

**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CRESCENT CITY CULTURAL CENTER
1001 FRONT ST
CRESCENT CITY CA 95531**

City of Crescent City

Tuesday February 22, 2005 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Burns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Council Members Scavuzzo, Martell, Kolodner, and Mayor Burns
Absent: Council Member Tynes

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Council Member Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION Pastor Russ Green

STAFF **DAVE WELLS**, City Manager; **THOMAS FRENCH**, City Attorney; **L. DIANNE NICKERSON**, City Clerk; **JIM BARNTS**, Director of Public Works; **CAROL LEUTHOLD**, Finance Director/Treasurer; **WILL CAPLINGER**, City Planner; **DOUG PLACK**, Chief of Police

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

1. Proclamation for Mary A. Stuart of the Crescent City Police Department

Mayor Burns announced that, due to unforeseen circumstances, Mary Stuart was not present and the proclamation was postponed.

COMMUNICATIONS

County Supervisor David Finigan stated he is calling for a summit between the Board of Supervisors and the City Council to look at our future and anticipate where we will want to be. Such items as economic development, transportation, infrastructure, recreation, etc., need to be talked about.

Jim Snow, county resident, spoke about criticism of a council member, decorum ordinance consideration, putting public comments at the back of a meeting, city versus county residents, and whether department heads reside in the city or county.

Richard Miles, city resident, spoke about the hotel at the end of Front Street, the Santa Cruz Coastal Commission, signage and public access, and said he is going to contact the Coastal Commission. Richard Miles also spoke about the Crescent City Volunteer Fire Department Chief, the Crescent City Fire District Chief, the Sheriff's Department and the County, studying disaster preparedness, economic blight, and what was done with the money given to local businessmen.

Bill Turck, city resident, made a presentation to Police Chief Plack to help him cut through "red tape."

Jesse Salisbury, city resident, spoke about obtaining dirt for the BMX track. He also spoke about disposable cardboard trashcans used in Mesa, Arizona. Council Member Martell asked Mr. Salisbury to attend the March 10, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., Del Norte Solid Waste Management Authority meeting at the Flynn Center and bring this idea with him.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2. Approval of the regular city council minutes of February 7, 2005**
- 3. Approval of warrant claims list for the period February 8, through February 22, 2005**
- 4. Receipt of biweekly payroll report for the period ending February 5, paid February 11, 2005**
- 5. Approve Bill Stamps Tree Memorial**
- 6. Approve Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) alternates**

Council Member Martell made a motion to approve the consent calendar as presented; the motion was seconded by Council Member Kolodner and so carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

REPORTS

7. Chamber of Commerce

Earl Hansen, Chamber of Commerce. Executive Director, reported that approximately 1,000 people attended the 40th Annual Crab Race, and thanked everyone who participated in the event. Mr. Hansen also reported on the new display at the California Welcome Center in Arcata. Council Member Martell asked that the display at the Sacramento State Capitol Building be updated because it looks a little faded.

8. Other reports relative to City of Crescent City programs, projects, and/or Council and staff travel and training reports

Dave Wells, City Manager, had nothing to add to his written report.

Doug Plack, Chief of Police, reported on the memorial service held in honor of Danny Nations, a former Chief of Police. Chief Plack also introduced Officer Eric Apperson of the Crescent City Explorer Post, and introduced participants in the program. Officer Apperson played a video showing some of the work done by the Explorer Post 10-8. Chief Plack expressed pride in the youth of this community, as did the city council. Sonia Cortez of the Explorer Post spoke to the council about her participation in the program.

Steve Wakefield, Crescent City Volunteer Fire Department Chief, gave a verbal report on activities, the recent hazmat spill at the harbor, and how efficiently all the agencies (Crescent City Volunteer Fire Department, Crescent City Police Department, Del Norte Search and Rescue, Del Norte Sheriff's Office, Crescent Fire Protection District, Coastguard, and Red Cross) responded to the event. Council Member Scavuzzo commented there were complaints about no transportation for people who were evacuated from the area. Steve Wakefield explained that the shelter and care of those people who were evacuated is a function of the Red Cross; evacuation by foot was the only method available at the time the decision was made, and the Red Cross did a great job.

