



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL

City Council Chambers
100 West California Avenue
Ridgecrest, California 93555

June 19, 2013
5:30 pm

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Pursuant To California Government Code 54953 (B) (1) An Additional Call In Location Has Been Established For Council Members Who Will Attend This Meeting Via Teleconference At 1064 SE 6th St, Oak Harbor, WA 98277

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Daniel O. Clark, Mayor; Jason Patin, Mayor Pro-Tem; Marshall 'Chip' Holloway, Vice-Mayor; James Sanders, Council Member; Lori Acton, Council Member (via teleconference)

Staff Present: Dennis Speer, City Manager; Rachel J. Ford, City Clerk; Keith Lemieux, City Attorney; and other staff

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Added discussion item for Measure 'L' Advisory Committee appointments.

Motion To Approve Agenda As Amended Made By Council Member Patin , Second By Council Member Holloway . Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

PUBLIC COMMENT – CLOSED SESSION

- None Presented

CLOSED SESSION

GC54956.9 (b) Conference With Legal Counsel, Existing Litigation – City Of

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REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 p.m.

- Pledge Of Allegiance
- Invocation

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

- Closed Session
 - City of Ridgecrest v Matosantos - Received report – no action taken
- Other
 - None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Christina Witt

- Presented Council with a cease and desist letter regarding sewer fee increase.
- Referenced proposition 218 regulations
- Announced is working on an initiative to repeal council action to increase sewer fee.
- Establishing the Ridgecrest taxpayer legal defense fund, a not-for-profit organization for donations to fund citizen actions against the sewer fee.
- Referenced regulations for an engineer's report.

Dave Matthews

- Announced the first day of Summer
- Encouraged citizens to read the Declaration of Independence
- Announced the Independence Day fireworks show
- Announced the Lions Club fireworks fund bingo

Mike Neel

- Commented on proposed ordinance increasing taxes on empty property.

Phil Salvatore

- Spoke on empty property tax ordinance and explained tax depreciation on vacant property.
- Expressed concern about disadvantage to community.

Jim Rachels

- Commented on ordinance taxing empty property.
- Stated concerns of citizens being able to do what they want with their property.
- Suggested Council read Prop 218 regarding increased sewer fees

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Steve Morgan

- Addressed Council and thanked Dave Matthews for comments on Independence Day Fireworks and bingo
- Lions club is asking Council to consider donating \$1 for each household to support the cost of fireworks show.
- Announced fundraiser bingo
- Outlined events that will be happening on Independence Day.

Paul Vanderwerf

- Correction to agenda spelling of closed session item.
- Commented on newspaper article and accounting oversight regarding medians.
- Made comments on internal controls for paying invoices.
- Expressed some concern regarding trash
- Encouraged improvement to internal controls.
- Expressed concern of auditors and suggested elected auditor.
- Comments of Council having trouble receiving participation data and costs for Parks & Recreation.
- Noted youth soccer income on budget, waiting for response.
- Commented on trying to get information.

Tom Wiknich

- Commented on attempted hurry to get budget decision made because of vacations.
- Announced PACT carnival fundraiser for July 18-21 located at field near Home Depot.

Jerry Taylor

- Suggested a kick-starter application for micro-venture fundraising events.

Closed Public Comment At 6:27pm

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation Of The Employee Of The Month Awards

Clark

Council presented awards to the recipients of Employee of the Month and Volunteer of the Month

2. Presentation And Discussion Of The Kern Region Energy Action Plan

Linda Urata

Council heard a presentation by Linda Urata and Jeff Caton regarding the Kern Region Energy Action Plan. *(Copy Available in the City Clerk's Office)*

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Lori Acton

- Asked if Biovac is factored into the cost of implementing the plan.
 - Currently not factored into the plan due to difficulty gaining information regarding the treatment plant from the Navy.

Dan Clark

- Asked for clarification of storm water usage plan.
 - New policy of City's general plan update from 2008. All policies adopted since 2005 City receives credit.

Jim Sanders

- Clarified the energy statistics for treatment plant not obtained by navy.

Chip Holloway

- Asked for clarification of different levels of incentives for the plan.
 - Explanation of incentive tiers given by Linda Urata.
 - Quarterly updates given to City staff.

