

**KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 7, 2023**

Invocation to be given by Pastor John Dostal, Concordia Lutheran Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell, Jr.

6 P.M. REGULAR SESSION MEETING:

Call to Order and Roll Call: Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell, Jr. called the regular meeting of the Kingsburg City Council to order at 6:00 pm.

Council Members Present: David M. Silva, Staci Smith, Laura North, and Mayor Pro Tem Brandon Pursell, Jr.

Council Members Absent: Vince Palomar.

Approve Agenda: A motion was made by Council Member North, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the agenda, as published. The motion carried by an unanimous voice vote of those members present.

Presentations:

Swedish Festival Update by Kingsburg District Chamber of Commerce President Reggie Gierke

Sponsor: Kingsburg District Chamber of Commerce

Chamber President Gierke reported that the Swedish Festival went well, great weather. Financially, they came out ahead. Now they are rolling into the summer band concerts and farmers market. They are still low on donations for fireworks. They hosted a successful Fresno Street Eats last Friday along with the BID Summer Kick Off. The Chamber does have safety concerns for events as cars are coming through barricades and almost hitting people. Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. asked about k-rails. Public Works Director Galvez said we do not have any.

Public Comments: None.

Consent Calendar: A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Silva, to approve the items appearing on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by an unanimous voice vote of those members present.

- 5.1 Approval of City Council Minutes:** Approve the minutes from the May 17, 2023 Regular Council Meeting as prepared by City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard.
Sponsor: City Clerk's Office
- 5.2 Check Register:** Ratify/approve payment of bills listed on the check register for the period May 10, 2023 through May 29, 2023 as prepared by Accounts Payable Clerk Marsha Alves.
Sponsor: Finance Department
- 5.3 Reject all bids received for the Athwal Park Restroom Improvement and authorize the City Engineer to readvertise the project for bids-** Staff Report prepared by City Engineer Dave Peters
Sponsor: City Engineer's Office
- 5.4 Adopt Resolution 2023-027 Approving the FY 24 SB1 Project List-** Staff Report prepared by City Engineer Dave Peters

Sponsor: City Engineer's Office

Regular Calendar

PUBLIC HEARING— PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE DEPARTMENT AND POLICE DEPARTMENT MASTER FEE SCHEDULE- Staff Report prepared by City Manager Alexander Henderson

Sponsor: City Manager's Department

Open Public Hearing: Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. opened the public hearing at 6:09pm.

Manager Alexander Henderson presented the proposed fees. The Police fee is to set an amount for an officer so the City can be reimbursed for contracts and State OES aid. The Fire Department fees are also for reimbursement and State OES aid. The Solid Waste fees from Public Works were discussed during the Prop 218 process and are based on the CPI change.

City Council Discussion: None.

Open for Public Comment: Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. opened the public comment at 6:12pm. There was none.

The Public Comment was closed at 6:12pm.

There was no further council discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. closed the Public Hearing at 6:12pm.

Council Member North motioned, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adopt Resolution No. 2023-028 approving the proposed fees. The motion carried by an unanimous voice vote of those members present.

Award of the FY 22-23 Streets Project to Central Valley Asphalt in the amount of \$1,061,088.00.- Staff Report prepared by City Engineer Dave Peters

Sponsor: City Engineer's Office

City Engineer Peters reported the City advertised the FY 22-23 Streets Project and requested bids on May 2, 2023. On May 31, 2023, the City received seven responses from contractors for the project with bids ranging from \$1,061,088.00 to \$1,322,077.35. The lowest bid was submitted by Central Valley Asphalt of Lindsay, California in the amount of \$1,061,088.00. Central Valley Asphalt possesses an active Class A, General Engineering, Contractor's license in the State of California and the license is in good standing. Council Member Silva asked about the life of slurry seal and how long the roads will be closed for. City Engineer Peters said it extends the pavement life for 7 to 10 years and the repairs take about one day for closure.

Council Member Smith motioned, seconded by Council Member North, to award of the FY 22-23 Streets Project to Central Valley Asphalt in the amount of \$1,061,088.00. The motion carried by an unanimous voice vote of those members present.

