

City of Ferndale, Humboldt County, California USA

City Council Minutes for August 2, 2012

Mayor Jeffrey Farley called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 7:01p.m. Present were Councilmen Ken Mierzwa and Stuart Titus, along with staff City Manager Jay Parrish, City Clerk Nancy Kaytis-Slocum, City Engineer Praj White, and City Police Chief Bret Smith. We had a moment of silence for Councilman Niels Lorenzen who passed away recently. Those present pledged allegiance to the flag. The City Clerk called roll call. John Maxwell was absent. Modifications to the agenda: The Airline Presentation will be presented at the September meeting.

Ceremonial: The City Clerk swore in Officer Adam Stricker, and Chief Bret Smith pinned his badge on. The City Clerk read "A Proclamation of the City Council of the City of Ferndale Honoring Humboldt County Supervisor Jimmy Smith" and the Mayor presented it to him. Councilmen Titus and Mierzwa added their thanks to Mayor Farley's. Supervisor Jimmy Smith thanked the council and talked about some of the projects we'd seen completed. City Manager Jay Parrish presented Jimmy Smith with a Jack Mays drawing from the Council and staff.

Consent Calendar: MOTION: (Mierzwa/Titus) Accept Accounts Payable and Approve the minutes from July 5, 2012 meeting. Unanimous.

City Manager Jay Parrish presented Ordinance 2012-03 An ordinance amending Purchasing Ordinance 07-04, Section 6.01. MOTION: (Titus/Mierzwa) Approve the First Reading of Ordinance 2012-03 An ordinance amending Purchasing Ordinance 07-04, Section 6.01.1(d) by title only, and assign it to the September City Council meeting for a Second Reading and possible adoption. Unanimous.

Russ Park Committee Appointment. MOTION: (Titus/Mierzwa) Appoint City Resident John Vernon to fill one of the two vacancies on the Russ Park Committee, effective immediately. Unanimous.

City Manager Staff Report: Jay Parrish reported that there are new owners of Suddenlink, our cable provider. Sue Buske will be representing the cities and the county in the franchise negotiations at a cost of \$5000 to the City. He also reported that there have been some problems at the Community Center with rentals, and that he is working to modify the rental procedure to alleviate the problems.

Council Comments: Stuart Titus reminded everyone that the County Fair is coming up. Mayor Jeffrey Farley announced that he would not be seeking re-election.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28PM. The next regular Council Meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2012 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Kaytis-Slocum
City Clerk