Jim Barnts, Director of Public Works, reported on the sewer system deadlines, and Rumiano's new pre-treatment plant. Mayor Burns asked about a tour of the plant. Dave Wells, City Manager, will set up a tour prior to a city council meeting so that it may be on the agenda.

Will Caplinger, City Planner, had nothing to add to his written report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. Consider, approve and adopt Resolution 2005 – 03 that certifies and adopts the Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Crescent City Wastewater Project, and take action as necessary and appropriate

Jim Barnts, Director of Public Works, reported. Council Member Kolodner made a motion to approve and adopt Resolution 2005 – 03 that certifies and adopts the Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Crescent City Wastewater Project; the motion was seconded by Council Member Martell and so carried.

10. Introduce and waive the first reading of an ordinance to fill an elected vacancy such as council member or city clerk, set date for public hearing, and take action as necessary and appropriate

Council Member Scavuzzo handed out changes he wanted made to the ordinance. Council Member Martell asked if this was different from what was in the agenda packet and whether there was a copy with “strike-throughs” indicating the changes. Council Member Scavuzzo stated there were just a few changes in wording. Thomas French, City Attorney, stated that “With all due respect, it puts me in a bad spot when you drop this at the last second without review.” Council Member Martell asked that this item be tabled to a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS – None

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

Reports, Concerns, Referrals

Council Member Scavuzzo spoke about entrances and exits at the hotel on Front Street and the possibility of fire. Dave Wells, City Manager, and Jim Barnts, Director of Public Works, explained about the curb cutaway access for emergency vehicles. Council Member Scavuzzo asked about beach access in that area and Dave Wells will check signage for him.

Council Member Martell commended Fritz Ludemann for the new website.

Council Member Kolodner thanked staff for their work on getting rid of blight, and commented that Chief Plack is doing a great job in controlling the number of grocery carts being left around the city.

Legislative Matters

Dave Wells reported on the State and Federal Budgets and the possibility of significant reductions to CDBG programs.

Council Member Martell requested a resolution regarding sport fishing and the amount of cutbacks the Department of Fish and Game has imposed on the waters offshore here. He stated “as the City of Crescent City, we have a responsibility to our citizens who are fishermen, as this is a fishing town, and support them in this manner.”

CITY MANAGER DIRECTIVES

Council Member Martell asked whether the Billy Boone Memorial will be ready for the Fourth of July and Dave Wells stated it would.

CLOSED SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

L. Dianne Nickerson, City Clerk

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Crescent City Redevelopment Agency

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Burns called the meeting to order in regular session at 7:27 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Agency Members Kolodner, Martell, Scavuzzo, and Mayor Burns
Absent: Agency Member Tynes

COMMUNICATIONS

Richard Miles, city resident, spoke about figures on RDA grants, the downtown area, and blight.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Approval of meeting minutes of January 18, 2005**
- 2. Approval of warrant claims list for the period January 19, through February 22, 2005**

Council Member Martell made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar items as presented; the motion was seconded Council Member Kolodner and so carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dave Wells, City Manager, stated there would be a Redevelopment Agency (RDA) report at the March meeting. The city is continuing to request and receive proposals from law firms for an official legal review of new requirements necessary to continue the process of redevelopment agencies and renew them. Prices and estimates of workload would be included.

BUSINESS ITEMS -- None

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ITEMS – None

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

L. Dianne Nickerson, Secretary

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Crescent City Housing Authority

CALL TO ORDER Authority Member Burns called the meeting to order in regular session at 8:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Authority Members Kolodner, Scavuzzo, Martell and Mayor Burns
Absent: Council Member Tynes

COMMUNICATIONS – None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of regular meeting minutes of January 18, 2005
2. Approval of warrant claims list for the period January 19, through February 22, 2005

Council Member Martell made a motion to approve the consent calendar items as shown; the motion was seconded by Council Member Kolodner and so carried.

HOUSING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

3. February Report

No addition to the written report.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

ATTEST:

SUSIE MENDEZ, SECRETARY