

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF IMPERIAL  
FEBRUARY 15, 2023**

**A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:00 PM.**

CITY MANAGER D. MORITA, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER A. BROWN, CITY ATTORNEY K. TURNER, COUNCIL MEMBERS MENDOZA, TUCKER AND OBESO-MARTINEZ, MAYOR PRO TEM AMPARANO AND MAYOR BURNWORTH

**B. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 PM.**

**MAYOR BURNWORTH CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:11 PM.**

**ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL:**

**PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE:** COUNCIL MEMBER OBESO-MARTINEZ, TUCKER AND MENDOZA, MAYOR PRO TEM AMPARANO AND MAYOR BURNWORTH

**STAFF MEMBERS:**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY MAYOR BURNWORTH**

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

MORITA ASKED TO PULL SUBJECT E-3 FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

**ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:**

**TURNER:** NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS POINT. COUNCIL WILL BE GOING BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION.

**C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

**C-1. MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA.**

RICK BRELAND, 2452 O'HARA AVE. IMPERIAL, CA 92251. MR. BRELAND ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL ABOUT THE LANDSCAPING AROUND HIS NEIGHBORHOOD. MR. BRELAND MET WITH THE CITY MANAGER MORITA AND THE PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR TONY TO ADDRESS THE SAME ISSUE. MR. BRELAND EXPLAINED THAT YOU CAN'T WALK DOWN THE SIDEWALK BECAUSE OF THE DIRT AND DEAD PLANTS. MR. BRELAND ASKED THE COUNCIL

TO DRIVE THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO SEE WHAT HE IS TALKING ABOUT. MR. BRELAND ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE SIDEWALK BY THE DOG PARK BEING WASHED AWAY FROM WATER RUNNING DOWN THE SIDE OF THE RETENTION NEAR THE DOG PARK.

MAYOR BURNWORTH RECEIVED TWO EMAILS FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS AND READ THEM INTO THE RECORD.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**D-1. APPROVAL OF CLAIM AND WARRANTS.**

**D-2. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR JANUARY 18 AND FEBRUARY 1, 2023.**

**D-3. APPROVAL OF CONTINUATION FOR DECLARED EMERGENCY AT HWY 86 AND ATEN ATEN RD. (RESOLUTION 2022-69).**

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY MENDOZA TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA D-1 AND D-2 SECONDED BY OBESO-MARTINEZ

**AYES:** MENDOZA, OBESO-MARTINEZ, TUCKER, AMPARANO AND BURNWORTH

**NOES:** NONE

**ABSTAIN:** NONE

**ABSENT:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED: 5-0**

**E. ACTION ITEMS: (DISCUSSION/ACTION – APPROVE/DISAPPROVE).**

**E-1. SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF SOFTWARE FOR MOTOROLA APX RADIO'S.**

- 1. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ENCRYPTION SOFTWARE FOR SIX PORTABLE RADIOS AND ONE MOBILE RADIO NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000.00.**

**DISCUSSION:**

CPT. SHEFFIELD: THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOUND OUT THEIR RADIOS HAD OLD SOFTWARE WHILE GOING THROUGH AN ENCRYPTION PROCESS. THE DEPARTMENT IS ASKING TO PURCHASE ONE MOBILE RADIO FOR \$654.43 AND PORTABLE RADIO SOFTWARE FOR \$4,036.67.

AMPARANO: IS THIS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE BY RCS AND THEY FAILED? CPT. SHEFFIELD REPLIED THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING INTO THE SITUATION.

BURNWORTH: WHAT ISSUES ARE BEING CAUSED WITHOUT ENCRYPTION? CPT. SHEFFIELD ANSWERED THAT WITHOUT THE ENCRYPTION WE CAN HEAR DISPATCH BUT DISPATCH CAN'T HEAR US. WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE.

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY AMPARANO TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF ENCRYPTION SOFTWARE FOR SIX PORTABLE RADIOS AND ONE MOBILE RADIO NOT TO EXCEED \$8,000.00, SECONDED BY MENDOZA

**AYES:** MENDOZA, OBESO-MARTINEZ, TUCKER, AMPARANO AND BURNWORTH

**NOES:** NONE

**ABSTAIN:** NONE

**ABSENT:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED: 5-0**

**E-2. SUBJECT: SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO PROPERTIES OUTSIDE CITY BOUNDARIES.**

- 1. APPROVE EXTENSION OF SANITARY SEWER SERVICES APN 064-020-044.**
- 2. APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR SANITARY SEWER SERVICE.**

**DISCUSSION:**

MORA: THE PROPERTY LOCATED OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS ON NANCE ROAD IS REQUESTING TO CONNECT INTO THE CITY'S MAIN LINE LOCATED ON WORTHINGTON ROAD.