Chip Holloway

- Thanked Dorene Morgan for taking on this project.
- Reminded public there are many staff persons who have taken on additional duties without receiving credit and asked for remembrance of this fact when asking Council to cut full time equivalent positions.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council That Accepts The City Of Ridgecrest Energy Action Plan (EAP) As Reflected In Exhibit A
Speer
4. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Agreement With Sierra Sands Unified School District For Law Enforcement Services (School Resource Officer Program)
Strand
5. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing The Application For And Acceptance Of The Department Of Alcoholic Beverage Control, Grant Assistance Program
Strand
6. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing Application For And Acceptance Of The State Of California, Office Of Traffic Safety STEP Grant
Strand

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7. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Authorizing The Application For And Acceptance Of The Office Of Traffic Safety, Sobriety Checkpoint Grant Strand
8. Approval Of Draft Minutes Of The Regular Council Meeting Dated May 15, 2013 Ford

Items Pulled from Consent Calendar:

- Items 6 & 7 pulled by members of the public

Motion To Approve Consent Calendar Items 3, 4, 5, & 8 Made By Council Member Patin , Second By Council Member Sanders . Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

Item 6 & 7 Discussion

Mike Neel

- Clarified the STEP grant was for only items listed in agenda
- Asked what Hot Sheet program was.
- Asked about court STING operation and number of occurrences annually.
- Clarified that item 7 is for DUI checkpoints
- Referenced email sent to Council questioning philosophy of DUI checkpoints resulting in no arrests.
- Commented on erroneous statements made regarding the reason for the checkpoints and inconvenience to law abiding citizens.
- Made comments of persons deliberately avoiding the checkpoints.
- Referenced various studies of effectiveness of DUI checkpoints.
- Commented on overtime for police officers.
- Asked about policy regarding number of vehicles stopped.
- Urged Council to consider not approving Item 7.
- Encouraged conversation with Office of Traffic Safety to provide funding for other methods that are more effective such as saturation patrols.

Jim Rachels

- Commented on DUI checkpoints as being against 4th amendment rights.
- Supreme court ruling of unreasonable seizure and referenced Council Member Acton statement from email referencing the primary function of DUI checkpoints.
- Offended by statement made by Council Member Acton.
- Related additional comments from Council Member Acton.
- Commented on statements, if true, being illegal purpose of DUI checkpoints.
- Read comments written by Justice Stephens.
- Asked council to reconsider DUI checkpoints

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Christina Witt

- Commented on father's alcoholism and first DUI which was direct result of family calling in incident.
- No DUI given by RCPD in a checkpoint
- Comments on treatment received when stopped for holding cell phone and searched as a point of training.
- Commented on publication of DUI checkpoints.
- Commented on violation of rights during illegal search of vehicle without probable cause by CHP.

Scott Garver

- Commented on mandates strictly followed by well trained officers.
- Asked Council to approve the DUI resolution.

Jim Sanders

- Commented on indecision of issue due to not being well informed.
- Related experience of intentionally going thru checkpoint
- Supports the resolution.

Jason Patin

- Not a constitutional issue as proven by supreme court
- Does not agree with basing decision tonight on email

Dan Clark

- Driving is a privilege, not a constitutional right

Motion To Approve Items 6 & 7 Of The Consent Calendar Was Made By Council Member Patin, Second By Council Member Sanders. Motion Carried By Roll Call Vote Of 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstain, And 0 Absent.

ORDINANCES

9. Waive Reading In Full And Adopt Ordinance No. 13-02, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Adopting Zone Change No. 13-01 Alexander

Matthew Alexander

- Presented staff report.

Public Hearing opened at 7:23 p.m.

- None presented

Closed public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

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Motion To Waive Reading In Full And To Adopt By Title Only, Ordinance No. 13-02, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Amending The Zoning Map For Zone Change ZC 13-01, A Request To Amend The Zoning Map For 2 Parcels: 1) APN 067-031-11, (822 N. Balsam Street) Containing 3900 Square Feet From Undesignated To CG (General Commercial) And 2) APN 067-031-12, (828 N. Balsam Street) Containing 6500 Square Feet From Undesignated To R-2 (Multi-Family Residential) Made By Council Member Patin , Second By Council Member Holloway . Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

Motion To Adopt, By Title Only, Ordinance No. 13-02, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Amending The Zoning Map For Zone Change ZC 13-01, A Request To Amend The Zoning Map For 2 Parcels: 1) APN 067-031-11, (822 N. Balsam Street) Containing 3900 Square Feet From Undesignated To CG (General Commercial) And 2) APN 067-031-12, (828 N. Balsam Street) Containing 6500 Square Feet From Undesignated To R-2 (Multi-Family Residential) Made By Council Member Holloway , Second By Council Member Sanders . Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

