



TOWN OF LOOMIS

ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS DEPOT

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TUESDAY	DECEMBER 11, 2012	7:00 P.M.
CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to cited authority, the Town Council will hold a closed session to discuss the following listed items. A report of any action taken will be presented prior to adjournment of the regular meeting.		
a. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Town Attorney Contract, pursuant to Section 54957 of the Government Code. Title: Town Attorney		
TUESDAY	DECEMBER 11, 2012	7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER Call to order by Mayor Calvert at 7:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mayor Calvert
Councilmember Liss
Councilmember Morillas
Councilmember Scherer
Councilmember Ucovich

STATEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION a. No action taken.

RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATIONS Stephanie Walker, JoAnn Valentine, Danny Campos

BUSINESS

1. **Canvass of Election Returns**
Resolution of the Council of the Town of Loomis Accepting the Canvass of Election Returns of the November 6, 2012 General Election
Recommended action: Adopt Resolution
Public comment:

No public comment.

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to adopt Resolution 12-28, accepting the Canvass of Election returns of November 6, 2012 General Election. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote.

AT THIS TIME THE COUNCIL WILL CONDUCT CEREMONIAL MATTERS:

Administration of Oath of Office for -

Council: Rhonda Morillas and Dave Wheeler

Town Treasurer: Roger Carroll

Town Clerk: Crickett Strock

AT THIS TIME THE MAYOR WILL TAKE A 10 MINUTE RECESS FOR CHANGING OF MAYOR AND REFRESHMENTS.

Recess at 7:50 p.m. to 8:03 p.m.

RECOGNITION TO: Councilmember Gary Liss

AT THIS TIME SELECTION OF MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEMPORE FOR THE TERM DECEMBER, 2012 THROUGH THE SEATING OF THE NEW MAYOR AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER, 2013 WILL OCCUR. (Need motion for both appointments)

A motion was made to appoint Councilmember Scherer as Mayor for the term December 2012 to December 2013. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Morillas and passed by voice vote.

A motion was made to appoint Councilmember Wheeler as Mayor pro tempore for the term December 2012 to December 2013. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Morillas and passed by voice vote.

RECOGNITION TO: Mayor Sandra Calvert

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COUNCILMEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Wheeler recognized Russ Kelley for teaming up with the American Legion and the Lions Club and putting up a tremendous Christmas tree for the Town.

Councilmember Ucovich asked to have on the next agenda discussion of pictures for the Blue Anchor park so people will have a little history of the old fruit sheds.

TOWN REPORT

All items on the agenda will be open for public comment before final action is taken. Speakers are requested to restrict comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within a five minute time limit. The Mayor has the discretion of limiting the total discussion time for an item.

Written Material Introduced Into the Record: Citizens wishing to introduce written material into the record at the public hearing on any item are requested to provide a copy of the written material to the Town Clerk prior to the public hearing date so that the material may be distributed to the Town Council prior to the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT: This time is reserved for those in the audience who wish to address the Town Council on subjects that are not on the Agenda. The audience should be aware that the Council may not discuss details or vote on non-agenda items. Your concerns may be referred to staff or placed on the next available agenda. Please **note that comments from the public will also be taken on any item on the agenda. The time allotted to each speaker is three minutes but can be changed by the Mayor.**

Perry Beck pointed out to Mayor Scherer that he also was privileged to serve in the United States Marine Corps and reminded him that in hard times and decisions they would think back on "what the sergeant would do." He gave Mayor Scherer a memento to remind him in times of hard decisions and wondering what to do--- to think back 'what would the sergeant do.'

Russ Kelley stated the following:

- he asked if the Council noticed that the Christmas tree project in front of the depot is a success
- the American Legion, Post 775, and Loomis Lions wanted to provide a "Loomis Family Christmas Tree"
- he invited everyone to join them December 15th at the Depot from 6 to 7 p.m. to put a family ornament on the tree and the year they became a part of the Loomis Family
- they look forward to establishing a Loomis Family tradition to celebrate our great heritage

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Council will typically adopt the agenda in the order listed or modify the order in a way that can best accommodate the time of people in attendance who wish to speak on particular items.

