

**City of Ferndale, Humboldt County, California USA**

City Council Minutes for November 1, 2012

Mayor Jeffrey Farley called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 7:00PM. Present were Councilmen John Maxwell, Michael Sweeney and Stuart Titus, along with staff City Manager Jay Parrish, City Clerk Nancy Kaytis-Slocum, Administrative Assistant Lacy Pedrotti, and City Engineer Praj White. Those present pledged allegiance to the flag. The City Clerk called roll call. Councilman Ken Mierzwa was absent.

Ceremonial: The City Clerk gave the Oath of Office to Lacy Pedrotti and welcomed her as Deputy City Clerk.

The City Clerk read the Proclamation for The Great American Smoke Out, and Mayor Jeffrey Farley presented the Proclamation to Michael Goldsby. Mr. Goldsby thanked the Council and presented a basket to The City of Ferndale to hand out in City Hall.

Under Public Comment: Bruce Keller brought to the attention of City Council that his neighboring property owned by Caroline Jones, was vandalized during the 1972 Class Reunion. He explained that the graffiti on the weathered old redwood barn has ruined the building authenticity. Keller offered to assist with the removal of the graffiti since his expertise is in restoration. Councilman Stuart Titus apologized on behalf of his graduating class of 1972. Mayor Farley stated that he will approach his classmates for a donation to restore the building.

Consent Calendar: MOTION: (Titus/Maxwell) Accept Accounts Payable and approve the minutes from the October 4, 2012 meeting. Unanimous.

City Green Sculpture: City Manager Jay Parrish has been working with the Humboldt State University (HSU) Art Department in an effort to replace the sculpture we had in the City Green last year. Those efforts have resulted in a prospectus and should result in a creation available to us on May 15, 2013. That sculpture will be available to us for one year, at which time our hopes are that it will be replaced with another sculpture through the HSU program. MOTION: (Titus/Sweeney) Approve Resolution 2012-34 authorizing \$600 expenditure for the materials. Sculpture will be on display for one year and sold. All in favor.

Airline Service: MOTION: (Sweeney/Titus) Approve Resolution 2012-33 approving \$1000 from General Fund to Support Expanded Airline Service in Humboldt County. All in favor.

Disposal of Files: MOTION: (Titus/Maxwell) Approve Resolution Number 2012-32 approving the disposal of redundant and obsolete files. All in favor.

Key to the City: MOTION: (Titus/Maxwell) The date is set for Mayor Jeffrey Farley to present Guy Fieri with the Key to the City on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30pm at City Hall. All in favor.

City Manager Jay Parish Report: The California Conservation Corp. is planting Willow Trees in the debris torrent 3.5 miles upstream. Resource Conservation District and the CCC will be working together on the Salt River Restoration Project. The Riverside Ranch vegetation removal will be all done by hand. The 5<sup>th</sup> Street drainage project will go out for bid Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. The 4<sup>th</sup> & Shaw drainage project is placed on hold until spring of 2013. Phase II of Pedestrian Project: Plan is to pave all of Berding Street. City Engineer Praj White announced that due to the population increase on Native Lands to which HCOAG parcels out Transportation funding, the City of Ferndale will be receiving a 20% decrease in funds next year.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05PM. The next regular Council Meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2012 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lacy Pedrotti  
Deputy City Clerk