10. Introduction And First Reading, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Adopting Zoning Text Amendment No. 12-01, By Amending The Zoning Ordinance By Defining "Family" As Follows: "Family" Shall Mean An Individual, Or Two (2) Or More Persons Related By Blood Or Marriage Or Legal Adoption, Or A Group Not To Exceed Six (6) Persons (Excluding Servants) Living Together As A Single Housekeeping Unit In A Dwelling Unit. Applicant: City Of Ridgecrest Planning Department
Alexander

Matthew Alexander

- Presented staff report.

Jason Patin

- Clarified that the six individuals are unrelated to each other.

Public Comment opened at 7:27 p.m.

- None presented

Public Comment closed at 7:28pm

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Motion To Waive Reading In Full Of An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Amending The Zoning Ordinance Text By Amending The Definition Of "Family" As Follows: "Family" Shall Mean An Individual, Or Two (2) Or More Persons Related By Blood Or Marriage Or Legal Adoption, Or A Group Not To Exceed Six (6) Persons (Excluding Servants) Living Together As A Single Housekeeping Unit In A Dwelling Unit Made By Council Member Sanders , Second By Council Member Holloway . Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

Motion To Introduce, By Title Only, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Amending The Zoning Ordinance Text By Amending The Definition Of "Family" As Follows: "Family" Shall Mean An Individual, Or Two (2) Or More Persons Related By Blood Or Marriage Or Legal Adoption, Or A Group Not To Exceed Six (6) Persons (Excluding Servants) Living Together As A Single Housekeeping Unit In A Dwelling Unit Made By Council Member Sanders , Second By Council Member Holloway . Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

11. FY 2012-13 Budget Update

McQuiston

Rachelle McQuiston

- No report as May financials have not closed.

12. Discussion And Approval Of A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council And The Ridgecrest Successor Redevelopment Agency Adopting The Annual Budget For Fiscal Year 2013-14, Establishing Appropriations, Estimating Revenues, And Establishing The Policies By Which The Budget May Be And Shall Be Amended

McQuiston

Rachelle McQuiston

- Presented staff report (PowerPoint available in the City Clerk's Office)

Lori Acton

- Clarified funding sources for Parks & Recreation director
 - Rachelle McQuiston – reviewed Pages 73 & 74 of budget document
- Asked for affect on budget to reduce Parks and Recreation director to just a recreation Manager
 - Rachelle McQuiston – responded regarding reduction of both budgets and decision of where salary savings would be placed.
- Suggested reduction savings be placed in general fund reserves.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – clarified changes made and current reserve based on parks budget reductions and 2 maintenance worker positions reduction.

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Lori Acton *(continued)*

- Clarified that in addition to the cuts identified, suggesting reduction of Parks and Recreation Director to a Manager position and salary savings moved to general fund reserve.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – clarified potential savings of \$100,000
- Suggested moving all maintenance workers under Public Works and focus on just a Recreation Manager for programs.

Jim Sanders

- Asked for staff recommendation for the \$100,000 cut to Parks
 - Dennis Speer – staff recommendation is to place all savings to general fund reserve
 - Rachelle McQuiston – reviewed increases and decreases resulting in closure of two parks; reduction in water due to rate changes. One unfunded maintenance worker and one transfer.

Chip Holloway

- Clarified original parks reduction was \$220,000.
- New budget is \$238,000 reduction
 - Rachelle McQuiston – reminded Council staff is off furlough and salaries have increased which is not reflected in the estimated actual.
- Asked if year-end number will be as projected
 - Rachelle McQuiston – comfortable the estimates are accurate
- Commented on bargaining unit negotiations

Jim Sanders

- Reviewed budget v. actual and overage in expenditure.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – assured council revenues and expenditures for the FY13-14 budget are projected more reasonable.
 - Noted decrease of budgeted appropriations and revenues.
- Clarified Council Member Acton's proposal of moving maintenance to public works, reducing parks director and hiring recreation manager.
 - Lori Acton – if budget currently meets reduction needs without proposal then good with it.