A motion was made to adopt the Agenda. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Calvert and passed by voice vote.

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR: All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Council to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless an audience member or Councilmember requests otherwise, in which case, the item will be removed for separate consideration.

No public comment.

A motion was made to adopt the Consent Agenda pulling items 8 and 9 forward for discussion. On motion by Councilmember Calvert, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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| 2. | Council Minutes – 11/13/12 | <i>APPROVE</i> |
| 3. | Monthly Check Register – November | <i>RECEIVE AND FILE</i> |
| 4. | Statement of Activity | <i>RECEIVE AND FILE</i> |
| 5. | Treasurer’s Report | <i>RECEIVE AND FILE</i> |
| 6. | Planning Status Report | <i>RECEIVE AND FILE</i> |
| 7. | 2012/2013 Goals Update | <i>RECEIVE AND FILE</i> |
| 10. | Mareta Lane Improvements: To Change The Asphalt Curbing And Sidewalk To Concrete Improvements And Direct Staff To Begin The Process To Prepare Plans, Specifications And Estimates For The Project | <i>APPROVE</i> |
| 11. | Notice of Forthcoming Appeal of Planning Commission Determination On Walden Variance Request | <i>RECEIVE AND FILE</i> |

CONSENT ITEMS FORWARDED

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| 8. | A Resolution Of The Council Of The Town Of Loomis Awarding of Sevices Agreement For Building Inspection/Plan Check Services To Bureau Veritas North America, Inc. | <i>ADOPT RESOLUTION</i> |
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Mike Langford stated the following:

- he is a local businessman and has been in the community for 25 years
- he protests the award to Bureau Veritas North America
- he also can do additional services and is collaborating with an engineering and an electrical engineering firm in his submittal
- he worked for Placer County and was in charge of their commercial plan check and did the engineering review
- he performed code enforcement for Placer County and the Town of Loomis
- he asked Council to reconsider staff’s recommendation and consider his firm for this position

Michael Vierra, Bureau Veritas North America, stated the following:

- there staff is made of individuals from around the communities they are working in
- they make every effort to match staff to the needs of the jurisdiction or community that they serve
- their staff includes structural engineers, civil engineers, mechanical engineers, electrical engineers and fire protection engineers
- they have a depth of resources in the area to provide back-up assistance such as having inspectors, plan checkers, fire inspector, and accessibility inspectors

Pat Brechtal stated the following:

- he found out that John Kintz was gone when he called for an inspection and Rhonda Gannon , with Bureau Veritas, came out and treated him with professionalism and knew exactly what she was looking for
- he was very satisfied with Ms. Gannon and it’s good to have an outside person checking on the inspections

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to adopt Resolution 12-29, awarding building inspection and plan check services agreement to Bureau Veritas North America, Inc. and authorizing Town Manager to execute an agreement acceptable to the Town for providing such services. On motion by Councilmember by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Morillas and passed by voice vote.

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| 9. | A Resolution Of The Council Of The Town Of Loomis Awarding Design Services Agreement To Bennett Engineering And Authorizing Town Manager To Execute An Agreement Acceptable to The Loomis Town Center Implementation Plan Improvement Design On Taylor Road Between Walnut Street And Shawn Way In The Amount Not-To-Exceed \$70,700 | <i>ADOPT RESOLUTION</i> |
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Mayor Scherer pointed out the following:

- he didn't see anything about a public outreach and communication plan
- during the Downtown Master Plan Implementation Plan the Council decided that in any future planning for the Town one component in any proposal would be public outreach and communication plan
- the outreach would identify the target groups that would be important to have participating from the community in the plan and how they would contact and encourage their participation
- the public outreach should be in the beginning and not after 60% is completed

Charlotte Langston, President of the Loomis Chamber of Commerce and representing some of the downtown businesses, stated the following:

- the downtown businesses would like to see the Council and members of the community consult business owners downtown
- there is an opportunity to improve downtown business and at the same time preserve the local heritage and not just the road between Walnut Street and Shaun Way
- when they invite people to come and see Loomis those areas don't look like we are preserving heritage and culture, they look like they are run down and we don't care
- they would like to see monuments, landscaping, and sidewalks improved
- parking is a big issue
- she would like to see Bennet spend some time and talk with the business owners and get their opinions

