

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
November 17, 2014

The city council met in regular session Monday, November 17, 2014 in the council chambers at city hall. President Garbe called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Marvin Garbe, Todd Hay, Nathan Schmidt and Karen Nieuwbeerta.  
Absent: Bryce Curtiss. Mayor Debra Lee Fader present.

Also present were: City Manager Steven C. Jones, City Attorney Janice Nelson and City Clerk Glennis Lauritsen.

President Garbe welcomed high school students in attendance to observe the council proceedings.

It was moved by Hay, seconded by Schmidt and unanimously passed to approve the agenda, with the following modifications:

**ADD: 5(C) CONSIDER REQUEST BY THE MONTEVIDEO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR USE OF THE CITY-OWNED PARKING LOT ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014, FROM 4:00-7:00 P.M. FOR VARIOUS HOLIDAY-RELATED ACTIVITIES.**

**ADD: 5(D) CONSIDER REQUEST BY THE MONTEVIDEO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR USE OF MAIN STREET, MERRIAM AVENUE TO CANTON AVENUE, ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2014, 4:30-8:00 P.M. FOR A HOLIDAY LIGHTS PARADE AND TRAIN CAR RIDES.**

It was moved by Nieuwbeerta, seconded by Hay and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 3, 2014 and Canvassing Board Meeting of November 12, 2014.

4. Notices/Communications/Announcements or Appearance of Interested Citizens.

4(A) CITY MANAGER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION.

President Garbe provided a public summary statement of the performance review of City Manager Steve Jones, conducted by the council in a closed session held November 3, 2014. As a grade for his job performance over the last year, the council had given Jones a 94.0 rating (out of a possible 100 points).

It was moved by Schmidt, seconded by Nieuwebeerta and unanimously passed to give a 2.5% wage increase to Jones for 2014, similar to the increase being given to the police union employees, non-union employees and department heads.

5. Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Hay, seconded by Schmidt and unanimously passed to approve the following consent agenda items:

- 5(A) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING NOVEMBER 14, 2014 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$235,709.83.
- 5(B) CONSIDER SALE OF SEIZED/SURPLUS ITEMS FOR SALE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.
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6. Public Hearings.

- None.

7. General Business.

7(A) 2014 AMENDED BUDGET.

Finance Director Jan Flaherty was on hand to discuss the proposed 2014 Budget amendments. Flaherty reviewed revenue and/or expenditure amendments within the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds, Capital Project Funds and Enterprise Funds. Proposed revenue amendments total \$1,302,975; expenditure amendments total \$1,979,000. A resolution was prepared to reflect those amendments.

NATHAN SCHMIDT OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3251, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014, AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3251 WAS SECONDED BY TODD HAY. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: NATHAN SCHMIDT, TODD HAY, KAREN NIEUWBEERTA AND MARVIN GARBE. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 4-0.

7(B) SAFEASSURE AGREEMENT.

For a number of years, the city has contracted with SafeAssure Consultants, Inc. to provide required safety training for city staff. A 2015 contract has been proposed at a cost of \$6,254, which is the same cost as the 2014 contract.

It was moved by Nieuwbeerta, seconded by Schmidt and unanimously passed to approve the 2015 contract, as presented.

8. Ordinances.

- None.

9. Discussion and Miscellaneous.

Prior to going into Closed Session, council members were polled for additional items.

- ▶ Garbe stated he and Angie Steinbach had met with State Representative Tim Miller regarding the VA Home. Another meeting will be held in December, and everyone is welcome to attend.
- ▶ Garbe invited council members and the public to attend a 1:00 P.M. meeting at the court house assembly room on Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, for the purpose of discussing sheltering for the area in times of disaster.

At 7:17 P.M., council took a brief recess to allow audience members to leave the council chambers.

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9(A) CLOSED SESSION - AFSCME UNION NEGOTIATIONS.

Council President Garbe called the closed session to order at 7:19 P.M. Those in attendance included council members Nieuwbeerta, Hay, Schmidt and Garbe, Mayor Fader, City Manager Steve Jones and City Clerk Glennis Lauritsen. The entire closed session was audio recorded on cassette tape and will be kept in accordance with the adopted records retention schedule, after which time it will be destroyed.

At 7:49 P.M., council moved back into regular session.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

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Glennis Lauritsen, Secretary

Approved by council December 1, 2014:

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Marvin E. Garbe, President