Jason Patin

- Clarified attempt to cut budget proportionately and Parks portion is \$220,000 which has now been exceeded to \$238,000 in cuts.
- Not in favor of cutting parks but more in favor of reorganizing and outsourcing functions, but found out cannot outsource due to bargaining agreements.
- Ok with cuts made in the beginning and want to continue to find other ways to fund both parks programs as well as the police functions currently being funded by Measure 'L'
- Made comments on lack of tax dollars from the largest employer in the valley.

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Jason Patin *(continued)*

- Need to find different way to fund parks and recreation department such as an assessment district.
- Currently only people paying to sustain the parks and recreation department are those within City Limits while everyone outside receives the benefits.

Recess at 8:02pm

Dan Clark

- Asked what result of additional \$100,000 cuts to maintenance would mean to the community.
 - Jim Ponek – reviewed current recommendation of 2 maintenance workers in addition to previous cuts.

Public Comment opened at 8:07 p.m.

Phil Salvatore

- Reviewed page 24 of budget document for parks and recreation.
- Noted increase to public works but reduction to street person.
- Reviewed changes to personnel for finance and information technology.
- Reviewed page 27 staffing changes in 2005
- Commented on public services increases
- Commented on police full-time equivalent
- Commented on Parks District not having to go to vote of public if both County and City can agree to run the parks as a special district.
- Gave suggestions of negotiations
 - Rachelle McQuiston – responded to concerns noted by Mr. Salvatore. Reviewed pages 23 & 24 of draft budget document.
 - Dennis Speer – explained staff reorganizations and reductions from past two years

Christina Witt

- Asked for clarification of Pinney Pool use
 - Jim Ponek – responded
- Asked about general fund subsidizing Pinney Pool and revenues received
- Commented on TAB funds anticipated and if Council would consider an indoor facility for year-round use.
 - Jim Ponek - responded

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Mike Tosti

- Questioned soccer field use at Leroy Jackson and referenced rumor currently going around. Asked for clarification
 - Jim Ponek – reviewed Leroy Jackson Park lease which will be ended and County maintenance. Kerr McGee sports complex will be closed for six months during refitting and maintenance. Football association is currently working out an agreement with County to use the Jackson Park soccer fields.

Scott Garver

- Questioned transfer of parks maintenance worker being moved to streets and one maintenance worker being unfunded.
- Requested assurance the transferred maintenance worker will actually be working in streets.

Paul Vanderwerf

- Reviewed page 5 of City Manager budget and referenced auditor's report.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – responded
- Reviewed page 15 of parks budget referencing Leroy Jackson Park.
- Spoke on current grant applications.
- Commented on lights for football field to allow additional teams to practice.
- Commented on gymnasium at Kerr McGee center.
- Asked if additional staffing is a fee that is required.
 - Jim Ponek – reorganized staffing for weekends.
- Commented of staffing being hidden costs that is not represented in the budget
- Questioned revenue projection for youth soccer program.
 - Jim Ponek – responded.
- Expressed concern and advocating for community organizations to assist with costs for facilities and parks.

Bill Campbell

- Commented on reduction of programs.
- Concerned with salary increases from two weeks ago.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – responded on two items that were not accounted for in the original projections.
- Reviewed changes in services and charges.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – council direction was to remove the previous request to increase fees and additional reductions to parks budget.
 - Dan Clark – input from council is being reconfigured by finance as we go thru the process.

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Tom Wiknich

- Commented on approval limit for department heads.
- Asked Council to reconsider the \$3000 limit and increase it.
- Asked if Council has reviewed suggestion of charging different fees for use for city residents versus county or outside city residents.
 - Chip Holloway and Rachelle McQuiston – responded about the logistics of trying to determine residency.
 - Chip Holloway – reality is the net gain to the city would probably be less than \$2000.
- Commented on city property and motor vehicle taxes as offsetting the expenses.
- Asked for clarification of cut to parks and whether it included the \$100,000 requested in the last budget meeting.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – clarified
- Asked about shifting one employee from Parks to streets.
 - Dennis Speer – savings to general fund. Employee funded from a different source of revenue.
- Commented on request to put savings to police rather than reserve.
- Asked for staffing answers from Mr. Salvatore
 - Rachelle McQuiston – increase was indirect tax increment received from State.
 - Chip Holloway – asked Rachelle McQuiston to review the Full-time equivalent positions reporting and show general fund employee shown separately than non-general fund employees
 - Rachelle McQuiston – explained division of time for some positions which will show differently.

