

# CITY OF BUELLTON

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting of August 14, 2014**  
**City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246**  
**Buellton, California**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor John Connolly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Ed Andrisek led the Pledge of Allegiance

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Council Members Ed Andrisek, Judith Dale, Holly Sierra, Vice Mayor Leo Elovitz, and Mayor Connolly

**Staff:** City Manager Marc Bierdzinski, City Attorney Ralph Hanson, Finance Director Carolyn Galloway-Cooper, Public Works Director Rose Hess, Station Commander Lt. Shawn O'Grady, and City Clerk Linda Reid

## **REORDERING OF AGENDA**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Lew Adkins, Buellton, thanked staff for their efforts to improve the sidewalk along East Highway 246. Mr. Adkins submitted a letter for the record from Loras Bingley.

Mark Preston, Buellton, requested the Council re-agendize discussion of the Visitors Bureau's contract and provided a handout for the record regarding this issue.

Peggy Brierton, Buellton, acknowledged staff for receiving an award for their Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and thanked resident Mark Preston for bringing up important finance issues.

Jody Knoell, Buellton, stated the street sweeper cannot effectively clean the streets if there are cars parked on the street and asked that staff address this issue. Ms. Knoell stated that MarBorg is a great company and thanked them for their service in Buellton.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. **Minutes of July 24, 2014 City Council Meeting**
2. **List of Claims to be Approved and Ratified for Payment to Date for Fiscal Year 2014-15**
3. **Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness - Determination of Fiscal Year 2014-15 Funding**
4. **Cost of Living Increase for City Attorney Pursuant to Current Contract**
5. **Award of Contract for 2013/14 Road Maintenance Project**
6. **Consideration of Amended Contract with Wallace Group for Fats/Oils/Grease (FOG), Sanitary Sewer Management Plan (SSMP), and Industrial Discharge (ID) Programs Implementation**
7. **Consideration of Amended Contract with Autosys for SCADA/Instrumentation/Electrical Technician Services**
8. **Revenue and Expenditure Reports through June 30, 2014**
9. **Authorization for City Manager to Send Correspondence to Albertsons Regarding Vehicular Opening at Town Center West and East**

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Sierra, seconded by Council Member Dale, approving Consent Calendar Items 1 through 9 as listed.

**VOTE:**

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0, with Council Members Andrisek, Connolly, Dale, Elovitz, and Sierra voting yes.

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mayor Sierra requested that staff place a box in City Hall to collect new clothing items and toiletries for our veterans for Santa Barbara County Veterans Stand Down 2014 scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Santa Maria Fairpark.

Council Member Sierra announced that Parks and Recreation will be showing Movies in the Park tomorrow night at the Zaca Creek Golf Course.

Council Member Sierra requested an update regarding the wall repair on Dogwood. City Manager Bierdzinski provided a schedule for repair of the wall.

Council Member Dale stated she's had complaints about cars being parked on the street during street sweeping days in the Thumbelina area.

Council Member Andrisek stated he and Council Member Dale attended the Workforce Development and Literacy Initiative Summit sponsored by the United Way and described the event.

Mayor Connolly requested that Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) graduates be organized and schedule meetings in order to be prepared for emergencies.

## **COUNCIL ITEMS**

Council Member Sierra requested that that staff agendize a Zoning Code amendment to prohibit fast food restaurants in certain parts of the City. Council agreed by consensus to agendize this issue.

Council Member Andrisek requested that staff agendize discussion regarding a parking district in Buellton. Vice Mayor Elovitz requested that staff include improvements to the Avenue of Flags. Council agreed by consensus to agendize this issue.

## **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council Member Sierra announced that she attended the Chamber of Commerce Board meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

Council Member Sierra announced that she attended the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

Council Member Sierra announced that she attended the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

Council Member Andrisek announced that he attended the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) Annual Board of Directors meeting in July.

Council Member Andrisek announced that he attended the Central Coast Water Authority (CCWA) Board meeting and provided an oral report regarding the meeting.

**BUSINESS ITEMS****10. Discussion Regarding Homeless Population in Buellton****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council provide direction to staff regarding the homeless population in Buellton.

**STAFF REPORT:**

City Manager Bierdzinski presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

Barbara Mitchell, Buellton, discussed her concern regarding the homeless accessing the culverts throughout town and requested that staff block their access. Ms. Mitchell provided a handout for the record from The Laurel Company regarding their concern of the homeless population in Buellton.

Lieutenant O'Grady addressed the Sheriff Department's response to camping and panhandling issues and how they partner with the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding this issue.

Jeff Shaffer, Coordinator with Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness, addressed the growing homeless population in Buellton and possible solutions to dealing with it. He stated he will be scheduling monthly meetings in the Valley to discuss homelessness.

Pam Gnekow, Executive Director of the Buellton Senior Center, discussed her relationship in helping the homeless and that City funds are not being used to feed the homeless.

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**DIRECTION:**

The City Council agreed by consensus to participate in monthly meetings with representatives from the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness to work to mitigate homelessness in Buellton.

**11. Resolution No. 14-19 - "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Declaring Stage Two Water Conservation Requirement Pursuant to the State Water Resource Control Board Regulations on the Delivery and Consumption of Water for Public Use"****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 14-19.

**STAFF REPORT:**

Public Works Hess presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Water restrictions will go into effect immediately but staff will be giving warnings and conducting public outreach
- Staff is currently managing irrigation at City Parks in order to keep landscaping healthy and minimize water usage

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**MOTION:**

Motion by Council Member Andrisek, seconded by Vice Mayor Elovitz, adopting Resolution No. 14-19 - "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Buellton, California, Declaring Stage Two Water Conservation Requirement Pursuant to the State Water Resource Control Board Regulations on the Delivery and Consumption of Water for Public Use"

**VOTE:**

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5-0, with Council Members Andrisek, Connolly, Dale, Elovitz, and Sierra voting yes.

**12. Discussion Regarding Potential Speed Survey on McMurray Road****RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council discuss the issues regarding observed speeds on McMurray Road and defer conducting a speed survey until 6 months after completion of proposed road improvements by upcoming developments. Staff also recommends adding an additional speed limit sign (southbound).

**STAFF REPORT:**

Public Works Director Hess presented the staff report.

**SPEAKERS/DISCUSSION:**

The City Council discussed the following issues:

- Postponing the speed study on McMurray Road until after construction is completed in the area
- Having Deputies patrol McMurray Road to slow down traffic in the area
- Adding pavement markings to McMurray Road that indicate the speed limit

**DOCUMENTS:**

Staff report with attachments as listed in the staff report.

**DIRECTION:**

The City Council agreed by consensus to defer conducting a speed survey for 6 months after completion of proposed road improvements by upcoming developments and to add an additional speed limit sign (southbound) and possibly pavement markings.

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

City Manager Bierdzinski provided an informational report for the record.

**CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

- 13. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
(Government Code Section 54956.8)  
Property: APN No. 099-670-005/Negotiator: City Manager, Marc Bierdzinski  
Parties: City of Buellton/Willemsen Liv Tr, Jake & Jeannette Willemsen Trustees  
Purpose: Possible Acquisition Terms and Price**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss Item 13. No reportable action was taken.

- 14. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
City of Buellton, et al. vs. Ana J. Matosanto, et al.  
Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2013-80001468-CU-WM-GDS**

The City Council met in closed session to discuss Item 14. No reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Connolly adjourned the regular meeting at 8:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

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John Connolly  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Reid  
City Clerk