

CITY OF PACIFICA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES



Council Chambers
2212 Beach Blvd
Pacifica, CA 94044

Mayor Len Stone
Mayor pro Tem Mary Ann Nihart
Councilmember Sue Digre
Councilmember Karen Ervin
Councilmember Mike O'Neill

September 09, 2013 (MONDAY)
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Mayor Len Stone called the meeting to order on September 9, 2013 at 7:05 PM

6:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

1. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 Conference with labor negotiator. Agency Negotiator: Glen Berkheimer/Hollu Brock-Cohn. Employee organizations: Firefighters Local 2400; Battalion Chiefs Local 850; Management Local 350.

7:00 PM OPEN SESSION

Call to Order

Mayor Stone reconvened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Len Stone	Mayor	Present	
Mary Ann Nihart	Mayor pro Tem	Present	
Sue Digre	Councilmember	Present	
Karen Ervin	Councilmember	Present	
Mike O'Neill	Councilmember	Present	

Staff Present: Michael Garvey, Interim City Manager; Michelle Kenyon, City Attorney; Joe Spanheimer, Police Captain; Joshua Cosgrove, WWTP; Kathy O'Connell, City Clerk.

Salute to the Flag led by Councilmember Digre

Closed Session Report

City Attorney Kenyon stated that there was no reportable action taken.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Interim City Manager Garvey asked that item #7 be pulled because there was a typo. He stated that is was not terribly significant but they would like to clear the record.

Councilmember Digre stated that, on page 13 of the minutes under 3-0 after the third sentence, she would like "would prefer not to have" be clarified to say "preferred not to have to have the

item pulled.”

Mayor pro Tem Nihart pointed out that, in the consent calendar, they had a number of childcare contracts and grant monies and part of what PB&R does so efficiently. She commended them for continuing that and working with the school district.

Mayor Stone stated they should hear Item #7 after Item #9 in the consideration portion.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mary Ann Nihart, Mayor pro Tem
SECONDER:	Karen Ervin, Councilmember
AYES:	Stone, Nihart, Digre, Ervin, O'Neill

1. Approval of Disbursements.
PROPOSED ACTION: Approve
2. Approval of Minutes
PROPOSED ACTION: Approval of Minutes for the August 12, 2013 City Council Meeting.
3. Proclamation Confirming the Existence of a Local Emergency
PROPOSED ACTION: Move to continue the existence of a local emergency dated April 12, 2010.
4. Transfer of \$13,000 of State of California Child Development Funding from the State Preschool Grant CSPP-2517 to the General Center Child Care Grant CCTR-2273.
PROPOSED ACTION: Authorize City Manager to sign Amended Fiscal Year 2012 - 2013 contracts with California Department of Education.
5. The California State Department of Education Increase in the Child Care Divisions General Contract in the Amount of \$15,000 for the 2012 – 2013 Fiscal Year.
PROPOSED ACTION: Authorize City Manager to sign Amendment #4 for the 2012 - 2013 California State Department of Education Contract #CCTR-2273.
6. Approval of Contracts with San Mateo County Office of Education for the Purpose of Providing State Preschool Classes for Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014.
PROPOSED ACTION: Approval of the fiscal year 2013-14 contract with the San Mateo County Office of Education for providing subsidized child care services by Child Care Services Division and designation of administration responsibility to Child Care Services Supervisor Scott Leslie.
7. Wastewater Force Main Condition Assessment Project RFP
PROPOSED ACTION: Authorize issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Wastewater Force Main Condition Assessment Project.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**PUBLIC HEARINGS****COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor pro Tem Nihart stated that the Beautification Advisory Committee were doing amazing work, adding that they were taking on the Sharp Park off ramp at the Golf Course with Caltrans approval and involvement. They were hopeful that it goes well and they will do more. She stated that the front of Linda Mar Blvd. was being discussed as the next project. She mentioned that there were other sites available for beautification. She requested that Council agendaize a letter to Caltrans about Highway 1 because it was our main street and they would like to move "adopting the Highway" forward. She stated that CCAG was meeting Thursday night and they have the draft for the 2013 congested management plan for San Mateo County as well as a call for subcommittees. She shared that in case Councilmembers want to be on the subcommittees. She thanked everyone who attended the Council of Cities, and specifically thanked Mike O'Neill for getting her home due to her reaction to horses affecting her sight. She mentioned that there was a comment period open on dog management for GGNRA and she hoped that was the first thing the Open Space Parklands Committee took up and she encouraged the public to look at it. She stated that they had a meeting for Economic Development Committee, and she thought the time period had been extended for applications.