Mike Neel

- Reviewed conflicting statements between page 71 and 73 regarding medians.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – responded each page was written by two different persons creating a conflict in statements
- Reiterated statement of opinion that assumed legal fee savings will not happen due to Dale Howard lawsuit

Christina Witt

- Suggested requesting County remove their trash.

Jerry Taylor

- Reviewed Parks & Recreation budget on page 72.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – responded and clarified increase due to furloughs and cost of living increases.
- Commented on mixed agreement of certain union employees that are not paying the City's share of 8% of PERS.
- Reviewed building maintenance budget and portion of Parks Director being allocated to that fund.

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Jerry Taylor *(continued)*

- Reviewed difference between current budget and next year's salary budget
 - Rachelle McQuiston – reviewed increases as reduction of furlough's, 2% COLA, and standards merit increase due with satisfactory evaluations.
- Reviewed services and charges which included reductions in utilities. Asked what other services were cut.
- Commented on the breakdown and asked what was given up in the services and charges reductions.
 - Dan Clark – reviewed UFCW as being the first union to go on furloughs and the last one to go off furloughs. Suspect this is why there is a larger increase.
- Commented on parks & recreation director not being on furloughs. Trying to understand where the savings is coming from.
 - Rachelle McQuiston - will review services and charges and get back with Mr. Taylor.
- Suggested council review overhead and balance between supervision and employees.

Stan Rajtora

- Commented on ISF fund eliminations.
- Referenced the objective of an ISF fund.
- Cannot tell how replacement of the ISF is being funded.
- Suggested a net wash and doesn't understand where the money is coming from.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – reviewed expenditures removed and replacement of general fund expenditure.
- Concern that people getting the service, paid for it, and can't tell if it is going into general fund overhead rather than general fund and requiring everybody to pay the same percentage for services they are not receiving.
- Want to make sure the enterprise fund is not being charged for something they are not getting.
- Reviewed the wastewater budget and questioned the \$146,000 services and charges. Requested breakdown of services and charges.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – Professional services and consultants regarding the new plant.
- Questioned fleet mechanic paid by transit fund. Questioned why fleet ISF is not paying for mechanic.
 - Dennis Speer – responded.
- Questioned users of fleet
 - Dennis Speer – responded
- Asked if cost breakdown is based on formula.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – formula used is comparable to previous years based on historic use. Part of the mechanic salary should be paid for by fleet ISF and will review and adjust.

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Stan Rajtora *(continued)*

- Commented on 50% allocation of parks and recreation director and noted difference between overhead and cautioned against any enterprise funds paying for parks and recreation director.

Closed Public Comment At 9:13 p.m.

Chip Holloway

- Easier to do a large budget than a small budget.
- Referenced experience in a small volume store versus a large volume store.
- Nightmare trying to cover everything with a small budget.
- Water district passed a \$10 million dollar budget and school district is \$55 million. We have smallest ratio of dollars per person to provide a much larger level of service compared to these two agencies.
- Referenced 20% reserve.
- Commented that every idea from the public is worth looking at and no ideas have gone away, but reality is if we keep going down this path would not be able to afford the same level of services next year without creating new sources of revenue such as parks maintenance district.
- Just because some of the ideas received have not been incorporated yet does not mean they are not going to happen.
- Not one single action taken will solve all the problems.
- See light at the end of the tunnel, still need to figure out how to pay for a new accounting program that will allow us to do things more efficiently.
- Don't think we need to beat this budget to death anymore and council is committed to get where we need to be in the next four years.

Jason Patin

- Clarified that if budget is passed with recommendations tonight, will the pool close.
 - Jim Ponek – with new budget proposed, there is loss of two maintenance then something has to go. Recommendation at this time.
 - Dennis Speer – understood two employees at Leroy Jackson park.
 - Jim Ponek – with previous reductions there is only one person at Leroy Jackson.
 - Dennis Speer – recommendation is reorganization to maintenance to give priority to medians and keep the pool open. This budget does not include closing pool or lessening medians priority.
 - Jim Ponek – reviewed current parks maintenance employees with cuts.
- Not willing to close on this budget if it closes the pool. Ok if it is fixed.

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Lori Acton

- Reviewed eliminating one full time maintenance worker and moving one maintenance to public works. With other cuts made is good without changes to parks director.

