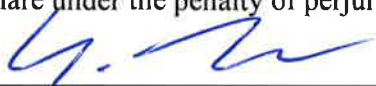


**Fort Jones Town Council
Special Meeting
October 30, 2023**

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING AGENDA

I, Carolin Hoefer, Customer Service Clerk for the Town of Fort Jones, hereby certify that the agenda for the October 30, 2023 special meeting of the Town Council was posted at the Town Hall, near the door of the Town Council Chambers, outside Ace Hardware, on the front window of the Fort Jones Post Office and on the Town's website www.fortjonesca.org on October 27, 2023.

I declare under the penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct.



Carolin Hoefer, Customer Service Clerk

ROLL CALL:

The special meeting of the Fort Jones Town Council was called to order in person by Mayor Mercedes Garcia at 6:00 p.m. In addition to the mayor, council members present were Kathye Banks, Mark Eayrs, and Alexander LaRiviere and Julia Collie-Mason.

Also present: Everett Hullquist – Public Works and Chief Josh Short – Etna P.D.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Garcia

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION / REPORTS / CORRESPONDENCE; NON-ACTION ITEMS: None

DISCUSSION / REPORTS: ACTION ITEMS:

1. Review and approve special meeting minutes for October 20, 2023

Motion: Eayrs moves to approve the October 20, 2023 minutes as written.

Second: LaRiviere

Ayes: M. Garcia, K. Banks, M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion: Passes

2. Discuss and approve a consulting stipend to Samantha Hess

Motion: Collie-Mason moves to pay Samantha Hess \$25.00 an hour for consulting and to pay \$375.00 for Sept-Oct.

Second: Eayrs

Ayes: M. Garcia, K. Banks, M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Motion: Passes

3. Discuss and approve a one-time stipend for Carolin Hoefer.

Motion: Eayrs moves to approve a one-time stipend for Carolin Hoefer.
Second: LaRiviere
Ayes: K. Banks, M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason
Nays: M. Garcia
Abstain: None
Motion: Passes

STAFF COMMENTS:

Everett Hullquist commented that Carolin deserved the \$1000 as she does a lot and is under paid. He also talked about cross connections and backflow prevention devices. He would like an outside source to do the inspections and a letter sent out once a year reminding those with backflow devices that they are due for inspections.

Josh Short talked about the speed sign that is shared with the town and that Etna would split half the cost of the batteries. New ones are needed. He has also is looking into digital feed back signs that might be a temporary fix to alerting drivers of pedestrians in the crosswalks in town. He will provide more information as he finds it.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Eayrs commented that a lot of the residents did not know about the water being shut off to fix the water main. He felt that the Town needed a better way to get the information out to the citizens.

LaRiviere inquired about why the library Wi-Fi is being shut off when they are not open.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm. The next regular scheduled town council meeting is scheduled to be held on November 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Attest:



Carolin Hoefer, Interim Town Clerk

Approved:



Mercedes Garcia, Mayor

**Fort Jones Town Council
Special Meeting
October 20, 2023**

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING AGENDA

I, Carolin Hoefer, Customer Service Clerk, for the Town of Fort Jones, hereby certify that the agenda for the October 20, 2023 special meeting of the Town Council was posted at the Town Hall, near the door of the Town Council Chambers, outside Ace Hardware, on the front window of the Fort Jones Post Office and on the Town's website www.fortjonesca.org on October 19, 2023.

I declare under the penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct.



Carolin Hoefer, Customer Service Clerk

ROLL CALL:

The special meeting of the Fort Jones Town Council was called to order in person by Mayor Mercedes Garcia at 6:00 p.m. In addition to the mayor, councilmembers present were Kathy Banks, Mark Eayrs, Julia Collie-Mason, and Alexander LaRiviere.

Staff present: Everett Hullquist – Public Works

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Garcia

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Celeste McFall: States that First 5 Siskiyou is not a part of the county library; growth allocation on budget does not add up; she has worked with proposed new clerk, and she has concerns that were not stated; she does not understand Resolution 1125; who is taking the minutes, they are not on the website; the museum background has bad grammar.

Madeleine Ayers: Address councilmembers Eayrs, LaRiviere and Collie-Mason stating that "The ship is sinking", they are supporting chaos, be careful of signing contracts and hiring. They need good leadership.

DISCUSSION / REPORTS COORESPONDENCE: NON-ACTION ITEMS: NONE

DISCUSSION / REPORTS: ACTION ITEMS:

1. Review and approve First 5 Siskiyou Proclamation

Discussion:

Karen Potts, executive director of First 5 Siskiyou, offered a brief explanation of the program and how they have partnered with the Siskiyou County Library.

Questions and comments were presented to Karen by the public and council.

Motion: Eayrs moves to accept and sign the First 5 Siskiyou Proclamation.

Second: LaRiviere

Ayes: M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason, K. Banks, M. Garcia

Nays: None

Motion: Passes

2. Review and approve Resolution 1124 certifying and accepting calculations for AB2788 MOE – Prop 172

Discussion:

A public member wanted to know if the council understood what they were signing.

The council answered the question.

Motion: Eayrs moves to pass Resolution 1124 certifying and accepting calculations for AB2788 MOE.

Second: LaRiviere

Ayes: M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason, K. Banks, M. Garcia

Nays: None

Motion: Passes

3. Review and approve amended budget line item for the Law Enforcement Growth Allocation

Discussion:

The public asked where the figures for this came from; do the council members trust the numbers and where does the money come from?

The council answered the questions.

Motion: Banks moves to approve the amendment to the 23/24 budget line item for the Law Enforcement Growth Allocation.

Second: LaRiviere

Ayes: M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason, K. Banks, M. Garcia

Nays: None

Motion: Passes

4. Discuss and approve the hiring of Town Administrator/Clerk – Joshua Stanshaw

Discussion:

The public asked for clarification on what position the Town was hiring for; compensation and benefits; who was on the interview panel; qualifications of candidate; has the council met the candidate; further discussion ensued.

The council answered questions and gave clarification.

Motion: LaRiviere moves to approve the hiring of Joshua Stanshaw as the Town Administrator and Town Clerk.

Second: Banks

Ayes: M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason, K. Banks, M. Garcia

Nays: None

Motion: Passes

5. Review and approve Resolution 1125 – Changing the compensation and part-time status of the Town Clerk.

Discussion:

The public asked for clarification on what this resolution was for and why it was being changed.

The council gave clarification.

Motion: Banks moves to approve Resolution 1125, changing the compensation and part-time status of the Town Clerk.

Second: LaRiviere

Ayes: M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason, K. Banks, M. Garcia

Nays: None

Motion: Passes

6. Discuss and resolve the Fort Jones Museum bank account.

Discussion:

The public is concerned that Cecelia Reuter was not a part of the discussion, and that the council closed the account without speaking to the museum.

Councilmember Banks clarified that Brenda Mendenhall was given all the information as she is on the museum board and Cecelia is not. It was explained that the council did not close the museum account.

Motion: LaRiviere moves to close the Fort Jones Museum bank account and return the money.

Second: Eayrs

Ayes: M. Eayrs, A. LaRiviere, J. Collie-Mason, K. Banks

Nays: None

Abstain: M. Garcia

Motion: Passes

STAFF COMMENTS: NONE

COUNCIL COMMENTS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. The next regular town council meeting is scheduled to be held on November 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Attest:



Carolin Hoefer, Customer Service Clerk

Approved:



Mercedes Garcia, Mayor