TOWN OF LOOMIS

ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS DEPOT
5775 HORSESHOE BAR ROAD, LOOMIS, CA 95650
AND 3683 FROST LANE

TUESDAY	AUGUST 10, 2010	7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Call to order by Mayor Liss at 7:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Liss
Councilmember Kelley
Councilmember Morillas
Councilmember Scherer
Councilmember Ucovich

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Loomis School Principals

Mayor Liss recognized Dan Gayaldo (Del Oro High School), Glen Lockwood (H Clark Powers School), Rick Judd (Loomis School), and Shawn Shaw (Franklin School).

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COUNCILMEMBERS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chelsea Foster was introduced as a free lance reporter for Loomis News and will be attending the Council meetings.

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:
- for the August 26th meeting with the businesses he suggested staff put together some kind of a response card (anonymous) that can be turned in, to give us ideas to evaluate what we can do
- check out the Mosquito District website you will get a lot of good ideas there on what they are doing

Councilmember Morillas pointed out that Soroptimist is having a fund raising event, the Parrotheads, at the Blue Goose on August 13, 2010 and tickets are still available.

Mayor Liss stated the following:
- August 18th is the Green Ribbon Task Force at 5 p.m.
- August 19th is the next meeting for the Greenwise Sacramento
- August 26th Council is having a workshop with Caltrans at 5 p.m. on the bridge raisings
- suggested getting the word out to those businesses that will be effected, such as Raley's
- August 26th Council will be meeting with the businesses on Swetzer and Rippey Roads at 5 p.m.

Perry Beck, Town Manager, asked Council to decide on a date for the Park Master Plan meeting.

The Council consensus was to have the meeting on September 23, 2010 at the Depot at 7 p.m.

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 may be limited to five minutes or less**, at the discretion of the Mayor.

There was no public comment.

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. On motion by Councilmember Morillas, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.

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.

A motion was made to adopt the Consent Agenda pulling item 9 forward for discussion. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Morillas and passed by voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA			RECOMMENDED ACTION
1.	Council Minutes –	7/7/10 (With Councilmember Scherer abstaining) 7/13/10	*APPROVE* *APPROVE*
2.	Monthly Check Register – July		*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.	2010/11 Goals Update		*RECEIVE AND FILE*
7.	Select Rocklin Development Projects Update		*RECEIVE AND FILE*
8.	Plans and Specifications for the King Road Overlay Project With the Findings That The Project Is Exempt Under CEQA Categories 15301 And Authorize Staff To Advertise For Bids		*APPROVE*
10.	A Proclamation Of the Town Council Of The Town Of Loomis Proclaiming The Week Of November 7-14, 2010 As Western Week In Loomis		*APPROVE*
11.	A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Loomis Supporting Proposition 22, The Local Taxpayer, Public Safety And Transportation Protection Act of 2010		*ADOPT RESOLUTION* **Resolution 10-21**
12.	League of California Cities Conference Resolutions		*AUTHORIZE DELEGATE TO VOTE*
CONSENT ITEMS FORWARDED			
9.	A Resolution of the Council of the Town of Loomis Approving The Improvements Recommended By The Traffic Safety Committee And Staff		*ADOPT RESOLUTION*

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:
- **asked if the sidewalk by Main Drug and the Law offices will be done according to our downtown plan, so we won't have to go back and do it again**
- **suggested not going higher than the threshold of Main Drug's doorway**

Brian Fragiao, Town Engineer/Public Works Director, stated the following:
- **the only improvements that are going to be done in that area is the stripping of the line and the sidewalk ramp**
- **we can look at the downtown plan but may have additional costs for the design work**

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:
- **questioned item 4 (re-painting the Depot cul-de-sac) and asked why, when people park on the red curb already and no one gets ticketed**
- **regarding Swetzer Road by Mareta Lane he suggested setting a date to investigate the possibility of lowering the speed limit**
- **he would like lines put down Arcadia Street because it is so wide and cars are all over it**

Mr. Fragiao stated the following:
- **the majority of the time people do short term parking to pick up drinks and food at the various restaurants**
- **they suggested putting in10 minute parking in the cul-de-sac by the Depot so the sheriff won't have to ticket people**
- **they suggested, along Horseshoe Bar Road, to re-paint the "No Parking" next to Wild Chicken to a fire lane (fire lane fines are all increased because of fire emergencies)**
- **regarding Swetzer Road, in order for the Sheriff to be able to ticket, we have to have enough information (site distant issues, multiple drive-ways, truck traffic, etc.)**
- **they have to make sure there is enough information to show why the speed is lowered so the judge will not throw the tickets out**

Pat Miller, 4395 Gold Trail Way, pointed out that Wild Chicken provides roadside service for their customers.