Dan Clark

- Reviewed other changes with maintenance.
- Does not agree with asking 4 people to maintain all parks, pool, city hall, gym, and medians.
- Recommend going back to last budget because if things continue to be cut then will no longer be maintaining but rehabbing.
- Suggest putting \$100,000 back into parks and keep maintenance workers.
- Need to maintain what we have until TAB funds are available.
- Suggest going back to budget presented two weeks ago.
- Already have trouble with condition of parks and not having Leroy Jackson gives him the opportunity to do what he needs to do.
- Suggest reassessing when TAB funds are released.
- Believe dismantling quality of life for kids if we cut now.
- Leave \$100, 000, from legal in Parks and not cut staffing.
 - Dennis Speer – recommended review of reserve if that is done.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – reserve would be zero and may be in the negative.

Jason Patin

- With changes made right now the cuts are proportionate for each department.
- Reviewed concerns of why those funds are not going to a department that is currently being backfilled with Measure 'L'.
- Cuts are not proportionate and police and streets is backfilled by Measure 'L', does not sit well at all.

Rachelle McQuiston

- This proposed budget takes the \$100,000 in legal to reserve and because finance had not accounted for two payroll items equaling additional \$100,000 that reduced the potential reserve after cutting \$200,000 from Parks.

Lori Acton

- Reviewed suggestion of eliminating parks and recreation director and keep maintenance staff and pool.

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Jim Sanders

- Would support Lori's suggestion and keep more maintenance workers and reduce parks director to recreation manager.
- Questioned if can maintain the pool thru September with two less maintenance, then why can't continue to operate with two less maintenance.
 - Jim Ponek
 - Pinney Pool requires maintenance and recreation staff.
 - Pool is the last major thing left and has constant maintenance and upkeep.
 - Reviewed remaining facilities.
 - Medians being maintained as a priority.

Dan Clark

- Clarified pool schedule and possibility of mid-year revision.
 - Jim Ponek – pool currently runs year round and could continue with minimal maintenance but still have to maintain.
- Asked what could competently accomplish with elimination of two personnel
 - Jim Ponek – would eliminate Kerr McGee sports complex rehabilitation.
- Reviewed TAB funding possibility and questioned how many employees would be needed for rehabilitation
 - Dennis Speer – questioned how much work could be accomplished with part time employees.
 - Jim Ponek – reviewed handout and parks plan without cuts to staffing. If staffing is cut then something has to be eliminated in the maintenance and the pool would equate to \$105,000 in savings. All other parks and facilities would be maintained.
- Option 1 reduce parks director to recreation manager and 100k to reserve
- Option 2 staff recommendation reducing 2 maintenance workers
- Option 3 close pool

Lori Acton

- Will support option 2

Jim Sanders

- Support either option 1 and option 2

Jason Patin

- Comment would like to bring back to see if can work other employee back into parks in another capacity with other cuts.

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Motion To Approve As Submitted, A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council And The Ridgecrest Successor Redevelopment Agency Adopting The Annual Budget For Fiscal Year 2013-14, Establishing Appropriations, Estimating Revenues, And Establishing The Policies By Which The Budget May Be And Shall Be Amended. Motion Approves Proposed Option 2; Moves 1 Full Time Equivalent Employee From Parks Maintenance To Public Works; And Eliminates One Full Time Equivalent From Parks Maintenance; AND Moves Resulting Salary Savings Into The General Fund Reserve. Motion Clarified That Pinny Pool Will Remain Open. Motion Was Made By Council Member Patin And Seconded By Council Member Holloway. Motion Carried By Roll-Call Vote Of 5 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstain; 0 Absent

13. Approve A Resolution Of The Ridgecrest City Council Continuing The FY 2012-13 Budget And Approving Year-End Transfers And Adjustments

Speer

Cancelled as item 12 approved a draft budget.

14. Added Discussion Item For Measure 'L' Appointments Which Are Due To Be Replaced In July.

- Reminder to Council that certain appointments to the Measure 'L' Advisory Committee are scheduled to expire in July and new appointments will be considered at the next regular meeting of the Council.

Lori Acton

- Asked if this will open the application process.

Jason Patin

- Agree that individuals should have the open process to apply for service.

Rachel Ford

- Will advertise for public participation and applications.

