvalley.gov .

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Randy Johnson, Mayor
Derek Timm, Vice Mayor
Jack Dilles, Council Member
Donna Lind, Council Member
Allan Timms, Council Member

CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mali LaGoe, City Manager
Kirsten Powell, City Attorney
Steve Walpole, Police Chief
Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director
Taylor Bateman, Community Development Director
Scott Hamby, Public Works
Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

SPECIAL SET MATTER

1. Public Works Week proclamation

Mayor Johnson presented this proclamation to honor the City's Public Works Department. Scott Hamby, representing the Public Works Department, said a few words and accepted the proclamation on behalf of the department. Also in attendance were Jeremy Long, Wastewater Division Manager; Matthew Spencer-Cooke, Maintenance Division Manager; and Cody Wentworth, Public Works Project Manager.

2. Peace Officers Memorial Day proclamation

Mayor Johnson presented this proclamation, and members of the Scotts Valley Police force were in attendance. Officer Aaron Roberts accepted this proclamation on behalf of the department.

3. ALS Awareness Month proclamation

Mayor Johnson read this proclamation which proclaims the month of May 2024 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Awareness Month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Dilles attended the Blue and Gold Awards dinner where they honored Alica Walton as the Firefighter of the Year, and Nicholas Stoeberl as Police Employee of the Year.

CM Dilles attended the Monterey Bay Economic Partnership (MBEP) Regional Economic Outlook, and they heard from a variety of individuals regarding local economic highlights.

CM Dilles, along with the other Council Members, gave input on the Town Center designs. These were individual discussions with the City's consultant.

CM Dilles attended the Queer Youth Leadership Awards (QYLA), and the City Council was honored as being an organizational ally nominee.

CM Dilles attended the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce Awards Night.

CM Dilles attended the Wildfire Preparedness Workshop at the Scotts Valley Performing Arts Center. VM Timm was the emcee and panel moderator. He thanked VM Timm, Recreation Division Manager Pfefferkorn, and all the staff involved with putting together this event.

VM Timm thanked the staff for their work on the Wildfire Preparedness Workshop. At the workshop they heard from the State Insurance Commissioner's office about some of the progress they are hoping to make in the insurance market. He applauded the Fire Chief, CalFire, the Insurance panel, and the other presenters. All materials including the video recording of the event can be found on the City's website.

VM Timm attended a meeting of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) where they reviewed the carbon reduction awards, including the bike path in Monterey and the Highway 1 project. They also reviewed the Complete Streets Policy

recommendation, the draft of Regional Growth Forecast update, and the draft of the Monterey Bay Natural and Working Lands Climate Mitigation and Resiliency Study.

VM Timm, along with Mayor Johnson, attended the budget subcommittee. He thanked Administrative Services Director Hill for her work on the budget and for her clear presentation to the subcommittee.

VM Timm attended a meeting of the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce's Economic Development Committee where they are in the process of surveying business owners. The Chamber is also preparing for two sessions in collaboration with the City to discuss a potential modernization of the City's business license tax program.

VM Timm, along with all of the Council Members, attended the Chamber Awards Gala. VM Timm gave huge congratulations to all of the honorees.

VM Timm attended the QYLA event and accepted the organizational ally nomination certificates (from the Board of Supervisors, State Congress, and Assemblymember Pellerin) on behalf of the Scotts Valley City Council.

CM Timms attended the QYLA awards and found it particularly inspiring.

CM Lind attended a Board of Directors meeting of the Criminal Justice Council (CJC). She reported that more guns have been seized and are off the streets in 2024 to date, than in all of 2023. The CJC is starting the third and final year of behavior health study, which could potentially help with funding needed resources.

CM Lind a Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (METRO) Personnel meeting where they approved an additional position for an Information Technology Manager. She also reported that the new director is off to a great start.

CM Lind attended a METRO Finance meeting and reported that ridership, particularly Watsonville to Santa Cruz, has increased. They have received several new hydrogen buses that will be coming online soon, and METRO received an award for the *One Ride at a Time* program.

CM Lind announced that there will be a ribbon cutting at Santa Cruz County Community Credit Union tomorrow at their new branch location, 55 River Street, Santa Cruz.

