

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE
CITY COUNCIL October 26, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Holtville City Council was held on Monday, October 26, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the Civic Center. Council Members present were Bianca Padilla, Colleen Ludwig, Richard Layton, David Bradshaw and Jerry Brittsan. Staff members present were Laura Fischer, Rosa Ramirez, Alex Silva, Clint Erro, Daniel Ibarra and Glyn Snyder. Gerry Peacher, Frank Cornejo and Matt Hughes were absent. City Planner Justina Arce and City Treasurer Pete Mellinger were present. City Attorney Steve Walker and Martin Gonzalez were also present.

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Padilla called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor Padilla called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Council Member Layton led the pledge of allegiance.

CITY CLERK RE: VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA:

The City Clerk verified that the agenda was duly posted on October 23, 2009.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION: *(Government*

Code Section 54956.9(b)

Willowbend LLC vs. City of Holtville

Claim of Willowbend LLC

No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

(Government Code Section 54957)

Title: City Manager

No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE LABOR NEGOTIATION:

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Title: Finance Manager

No reportable action taken.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS:

(Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency Negotiator: City Manager/City Attorney

Holtville Police Officer Association

No reportable action taken.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Dave Holbert, 658 Wooldridge Ave said contracting with the Sheriff's Department would cost the City more than keeping the existing Police Department.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2009 and the Special Council Minutes 10/26/09**

Meeting Of October 13, 2009

- 2. Current Demands # 26167 To #26239**
- 3. CDBG Demands #4116 To #4126**
- 4. Approve Ratification Of Contract With City Manager**

A motion was made by Council Member Brittsan and seconded by Council Member Layton to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 4. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND COMMUNIQES:

City Manager

The City Manager attended the IVAG meeting. She talked about Red Ribbon Week and how the City was involved in this event. Mrs. Fischer will also be raising funds for Muscular Dystrophy. Everyone was reminded of the Chamber Mixer tomorrow night to unveil the new electronic marquee.

Council Member Ludwig will be attending a special IVAG meeting on Wednesday.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Related Action To Solicit Input From HPOA Regarding The Proposed Contract With ICSO For Law Enforcement Services And After Hearing Opinions And Comments From HPOA Authorize The Negotiating Team To Meet And Confer With HPOA – Laura Fischer, City Manager

Police Officers Kevin King, Barry Forney, Alfonso Martinez and Sergeant Diaz spoke in regards to the City contracting with the Sheriff's Department for law enforcement services. Each of them expressed opposition to closing the local Police Department and contracting with the Sheriff's Department. A motion was made by Council Member Brittsan and seconded by Council Member Layton to authorize the negotiating team to meet and confer with HPOA. The City Manager will write a letter to HPOA to set up a meeting with them, the City Manager, the City Attorney and representatives from Council. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Related Action To Authorize Repairs To City Building Used By The Chamber Of Commerce And To Modify Budget – Laura Fischer, City Manager

This item was pulled from the agenda.

Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 09-44 Approving The Appropriation Of 2008 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant For Fire Assistance – Alex Silva, Fire Chief

A motion was made by Council Member Bradshaw and seconded by Council Member Ludwig to adopt Resolution 09-44 approving the appropriation of 2008 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant for fire assistance. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Discussion/Related Action To Approve RESOLUTION 09-50 A Resolution Approving The Form Of And Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Purchase And Sale Agreement And Related Documents With Respect To The Sale

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Of The Seller's Proposition 1a Receivable From The State; And Directing And Authorizing Certain Other Actions In Connection Therewith – Rosa Ramirez, Finance Manager

A motion was made by Council Member Brittsan and seconded by Council Member Layton to adopt Resolution 09-50 approving the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of a Purchase and Sale Agreement and related documents with respect to the sale of the seller's Proposition 1a receivable from the State; and directing and authorizing certain other actions in connection therewith. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 09-51 Approving The Delegation Of Authority For Executing Documents With The State Of California Department Of Transportation (Caltrans) – Laura Fischer, City Manager

Council Member Ludwig inquired about the total amount of ARRA projects which is approximately \$1.5 million. A motion was made by Council Member Layton and seconded by Council Member Ludwig to adopt Resolution 09-51 approving the delegation of authority for executing documents with the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

Discussion/Related Action To Approve Graffiti Abatement Program/You Spray – You Pay – Clint Erro, Interim Chief of Police

A motion was made by Council Member Brittsan and seconded by Council Member Layton to approve the Graffiti Abatement Program/You Spray – You Pay. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Related Action To Adopt RESOLUTION 90-52 Authorizing The Elimination Of The Position Of Recreation Supervisor Due To Economic Interests Of The City – Laura Fischer, City Manager

Daniel Ibarra addressed the Council and City Staff and thanked them for their support and the opportunities provided to him. Council Member Bradshaw suggested an appreciation letter be written to Mr. Ibarra. City Treasurer Pete Mellinger stated he would like to see him rehired at a later date. A motion was made by Council Member Brittsan and seconded by Council Member Bradshaw to adopt Resolution 09-52 authorizing the elimination of the position of Recreation Supervisor to economic interests of the City. The motion carried 5/0 in the form of a roll call vote.

INFORMATION ONLY:

Information Only Regarding Golf Carts – Steve Walker, City Attorney

Materials were distributed by Martin Gonzalez. Direction was given to the City Attorney to gather more information with cost estimates.

Information Only Regarding Clean Up Day – Gerry Peacher, Public Works Manager

Information only; no action taken.

Staff Reports

Written reports were provided by the following: Finance Manager, Water Works Supervisor, Public Works Manager, Recreation Supervisor, Fire Chief and City Planner.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before council, Mayor Padilla adjourned the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Bianca Padilla, Mayor

Glyn Snyder, City Clerk

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOLTVILLE
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
October 26, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Holtville Redevelopment Agency was on Monday, October 26, 2009 in the Civic Center. Board Members present were Bianca Padilla, Colleen Ludwig, Richard Layton, David Bradshaw and Jerry Brittsan. Staff members present were Laura Fischer, Rosa Ramirez, Alex Silva, Clint Erro, Daniel Ibarra and Glyn Snyder. Gerry Peacher, Frank Cornejo and Matt Hughes were absent. City Planner Justina Arce and City Treasurer Pete Mellinger were present. City Attorney Steve Walker and Martin Gonzalez were also present.

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairman Padilla called the Redevelopment meeting to order at 7:46 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Esmeralda Donelly, 1829 E. Thiesen Rd. stated she is having problems with Pepe's Auto Shop. They will not refund her money and they still have possession of her vehicle. The City Manager will contact her tomorrow.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Approval Of Minutes Of The Regular Meeting Of October 12, 2009**
- 2. Current Demands #1537**

A motion was made by Board Member Layton and seconded by Board Member Bradshaw to approve Consent Agenda items 1 & 2. All members present were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, &
COMMUNIQUES:**

None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Padilla adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Bianca Padilla, Chairman

Glyn Snyder, Secretary