TUCKER: CAN WE EXPLAIN WHY THE HOUSES ON NANCE ROAD CAN'T CONNECT TO THE LINE ON NANCE? MORA EXPLAINED THE LINE ON WORTHINGTON IS GRAVITY AND THE ONE ON NANCE ROAD IS PRESSURIZED.

OBESO-MARTINEZ ASKED IF THE HOUSE WAS ON COUNTY PROPERTY? MORA REPLIED YES AND THE HOUSE NEXT TO IT ON THE CORNER IS IN THE CITY.

AMPARANO ASKED IF THE PROPERTY OWNER WILL BE PAYING FOR CITY WATER? MORA REPLIED YES AND THAT THEY APPLIED FOR THE WATER CONNECTION ABOUT A YEAR AGO.

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY TUCKER TO APPROVE EXTENSION OF SANITARY SEWER SERVICES APN 064-020-044 AND SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR SANITARY SEWER SERVICE, SECONDED BY AMPARANO

**AYES:** MENDOZA, OBESO-MARTINEZ, TUCKER, AMPARANO AND BURNWORTH

**NOES:** NONE

**ABSTAIN:** NONE

**ABSENT:** NONE

**MOTION CARRIED: 5-0**

**E-3. SUBJECT: RULES OF ORDER AND CONDUCT FOR IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.**

**1. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2023-04 ESTABLISHING RULES OF ORDER AND CONDUCT FOR IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.**

**DISCUSSION:**

CITY MANAGER MORITA PULLED SUBJECT DURING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA.

**H. REPORTS:**

**H-1. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**CPT. SHEFFIELD:** I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A PUBLIC SHOUT OUT TO OUR PSO DAMON HARMON THAT TOOK THE REINS DURING THE ENCRYPTION PROCESS PROJECT. HE IS SUPER SAVVY ABOUT OUR RADIO SYSTEM AND IF I HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I GO TO HIM.

**H-2. CITY MANAGER REPORT: NONE**

**H-3. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:**

**MENDOZA:** OBESO-MARTINEZ AND I WERE AT JPIA TRAINING LAST MEETING AND JOINED REMOTELY. I AM VERY GRATEFUL THAT I WAS ABLE TO ATTEND THE TRAINING AND FLOOD MY BRAIN WITH ALL THE INFORMATION. THERE HAS BEEN NO MEETING FOR MY OTHER COMMITTEES.

**OBESO-MARTINEZ:** I WAS VERY HAPPY TO ATTEND THE NEW MAYORS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS ACADEMY. MY BRAIN WAS OVERLOADED. IT WAS NICE TO GET TO KNOW DIFFERENT CITIES AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. LEARNED A LOT ABOUT FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, ETHICS AND EVERYTHING ELSE ASSOCIATED WITH OUR NEW POSITIONS.

**AMPARANO:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK.

**BURNWORTH:** MENDOZA AND I ATTENDED THE OPEN HOUSE FOR OUR STATE SENATOR STEVE PADILLA AND ASSEMBLY MEMBER EDUARDO GARCIA. I WANTED TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT OUR PROJECTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROBLEMS. I ALSO MET WITH DOCTOR GINA NUNEZ THE DEAN AT SDSU TO SEE HOW WE CAN COLLABORATE TOGETHER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION WITHIN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL. AMPARANO AND I ALSO A MEETING WITH TWO IID DIRECTORS EUGENIO AND DOCKSTADER. WE TALKED ABOUT COLLABORATION WITHIN THE CITY. ONE WILL BE TO HAVE IID START INSTALLING LIGHTS FOR OUR LITTLE LEAGUE FIELDS. I WOULD LIKE TO GET STAFF TO COORDINATE WITH IID TO FIGURE OUT WHAT LIGHTS NEED TO BE REPLACED. FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE EVERYONE OUT TO THE TRI-TIP COOK OFF FEBRUARY 25TH FOR LOTS OF FUN.

**I. ADJOURNMENT.**

**MAYOR BURNWORTH ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING AT 7:40 UNTIL NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023, AT 7:00 PM.**

**THE CITY COUNCIL WENT BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:04 PM. NO REPORTABLE ACTION.**