City Clerk O'Connell responded affirmatively, and she thought they could go another week.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart stated that they were looking for people to be involved in Economic Development and Emergency Preparedness. She added that she has her first solo ABAG Exec. Board meeting on the 19th.

Councilmember Ervin stated that she attended the Pacifica School Volunteers meeting, adding that it was great to see the work they are doing with limited funds. She mentioned Bridge Camp in the summer which was very successful, as well as the Lego Robotics. She mentioned future activities, such as the Family Fun Day during the Fog Fest, etc. She added that they were always in need of volunteers and encouraged anyone who had time to volunteer. She also attended the City Library Foundation meeting where they talked about the Beach Blvd. Project

Councilmember Digre stated that the Airport Noise Commission met and are investigating how they can have more teeth in noise management. Regarding writing letters to Caltrans, she was surprised to hear there were only 4 Caltrans workers on the Coast, adding that she wondered how the state didn't see that they were an economic asset on the coast. She thought they could write letters to our representatives to lobby for that. She mentioned scheduled district meetings, encouraging people to attend. She mentioned the Scout meetings and asked that the Council consider honoring the Eagle Scouts, although they are off to college at this time. She stated that they do a lot for our City and she would like us to support them.

Councilmember O'Neill stated that he was at the Equalization Basin meeting to get feedback. He gave his infrastructure speech to two groups recently. He attended the Eagle Court of Honor for Troop 256 at St. Peter's. He stated that Boys and Girls Club was having a ribbon cutting for their technology center which was donated by Rent-a-Center on September 20.

Mayor Stone thanked everyone for covering for him while he was attending a friend's wedding

out of the country. He referred to Councilmember Digre's comments on the redistricting of the Advisory Committee and he asked that they put it on the next agenda, adding that a lot of cities were commenting. He mentioned that there was an item to endorse the community unity map, referring to some specific changes taking place. He suggested that the Council look at that carefully since he felt it was important that they solidify their representation in the county. He stated that he met with the Tri-County Department Association Government Affairs Rep, adding that it was an interesting meeting and they talked about the sewer master plan. He commented that, when he ran for City Council, they were doing all the endorsements and one thing was the sewer rates. He was encouraged that they looked at the City's plan and thought it was a very responsible and thorough plan.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart apologized that she was going to cover for him at the last meetings and, unfortunately, a long time friend went in for a hernia operation, became critically ill and passed away. She apologized because she didn't usually do that, but she talked to the City Manager and felt they were in good hands.

Councilmember O'Neill stated that he went to the LAFCO orientation for his position and he was informed that later they would be doing a study about consolidations of special districts in the North County.

Mayor Stone also remembered that Horace Hinshaw had asked him to make a comment but he forgot the paper with the information and he would do it at the next meeting.

Councilmember Ervin stated that there was the Cox Conserves Award for Lynn Adams of the Pacifica Beach Coalition. She stated that, if people go on line and vote for her, she has the opportunity to win \$10,000 for her non-profit, the Pacifica Beach Coalition. She encouraged everyone to vote for her.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Cindy Abbott, Pacifica, stated that she was representing the Advisory Board of the Pacifica Resource Center. She was reporting on special events coming up in October, the first celebrating the third annual Rockaway Beach Stroll which showcases everything wonderful about Pacifica, giving some of the specifics. She stated that they will begin signing up those for adopt a family. They were also supporting families during Thanksgiving. Both sign-ups begin on October 1.

