



## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKEPORT CITY COUNCIL (ALSO MEETS AS THE CITY OF LAKEPORT MUNICIPAL SEWER DISTRICT, THE LAKEPORT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, THE MUNICIPAL FINANCING AGENCY OF LAKEPORT and THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER LAKEPORT REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY)\*

Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers, 225 Park Street, Lakeport, California 95453

*\*All references to "City Council" include those other agencies which are listed above*

*The City Council may discuss and/or take action on any or all of the items listed on the agenda irrespective of how the agenda items are described. The council may establish and make appointments to a Council committee (made up of two Councilmembers) with respect to any item appearing on this agenda.*

- I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:** Mayor Mattina called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., with Council Members Costa, Disney, Froio, Parlet, and Mayor Mattina present.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jake Soderquist.
- III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA/ URGENCY ITEMS:** Mayor Mattina asked to push item V5B back until all football players have arrived and move up the Safe and Sane Fireworks item. A motion was made by Council Member Parlet, seconded by Council Member Costa, and unanimously carried by voice vote 5-0-0-0 to accept agenda as amended.
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA:** *The following Consent Agenda items are expected to be routine and noncontroversial. They will be acted upon by the Council at one time without any discussion. Any Council Member may request that any item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion under the regular Agenda. Removed items will be considered following the Consent Calendar portion of this agenda.*
- A. Ordinances: Waive reading except by title, of any ordinances under consideration at this meeting for either introduction or passage per *Government Code* Section 36934.
- B. Minutes: Approve minutes of the City Council regular meeting of April 4, 2023.
- C. Application 2023-010: Approve application 2023-010, with staff recommendations, for the 2023 Memorial Day Parade.
- D. Application 2023-011: Approve application 2023-011, with staff recommendations, for the Nor-Cal Air Cooled VW Car Show to be held on Park Street.
- E. Application 2023-012: Approve application 2023-012, with staff recommendations, for the 2023 Tuesday Farmers' Market in Library Park.
- Vote on Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Council Member Parlet, seconded by Council Member Froio, and unanimously carried by voice vote 5-0-0-0 to approve the Consent Agenda, items A-E.
- V. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/REQUESTS:**
- A. Public Input: Dana Bastian requested for changes at the North High Street and Clearlake Avenue to prevent an accident.
- Nancy Ruzicka and Emma Hawk from All Childrens Thrive (ACT) gave an update on their group's activities, including recyclables drive for Earth Day to fundraise for the Life Skills class.
- B. Presentation: Mayor Mattina and the City Council recognized the Clear Lake High School Varsity Football Team for their successful 2022 football season. The Cardinals won North Central League I and North Coast Section Division 7 championships and advanced to

the NorCal Championships, which is the first time a Lake County team has made it that far. They won a school-record 12 games along the way.

**VI. COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

A. City Manager

1. Safe & Sane Fireworks Options Discussion

City Manager Ingram gave a staff report, providing a review the history and options related to safe and sane fireworks sales within the City of Lakeport.

Nancy Ruzicka, All Childrens Thrive, spoke in favor of maintaining the sales of safe and sane fireworks.

Mary Bensen, Lake County Realtors Scholarship Fund, stated that the fireworks sales are an important fund-raising tool and that a ban would only increase usage of illegal fireworks.

George Spurr spoke in favor of the sales in honor of veterans.

James, Lake County Channel Cats, supported the sale of the fireworks, a critical fund-raising tool for his group.

Supervisor Michael Green, called for a ban on the sales of safe and sane fireworks due to the fire risk and the attraction of illegal fireworks.

Heidi Johnson, Lake County Realtors Scholarship Fund, promoted the sales because of the American tradition.

Rachel Parsh, Clearlake Boosters Club, spoke in favor of the sales of Safe and Sane fireworks as a fund-raising tool that supports the kids in the community.

Dennis Revell, TNT Fireworks, spoke about the merits of the current fireworks ordinance and the need to stop the sale of illegal fireworks in California.

Fire Chief Reitz commended the city on the use of the display area to control the lighting of fireworks and discouraging the use of illegal fireworks. LFPD will be ready to assist with whichever direction the city takes.

Mayor Mattina read an email from Shyla Berry in favor of safe and sane fireworks.

City Council provided staff direction to research the possibility of imposing an additional regulatory fee upon the sale of fireworks for the purpose of providing additional enforcement and safety efforts.

2. Civic Engagement

Public Works Director Ladd gave a presentation on the City’s Road Management Program.

Dave Norris commented about the condition of N. Forbes Street.

George Spurr provided additional information on N. Forbes Street.

B. Administrative Services Director

1. Recruitment & Hiring Requests:

The staff report was presented by Administrative Services Director Buendia.

A motion was made by Council Member Froio, seconded by Council Member Disney, and unanimously carried by voice vote 5-0-0-0 to direct staff to open a recruitment for an Electrical Mechanical Technician (EMT).

**VII. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:**

A. Travel, Calendar, and Miscellaneous Reports, if any:

City Attorney Ruderman advised the Council that the City had opted-in to the Tiba Allergen, etc. settlement.

City Manager Ingram reminded the Council of the Employee Appreciation Barbeque. He also reported that he and Mayor Mattina attended the joint meeting of CalCities

and the California Statewide Association of Counties (CSAC). The special session was held to discuss the issues associated with homelessness.

Police Chief Rasmussen advised the Police Department would be hosting their semi-annual Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday.

Utilities Director Harris had no report.

Public Works Director Ladd reported that the Public Works staff received the fire training required for deploying the water tender for mutual aid for the fire districts in the County.

Administrative Services Director Buendia reminded the Council of the Employee Appreciation Barbeque on Friday.

Assistant City Manager Walker had no report.

Council Member Disney expressed his appreciation of Chief Rasmussen and Chief Reitz for spending the time to discuss the fireworks issues with him.

Council Member Froio advised that we are close to having the City Council meetings broadcast on Channel 8 on Mediacom. He reported that the Lakeport Main Street Association (LMSA) added 2 new Board Members. He also introduced his son who was in the audience.

Council Member Parlet reported on the Lake Transit Authority (LTA) and commented on the relative costs of subsidizing some of the less popular routes.

Council Member Costa reported that she attended the Risk Reduction Authority board meeting this week, where they discussed concerns about the upcoming fire season. They also discussed a Community Drinking Water Program for those who draw their drinking water straight from the Lake.

Council Member Costa attended the meeting of the Clean Water Committee. She also commended staff on painting the curbs in the Westside Park area to control parking.

Mayor Mattina attended the special joint session of CalCities and CSAC with City Manager Ingram. She also attended Congressman Thompson's Annual Pasta Feed.

Mayor Mattina adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

*Stacey Mattina*  
Stacey Mattina (May 5, 2023 07:43 PDT)

Stacey Mattina, Mayor

Attest:

*Kelly Buendia*  
Kelly Buendia (May 15, 2023 13:27 PDT)

Kelly Buendia, City Clerk