Caltrans Co-Op Agreement for Sierra Street RRFB Project- Staff Report prepared by City Engineer Dave Peters

Sponsor: City Engineer's Office

City Engineer Dave Peters presented that the City is currently working with Caltrans on a joint project to install crosswalk upgrades at three existing crosswalks on Sierra Street and to construct one new crosswalk at the Sierra Street/Madsen Ave intersection. The work includes curb ramp upgrades, new striping, and installation of rectangular rapid flashing beacon warning systems at each location. The project also includes replacement of various sections of damaged concrete along Sierra Street between State Route 99 and Madsen Avenue (2,500 sq. ft. of repairs).

The City of Kingsburg is responsible for design and construction of the improvements. Caltrans has agreed to reimburse the city for half of the anticipated costs of the crosswalk improvements and for the full cost of the sidewalk repairs. The project cost is \$422,500 which consists of \$360,000 (RRFB's/crosswalks) plus \$62,500 for the sidewalk repairs. Caltrans has committed to a contribution of \$242,500. 1st 3 streets- pavement and curb ramp and paint. Should take 30 days, hope to get it done before school begins.

Council Member North asked if 18th and Sierra intersection is a different project. Mr. Peters said yes. Council Member Smith asked about timelines. Mr. Peters said the work should be done late July to August. The equipment has a long lead time, it should come in August to September. Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. asked about lighting at Sierra and Madsen. Mr. Peters will check. Staff discussed the cost- one location is \$80,000, the equipment is very expensive.

Council Member North motioned, seconded by Council Member Smith, to authorize the City Manager to execute the project Co-Operative agreement with Caltrans. The motion passed with an unanimous voice vote of those members present.

2023-2024 City Manager's Recommended Budget Introduction - Staff Report by City Manager Alexander Henderson.

Sponsor: City Manager's Office

City Manager Alexander Henderson presented the budget, which is the blueprint for policy decisions. Revenues outpaced expenditures by \$400,000. Last year first time sales tax has outpaced property taxes in recent history. Council Member North asked about the Summerlyn CFD Zone 2 levy: why do the ones in Fresno County pay the same as Tulare County? City Manager Henderson said that when forming the CFD, it was set up this way so there was equity- they are paying for the same improvements as their neighbors, no matter the county. Council Member North asked if it is more expensive over there? City Manager Henderson said both, it is more expensive and there is Tulare County cost sharing. Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. said he would like to comment on the fact that the sales tax has surpassed property tax, it is a big deal. The City has had a good plan and has stuck to it.

Informational- No Action Necessary

Council Reports and Staff Communications

Community Services Commission- Have not met.

Public Safety Committee- Have not met.

Chamber of Commerce- They will meet next week.

Economic Development- Have not met.

Finance Committee- Met and discussed solid waste and CFD rates, and 1st quarter returns.

Planning Commission- Have not met.

South Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority (SKGSA)- Have not met.

Downtown Business Improvement District- Met yesterday, June 2nd event was successful, discussed supporting the chamber for ribbon cutting.

Council of Governments- They met and had a PSA for water safety.

Council Member Reports- Council Member North reported that Kingsburg Elementary School District applied for and were awarded the grant that will allow for the SRO. Council Member Smith attended the Kingdom of Asia opening at the Zoo. Council Member Smith reported on the the Chamber's great job of the Kabab Twist ribbon cutting. He also attended the Kingsburg Truck Center electric fleet event. He reported on the service day at the senior center where we served over 80 meals, and on the fruit trail opening at Sunmaid, it was well attended. The Swedish Festival was a great event. Kingsburg Tri-County Healthcare District received 3 City grant applications, 2 were awarded right away, they needed clarification for the 3rd. KHS baseball are valley champions.

City Manager's Report- He has had questions about the federal debt deal- doesn't effect ARPA funds. Fiber project- phase 2 has continued, they have gotten the needed Caltrans permit that mandated night work. Phase 3 have received all permits. Internal good news, accountant Monique has had her baby.

Future Agenda Items: None.

The Kingsburg City Council adjourned out of the Regular Calendar into Closed Session at 7:02pm:

- 9.1 **“CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of California Government Code
Section 54956.9 (One potential case)”

City Council Adjourned out of Close Session into Regular Kingsburg City Council Meeting and report out of Closed Session at 7:44pm.

City Attorney Mike Noland said there was no report.

Adjourn Regular Kingsburg City Council Meeting. At 7:44 P. M. Mayor Pro Tem Pursell, Jr. adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by:

Abigail Palsgaard, City Clerk