Noel Blincoe and Ed Geer, Pacifica, stated that they were part of the Shorebird Alliance. Noel Blincoe thanked the Council for supporting the snowy plover. He stated that, since then, they have been successful in trying to get grant money for \$10,000 for the birds. He mentioned the key about dividing it up, putting 2/3 toward the symbolic fencing which still costs money. He stated that 1/3 going toward educational material were equally important. They have been working closely with the children of Pacifica which were a resource in creating signage. He mentioned that it was key for Pacifica to hook up with the Coastal Commission for the permit and then go ahead with the symbolic fencing. Ed Geer read a short thanks to the City Council which was signed by their president.

Therese Dyer, 1408 Crespi Drive, wished Mr. Garvey well. She welcome Lorie Tinfow, mentioned that in the 51 years that she has lived in Pacifica, we have never had a woman city manager. She then mentioned that we don't have weed abatement anymore or a code enforcer, adding that the responsibility lies with the Planning Department. While she has been

complaining, she wished someone else would complain. She stated that she got rid the weeds by Mooney's Garden, dead pine tree at the Sanchez Library. She thought we should look into the fire hazards in Pacifica, with the dead trees on the highway which was an eyesore. She mentioned that it was on private property so they need to contact the person or have our tree service do it and bill them. She then mentioned another one on Lerida and Spruce.

Tod Schlesinger, Linda Mar, mentioned an inside joke to Noel Blincoe that he was at the quarry and did see the Loch Ness Monster. He referred attending the charette regarding the quarry. He asked the question of who would pay for the \$12 - \$17 million to dig a big hole. He mentioned that they should use their heads, suggesting that it was like buying insurance on a refrigerator or computer and any consumer advocate will tell them it was bad business. He stated that should have filed for bankruptcy and beat up on the unions and city employees and we would be fine. He then stated that it wasn't smart to build a hole, and it was a bad deal and a waste of time and money.

CONSIDERATION

8. Consideration and Adoption of Resolution Appointing Lorie Tinfow as City Manager and Approving the Employment Contract Between the City of Pacifica and Lorie Tinfow.
PROPOSED ACTION: By motion adopt resolution appointing Lorie Tinfow as City Manager and approve the employment agreement between the City of Pacifica and Lorie Tinfow.

City Attorney Kenyon presented the staff report.

Lorie Tinfow stated that she was pleased to be standing before them and was excited about the opportunity. She felt her skills and experience as outlined by the City Attorney were a great fit for the challenges and potential in Pacifica. She stated that she has learned a lot about Pacifica through the process and has shared with other people, such as the fishing pier, hiking trails, etc., which she thought was a secret to a lot of people. She looked forward to coming here and being a part of the community and experiencing it all herself. She looked forward to taking on the challenges which she thought was the start of a process that they were going to make the most of. She was looking forward to taking Pacifica to the next level.

Mayor Stone opened public comments.

Tod Schlesinger, Linda Mar, stated that anyone who wants to come to Pacifica and be a City Manager has guts. He stated that the only City Manager with whom he had a lot of communication was Dave Carmody. He stated that she has bitten off a lot wanting to be the City Manager and he hoped she was hitting it at the right time. He mentioned that he saw some construction at Rockaway at Pacifica, and he asked where his commission was after all his hard work. He also noticed there is more traffic now on the weekends, with people coming through town, and he thought it was too bad that we didn't line up our ducks sooner to capture some of that money. He stated that there was a lot of property for sale on Palmetto. He was a pessimist and realist and he asked that the City Manager not drop the ball because we have worked hard to get to this point.

Mayor Stone closed public comments.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart stated that they did an extensive search, thanking those involved. She was thrilled with their selection, stating that she was articulate, enthusiastic, etc., and she would like to make the motion.

