



MAYOR
Geno Martini

CITY COUNCIL
Julia Ratti, Ward I
Ed Lawson, Ward II
Ron Smith, Ward III
Charlene Bybee, Ward IV
Ron Schmitt, Ward V

CITY ATTORNEY
Chet Adams

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
2:00 P.M., Monday, March 23, 2015
City Council Chambers, Legislative Building, 745 Fourth Street, Sparks, Nevada

1. Call to Order (Time: 2:01 p.m.)

The regular meeting of the Sparks City Council was called to order by Mayor Geno Martini at 2:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call (Time: 2:01 p.m.)

Mayor Geno Martini, Council Members Julia Ratti, Ed Lawson, Ron Smith, Charlene Bybee, City Manager Steve Driscoll, City Attorney Chet Adams and City Clerk Teresa Gardner, PRESENT.

ABSENT: Council Member Ron Schmitt

3. Opening Ceremonies

3.1 Invocation Speaker (Time: 2:02 p.m.)

The invocation was provided by David Quirk, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

3.2 Pledge of Allegiance (Time: 2:03 p.m.)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Lawson.

4. Public Comment (Time: 2:03 p.m.) - None

5. Approval of the Agenda (Time: 2:03 p.m.)

Consideration of taking items out of sequence, deleting items and adding items which require action upon a finding that an emergency exists.

Mayor Martini requested agenda item 9.1 be heard after agenda item 7.5. A motion was made by Council Member Ratti, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the agenda as amended. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

6. Approval of the Minutes (Time: 2:04 p.m.)

6.1 Consideration and possible approval of the minutes of the regular Sparks City Council meeting on March 9, 2015 and the Sparks City Council Workshop on February 24, 2015. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Bybee, to approve the minutes of the regular Sparks City Council meeting on March 9, 2015 and the Sparks City Council Workshop on February 24, 2015. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

7. Announcements, Presentations, Recognition Items and Items of Special Interest

7.1 Proclamation: "Better Together Walk-Run for Sparks Middle School Day" (Time: 2:05 p.m.)

Mayor Martini proclaimed June 6, 2015 as "Better Together Walk-Run for Sparks Middle School Day" to support the event which strives to be a fundraiser and to bring folks together to get to know each other. The Proclamation was read by Council Member Bybee and presented to Coordinator Dana Serini and Sparks Middle School students Rosa Asneros, Jeremy Rodriguez and Kimberly Galindo.

Sparks Police Chief Brian Allen said on occasion the Sparks Police Department receives drug forfeiture funds and he would like to donate \$500 of those funds to the Better Together Walk-Run for Sparks Middle School event.

7.2 Proclamation: "The Week of the Young Child" (Time: 2:13 p.m.)

Mayor Martini proclaimed April 12-18, 2015 as "The Week of the Young Child" and encouraged all citizens to work to make a good investment in early childhood in Sparks and Reno.

7.3 Proclamation: "Nevada Moves Day" (Time: 2:14 p.m.)

Mayor Martini proclaimed March 18, 2015 as "Nevada Moves Day" and encouraged citizens to walk or bicycle their children to school while celebrating the benefits of increased safety and health. Council Member Ratti read the Proclamation and presented it to Safe Routes to School Coordinator MJ Cloud who presented information on the program.

7.4 Proclamation: "Procurement Month" (Time: 2:18 p.m.)

Mayor Martini proclaimed March 2015 as "Procurement Month" to further expand the awareness of the purchasing professionals' role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders. The Proclamation was presented to the City of Sparks Contracts & Risk Manager Dan Marran.

7.5 Presentation by Christi Cakiroglu from Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (Time: 2:22 p.m.)

KTMB's Christi Cakiroglu presented information regarding community education, legislation, school programs, community recycling, and clean-up efforts.

8. Consent Items (Time: 2:38 p.m.)

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Lawson, to approve the consent items as submitted. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

8.1 Report of Claims and Bills approved for payment and appropriation transfers for the period February 19, 2015 through March 4, 2015. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

An agenda item from Financial Services Director Jeff Cronk recommending the City Council approve the report of claims and bills as presented in the staff report.

8.2 Consideration and possible approval of the purchase of one cab and chassis from Silver State International in the amount of \$140,573.56. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

An agenda item from Public Works Manager Ron Korman recommending Council approve the purchase of one cab and chassis from Silver State International. A 1997 a ten yard dump truck, #521, has reached the end of its life cycle. Equipment services intends to utilize this cab and chassis as a “hook” platform as a basis to convert underutilized fleet equipment including a dump body, a sand spreader, a brine applicator, and a flatbed to modules that can be hoisted onto this truck. This would allow some fleet reductions and save costs.

During the current fiscal year, approved by Sparks City Council on February 9, 2015, we were able to procure grant funding not to exceed \$125,000 to assist in the purchase of this cab and chassis. The final impact to the vehicle replacement fund should not exceed \$15,573.56; there is no impact to the general fund.

8.3 Consideration and possible approval of the purchase and installation of one trash truck body from Wayne Engineering in the amount of \$64,272.00. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

An agenda item from Public Works Manager Ron Korman recommending Council approve the purchase and installation of one trash truck body from Wayne Engineering. A 2000 Wayne trash truck, #520C, with 185,115 miles has reached the end of its life cycle. Equipment Services has extended the usable life of this unit until it needs a complete overhaul. Maintenance Services utilizes trash trucks during special events and for park maintenance. Funds are budgeted in the vehicle replacement fund; there is no impact to the general fund.