Russ Kelley stated the following:

- one of the key pieces that we need to watch is that no businesses are closed for any reason in this plan
- it is critical that the businesses are not interrupted and this needs to be in the plan

Leo Rubio, Bennet Engineering, stated the following:

- their goal is to make sure the project is successful and public participation is key to this project
- they will make sure that they work with the businesses and make sure there is no conflict in leaving drive-ways open and businesses are open during construction is common with all the streetscape projects they have worked with in the local agencies

Randy Elder stated the following:

- he asked why we are not looking at doing the implementation of the Downtown Masterplan between Walnut and Horseshoe Bar first
- that area is the most walked upon area in town with the post office, town hall and numerous other businesses
- the sidewalks have been buckling because of the trees and that is the biggest hazard we face
- he agrees with Mr. Kelley in helping to protect the businesses during the work
- he has a concern that some of the parking along High Hand might be eliminated
- the businesses and the community need to be consulted in the beginning of this project

Councilmember Morillas suggested bringing this item back in January or February until all the concerns tonight have been addressed.

Councilmember Calvert stated she is ready to make a motion that we adopt this and include some of the comments that have been said tonight.

Councilmember Wheeler stated the following:

- he agrees with Councilmember Morillas, to continue this and get more information on what exactly we are trying to accomplish
- he would like to take a look at the total budget and see if we can make this a larger project
- he asked if there could be some economy of scale by going with a larger project as opposed to smaller phases of this

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:

- we would need survey work done and crosswalk lighting, etc.
- he would like to know what exactly we are going to get and what it is going to cost
- he is concerned with the median in front of Stahr Liquor and there should be a meeting with the businesses up and down the street by Stahr Liquor to get their input
- he is not sold on hiring this firm, the other firm is qualified and costs less

Mayor Scherer stated the following:

- he wants to recognize the staff has done exactly what the Council has asked
- our number one priority has been improving downtown based upon workshops last year
- with some of the concerns we have he is hesitant to move forward without having the unanimous support of Council
- he suggested not making a motion on this tonight and to put this item on the January's agenda or during mid-year budget review to address some of the concerns that were brought up tonight

Brian Fragio, Town Engineer/Public Works Director, suggested continuing this item to February and discuss this in the mid-year budget in January.

Councilmember Calvert suggested making sure no other projects, like Caltrans overcrossing construction, is going on at the same time.

Mayor Scherer stated the following:

- he would like staff to look at and take into consideration, when we did the park design downtown, we had a difficult time getting that firm to use creativity in their design
- they tended to use a boiler plate engineering plan to design it and it was difficult to have some creativity in the design
- he would like to see some kind of statement as to their ability to incorporate innovative design and bringing in our heritage into the design

Rick Angelocci, Town Manager, recommended that we will talk about the Capital Improvement Program during the mid-year budget review, have both consultants address these issues, discuss more public workshops at that time, and come back in February for Council's decision.

BUSINESS

12. **Setting a Date for Goals Workshop**

Consider setting a Goals Workshop in February to discuss the Council's 2013 goals.

Recommended action: Discuss and if appropriate set a Goals Workshop date for February 2013

Public comment:

Rick Anglocchi stated the consultant is out of Town but will be back next week and staff will email Council with dates that are available.

No public comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

13. Placer County Community Services Commission - Morillas
14. Placer County Economic Development Board – Liss
15. Placer County Flood Control/Water Conservation District – Morillas
16. Placer County Transportation Planning Agency – Calvert
17. Placer County Mosquito Abatement – Kelley as citizen rep
18. Placer County Air Pollution Control District – Ucovich/Morillas
19. Local Agency Formation Commission (alternate) - Ucovich
20. Sacramento Area Council of Governments – Scherer/Liss
21. Placer Land Trust ex-officio representative – Scherer
22. Borders Committee – Calvert/Liss
23. Business Committee – Calvert/Liss
24. Schools Liaison - Calvert

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scherer stated there was no further business and adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Mayor

Town Clerk