

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF BIGGS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING June 9, 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 Stacey Lynch, 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. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

A. Approval of warrants: 34974– 35037, Z02393 – Z02411 for the month of May 2020 in the amount of \$468,797.15.

B. Approve minutes for City Council meetings of May 12, 2020.

C. Acknowledge receipt of Gridley-Biggs Police Department Report.

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

5. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mayor Sheppard asked to act on items O.1 and O.2 at this point in the agenda.

O. City Administrator.

1. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to consider approving a resolution regarding security alarm system permits and compliance with County of Butte application process.

Motion/Second to approve Resolution No. 2020-08, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BIGGS REGARDING SECURITY ALARM SYSTEM PERMITS AND COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY OF BUTTE APPLICATION PROCESS.”

(Frith/Thompson, MCU)

2. Council was asked to approve an introductory reading of an ordinance to designate the Butte County Sheriff as the Chief of Police of the City of Biggs, effective July 1, 2020.

Motion/Second to approve first reading of 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.”
(Thompson/Bassett, MCU)

A. Planning:

1. Monthly Activity Report and Project Updates by Bob Summerville.
2. Mr. Summerville asked Council to consider submitting a Local Early Action Planning Grant application to the State Housing and Community Development Department.

Motion/Second to adopt Resolution No. 2020-10, “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS.” (Sheppard/Frith, MCU)

B. Engineering: City Engineer Stacey Lynch reviewed the Monthly Activity Report.

C. Public Safety. Verbal report by Mr. Sorensen.

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

E. Public Works. No report.

F. Electric. Verbal report by Councilmember Frith.

G. BCAG. Vice Mayor Thompson

H. Air Quality. 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.

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3. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to consider authorizing a 4-year extension of the existing contract between the City of Biggs and Butte County.

Motion/Second to approve Amendment #2 to the existing Professional Services Contract between the City of Biggs and Butte County for Building Plans Review, Permitting and Inspection Services, and authorize the Mayor to sign.
(Frith/Sheppard, MCU)

4. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to consider the Wastewater Project Emergency Response Planning Document.

Motion/Second to authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to sign the Wastewater Project Emergency Response Planning Document.

5. Mr. Sorensen presented the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget to Council.

Motion/Second to approve Resolution No. 2020-09, “RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS ADOPTING THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BIGGS ENTITLED ‘2020-2021 BUDGET, CITY OF BIGGS’.” (Thompson/Bassett, MCU)

Motion/Second to approve Resolution No. 2020-11 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BIGGS ESTABLISHING THE CALPERS CCR 570.5 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE.” (Thompson/Bassett, MCU)

6. Mr. Sorensen asked Council to review the city ordinance and policy related to utility accounts and billing.

Council agreed to make no changes at this time.

7. Council was asked to review the Biggs Municipal Code Chapter 8.15.060 regarding parking in excess of 72 hours – Maintenance or repairs.

Council discussed options and gave direction to staff.

6. INFORMATIONAL: Councilmember Bassett discussed the fireworks display for the 4th of July in Biggs.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Council adjourned the regular meeting 8:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Roben Benish, CITY CLERK

James T. Sheppard, MAYOR