Councilmember Scherer stated the following:
- **putting a fire lane on the curb in front of Wild Chicken will have a serious impact on the business**
- **he is not in favor of making the Wild Chicken side of the street a fire lane, he wants an alternative**

Mr. Fragiao said they can move the fire lane to the other side of the street next to the Mexican restaurant because the restaurant has parking on the other side.

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to approve Resolution 10-22, approving the recommendations by the Traffic Safety Committee and staff with the amendment to repaint the "No Parking" along the Ammie and Papas Mexican Restaurant curb to a "Fire Lane." On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

13. **Amending Municipal Code Having To Do With Purchasing**
At the July meeting Council agreed that consultant contracts should include a public education and participation component
Recommended action: Hold public hearing and first reading of ordinance as presented or as Council may edit
Public comment:

No public comment.

Councilmember Scherer stated the following:
- **suggested on page 2, second to the last line, modify and add the word: public "outreach and education"**
- **before there was no definition on who was responsible for the public recruitment so this clarifies a little more in what we are expecting**
- **we should review every contractor that comes in and they need to tell us what they are going to do to educate and outreach with the citizens**

Councilmember Kelley pointed out the following:
- **we continually get the same people attending**
- **there needs to be a threshold for the outreach, no sense spending a lot of money and the same people show up**
- **we need to get diversified participation in the outreach**

Mayor Liss stated the following:
- **we had a good turn out with the MIG study**
- **we are not the experts in public participation**
- **the consultants that do this for a living need to tell us what it will cost to do it the right way**
- **it is hard to get a guarantee that they will get the people out to the meetings**

Councilmember Ucovich stated that he would like to keep the public informed on what we are doing in Loomis.

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to hold first reading of Ordinance 247, amending Section 3.12.060 of the Municipal Code to add language requiring a public education and participation component in consultant contracts with the amendment to add "public outreach and education". On motion by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.

BUSINESS

14. **Placer Peer Court Update**

Karen Green, Program Coordinator, requested time to give an update on the Placer Peer Court program

Recommended action: Hear update and determine what, if any, further actions are needed

Public comment:

Karen Green, 5735 Butler Road, Penryn, stated the following:
- **she coordinates the Placer County Peer Court program**
- **last August Council agreed to contribute to the County wide program of $10,000, $5000 immediately and the balance to come after community organizations contribute**
- **she has not received any of the money donated from the Town**
- **she is concerned that the program is being asked to suffer the consequences of the Council's failure to act on the commitment that they made to this program last August 2009**
- **Council donated to a County program, there was no qualifications or restrictions on how the money was to be used**

Perry Beck, Town Manager, stated the following:
- **he totally disputes her recollection of things, Council said they would give $5000 to be revisited in two months not to exceed $10,000**
- **at the time it was unclear how much money would come from the Loomis Lions, American Legion or Soroptimist**
- **early this year he contacted Ms. Green and let her know that the budget was going to be prepared and that she could submit her request**
- **an invoice was received asking for $5000 towards the $10,000 contribution authorized by Council in August 2009**
- **the Council didn't authorize $10,000 in 2009 and he did not feel that he could pay the $5000 if it was just a partial payment**
- **Ms. Green said in August that they can't begin the program until they match the County and this was a one time request**

Ms. Green stated the following:
- **by September they knew the County and the Court were not going to give them any money for this program**
- **they applied for a non-profit status and are now in a position to receive juvenile cases**
- **they have met with the Sheriff's Department and the police agencies and they both are in line to forward juvenile cases to them**
- **she has been working with the District Attorney's office and developed a program for the 7th and 8th graders in the Loomis Union School District**
- **Ms. Green stated they have received contributions from Superior Court ($14,000), the Loomis Community Foundation ($2500), and contributions from the Placer County Bar Association (on-going). The total budget they have operated on this past year was $27,240, which includes the $10,000 from the Loomis Town Council.**

No public comment.

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:
- **we thought other communities were going to support this program and we would be matching them**
- **there has been some confusion but we did commit to $5000 and said that after the others contribute in the community that we would add to it up to $10,000**
- **he recommends that we give a check for $7500 to the Peer Court**

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:
- **the Lions Club and the American Legion were confident the program was moving forward but felt they were out of the loop a little**
- **a couple of times they asked what was going on because they hadn't heard from Ms. Green but they are committed to giving the money**
- **the Lions Club and the American Legion committed to a $1000 and Soroptimist committed to $500**
- **he would like to give $10,000 but will go along with Councilmember Ucovich and give $7500**

Councilmember Scherer stated he supports giving $7500.

