

City of Williams

Council Minutes

810 E Street / P.O. Box 310, Williams, CA 95987

Regular Meeting of the City Council

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

The City Council of the City of Williams met the 5th day of May, 2010 at the hour of 6:00pm.

1. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Angela Plachek-Fulcher, Mayor Pro-Tem John Troughton, Jr., and Councilmembers Don Barker, Eddie Johnson, and Patricia Ash.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT:

Charles Bergson, City Administrator
Ann Siprelle, City Attorney
James P. Saso, Chief of Police
Wes Goforth, Public Works Director
Rene L. Miles, City Clerk
Sally Barker, City Treasurer
Joan Drayton, Municipal Financial Consultant

2. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, leading with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Plachek-Fulcher declared time for a period of public comment.

No speaker cards were received by the Clerk and there was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Mr. Bergson addressed the Council regarding Resolution 10-11 of the City Council of the City of Williams Ratifying the Purchase of the Property at the Southeast Corner of G Street at Seventh Street in the City of Williams, Colusa County Assessor Parcel Number 005-142-004.

After hearing no comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Ash moved to Adopt Resolution 10-11 as read. Motion seconded by Councilmember Troughton, Jr. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

2. Mr. Bergson addressed the Council regarding Resolution 10-12 of the City Council of the City of Williams Ratifying the Purchase of the Property at the Southwest Corner of G Street at Sixth Street in the City of Williams, Colusa County Assessor Parcel Number 005-142-001.

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Barker moved to adopt Resolution 10-12 as read. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ash. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ms. Drayton addressed the Council regarding Resolution 10-13 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Williams, California, Authorizing the Issuance of Revenue Anticipation Notes in the Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$995,000, Approving a Note Indenture, a Note Purchase Agreement and Related Matters. Ms. Drayton explained the purpose of this is to help in the payment of bills associated with the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Ms. Drayton introduced Ken Dieker of Del Rio Advisors, LLC who further explained the process of repayment of notes. Both Ms. Drayton and Mr. Dieker responded to questions from Council concerning funding availability.

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Troughton, Jr. moved to adopt Resolution 10-13 as read. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ash. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

2. Mr. Bergson addressed the Council regarding awarding a contract to Constance Coughlan, CPA as Auditor for the City of Williams for Fiscal Year 2009-10 and explained that this would assist with continuity in regards to the City's finances and the hiring of a new Finance Director.

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Johnson moved to award a contract to Constance Coughlan, CPA as Auditor for the City of Williams for Fiscal Year 2009-10. Motion seconded by Councilmember Barker. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

3. Mr. Bergson addressed the Council regarding appointments to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Loan Advisory Board (LAB).

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Ash moved to create a five-person LAB composed of the following members: 1) City Administrator or his designee, 2) City Finance Director or his designee, 3) City Planner or her designee, 4) One general business person whose business or place of residence is within the City of Williams, and 5) One business person in finance or real estate whose business or place of residence is within the City of Williams. Motion seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

4. Mr. Bergson addressed the Council regarding the adoption of the Updated Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program Guidelines.

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Barker moved to adopt the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program Guidelines. Motion seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

5. Chief Saso addressed the Council regarding the purchase of one 2009 Chevrolet sedan for the new Narcotic Investigator position.

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Johnson moved to authorize the Chief of Police to purchase a 2009 Chevrolet sedan using Police Impact fees. Motion seconded by Councilmember Barker. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

6. Ms. Siprelle addressed the Council regarding the appointment of a City Clerk and recommended appointing Mr. Bergson as the City Clerk following the resignation of the current City Clerk. Mr. Bergson was clear to the Council that he would not perform certain functions of the City Clerk position, like directing elections. The City could contract for services with a retired Certified Municipal Clerk through the City Clerk's Association of California and other work could be done by current staff to assist with the upcoming election and other associated duties.

After hearing no further comments from the Council or public, Councilmember Ash moved to appoint the City Administrator as the City Clerk for the unexpired term of the current elected City Clerk; direct staff to explore contracting with a certified City Clerk on an as-needed basis; and direct staff to place a measure on the November 2010 ballot to change the City Clerk to an appointed position. Motion seconded by Councilmember Barker. Motion then carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Ash, Troughton, Jr., Barker, Johnson, and Plachek-Fulcher.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.

REPORTS

1. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher declared time for reports.

City Attorney: Nothing to report.

City Clerk: Nothing to report.

City Treasurer: Nothing to report.

2. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher declared time for Council Reports and Committee Updates:

Councilmember Ash: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.

Councilmember Johnson: Nothing to report.

Councilmember Barker: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.

Mayor Pro-Tem Troughton, Jr.: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.

Mayor Plachek-Fulcher: Gave updates on committees, meetings, events, and projects.

3. Mayor Plachek-Fulcher declared time for Staff General Reports and Discussion.

City Administrator: Gave updates on City operations, schedule, and projects. Councilmember Troughton, Jr. inquired regarding researching alternative financing for old loans and Council gave direction for staff to do this.

City Finance Officer: No Finance Officer at this time; no report given.

Police Chief: Report given by Chief Saso.

Fire Chief: Not present.

Public Works: Report given by Wes Goforth.

Mayor Plachek-Fulcher adjourned open session at 6:58p.m.

Closed Session commenced at 7:05p.m. and was adjourned at 7:46p.m. with no open session announcement.

Approved: _____
Angela Plachek-Fulcher, Mayor

Attest: _____
Charles Bergson, City Clerk