



TOWN OF LOOMIS

ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS DEPOT

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TUESDAY **October 10, 2023** **7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM BY MAYOR CARTWRIGHT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion to adopt agenda: Councilmember Ring, 2nd: Councilmember Youngblood

Ayes: Ring, Youngblood, Cortez, Knisley, Cartwright

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

RECOGNITIONS: None

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Ring spoke on the proliferation of Hate Speech, ask the Council to be proactive in ending this
Councilmember Knisley highlighted the League of CA Cities conference attended by many of the council members.

Mayor Cartwright spoke on FPPC guidelines in regards to televised meetings.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Heathcock highlighted the following items in his Town Manager Report

- Finance Manager recruitment update
- UC Gardeners groundbreaking Ceremony
- Costco construction update
- WW Moulding Property
- Public Policy and Brown Act Training

LOOMIS LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Library Director Sarah Comstock spoke on the many community programs offered by the Loomis Library and Community Learning Center – View their website to find a calendar of events - <https://loomislibrary.org/>

LOOMIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE

Loomis Chamber of Commerce Director KD Molnar spoke on the success of the 2023 Eggplant Festival and the Upcoming Chamber Mixer and Coffee Connection. Click the following link to view their calendar of events.

PARTNER AGENCIES UPDATE

PCSO Deputy Bilodeau gave an update on PSCO activities and Statistics in the Town of Loomis.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Mindy Chadwick – Spoke against the posting of the Banned Books list and voiced concern about books found in the children’s area in the Library.

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Ring asked to pull item 11

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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| 1. | Council Action Minutes – 9/12/2023 | APPROVE |
| 2. | Disbursement Report September 2023 | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 3. | Treasurer’s Report 2 nd Quarter 2023 | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 4. | Quality Analysis Report 20230930 | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 5. | Investment Policy Compliance Report | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 6. | Planning Status Report | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 7. | General Plan Status Update | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 8. | Engineering Status Update | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 9. | Proclamation of the Town Council of the Town of Loomis Proclaiming November 1, 2023 Extra Mile Day | APPROVE |
| 10. | Town of Loomis response to Grand Jury Final Report - Spending on Homelessness Within Placer County dated June 21, 2023 | APPROVE RESPONSE |
| 11. | Public Safety Committee Appointment | APPROVE APPOINTMENT |

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Motion to approve consent items 1 – 10: Cortez 2nd: Youngblood

Ayes: Cortez, Youngblood, Knisley, Ring, Cartwright

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Item 11: Councilmember Ring voiced his desire to have this item read aloud instead of placed on consent.

Motion to approve consent items 11: Ring 2nd: Youngblood

Ayes: Ring, Youngblood, Knisley, Cortez, Cartwright

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

BUSINESS:

12. **NEEDLE EXCHANGE AND DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM – URGENCY ORDINANCE**

An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Loomis adopting Chapter 5.24 of the Municipal Code prohibiting the establishment, operation, use and/or participation needle exchange or distribution programs within the Town of Loomis.

At its meeting of September 12, the Town Council adopted Urgency Ordinance 23-293. The ordinance added Chapter 5.24 of the Loomis Municipal Code as an interim ban (until October 27th) on the establishment, operation, use and/or participation in needle exchange or distribution programs within the Town of Loomis. Staff recommends that the Town Council make Chapter 5.24 permanent.

The improper collection and disposal of used hypodermic needles and syringes presents an imminent threat to the health, property, safety and welfare of the public. Syringe services programs that provide services near schools, parks and playgrounds have especially negative effects since they result in improper disposal of syringes and the congregation of persons addicted to drugs near schools, parks and playgrounds.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Adopt an urgency ordinance prohibiting the establishment, operation, use, and/or participation in needle exchange or distribution programs within the Town of Loomis.
2. Determine that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) and is not a project pursuant to section 15378.

Councilmember Ring voiced his view on the net positive effect of the Syringe Exchange program and his concern that a ban limits the availability of other services.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following members of the public spoke on this item

Dave Dalli - Delmar

Jean Wilson – Barton Road

Motion to approve recommended action with a note to revisit in the future for possible amendments:

Cortez 2nd: Youngblood

Ayes: Cortez, Youngblood, Knisley, Ring, Cartwright

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

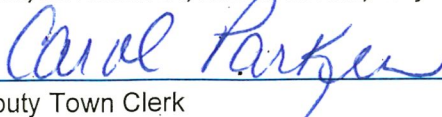
Cortez - Placer County Economic Development – Spoke on Grant program developments

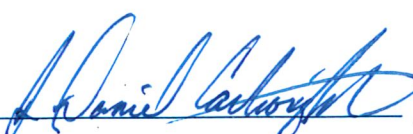
Youngblood – SPUMD Ad Hoc: Spoke on upcoming 2 x 2 public meetings

Ring – Homelessness Task Force will be changing directions in its approach. More discussions to follow

Meeting adjourned at 08:12 pm by Mayor Cartwright

Signed, November 14, 2023 at Loomis, California


Deputy Town Clerk


Mayor