Mayor and Council Members
Robert Stimpson, Mayor
Connie Gonsalves, Vice Mayor – via telecon
Wayne Garibaldi, Council Member
Keith Sweet, Council Member

ABSENT: Marilyn Lewis, Council Member

John Georgette, City Clerk
Staff Members:
Josh Nelson, City Attorney
Yvonne Kimball, City Manager
Max Godde, Public Works Superintendent
Debbie Mackey, Fire Chief
Chris Mynderup, Police Chief
Patti Ungaro, Administrative Assistant

Mayor Stimpson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

Mayor Stimpson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. RECOGNITION.

Mayor Stimpson presented Max Godde, Public Works Superintendent with a Retirement Plaque for his 25 years of service. Council and audience gave a warm standing ovation to Max. Max gave a wonderful speech explaining how the City is his family and announced Bree Wilder will be interim PW Superintendent.

Mayor Stimpson brought discussion item 7a. forward.


Mayor Stimpson read Resolution No. 2020-26 while honoring our outstanding Jackson Police Department and Law Enforcement Professionals in Amador County. In an affirmative tone, Mayor Stimpson added that defunding our Police Department will never happen as long as he is here. Council and audience gave a strong ovation.

Chief Mynderup provided comments and said that he agreed with Max Godde’s statement that this is like family and his law enforcement team is his family. He was asked at a meeting “how do we maintain morale with everything that is going on?” he answered “it is the Community.” It is our Community and Council who have always supported them and he clearly saw this at the BLM rally. Every conversation he had with people there or the comments heard was always positive towards the JPD or Amador County LE. He further explained how they, the JPD team, take pride in themselves on providing the Community with the most professional service they deserve and in return they have the support of the Community and City Council. He continued to thank the City Council for this recognition for his fine staff.
Mayor Stimpson opened for Public Comment.

Pat Crew, Amador County Board of Supervisors, thanked Max for his professionalism. He said that Max’s attention to detail did not go unnoticed in the 7-8 years that he was on Council. As far as the Resolution on the Law Enforcement, you can pass that every week as far as he is concerned.

After no further Public Comment, Mayor Stimpson entertained a motion.

Motion to approve Resolution 2020-26 as presented on July 27, 2020 as presented. Moved by Council Member Garibaldi, seconded by Councilmember Sweet, and carried by a 3 to 0 roll call vote:

  AYES: Stimpson, Garibaldi, Sweet
  NOES: None
  ABSENT: Lewis, Gonsalves
  ABSTAIN: None

Council took a 20-minute Reception Break and Council reconvened remainder of meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Motion to approve the City Council Agenda dated July 27, 2020 as presented. Moved by Councilmember Garibaldi, seconded by Councilmember Sweet, and carried by a 3 to 0 roll call vote:

  AYES: Stimpson, Garibaldi, Sweet
  NOES: None
  ABSENT: Lewis, Gonsalves
  ABSTAIN: None

3. PUBLIC MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA.

Discussion items only, no action will be taken. Any person may address the Council at this time on any subject within the jurisdiction of the City Council. Please note – there is a three (3) minute limit.

Paul Jones, Jackson resident, offered Prayer.

Vice Mayor Gonsalves joined meeting later due to technical difficulties and wanted to Congratulate Max Godde on his retirement and let Chief Mynderup and the JPD they have her continuous support.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR.

Items listed on the consent calendar are considered routine and may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be removed for discussion at the request of a Council Member.
a. Approval of the July 13, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.
b. Approval of Expenditure Reports in the amount of $226,533.55.
c. Approval of Payroll Expenditure Report in the amount of $313,491.26.
h. Possible Approval of MOU with Jackson Firefighters Association.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar dated July 27, 2020 as presented. Moved by Council Member Sweet, seconded by Councilmember Garibaldi, and carried by a 4 to 0 roll call vote:

AYES: Stimpson, Gonsalves, Garibaldi, Sweet

NOES: None

ABSENT: Lewis,

ABSTAIN: Sweet; Check#12357 only

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

This section is to provide staff an opportunity to present oral status reports on issues. No legal action is expected to be taken by the Council.

Public Works Superintendent, Max Godde
- Water Department had 4 water leaks, which is typical during hot/cold weather.
- New Corp Yard fence is 50% complete.
- Street Sweeper is back now and will resume sweeping again.

Police Chief, Chris Mynderup – nothing to report.

Fire Chief, Debbie Mackey
- Thanked Max on behalf of the JFD on his retirement and thanked Chief Mynderup and the JPD who she supports 100% and offered her prayers to them during this tough time and grateful of their relationship.
- 2 JFD volunteers have completed the recruit academy and have started their probationary year. They are Coleman Neely and Sarah Hunt. There are 2 more volunteers nearing completion as well.
- July 19th, they had a fire by the movie theatre which in under investigation. She has reviewed video footage and witness statements. She has also been visiting the are at night time and finds that it is a popular hangout.
- COVID responses are increasing. She has had several personnel who have provided care to COVID patients and are on watch by our regional medical authority. As part of the watch, they wear a mask while on duty and while they sleep, take their temps twice a day.

