

MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF GRASS VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF FEBRUARY 23, 2010

Lisa Swarthout, Mayor
Yolanda Cookson

Dan Miller

Jan Arbuckle, Vice Mayor
Chauncey Poston

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE GRASS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL,
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORITY AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**
7:00 P. M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm**
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Terry McMahan
ROLL CALL: Vice Mayor Arbuckle, Council Member Cookson, Council Member Miller, and Mayor Swarthout were all present. Council Member Poston was absent.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

The City Council reserves the right to hear items in a different order in order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner.

No Changes were made

C. INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of Awards for Valor to Fire and Police Employees of the Grass Valley FD and PD and the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District.
RECOMMENDATION: That Mayor Swarthout, on behalf of the City Council, present a Medal of Valor to Sgt. Joseph Matteoni of the GVPD, and Commendation of Valor medals to FF Gary Dunne of the GVFD and FF Jeff Johnston of the Nevada County Consolidated Fire District (NCCFD) for their exemplary and life saving actions at a structure fire on August 30,2009

Fire Chief Tony Clarabut and the Mayor presented the medals.

2. Rotary Club Presentation – Volunteer Work

RECOMMENDATION: That Council allow the Rotary Club of grass Valley and Bisnett Design to make a presentation concerning desired volunteer efforts for Mautino Park.

Brian Bisnett presented this item on behalf of the 49er Nevada City Rotary Club to Council.

3. A presentation on the Safe Schools / Healthy Students 5 year Federal Grant received by Nevada County Superintendent of Schools.

RECOMMENDATION: Informational Item.

Holly Hermansen, Nevada County Superintendent of Schools presented this item to Council.

Before Public Comment, Dan Holler, City Administrator spoke regarding the Responsible Property Owner Ordinance and informed the Council and public that it was not expected to be back on the agenda until the March 23, 2010 meeting or the April 13, 2010 meeting. The Mayor added that there is the possibility that there may be a publicly noticed meeting to exchange ideas with property owners regarding the ordinance.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Enos, resident of Grass Valley came forward and addressed the Council regarding the Walgreen's development.

E. BRIEF REPORTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Cookson spoke about her police ride along which included a visit to a homeless camp. Her afternoon of observing the front counter at City Hall. Last Wednesday's City Council Work Session and attending a Sierra Commons meeting. Council Member Miller announced that the Red Light Ball is this Saturday the 27th. Council Member Cookson spoke regarding the City Council Work Session and interviews with Department Heads. Mayor Swarthout spoke regarding attending a logistical meeting for the Amgen Tour. She attended a General Membership meeting of the GVDA. She announced the possibility of the local Lyons Club putting together a Fire Department Museum. She announced the following meetings: Thursday, February 25th and Wednesday March 3rd City Council Work Sessions 4:00 pm in the Hullender Room; Redevelopment meeting at 6:00 PM February 24 in the Hullender Room and a Transit meeting that will be held on March 4th regarding the Transfer Station.

F. CONSENT ITEMS – (roll call vote).

Vice Mayor Arbuckle moved and Council Member Cookson seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a 4-0 roll call vote.

4. Approval of Action Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 9, 2010
RECOMMENDATION: Approve Minutes as submitted.
5. Warrant Registers
RECOMMENDATION: Approve warrant disbursements in the amount of \$743,869.00 for the period January 30, 2010 through February 12, 2010.
6. Investment Reports for December 2009
RECOMMENDATION: Approve Monthly Statement of Investments for December 2009
7. Creation of a fund and approval of a Budget Transfer to facilitate the use of First Time Homebuyer Program funds awarded January 11, 2010.
RECOMMENDATION: By motion, approve the creation of Fund 150-4150-001 and a Budget Amendment Request in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of initiating and completing the First Time Homebuyer Grant program.
8. Playground Shade Structures – Authorization to Bid
RECOMMENDATION: That Council: 1) approve the findings that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and 2) authorize the advertisement for bids.

9. Dorsey Drive Interchange Project – Accept Easement Deed
RECOMMENDATION: That Council accept the attached Easement Deed for the construction of improvements associated with the Dorsey Drive Interchange Project and authorize the City Clerk to sign the Certificate of Acceptance for the easement.
10. City of Grass Valley Public Improvements Standards Update
RECOMMENDATION: That Council approve the proposed updates to the City Design Standards, Construction Standards and Standard Details.

G. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION OR SEPARATE ACTION AND / OR ANY ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

None

H. PUBLIC HEARING

11. Medical Marijuana Clinic Moratorium Extension
RECOMMENDATION: 1) Waive the reading of the ordinance in its entirety and read by title only, 2) Introduce and approve ordinance number 713 extending an existing moratorium on the establishment and operation of medical marijuana dispensaries in Grass Valley. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption if adopted by at least four-fifths vote of the City Council and shall be in effect for a period of one year from the date of adoption unless terminated by the City Council prior to its expiration.

Police Chief John Foster presented this item to Council. The Mayor opened the Public Hearing and as there was no one who wished to speak the Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

Council Member Miller moved and Council Member seconded to 1) Waive the reading of the ordinance in its entirety and read by title only, 2) Introduce and approve ordinance number 713 extending an existing moratorium on the establishment and operation of medical marijuana in Grass Valley. The motion carried by a 4-0 roll call vote.

I. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm by Mayor Swarthout.

Lisa Swarthout, Mayor

Kristi Bashor, City Clerk