



TOWN OF LOOMIS
AGENDA REGULAR MEETING OF
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS DEPOT

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TUESDAY

July 9, 2024

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: 6:05 by Mayor Youngblood

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL	Mayor Stephanie Youngblood	Present
	Mayor pro tempore David Ring	Absent
	Councilmember Danny Cartwright	Present
	Councilmember Jenny Knisley	Present
	Councilmember Amanda Cortez	Present

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion to adopt agenda: Councilmember Cortez; 2nd: Councilmember Cartwright

Ayes: Cortez, Cartwright, Knisley, Youngblood

Noes: None

Absent: Ring

Abstain: None

RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS: None

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Knisley discussed the effect the excessive heat had on the summer swim program and the outdoor concert scheduled for Friday July 11th. She also spoke on the transportation services available to senior citizens in Placer County.

Mayor Youngblood highlighted the Paul's Place Fundraiser taking place on Thursday July 10th at the Blue Goose Event Center

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager, Wes Heathcock highlighted the following items from the Town Manager Report.

- Status of the Horseshoe Bar /I-80 Interchange project
- Taylor Road Corridor Study
- Downtown Loomis Civic Space and Connectivity Study

LOOMIS LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Library Director Sarah Comstock spoke on the extensive list of events for the community happening at the library this summer. She also spoke on the success of the summer reading program, adding that as of 7/6/2024 59,000 minutes of reading time had been documented.

To view the calendar of events at the library go to the following link: <https://loomislibrary.org/>

LOOMIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE: None

ALLIED AGENCY ACTIVITIES UPDATE

South Placer Fire District Deputy Chief Matt Feely gave a status report on the calls and activities of the South Placer Fire Department. He highlighted the significant risk of fire due to excessive heat and dry conditions. Placer County Sheriff's Office – Deputy Bilodeau gave a status update on the calls and activities of PCSO in the Town of Loomis. He also highlighted the successful rescue of 13 hikers who were missing in the fire zone of the wildfire in the Royal Gorge area in Placer County.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Pam Blake: (comment read by Town Deputy Clerk as Pam Blake was in an auto accident in parking lot on her way to the meeting): Commented on the need to have a touch pad for opening the door at the library; the large number of fireworks going off on the 4th of July; and the cancellation of the summer swim sessions and upcoming concert due to the excessive heat.

Russ Kelley- Barton Road: Commented on the very large, very loud mortar they went off on the fourth.

Steve Boswell: Commented on the need for better signage promoting bicycle safety. Stated the Rocklin Road between Sierra College and Barton is especially dangerous. He brought a sign example to show the Council.

Jan Clark-Crets concurred with Mr. Boswell and is in favor of new signage.

Ann Baker: Spoke on the proposed extension of the Tax Measure that will be a measure on the November 5th ballot.

Ethan Brizzi spoke on the 2024-2025 budget.

Miguel Ucovich- Craig Court: Spoke on the need for the Town to follow the Quimby Act.

Shari Arribere – Asked if a Butcher shop was coming into Town, and if a school was going to be built on Sierra College Blvd.

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

Jean Wilson – Barton Road asked that item 5 be pulled for discussion

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A. Council Action Minutes – 6/11/2024
B. Council Action Minutes – 6/21/2024
2. Disbursement Report - 20240630
3. Planning Status Report – 20240630
4. Engineer's Report
5. A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Loomis
Honoring PCWA Board member Michael R. Lee for 40 years of public service.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

APPROVE

Approve

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APPROVE RESOLUTION

Motion to approve item 1-4: Councilmember Knisley; 2nd: Councilmember Cortez

Ayes: Knisley, Cortez, Cartwright, Knisley

Noes: None

Absent: Ring

Abstain: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Item #5

Jean Wilson: Asked that the resolution honoring Mike Lee be amended to include his contributions to the Loomis Library.

Public Comments regarding Item 5 were sent by email from Sonja Cupler and Cheryl Benson to the Town Clerk prior to 5pm on July 9, 2024 – Comments were sent to the Town Council members and printed and placed on the Dais for the Council members to read. During public comment they were invited to read the comments they sent in as Zoom participants, and they did not do so.

Sonja Cupler – “I formally object to the phrase “and for his faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior;” in the resolution honoring PCWA Board Member, Michael R. Lee for 40 years of public service. It is highly inappropriate for the Town Council of the Town of Loomis to honor and call out anyone for their faith. This is something that Mr. Lee’s clergyman should be honoring him for, not the Town Loomis. When one person’s faith is called out and not others, it gives an appearance that one faith is favored over others and could be construed as religious discrimination.”

Cheryl Benson – “The reference to religious preferences needs to be stricken from the record. This isn’t allowed per the California State Constitution.” Cited - ARTICLE 16 PUBLIC FINANCE SEC. 5.

Motion to approve item 5 amended to include Mr. Lee’s support of the Loomis Library:

Councilmember Cartwright; 2nd: Councilmember Cortez

Ayes: Cartwright, Cortez, Knisley, Youngblood

Noes: None

Absent: Ring

Abstain: None

BUSINESS

6. PRESENTATION BY PLACER COUNTY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR DISTRICT

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and File

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A member of the public opened a discussion on treated decorative fountain water and other locations of stagnant water

Councilmember Cartwright opened a discussion on the source of transmission of the Zika Virus

7. PRESENTATION BY PLACER LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCO)

Placer Local Agency Formation Commission, or Placer LAFCO, is a state mandated independent regulatory body whose role is to encourage the orderly formation of local governmental agencies, preserve agricultural and open space resources, and discourage urban sprawl through the review of city and special district boundary changes and the extension of the services they provide

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive, review and offer comments on presentation from Placer County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Executive Director Michelle McIntyre which will cover the sphere of influence update and service review that LAFCO will conduct in the next fiscal year for the Town of Loomis.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

8. PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT OF TOWN CLERK

At the March 5, 2024 election, the voters of Loomis approved Measure A, which made the position of Town Clerk an appointed position rather than an elected position. The current Town Clerk's term of office will end December 8, 2024.

The governing state law gives the Town Council two options, the Town Council can directly appoint the Town Clerk, or the Town Council can “be ordinance, vest in the Town Manager its authority to appoint the Town Clerk.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Provide direction on the Town Council's preferred process for appointing a Town Clerk.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following members of the public spoke on this item

Jan Clark-Crets

Jean Wilson

Tim Onderko

Direction from Council: Have the Town Manager retain authority and appoint the Town Clerk Position and complete the Staff Analysis.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Youngblood and TM Wes Heathcock spoke the FEMA meeting and the upcoming FEMA flood map review.

Councilmember Knisley commented on the LAFCO meeting to be held on 7/10/2024 and the LAFCO Strategic plan meeting on 7/16/2024. She also mentioned that there should be information out soon regarding the upcoming Library Strategic plan

ADJOURNMENT 8:05 PM by Mayor Youngblood



Deputy Town Clerk



Mayor