Councilmember Ervin dittoed her comments. She felt it was an incredibly great match, mentioning some of her qualities. She felt they invigorated the Council and they were excited about the change. They were looking forward to it. She stated that the interim city manager, Mike Garvey, has done an amazing job as well.

Councilmember Digre also dittoed the comments, adding that some things that stand out was the experience and eagerness to involve the entire community. She agreed that they did hard work, but Lorie Tinfow also did hard work and she felt comfortable that she knows the City, challenges, differences of opinions and was still willing to step forward. She also agreed that Mr. Garvey has been wonderful, mentioning that she tapped his brain regarding his experience and she thought the handoff would be good. She agreed that the writing was supposed to be dry stuff yet she read the whole thing.

Councilmember O'Neill welcomed her aboard.

Mayor Stone felt Ms. Tinfow put it well when she said her attributes and our challenges were a good fit, referring to economic development, better communication with the public, etc. He felt they will continue to make progress and she will lead us in that direction.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart was honored to make the motion, which was for our first woman as City Manager.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart moved that the Council appoint Lorie Tinfow as City Manager and approve the employment agreement between the City of Pacifica and Lorie Tinfow; seconded by Councilmember Digre.

City Attorney Kenyon added that they were adopting the resolution for clarity.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart asked if she missed something.

City Attorney Kenyon reiterated that they were adopting the resolution.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart agreed that they were adopting the resolution.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mary Ann Nihart, Mayor pro Tem
SECONDER:	Sue Digre, Councilmember
AYES:	Stone, Nihart, Digre, Ervin, O'Neill

9. Appointments to the Open Space and Parkland Advisory Committee.
PROPOSED ACTION: Move to appoint nine citizens from the applicant pool.

City Clerk O'Connell presented the staff report.

Mayor Stone asked how many votes they get.

City Clerk O'Connell clarified that it was nine members.

Mayor Stone opened public comments.

Noel Blincoe, Pacifica, stated that, when they did their interview, he was on vacation. He stated that he had put in his application and had a high interest in being involved in the committee, adding that he has had a number of years' experience on environmental committees and mentioning that he had worked with the park people and was active on the GGNRA subcommittee. He asked that they consider him for the Open Space and Parkland committee.

Julie Lancelle, Pacifica, stated that she also applied to be on the Open Space Committee. She stated that she spoke at the previous meeting and she was reaffirming her interest in it and let them know that she had also missed the interview day because of being on a planned vacation. She didn't lobby anyone but was interested and was willing to answer any questions they have at this time. She stated that she was on the original Open Space Committee and would leave it at that.

Mayor Stone closed public comments.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart thanked the great array of applicants representing both the old GGNRA Advisory Committee and the Open Space Committee. She appreciated the difficulties in combining but she felt it was going to be a really exciting committee with a lot of great people. She acknowledged that only 9 can be chosen out of the 12, but everyone was a winner in her opinion. She thanked everyone who applied.

Councilmember Digre thought there would be subcommittees as there were on the other ones and they were extremely important.

Mayor Stone agreed, adding that if they don't make it, he felt they should participate in that way. They passed out the sheets and he added that the tally sheets would all be public.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart commented, while they were tallying, that she couldn't believe the wealth of people Councilmember O'Neill knows. She thought his resources were amazing.

City Clerk O'Connell stated that the applicants with the highest number of votes were Noel Blincoe, Lisa Villasenor, Jim Cordeiro, Allan Federman, George Frank, Paul Jones, Julie Lancelle, Michael Pacelli, Allison Sanders.

City Attorney Kenyon stated that they need a motion to appoint those nine people.

Mayor pro Tem Nihart moved to appoint the nine people from their vote; seconded by Councilmember Digre.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mary Ann Nihart, Mayor pro Tem
SECONDER:	Sue Digre, Councilmember
AYES:	Stone, Nihart, Digre, Ervin, O'Neill

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Item #7

City Manager Garvey presented the staff report.

There were no public comments.

Councilmember Digre recommended that they make those corrections as stated; seconded by Councilmember O'Neill.

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Mayor Stone adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.