Mayor Johnson attended a meeting of the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) where the Rail Trail is still being discussed. On Highway 1, some of the cement barriers will be removed.

Mayor Johnson was busy attending all of the events mentioned in the Council

Members' reports, and he particularly found the Wildfire Preparedness event relevant and necessary.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Appreciation of Staff: City Manager LaGoe reiterated the Council's appreciation for the work that staff has been doing. Public Works sends daily updates to the City Manager regarding work that is happening around the City, and it ranges from covering graffiti to fixing signs, and much more. She also gave a huge shout out to the Wastewater crew for working overtime as the company for the new shaftless screw conveyor worked on identifying why it was not working correctly. Thank you to the crew for keeping the plant functional while this was being investigated and corrected. City Manager LaGoe also thanked the Recreation staff for the successful Wildfire Preparedness event.

Summer Recreation Guide: This guide has been released online and can be easily accessed for information on classes, camps, events and more.

Volunteer Cleanup: Last weekend the Recreation Division hosted a volunteer cleanup day at Skypark and Siltanen, and this cleanup event was part of a larger countywide effort.

Grand Opening Celebration for Siltanen Family Swim Center: There will be a grand opening event on June 2nd from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM with the new pool operator, Pacific Flow Swim Center. There will be recreational swimming and other activities during this event.

New Public Works Director - Rodolfo Onchi: A warm welcome goes out to our new Public Works Director who has 20 years of Civil Engineering experience and lives just outside the City of Scotts Valley. Rodolfo starts on Monday, May 20th.

Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025: We have completed the City's cost allocation plan, and the final draft of the user fee study was just received from the consultant. City Manager LaGoe thanked the Budget Subcommittee and Administrative Services Director Stephanie Hill for the work on the budget. The draft budget will be presented at the next City Council meeting.

Wildfire Preparedness Event: The recording is on the City's YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/@cityofscottsvally>.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

David Leland, a resident of Scotts Valley, spoke about changes in the Town Center plans. He feels that the city is bypassing environmental due diligence in favor of speed, and he is worried about the additional housing units and the traffic.

Gary Richard Arnold expressed his distrust with AMBAG and the California League of Cities.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

M/S: Timms/Dilles

To approve the Consent Agenda with no alterations.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve the Special Joint Meeting Minutes of 05-01-2024 and the City Council Regular Minutes of 05-01-2024
2. Approve check register dated 04-26-2024 through 05-09-2024
3. Aeration Basin System Upgrades Project
4. Wastewater Recycling Facility Membrane Bioreactor Preliminary Design Agreement
5. Road closure for City's 4th of July Parade
6. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 22-200.2 AB 481 Military Equipment Use policy renewal
7. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 16.141 amending Title 17 (Zoning) of the Scotts Valley Municipal Code to add a new Chapter 17.55 (SB 9 Residential Development) and amending Title 16 (Subdivisions) of the Scotts Valley Municipal Code to add a new Chapter 16.78 (Urban Lot Splits) to implement Senate Bill (SB) 9.

ALTERATIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

M/S: Lind/Timms

To approve the Regular Agenda with no alterations.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 to Fiscal Year 2028-2029

Scott Hamby, Public Works, presented this item and responded to questions and comments from the Council. The Council did not have any significant changes to the priority, timing, or funding source for the projects included in the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

2. 2023 Scotts Valley Police Department Annual Activity Report

This item was presented by Police Chief Walpole.

The Council gave thanks and appreciation to all who serve our city.

3. Future Council Agenda Items

None.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened to closed session at 7:29 PM to discuss the following item:

CLOSED SESSION SUBJECT(S)

1. Conference with legal counsel regarding potential litigation
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9
Number of Cases: 1 case
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney, Administrative Services Director
2. Conference with labor negotiator regarding employee negotiations with Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Mid-Management Group, Scotts Valley Police Bargaining Unit and the Scotts Valley Police Supervisors Association.
Legal Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6
Staff Present: City Manager, City Attorney, Administrative Services Director, Negotiator

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The City Council reconvened to open session at 8:10 PM.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Johnson announced that there was nothing to report from the Closed Session Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

City Council Meeting Minutes
Date: May 15, 2024

Attest:

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Cathie Simonovich
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Cathie Simonovich, City Clerk

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Randy Johnson, Mayor