

**MEETING AGENDA
TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
COLEMAN CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
291 N. MAIN STREET
PORTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2014, 6:00 P.M.**

Roll Call: Committee Members

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

This is the opportunity for any member of the public to address the Committee.

SCHEDULED MATTERS

1. Approval of Minutes of August 7, 2014
2. Review and Discussion of the Transactions and Use Tax Oversight Committee's Charge

OTHER MATTERS

ADJOURNMENT

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Transactions and Use Tax Oversight Committee
Hamamatsu Conference Room, City Hall
Thursday August 7, 2014 6:00 PM

Roll Call: Present: Kat Harris, Russell "Buck" Fletcher, John Simonich, Gail Lemmen, Janet Meister, Raheel Mann, Margaret Stinson
Absent: Salvador Estrada Jr., William Nebeker, Khris Saleh

Oral Communications- No members of the public came forward
Scheduled Matters

1. Committee Reorganization- Russell "Buck" Fletcher was nominated for Chairman, Kat Harris was nominated for Co-Chair and Gail Lemmen was nominated for Recorder. All were unanimously approved by voice vote.
2. Review of 4th Quarter Measure H Expenditures for FY 2013/2014 Budget (As of June 30,2014)- Discussion included:
Janet asked about some Police Department expenditures. They concerned the Bike Rodeo
Kat asked on page 5 of the Police Department Report concerning the Fitness Incentive Awards. These are awarded each quarter for years of service
Janet asked where the AT&T bill for Mitch Sandoval is- Bill is under utilities
Kat asked concerning the Smorgasbord at the library- Margaret said it was for people visiting the library (there wasn't a library representative present)
Margaret asked if the library had a reduction in the SCE rate because they are a cooling center- Maria had not heard of any reimbursements
Buck asked about Zoomba classes in the library section- Classes were for the Children's program s is partially paid for by Friends of the Library
Kat asked about After Freight on page 5- these were connected to the Bike Rodeo
Janet asked about the Building and Grounds maintenance for a canopy and portable table. They were purchased for education and were charged off to the wrong item. The evidence can for evidence was charged to the wrong item.
Kat asked about Replenish Petty Cash for the library on page 16. Maria answered the limit is \$20 for small items.
Maria found an error on the Public Safety Building-
Concerning the new Public Station- 4.6 million is budgeted for the station, but we will need some more to complete the station. Chief LaPierre plus one other city employee are watching the station construction daily to ensure money is spent wisely.
Kat Harris moves to accept the budget and expenditures.
John Somonich seconds the motion
Passed by voice vote.
3. Review of Adopted FY 2014/2015 Budget- Maria's report-
The City Council approved the expenditures for 10 sworn police officers, 3 non-sworn officers, 8 fireman, 1 public education officer, 3 full time librarians, 2 part time librarians and the public safety station. \$100,000 is budgeted for the Literacy Center

Groundbreaking for the public safety station has not been set, but a ceremony is important to make the public aware of the Measure H tax and expenditures. Construction will be complete this fiscal year. The station will start operating July 2015.

Kat Harris moves to accept the budget.

Buck Fletcher seconds the motion.

Passed by voice vote.

4. Other Matters- Buck wants to raise the profile of Measure H. He cited social media complaints about the high sales tax. Buck wants to raise the profile of Measure with all three departments plus with the Chamber through Shop Porterville to remind citizens why we have the sales tax and what the money is used for.

Kat said more than one person from the committee should meet with the above departments, the Chamber and press about raising Measure H profile.

Margaret suggested we have an even showing what has been purchased with Measure H funds.

Kat volunteered to go with Buck when he has meetings

Next meeting will be Wednesday October 22, 2014 in the City Hall Chambers if they are available at 6:00PM

Buck Fletcher moves to adjourn the meeting.

Raheel Mann seconds the motion.

Passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Lemmen
Recorder