Councilmember Morillas stated the following:
- **she understood that Ms. Green was going around to other communities for donations and unless she got enough money for the program it would not go forward**
- **she waited to hear from Ms. Green to see if there was still a need before she brought it to Soroptimist**

Mayor Liss stated the following:
- **he didn't appreciate the way Ms. Green came forward tonight**
- **the motion in the minutes from August was absolutely clear, that we would pay up to $10,000 after other communities contributed**
- **he would vote against anything above $5000 because that is what we agreed to**
- **we were not told that the program changed and that we were paying for something different**

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to authorize expenditure of $7500. On motion by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote, with Mayor Liss voting no (4/1).

Recess at 8:31 p.m. to 8:43 p.m.

15. **Heritage Park Subdivision Planning**

The Heritage Park Subdivision was acquired by the Town in 2009 for the purpose of turning around a troubled project to benefit the Town

Recommended action: Discuss and determine how Council wishes to proceed

Public comment:

Tom Seth, 5774 Mareta Lane, stated the following:
- **there is a fire issue, the grass needs to be mowed**
- **in item 9 (from the Army Corps of Engineers letter) regarding the fence and unrestricted visibility there is already a problem with visibility because of the over-growth on the property**

Vic Markey, 3254 Taylor Road, stated the following:
- **he doesn't think we should build anything on the property**
- **he would not want to see it split and sold**
- **there is no urgency, we have the railroad property we are working on now**

Brian Lammi, 4804 Citrus Colony, suggested giving the Boy Scouts of America the opportunity for service projects (Eagle Scout projects) in that area.

Jean Wilson, 4301 Barton Road, stated that she agrees with Mr. Markey, if there is no real urgency at this time than let it rest.

Nancy Beck, 6304 David Avenue, stated the following:
- **this land is a diamond in the rough, there are multiple uses that could be done in this area (example: educational)**
- **she agrees that if there is no urgency then wait at this time**

Pat Miller, 4395 Gold Trail Way, stated the following:
- **she showed where the waterway goes through Heritage Park and stated how important this jewel would be in our long term planning for connecting trails, habitat, and waterways**
- **she passed out a handout that comes from a report from the Open Space Committee that showed two separate studies identifying the increase value to homes within 1500 feet of natural area parks**
- **under the "Planning consultant costs"(after item C) she proposed that the next paragraph and all the way down to the end of the page be Option D**
- **she proposes Option D, it would require no expenditures and it would get the community involved and begin the visioning process**

Councilmember Scherer would like to have a meeting in October and see how many folks will come out to begin the vision process on what the community would like to see.

Councilmember Kelley stated the following:
- **he would like to see the staff look into the funding of a sustainable town as well as a park**
- **he would like to look at affordable housing, road connections, trail connections**
- **we need to get the park master plan finished first**

Councilmember Ucovich stated the following:
- **if we open the door and tell people they can do anything they want they have to understand that we only have funding for one acre**
- **behind Raley's there will be a 5 to 6 acre park**
- **he doesn't see an urgency to do any planning on this now and in 3 to 4 years the property value will grow**

Councilmember Morillas stated the following:
- **she doesn't see an urgency to do anything at this time**
- **having meetings with the public would be a good idea**
- **should maintain the property so it isn't a fire hazard**

Mayor Liss stated the following:
- **he prefers not to proceed with this quickly, their hands are full at this time**
- **lets work on the downtown park, build community support and leave the property as is for now**
- **plan to have a public process begin maybe early next year (February or March) to explore some of the issues mentioned tonight**
- **he likes the low budget community base process as outlined in Option D**

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to have a meeting in October to see if there is community interest in doing something with the Heritage Park property and direct staff to have available (financial) information on the property for the public at the meeting and before. On motion by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Morillas and passed by voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

16. Placer County Community Services Commission - Kelley
17. Placer County Economic Development Commission – Ucovich
18. Placer County Flood Control/Water Conservation District – Morillas/Liss
19. Placer County Transportation Planning Agency – Ucovich/Kelley
20. Placer County Mosquito Abatement – Kelley
21. Placer County Air Pollution Control District – Ucovich/Morillas
22. Sacramento Area Council of Governments – Scherer/Liss
23. Placer Land Trust ex-officio representative – Scherer
24. Borders Committee – Scherer/Liss
25. Business Committee – Scherer/Liss

ADJOURNMENT **A motion was made to adjourn at 9:36 p.m. On motion by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.**

Mayor

Town Clerk