

MINUTES

**TEHACHAPI CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING,
TEHACHAPI REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETING,
TEHACHAPI PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING, AND
TEHACHAPI CITY FINANCING CORPORATION REGULAR MEETING**

**BeeKay Theatre
110 South Green Street
Tuesday, February 22, 2011 – 6:00 P.M.**

NOTE: Sm, Ve, Gr, Re and Wi are abbreviations for Council Members Smith, Vernon, Grimes Reed and Wiggins, respectively. For example, Gr/Sm denotes Council Member Grimes made the motion and Council Member Smith seconded it. The abbreviation Ab means absent, Abd abstained, Ns noes, and NAT no action taken.

ACTION TAKEN

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Grimes at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call by City Clerk Denise Jones.

Present: Mayor Grimes, Mayor Pro-Tem Smith, Councilmembers
Vernon, Reed, & Wiggins

Absent: None

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Led by Councilmember Vernon.

INVOCATION

By Elder Jenson of the Jesus Christ Church of Latter Day Saints

CONSENT AGENDA

Approved consent agenda subject to removal of items *8, *11, *12, and *13.

Approved Consent Agenda
Subject To Removal Of
Items *8, *11, *12, & *13
Ve/Sm Ayes All

AUDIENCE ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Grimes moved the general public comments to be received after the presentations.

- 2. Mayor Grimes presented a certificate of recognition to John Bartelmie for his promotion to Correctional Captain.
- 3. Mayor Grimes presented a certificate of recognition to Dale Hawkins for his service on the Airport Commission.
- 4. Mayor Grimes presented a certificate of recognition to Julie Drimakis for her years of service as Administrative Secretary/Deputy City Clerk of the City of Tehachapi.
- 5. Presentation by Lisa Grod of the California Department of Veterans Affairs regarding the new William J. "Pete" Knight Veterans Home of California in the Antelope Valley.
- 1. General public comments regarding matters not listed as an agenda item were received from:
 - a. William Nelson, city resident, commented on the state of public financing at State level.
 - b. Charles White, city resident, invited Council, staff and public to book signing at museum on March 5, 2011.
 - c. Ken Hetge, city business owner, asked about getting a formal written response to his written questions.
 - d. Mariann Hester, city resident, thanked City for sign at Open Door Youth Center and announced their upcoming fundraiser.
 - e. Paula Strozier, city residents, made comments regarding putting a video system in police vehicles on agenda.
 - f. Matt Espiau, airport tenant, spoke highly of City's airport and spoke against hiring an independent contractor to manage airport.
 - g. Michelle Vance, Main Street, gave report on Valentine's Wine & Chocolate Tasting event.
 - h. Stan Beckham, city resident, asked about Tehachapi Funding law suit.

CITY CLERK REPORTS

- *6. **ALL ORDINANCES SCHEDULED FOR INTRODUCTION OR ADOPTION AT THIS MEETING SHALL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY.**
- *7. Minutes for the Tehachapi City Council, Tehachapi Redevelopment Agency, Tehachapi Public Financing Authority, and the Tehachapi City Financing Corporation regular meeting on February 7, 2011 - **APPROVED AND FILED.**

All Ord. Read By Title Only
Ve/Sm Ayes All

Approved & Filed
Ve/Sm Ayes All

ACTION TAKEN

FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORTS

*8. Disbursements, bills, and claims for 2/8/2011 – 2/15/2011 – **THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA BY KEN HETGE TO ASK ABOUT A PAYMENT TO THELEN LEBEAU AND ABOUT CAPITALIZATION OF ITEMS PURCHASED ON CITY CREDIT CARD; WILLIAM NELSON, CITY RESIDENT, EXPRESSED CONCERNS ABOUT LENGTH OF TIME FOR LITIGATION IN REGARDS TO THELEN LEBEAU PAYMENT - AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS.**

Authorized Payments
Sm/Wi Ayes All

*9. City of Tehachapi Treasurer's Report through 1/31/2011–
RECEIVED REPORT.