Council was reminded of the Independence Day Holiday and agreed to cancel the first meeting of July 3, 2013. Next meeting July 17

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Organization

Members: Dan Clark, Jim Sanders

Meeting: 3rd Tuesday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M.; Council Conference Room

Next Meeting: July 16, 2013

Jim Sanders – announced next meeting

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Community Development Committee

Members: Jason Patin, Chip Holloway
Meetings: 1st Thursday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M.; Council Conference Room
Next Meeting: August 12 013

Jason Patin – No Report

Infrastructure Committee

Members: Dan Clark, Jason Patin
Meeting: 2nd Wednesday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M., Council Conference Room
Next Meeting: July 10, 2013

Dan Clark

- July 10 meeting cancelled, next meeting in August.
- Reviewed items for the agenda.
- Working on safe routes to school issue for Charter School

Quality Of Life

Members: Chip Holloway, Lori Acton
Meeting: 2nd Thursday Of The Month At 5:00 P.M.; Kerr-McGee Center
Next Meeting: (Dark in June, July, December, and January)

Chip Holloway

- Announced tentative workshop scheduled for July 30 or August 1 with USA swimming.

Activate Community Talents And Interventions For Optimal Neighborhoods Task Force (ACTION)

Members: Jim Sanders, Jason Patin
Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 4:00 P.M., Kerr-McGee Center
Next Meeting: July 16, 2013

Jason Patin – no report

Veterans Advisory Committee

Members: Jason Patin, Dan Clark
Meetings: 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month At 6:30 p.m., Council Conference Room
Next Meeting: July 1, 2013

Dan Clark – dark in July 1, next meeting July 15

Ridgecrest Area Convention And Visitors Bureau (RACVB)

Members: Jason Patin, Chip Holloway
Meetings: 1st Wednesday Of The Month, 8:00 A.M.
Next Meeting: July 3, 2013 at location to be announced

Chip Holloway – no report

OTHER COMMITTEES, BOARDS, OR COMMISSIONS

- None

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Dennis Speer

- Thanked Council for perseverance and adopting budget.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Lori Acton

- Announced vacation, and will leave early due to health issues of the bride.
- Thanked public for email and input for budget and as move forward will see changes in the process.

Jim Sanders

- Thanked staff for the time and effort on preparing budget
- Made steps in the right direction.
- Not thrilled about budget but considering circumstances is a pretty good budget
- Expect better process and budget next year.
- Small reserve concerns but there are conservative estimates on revenues so hopefully the end results are better
- Erring on safe side which is all we can expect to do.
- Thanked fellow council

Chip Holloway

- Echo Mr. Sanders statements
- Not happy with budget but working in the right direction
- Thanked Rachelle who had to come in and find all the body parts and council trying to create Frankenstein. Came in dry and figure this out
- Not the perfect process but think there are major changes that a lot of people won't see but moves in a positive direction.
- Cautioned not to make the same mistakes as Sacramento.
- Stick to commitment to fund police and streets without Measure 'L'
- Cannot be a full service city if the budget continues to be trimmed
- Labor unions and costs we have no control over

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Jason Patin

- Thanked city staff for work on the budget.
- Been working with the budget 3 months.
- Thanked Rachelle who was thrown into a fire storm and had to change the way we do our budget
- Public input has been taken constantly day or night by council and we have incorporated as much as possible.
- Irritated tonight because people who have sat here before get up and take potshots at us for something they did not do when they sat here.
- Not increasing budgets and being made to look like we are when we have no control of it with bargaining units.

Dan Clark

- Matt Feamster appointed to planning commission.
- Justin O'Neill brought in marketing campaign to 50th anniversary meeting and impressed with the new world marketing plan.
- Really impressed with the progress on the 50th anniversary celebration.
- Youth advisory committee was beneficial for these youth.
- Showed flyers that are being distributed
- Announced golf tournament fundraiser July 29
- Asked community to get involved and help sponsor a young person who may not be able to afford the entry fee to the golf tournament
- Suggested a two-year budget and encouraged council to consider for next year.
 - Rachelle McQuiston – outlined concept with revision periodically.
- Suggested discussion at future council meeting.
- Reviewed court ruling, which allows municipalities to ban medical marijuana.
- Announced veterans job club
- Fundraiser for veterans at Beanster's and pizza factory on June 21
- Thanked staff for efforts on budget.
- Most comprehensive budget and while not happy thanked staff for hard work.

ADJOURNMENT at 10:24pm



Rachel J. Ford, CMC
City Clerk