TOWN OF LOOMIS

ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS DEPOT
5775 HORSESHOE BAR ROAD, LOOMIS, CA 95650

TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 14, 2012	7:00 P.M.
CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to cited authority, the Town Council will hold a closed session to discuss the following listed items. A report of any action taken will be presented prior to adjournment of the regular meeting. a. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: Two cases		
TUESDAY	**FEBRUARY 14, 2012**	**7:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER **Call to order by Mayor Calvert at 7:30 p.m.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present:
Mayor Calvert
Councilmember Liss
Councilmember Scherer
Councilmember Ucovich
Absent: Councilmember Morillas

STATEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

a. No action taken.

All items on the agenda will be open for public comment before final action is taken. Speakers are requested to restrict comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within a five-minute time limit. The Mayor has the discretion of limiting the total discussion time for an item.
Written Material Introduced Into the Record: Citizens wishing to introduce written material into the record at the public hearing on any item are requested to provide a copy of the written material to the Town Clerk prior to the public hearing date so that the material may be distributed to the Town Council prior to the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT: This time is reserved for those in the audience who wish to address the Town Council on subjects that are not on the Agenda. The audience should be aware that the Council may not discuss details or vote on non-agenda items. Your concerns may be referred to staff or placed on the next available agenda. Please **note that comments from the public will also be taken on any item on the agenda. The time allotted to each speaker** is five minutes.

Pat Brechtel 3330 Spence Road, stated the following:
- the Loomis Dolphins want to use the pool (in the summer) starting at 1:15 p.m., which may affect open swim for the Swimming Program
- Del Oro (Cindy York) is trying to make the schedules for the pool now

Bob Gregas, 9585 Rock Springs Road, introduced himself and said he was running for Placer County Supervisor, District 3.

Gil Martin, 7931 Boulder Creek Road, stated the following:
- he was at the Planning Commission meeting on the Priory project
- they talked about the high amount that was being charged to mitigate the trees and asked if there were any thoughts of changing that

Rick Angelocci, Town Manager, pointed out that proposed amendments to the tree ordinance will be coming forward in the future to the Council.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Council will typically adopt the agenda in the order listed or modify the order in a way that can best accommodate the time of people in attendance who wish to speak on particular items.

A motion was made to adopt the Agenda, moving item #15 before item #13. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Liss and passed by voice vote (4/0).

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR: All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Council to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless an audience member or Councilmember requests otherwise, in which case, the item will be removed for separate consideration.

No public comment.

A motion was made to adopt the Consent Agenda and continuing items #9 and #10 to the March meeting. On motion by Councilmember Liss, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote (4/0)

CONSENT AGENDA		**RECOMMENDED ACTION**
1.	Council Minutes – 1/10/12	*APPROVE*
2.	Monthly Check Register – January	*RECEIVE AND FILE*
3.	Statement of Activity	*RECEIVE AND FILE*
4.	Treasurer's Report	*RECEIVE AND FILE*
5.	Planning Status Report	*RECEIVE AND FILE*
6.	2011/12 Goals Update	*RECEIVE AND FILE*
7.	Wells Fargo Credit Card Application A resolution authorizing the Town Manager to open a Revolving credit line with Wells Fargo Bank	*ADOPT RESOLUTION* **Resolution 12-01**
8.	Check Signing Procedures A Resolution naming the Town Manager and Finance Director/ Treasurer as check signers and the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore as backup check signers	*ADOPT RESOLUTION* **Resolution 12-02**
9.	Bench Donations for the Blue Anchor Park At the January 10, 2012 Council directed staff to discuss future ordering of granite benches	*RECEIVE AND FILE* **Continued to March 13, 2012**
10.	TruGreen Landcare – Landscape Maintenance Second amendment with TruGreen Landcare to service the Blue Anchor Park and Parking Facility	*APPROVE* **Continued to March 13, 2012**

CONSENT ITEMS FORWARDED

PUBLIC HEARING

11. **#11-07 Newman Map Amendment/Modification – Monte Claire Estates, APN 046-042-035**
Newman's have submitted an application requesting an amendment//modification to lot 5 of the Monte Claire Estates Phase 2 Final Map. They wish to fill 0.09 acres of wetlands in order to develop a single-family dwelling on their property.
Recommended action: Continue to the March 13, 2012 Council meeting
Public comment:

No public comment.

A motion was made to continue this item to the March 13, 2012 Council meeting. On motion by Councilmember Liss, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote (4/0).