City Attorney, Josh Nelson provided a brief update regarding the Senator Republicans released their COVID Stimulus Bill and what is important for us to watch as a City is whether funds are going to be directed to local and state governments.
City Manager, Yvonne Kimball – nothing to report.

6. COUNCIL REPORTS.

This section is to provide Council members an opportunity to present reports on their activities and to request item be placed on future agendas.

Council member Sweet – nothing to report.

Council member Lewis – absent.

Council member Garibaldi reported he and City Manager Kimball attended a meeting with the Jackson Police Department Association. It was nice hearing their concerns and overall meeting was positive.

Vice Mayor Gonsalves stated that Council has been cooperatively discussing ideas and trying to assist merchants and restaurants with thinking outside the box to keep businesses open, will report more at future meetings. They are not sitting idle; the Council is here to help our businesses.

7. DISCUSSION CALENDAR.

For the record: Action minutes provide the necessary documentation of City Council actions and audio recordings are retained for those desiring more detail on particular agenda item discussion. These audio recordings provide an accurate and comprehensive backup of City Council deliberations and citizen discussion.


b. Public Hearing – Approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 717 to Rezone 1460 Jackson Gate Rd. and review Resolution No. 2020-27 Amending the COJ’s General Plan Land Use Designation and Zoning Map (adoption can occur with the 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 717).

City Planner Susan Peters explained that this is a Rezone and GPA for 1460 Jackson Gate Road. Back when they did the Land Use Element Update in 2008 this property was changed to a Residential Duplex zoning. Unknowingly that it had 3 units versus 2. The applicant Mr. Mark Carmen recently acquired this building and is requesting a rezone and general plan designation from the Residential Duplex to a Residential Medium Density to accommodate the 3 units that are there. The recommendation based on the Planning Commission’s recommendation is that the City Council to conduct a public hearing and approve the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 717 to rezone 1460 Jackson Gate Road and review Resolution No. 2020-27 Amending the COJ’s General Plan Land Use Designation and Zoning Map. That Adoption can occur at the 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 717.

Mayor Stimpson opened for Public Comment. After no public comment, Mayor brought it back to council. Councilmember Sweet said this was a straightforward application.
Motion to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 717 on July 27, 2020 as presented.
Moved by Councilmember Sweet, seconded by Councilmember Garibaldi, and carried by a 4 to 0 roll call vote:

AYES: Stimpson, Gonsalves, Garibaldi, Sweet
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lewis
ABSTAIN: None

c. COVID-19 Business Grant Award recommendations.

City Manager Kimball stated we launched this program in late May-early June and received 60 applicants. After screening the applicants, we ended up with 54 eligible applicants. Both Mayor Stimpson and CM Kimball reviewed the listing and engaged the staff to go through the applications as everybody in City Hall had a role in this process. Shelley verified Business Licenses, Ryan and Angie verified Utility Payments, Dalacie knows all the businesses and provided official information, Michael verified any Building Permit issues and Patti tabulated all the information together. In conclusion, the grant process was a simple process designed to help everybody and not to set the bar high and reject applications. The recommendation by the Mayor and City Manager was to split the $30,000 allocated to the program by the 54 applicants and provide $556 to each eligible applicant.

After Council discussion, Mayor Stimpson opened for Public Comment.

Debby Collins, Jackson resident, asked what mechanism was in place to be sure businesses stay in business for 1 year and if the person or business had to be in Jackson. CM Kimball responded that all 54 recipients are Jackson businesses, located in Jackson and serve the Jackson residents. If a business is located in Stockton and does business in Jackson, it does not qualify. To answer 1st question, CM Kimball said it will be difficult to know or ensure businesses to stay in business for a year. Mayor Stimpson added he doesn’t feel like half of these businesses will go out of business and trusts that people will be honest. CM Garibaldi added that he would not want the City to go after the businesses that end up closing in a year.

After no further Public Comment, Mayor brought it back to Council.

Motion to approve the list provided in the packet for the City Council to award the COVID-19 grant in the amount of $556 to each eligible applicant dated July 27, 2020 as presented. Moved by Councilmember Garibaldi, seconded by Vice Mayor Gonsalves, and carried by a 4 to 0 roll call vote:

AYES: Stimpson, Gonsalves, Garibaldi, Sweet
NOES: None
ABSENT: Lewis
ABSTAIN: None
8. **REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT.**

Mayor Stimpson adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

*NOTE: There was no Closed Session.*

**ATTEST:**

John Georgette, City Clerk

08/12/2020

Date Approved