

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF BIGGS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING July 14, 2020
COUNTY OF BUTTE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Call to Order

The regular council meeting was called to order via videoconference at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Sheppard. Vice Mayor Thompson, Councilmembers Bassett, Busch and Frith were present. Staff present: City Administrator Mark Sorensen, City Attorney Greg Einhorn, City Planner Bob Summerville, City Engineer Trin Campos, and City Clerk Roben Benish.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** By Mayor Sheppard.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Bassett, Busch, Frith, Thompson and Sheppard.

Absent: None.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Delinquent Charges.

A. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to approve and confirm a report of delinquent charges.

B. Mayor Sheppard opened the hearing to the public.

1. Proponents. None

2. Opponents. Liz Gonzalez contested her fines. Mr. Sorensen stated the time to contest the fines was at her code enforcement hearing last year, which no one attended.

3. Proponents rebuttal. None

4. Opponents rebuttal. None.

C. Mayor Sheppard closed the hearing to the public.

D. Council discussed this item.

Motion/Second to approve Resolution No. 2020-13, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE REPORT OF DELINQUENT CHARGES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO EFFECTUATE THE LEVY OF THE DELINQUENT CHARGES IDENTIFIED IN THE REPORT." (Frith/Busch, MCU)

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

A. Approve minutes for City Council meetings of June 9, 2020 and June 23, 2020.

B. Adopt Ordinance No. 421 by reading of title only, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIGGS AMENDING CHAPTER 2.20 OF THE BIGGS MUNICIPAL CODE CHIEF OF POLICE APPOINTED."

Motion/Second to accept the consent calendar. (Thompson/Busch, MCU)

6. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

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- A. Planning: Monthly Activity Report and Project Updates by Bob Summerville.

- B. Engineering: City Engineer Trin Campos reviewed the Monthly Activity Report.

- C. Public Safety. Verbal report by Sheriff Honea.

- D. Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency (SBFCA). Mayor Sheppard.

- E. Public Works. No report.

- F. Electric. Verbal report by Councilmember Frith.

- G. BCAG. Verbal report by Vice Mayor Thompson.

- H. Air Quality. Verbal report by Vice Mayor Thompson.

- I. Solid Waste. Verbal report by Councilmember Bassett.

- J. Mosquito Abatement. Verbal report by Mayor Sheppard.

- K. SCORE. Verbal report by Councilmember Busch.

- L. LAFCo. Verbal report by Mayor Sheppard.

- M. Biggs Unified School District. Verbal report by Councilmember Thompson

- N. Other commission reports. None.

- O. City Administrator.
 - 1. Animal Control: Mr. Sorensen and Mr. Einhorn discussed the animal control agreement with the City of Gridley which Gridley terminated without notice.

 - 2. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to approve the fiscal year 2020-21 fire protection agreement with CalFire.

Motion/Second to approve Resolution No 2020-14, "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT (2CA04838) FOR SERVICES FROM JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021." (Thompson/Sheppard, MCU)

 - 3. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to designate its voting delegate and alternates for the annual business meeting of the League of California Cities.

Motion/Second to designate Councilmember Bassett as the voting delegate and Vice Mayor Thompson as the alternate for the League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo – October 7 – 9, 2020. (Frith/Bassett, MCU)

4. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to review the proposal requesting a lease term of 5 years to grown animal fodder crops at the wastewater disposal field.

Council agreed to table this item until the applicant had a chance to view the disposal field.

5. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to consider a first reading of an ordinance establishing a parking permit program.

Motion/Second to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 422 by reading of title only, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIGGS ADDING ARTICLE IV TO CHAPTER 8.15 OF THE BIGGS MUNICIPAL CODE, PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM.” (Adding custom boat covers are allowed) (Frith/Bassett, MCU)

7. INFORMATIONAL: None.

8. CLOSED SESSION: Council adjourned to closed session at 7:59 p.m.

9. RESUME REGULAR MEETING: Council resumed the regular meeting at 8:15 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Council adjourned the regular meeting 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Roben Benish, CITY CLERK

James T. Sheppard, MAYOR