BUSINESS

12. **Blue Anchor Park – Eagle Scout Project**
Brandon Jeppson, an Eagle Scout, would like to construct a sign for the Blue Anchor Park
Recommended action: Approve the concept with any additional input from Council to construct a monument sign at the Blue Anchor Park
Public comment:

Brandon Jeppson, Scout from Troop 830, he is working on his Eagle Scout and stated the following:
- **Nancy Beck has been introducing him to different people that have helped him with technical information on a sign for the Blue Anchor Park**
- **he expounded on the various logos that were used when fruit was shipped out from the fruit sheds**
- **he asked for approval or any changes Council would like on the sign**

Nancy Beck, 6304 David Avenue, stated the following:
- **Brandon Jeppson is a freshman and she was impressed on what he wanted to do at the park**
- **at the PROSC they discussed needing a sign and she suggested Brandon work on the sign and meet with the Town Engineer**
- **this would be a wonderful addition to the park**
- **she asked Council to support this so he can complete it by June**

Russ Kelley, 4246 Barton Road, stated the following:
- **he was asked by the Town Engineer to help Brandon**
- **the Eagle Scouts have been very good in supporting and getting things done throughout the town**
- **he supports this project**

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:
- **not everyone knows what the Blue Anchor fruit sheds are all about**
- **he would like to see a picture of the old fruit shed and a little of the history**
- **he suggested using some of the park funds to absorb the cost**

Councilmember Scherer stated the following:
- **it would be nice to incorporate a picture with some history and suggested etching on black granite (because it won't get stolen)**
- **he supports using park funds to do this**

Councilmember Liss stated the following:
- **he agrees and referred to the staff report when Council was naming the park last summer**
- **in the report there was background material on why the picture of the old fruit shed and history was being proposed**
- **this doesn't need to be as large as the welcome sign on Taylor Road**

Mayor Calvert stated the following:
- **she commended Brandon Jeppson for taking the initiative and for all of the research that was done**
- **she summarized what was discussed: to have something that cannot be stolen, fire resistance, something that would have an historical timeline of the Blue Anchor, a picture of the shed with the logo, and offset any cost that is associated with the etching (picture and history) from the park funds**

Brian Fragiao, Town Engineer/Public Works Director, stated the following:
- **the Town can be responsible for the plaque with the picture of the sheds and the history**
- **asked if Council approves Brandon's color of the brick and the sign**

Councilmember Liss asked to add to the summary the following:
- **it should be smaller, not as large as the welcome sign on Taylor Road (at the pedestrian level of site)**
- **include the donors on the etching**

Following further discussion on the matter a motion was made to approve the following: use something that cannot be stolen and fire resistance, include an historical timeline of the Blue Anchor, include a picture of the old Blue Anchor fruit shed, use the Blue Anchor logo, off-set any cost that is associated with the etching (picture and history) from the park funds, use a smaller sign than what was used on Taylor Road (for pedestrian level of site), and include etching on the bricks with the donors. On motion by Councilmember Liss, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote (4/0).

At this time Council discussed item #15.

13. **Content, Creation and Distribution Expo**
Peter Oakes, Loomis resident, asks for time to discuss the Content, Creation and Distribution Expo for 2012
Recommended action: Hear presentation and give direction to staff if needed.
Public comment:

Peter Oakes gave a presentation on the previous CCD Expo (2011) and the upcoming 2012 CCD Expo (September 28 & 29) with showcasing the local talent.

Pat Brechtel, 3330 Spence Road, pointed out the following:
- **Peter Oakes incurred a lot of personal losses from the last CCD Expo**
- **he has done a lot of work (building the stage) and asked Council for their support on the upcoming event**

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to support the 2012 CCD on September 28th & 29th. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote (3/0) Councilmember Liss left.

14. **Caltrans Bridge Project – Railing Design for Horseshoe Bar Road**
At the December 13, 2011 Council directed staff to look into artwork that could be added to the bridge railing design at the Horseshoe Bar Bridge during the Caltrans Bridge raising project.
Recommended action: Hear presentation and give direction on the following: 1) leave the proposed railing as is, no artwork; 2) add metal artwork features; 3) combination of both; or 4) other
Public comment:

Roger Smith, 6755 Wells Avenue, stated the following:
- **he worked as a bridge engineer for Caltrans for many years**
- **Council has received their bare minimum design**
- **in EIK Grove, south of Highway 99, there are a couple of new structures beautifully done with a lot of ornate features, upgraded antique street lights, etc**
- **you can see what can potentially be done**
- **a big issue is the loss of the trees within 50 feet of their construction zone that will be taken out**
- **he would like to see the Town's name and not just the logo**
- **He hopes an equal effort goes into preserving what is out there**

Irene Smith, 6755 Wells Avenue, stated the following:
- **this is our one chance to make a difference for the entrance to Loomis**
- **she suggested maybe having a horse theme and putting a façade on the support posts**

Bob Greigas, 9585 Rock Springs Road in Newcastle, stated the following:
- **he likes the idea of doing something unique and different for Loomis**
- **suggested using the fruit sheds as a theme**

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to direct staff to let Caltrans know that they would like to explore all possibilities for a metal artwork feature design and to keep the trees that are close to the construction. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote (3/0).

