# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES ADJOURNED MEETING FIRE STATION NO. 2 REGIONAL TRAINING FACILITY 500 NORTH NEWCOMB STREET PORTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA JANUARY 13, 2015, 5:30 P.M.

Called to Order at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Member Reyes, Council Member Ward (arrived at 5:50pm), Council

Member Gurrola, Vice Mayor Hamilton, Mayor Stowe

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Reyes Invocation – a moment of silence was observed.

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **SCHEDULED MATTER**

AB 1234 ETHICS TRAINING

City Attorney Lew conducted the ethics training session pursuant to AB 1234, which requires local agency officials to be trained in general ethics principles and ethics laws relevant to public service. She explained that the objectives of the session included: familiarizing those in attendance with the laws that govern their service; encouraging thinking beyond legal restrictions; and complying with AB 1234 requirements. The following was covered in her presentation:

- Different Types of Ethics: Situational, Professional, and Categorical/Universal.
- Four Groups of Ethics Laws: Personal financial gain, Personal advantages and perks, Governmental transparency, and Fair processes.
- Disqualification Based on Financial Interests
- Types of Interests: Sources of Income of \$500 or more, and Real Property interests of \$2000 or more.
- Recent Changes to the "500 Foot" Rule relative to real properties, business interests, leasehold interests, and common areas.
- Penalties
- Best Practices
- Case Studies
- Open Meetings and transparency rules
- AB1234 Requirements
- Public Service Ethics Principles

Following Ms. Lew's presentation, the Council took a fifteen minute recess then reconvened in Closed Session.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

- A. Closed Session Pursuant to:
  - 1- Government Code Section 54956.95 Liability Claim: Claimant: Maria Toledo. Agency claimed against: City of Porterville.
  - **2** Government Code Section 54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency Negotiator: John Lollis, Steve Kabot, and Patrice Hildreth. Employee Organizations: Porterville Police Officers Association; Fire Officer Series; and Porterville City Firefighters Association.

### RECONVENE OPEN SESSION AND

# REPORT ON REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The following action was reported:

1- GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.95 – LIABILITY CLAIM: CLAIMANT: MARIA TOLEDO. AGENCY CLAIMED AGAINST: CITY OF PORTERVILLE.

COUNCIL ACTION: MOVED by Council Member Gurrola, SECONDED by Vice Mayor

Hamilton that the City Council reject the claim filed by Maria Toledo.

The motion carried unanimously.

Documentation: M.O. 01-011315

Disposition: Approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Council adjourned at 7:51 p.m. to the meeting of January 20, 2015.

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Milt Stowe, Mayor

- Mayor Gurrola, invited everyone to attend the Plano Street Bridge Groundbreaking event on Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 a.m.
- Council Member Ward, expressed gratitude to Southern California Edison and their employees for keeping the power on in the community of Porterville.
- City Manager Lollis, announced that KMPH morning show would be at Crossfit 559 on August 30<sup>th</sup> and the Porterville Museum on Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, and extended an invitation to the Council.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Council adjourned at 9:38 p.m. to the meeting of September 3, 2013.

Luisa M. Zavala, Deputy City Clerk

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