Received Report
Ve/Sm Ayes All

AIRPORT MANAGER REPORTS

10. In order for the City to comply with its current agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, the Tehachapi Municipal Airport Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) needs to be upgraded. The upgrade is required to ensure air traffic will receive accurate weather and will improve the reliability of our station during severe weather conditions – **AIRPORT MANAGER TOM GLASGOW GAVE REPORT; COUNCILMEMBER VERNON ASKED ABOUT FAA INSPECTIONS; COUNCILMEMBER REED INQUIRED ABOUT UPDATED PRICE OF UPGRADE; COUNCILMEMBER SMITH COMMENTED ON THE REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE OF AWOS AT THE CITY'S AIRPORT; COUNCILMEMBER WIGGINS AND MAYOR GRIMES SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF UPGRADE; KEN HETGE ASKED ABOUT CITY BEING EXEMPT FROM SALES TAX AND COMMENTED ON IMPORTANCE OF AWOS SYSTEM; APPROVED THE UNBUDGETED AUTOMATED WEATHER OBSERVING SYSTEM (AWOS) SENSORS UPGRADE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,905.**

Approved The Unbudgeted
Automated Weather
Observing System (AWOS)
Sensors Upgrade In The
Amount Of \$29,905
Re/Ve Ayes All

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

*11. It was determined that the job description for the City's administrative secretary is not reflective of the actual duties and responsibilities of the incumbent. At this time, it is appropriate to update this job description. The proposed change does not include a change to the salary schedule. – **THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA BY WILLIAM NELSON TO ASK FOR CLARIFICATION; CITY MANAGER GREG GARRETT GAVE REPORT; COUNCILMEMBER SMITH COMMENTED ON COUNCIL MICRO MANAGING CITY STAFF; APPROVED THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY JOB DESCRIPTION DATED FEBRUARY 2011.**

Approved The
Administrative Secretary
Job Description Dated
February 2011
Wi/Ve Ayes All

ACTION TAKEN

*12. The City of Tehachapi retained an automated external defibrillator after the dissolution of the Tehachapi Fire Department. The AED is not currently operational and has sat unused for the past three years. Staff feels it is appropriate to transfer this device to the Kern County Fire Department, which has agreed to return it to an operational state and to assign it to equipment stationed in Tehachapi – **THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA BY KEN HETGE TO EXPRESS HIS OPINION TO KEEP DEFIBRILLATOR; COUNCILMEMBER WIGGINS SPOKE ABOUT THE LIABILITY ISSUE IF CITY WERE TO KEEP DEFIBRILLATOR; COUNCILMEMBER REED COMMENTED ON FUTURE USE OF DEFIBRILLATOR BY COUNTY; COUNCILMEMBER GRIMES REITERATED THAT THE DEFIBRILLATOR NEEDS TO BE REPAIRED; COUNCILMEMBER REED ABSTAINED BECAUSE HE IS EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY AS A FIREMAN; APPROVED RESOLUTION 05-11 AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A CARDIAC SCIENCE POWERHEART AED G3 DEFIBRILLATOR**

Approved Res. 05-11
Authorizing The Disposition
Of Personal Property
Described As A Cardiac
Science Powerheart AED G3
Defibrillator
Sm/Wi Motion Carried
Abd: Re

*13. Following recent organizational changes, staff feels it is necessary for the Council to designate Ashley Whitmore, Secretary, as a confidential officer in order for her to perform additional duties and responsibilities associated with her position – **THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA BY WILLIAM NELSON TO ASK FOR MORE INFORMATION ON FUNCTIONS OF CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEE; APPROVED RESOLUTION 06-11 DESIGNATING CERTAIN OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES AS CONFIDENTIAL OFFICERS**

Approved Res. 06-11
Designating Certain Officers
Or Employees As
Confidential Officers
Ve/Re Ayes All

COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

1. Councilmember Smith asked about paperwork being completed in regards to certain grants the City has received. Also commented on project at risk due to state budget cuts.
2. Councilmember Vernon congratulated Main Street on wine walk and thanked City staff for hard work on Centennial Plaza. Also commented on Ray Haddad's new place looking very nice.
3. Mayor Grimes congratulated Tehachapi Police Explorers on success at competition at Federal Way.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Approval of closed session minutes of February 7, 2011.

Approved Minutes

ACTION TAKEN

2. Conference with legal counsel re Tehachapi Funding et al v. City of Tehachapi per Government Code Section 54956.9(a).
3. Conference with legal counsel re Tehachapi v. Bond Safeguard per Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council/Boards adjourned at 8:10 p.m. to a Tehachapi City Council, Tehachapi Redevelopment Agency, Tehachapi Public Financing Authority and Tehachapi City Financing Corporation Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, March 7, 2011, at 6:00p.m.


DENISE JONES
City Clerk, City of Tehachapi

Approved this 7th day
Of March, 2011.


ED GRIMES
Mayor, City of Tehachapi