15. **Heritage Park Estates – Land Proposals**
Discussion of the use of Heritage Park Estates and consideration of a Tree Mitigation Bank or Passive Nature Preserve site
Recommended Action: Discuss and give direction to turn the property into: 1) a Tree Mitigation Bank; 2) a Passive Nature Preserve; 3) combination of both; or 4) do nothing at this time.
Public comment:

Quincy McCourt, 3781 Circle Drive, stated the following:
- **he is in favor of the tree reserve on the Heritage Park site**
- **it would benefit the neighborhoods and the surrounding schools**

Pat Miller, 4395 Gold Trail Way, stated the following:
- **she likes the water tank idea that could become a landmark**
- **they have a working windmill at home that pumps into a water tank and she would be happy to share information regarding windmills**

Jean Wilson, 4301 Barton Road, stated the following:
- **asked if there will be parking**
- **another resident that couldn't be here tonight said the town would be better of purchasing another piece of land with existing trees instead of using Heritage Park for a reserve**
- **she would prefer a combination of planting trees (various kinds along with oak) and a park**

Nancy Beck, 6304 David Avenue, stated the following:
- **this will be educational for the school, field trips are not an option anymore, they are a luxury**
- **she is in favor of a tree mitigation bank and passive preserve**

Russ Kelley stated the following:
- **he spent 20 years on the Placer County Parks Commission**
- **this park is in the wrong place, it's in the middle of the Downtown Master Plan**
- **we have roughly 100 acres in preserve at Sierra de Monserrat**
- **we need to look at another place where we can plant trees, for example along Sierra College Boulevard and Taylor Road**

Irene Smith, 6755 Wells Avenue, stated the following:
- **questioned if the water will need to be fenced for safety reasons and what kind of access would the public have**
- **are all mitigation funds spent only on this parcel or will it be spread around town**
- **she understood before, that one option was that a portion of the property would be sold for homes and the balance of the property would be for a park as a compromise and with the money from the small subdivision the Town would buy more open space**
- **she is leaning towards the compromise plan with a park and money that would come back to the Town from the small subdivision (along with tax revenues)**

Brian Fragiao stated the following:
- **at the ponds current state it is dangerous with vertical walls along the edge that makes it very steep**
- **if access was allowed to the pond then they would need to have a designated area that they would have to build up (like a beach) so they wouldn't fall in**

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:
- **this site will be costly for the number of trees that we will have to maintain**
- **we need to connect Brace and Stone Roads to South Walnut street for better circulation**
- **he suggested a compromise plan by selling a portion of the property for residential development and protect the remaining portion of the property for a passive park**
- **he would like to have a tree mitigation plan throughout the whole town**

Councilmember Scherer stated the following:
- **we have $294,000+ in the tree fund and we need to start planting trees**
- **when you have open space next to residential areas the value of the homes will go up and there will be an increase in tax revenue**
- **he would like to start planting trees now, he would like to have a water tower on the berm with the "Town of Loomis" on it, and to look into getting revenue from a cell tower to defray the cost of maintenance**

Councilmember Liss stated the following:
- **he thanked Shawna Martinez for presenting the idea of the tree mitigation bank, instead of being a cost to the Town it will generate revenue while preserving our heritage**
- **he supports the combination of the tree mitigation bank and the passive nature preserve and with a public meeting (planning workshop) for input (for example how it was done for the MIG workshop that was at the Blue Goose)**

Mayor Calvert stated that the Council supports a combination of a tree mitigation bank and a passive nature preserve, to have a public meeting to have input for exact design as to how the trees will look, and to look into having a water tower and a cell tower for revenue.

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to move forward with a tree mitigation bank and a passive nature preserve, exploring the various options (water tank, cell tower) that can be placed in there through a public planning process (planning workshop where you break into small working groups) . On motion by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Liss and passed by voice vote with Councilmember Ucovich voting no (3/1).

Councilmember Liss left at 8:48 p.m.

At this time Council discussed item 13.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COUNCILMEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

16. Placer County Community Services Commission - Morillas
17. Placer County Economic Development Board – Liss
18. Placer County Flood Control/Water Conservation District – Morillas
19. Placer County Transportation Planning Agency – Calvert
19. Placer County Mosquito Abatement – Kelley as citizen rep
20. Placer County Air Pollution Control District – Ucovich/Morillas
21. Local Agency Formation Commission (alternate) - Ucovich
22. Sacramento Area Council of Governments – Scherer/Liss
23. Placer Land Trust ex-officio representative – Scherer
24. Borders Committee – Calvert/Liss
25. Business Committee – Calvert/Liss
26. Schools Liaison - Calvert

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Calvert stated there was no further business and adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Mayor

Town Clerk