9. General Business

9.1 Consideration, discussion and possible approval of payment of a \$10,000 donation to Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB). (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION) (Time: 2:33 p.m.)

This item was heard after the presentation in agenda item 7.5.

An agenda item from Administrative Services Director Chris Syverson recommending Council approve payment of \$10,000 to Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful. Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB) has maintained a partnership with the City of Sparks on programming including Adopt-A-Spot, Adopt-A-Park and River Cleanup, Educational Programs, Illegal Dumping and Litter campaigns, and Christmas Tree Recycling. An annual donation of \$6,012 was previously approved, and an increase to \$10,000 is recommended by staff.

Council Member Ratti commended KTMB for continuing to provide and even increase their services to the community even after the City of Sparks had reduced our contribution during the

recession. Ms. Ratti would like to increase their annual donation to \$10,000 now that the economy is starting to turn around.

A motion was made by Council Member Ratti, seconded by Council Member Bybee, to approve a \$10,000 donation to Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

9.2 Consideration and possible approval of the Mayor's recommendation of appointment to the Western Nevada Development District from the following pool of applicants, listed in alphabetical order: Kristopher Dahir and David Espinosa. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION) (Time: 2:38 p.m.)

An agenda item from City Manager Steve Driscoll recommending Council confirm the Mayor's appointment of Kristopher Dahir to the Western Nevada Development District for a two-year term that will end on November 2, 2016 and opened the item for discussion. Council Member Bybee supported David Espinosa for the appointment. Council Member Lawson supports either candidate and will support whatever decision the Mayor makes.

City Clerk Gardner said Resolution No. 3225 allows for 2 private citizens to serve on this committee. The current citizen did not reapply for a second term. City Attorney Adams said the agenda item is for one appointment and recommended one appointment be made at this time and if there is another vacancy, it should be advertised and put on another agenda.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Ratti, to confirm the appointment of Kristopher Dahir to the Western Nevada Development District. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, YES. Council Member Bybee, NO. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Motion carried 3-1.

9.3 Consideration and possible award of the 2015 Street Rehabilitation – Unit 2, Bid No. 14/15-011, PWP-WA-2015-080 to Sierra Nevada Construction, in the amount of \$507,007. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION) (Time: 2:44 p.m.)

An agenda item from Transportation Manager Jon Ericson recommending Council award the contract to Sierra Nevada Construction. This project is part of the City's Transportation System - Pavement Management Program. The project was prioritized through the City's Pavement Management System and outlined in the 5-year Program of Projects. Funds are budgeted in the CIP; there is no impact to the general fund.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Bybee, to approve the contract with Sierra Nevada Construction (AC-5130) for 2015 Street Rehabilitation – Unit 2 in the amount of \$507,007. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

9.4 Consideration and possible approval of funding allocations recommended by the Tourism and Marketing Committee for 2015 special events. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION) (Time: 2:49 p.m.)

An agenda item from City Manager Steve Driscoll recommending Council approve the funding requests as recommended by the Tourism & Marketing Committee:

Brand Leadership Team	\$69,375
ADA Dock @ Sparks Marina	\$14,000
Award for PURCHASE (not rental) of dock, pending approval by legal, City Manager & Dan Marran	
US Open of Watercross	\$20,000
Sparks Food Truck Drive-In	\$ 9,331.20
Star Spangled Sparks & Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off	\$50,000
Kids Free Fishing Day	\$ 2,500
Hot August Nights	\$30,000
39 North Marketplace, 39 North Pole	\$22,500
Western Heritage Festival	\$ 7,500
Riding on the River Family Festival	\$ 1,500
Pumpkin Palooza	\$12,500
Oktoberfest Harvest Jamboree	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
Total	\$244,206.20

City Attorney Adams said he had concerns with the purchase of the dock to be leased back to a private enterprise. Parks and Recreation Director Tracy Domingues will work with the City Attorney on the details before any purchases are made. If it is determined the dock should not be purchased, the money will be put back in to the fund and be reallocated at another time.

A motion was made by Council Member Bybee, seconded by Council Member Ratti, to approve the funding allocations for the events of the 2015 special events season as recommended by the Tourism and Marketing Committee. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

9.5 Consideration and possible approval of a settlement. (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION) (Time: 3:00 p.m.)

An agenda item from Administrative Services Director Chris Syverson recommending Council authorize the payment of a settlement in the amount of \$219,328 to Mark Scott. The City has participated in binding arbitration with Police Officer Mark Scott. This settlement is to satisfy the arbitrator's award and to facilitate a settlement allowing Officer Scott to resign employment with the City of Sparks. Funds are in the self-insurance fund; there is no impact to the general fund.

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Ratti, to approve the settlement between Police Officer Mark Scott and the City of Sparks. Council Members Ratti, Lawson, Smith, Bybee, YES. Council Member Schmitt, ABSENT. Passed unanimously with those present.

10. Public Hearing and Action Items Unrelated to Planning and Zoning - None

11. Planning and Zoning Public Hearings and Action Items - None

12. Closed Door Sessions - None

13. Comments

13.1 Comments from the Public (Time: 3:02 p.m.)

13.2 Comments from City Council and City Manager (Time: 3:02 p.m.)

Council Member Smith said the TourMark Committee discussed issues related to trash in Sparks after the Rib Cookoff and as the Burning Man participants are coming through town and asked if there was something the city could do to help alleviate the problem and keep our city clean such as put out additional trash containers. The Mayor requested staff to look into it.

14. Adjournment

Council was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

GENO R. MARTINI, Mayor

ATTEST:

Teresa Gardner, City Clerk

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