

MINUTES
ADJOURNED MEETING FOR BUDGET WORKSHOP
CRESCENT CITY FIRE HALL
520 I STREET
CRESCENT CITY CA 95531

City of Crescent City

Monday	June 12, 2006	5:00 p.m.
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CALL TO ORDER Mayor Burns called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Council Members Kolodner, Tynes, Scavuzzo, Enea, and Mayor Burns

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Burns led the Pledge of Allegiance.

STAFF **ELI NAFFAH**, City Manager; **L. DIANNE NICKERSON**, City Clerk; **JIM BARNTS**, Director of Public Works; **ED ERICKSON**, Finance Director/Treasurer; **JOHN COCHRANE**, Central Services Director; **DOUG PLACK**, Chief of Police; **THOMAS FRENCH**, City Attorney; **SUSIE MENDEZ**, Housing Director; **ERIC TAYLOR**, Planning Department

COMMUNICATIONS

Richard Miles, city resident, spoke about the budget, and giving money to the Chamber of Commerce, but not city workers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Consider and discuss the interim management of Shoreline RV Park and take action as necessary and appropriate (Eric Taylor)**

Eric Taylor, Planning Department, reported and made suggestions to keep city options open, upgrade Shoreline RV Park, and the possible long-term revenue that may be available to the city if the city manages the park. Discussion followed.

Richard Miles, city resident, spoke about tidal basins being endangered, Kidtown, a putting green destroyed by skateboarders, and county campground money.

Charles Blasingame, manager of Shoreline RV Park, spoke about updating restrooms, solid bookings for this summer, bringing the park up to better standards, and wanting to stay on as manager.

Council Member Kolodner suggested including a theme park at the site.

Council Member Scavuzzo made a motion to have the city manager Shoreline RV Park until September 30, 2006 and then looking at the options at that time; the motion was seconded by Council Member Enea and so carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2. Consider and appoint a council member to a FEMA committee composed of staff members from the City, County, Harbor District, and a Chamber representative and take action as necessary and appropriate**

Eli Naffah reported and there were no public comments. Mayor Burns appointed Council Member Enea as the council member on the FEMA committee, and Council Member Tynes as the alternate.

- 3. Consider and discuss whether a ballot measure for a Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) increase is warranted and take action as necessary and appropriate**

Eli Naffah, City Manager, reported and discussion followed. Council Member Scavuzzo suggested putting in a “sunshine clause” for the increase.

Richard Miles, city resident, spoke in favor of the TOT, a visitor and tourist bureau, and not giving the Chamber of Commerce money but letting voters decide because the Chamber needs to be self-sufficient.

Chris Howard, Chamber of Commerce, handed out statistics to the council members.

Council Member Enea made a motion to put a resolution on the June 19, 2006 agenda for discussion and a vote on whether to put TOT as a ballot measure, without a sunshine clause; the motion was seconded by Council Member Tynes and so carried.

CONTINUED 2006 – 2007 PRELIMINARY BUDGET REVIEW/WORK STUDY SESSION

- 4. Review and consider draft 2006 – 2007 City of Crescent City Budget, including, but not limited to the following:**
 - (a) Various departments/functions of the city funded by the General Fund**
 - (b) Other areas and funds of interest/concern including budget, project priorities, and changes in staffing**

(c) Revenues and expenditures for the General Fund
(d) Discuss revisions to the schedule of rates and fees

Ed Erickson, Finance Director/Treasurer, reported and discussion followed.

Leslie Orr, county resident, city employee, asked for higher rates for business licenses.

Debra Wright, county resident, city employee, stated the city pays more for water but county residents are taxed more.

Richard Miles, city resident, spoke about business license costs, and flower salesmen needing a business license for one day.

Matt Hildebrandt, county resident, city employee, spoke about pool closure.

Jamie Forkner, county resident, city employee, spoke about potential employee cuts.

Chris Howard, county resident, Chamber of Commerce, asked for \$170,000 to be put in the budget for the Chamber.

Jim Barnts, Director of Public Works, will look into whether the city versus county residents pay higher rates for water.

Council Member Tynes made a motion to reduce the council meeting and conference fund by \$2,000 from the budget and to increase the amount for the Boys and Girls Club by \$2,000; the motion was seconded by Council Member Kolodner and so carried by the following polled vote:

AYES:	Council Members Tynes, Kolodner, Enea, and Scavuzzo
NOES:	Mayor Burns
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

Council Member Enea made a motion to give \$100,000 to the Visitors Bureau when it is up and running, not the Chamber of Commerce; the motion was seconded by Council Member Kolodner and so carried by the following polled vote:

AYES:	Council Members Enea, Kolodner, Tynes, and Mayor Burns
NOES:	Council Member Scavuzzo
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None

Council Member Scavuzzo made a motion to take money out of the reserve fund for repairs to the Cultural Center Roof; the motion was seconded by Council Member Enea and so carried by the following polled vote:

AYES: Council Members Scavuzzo, Enea, Tynes, Kolodner,
and Mayor Burns
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor Burns directed staff to find out what other municipal pools charge swim clubs and Eli Naffah will talk to the swim club about hours available for them. Staff will look into a 140° dishwasher and water heater and how much to charge for rental fees.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m. to another Budget Workshop on Monday, June 12, 2006, at the Fire Hall.

ATTEST:

L. Dianne Nickerson, City Clerk