

**Montesano City Council Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Montesano City Hall**

1 Mayor Vini Samuel, Presiding

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3 FLAG CEREMONY – Pledge of Allegiance

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5 COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Herrington, Chris Hutchings, Ian Cope, Tyler Trimble, Dave
6 Skaramuca, Nikki King. Motion made to excuse Dan Wood’s absence by Trimble and seconded by Cope.
7 *Motion passed.* Herrington voted no.

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9 STAFF PRESENT: Police Chief Brett Vance, Forester Loren Hiner, Community Developer Mike Wincewicz,
10 Fire Chief Corey Rux, Deputy Clerk Ashlee Sund and City Attorney Chris Coker.

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12 APPROVAL OF BILLS:

13 Tyler Trimble presented bills totaling \$91,374.02 for January Check #'s 51401-51430. Concern was raised
14 about a budget discrepancy for the Montesano Community Center. Motion made to approve bills by
15 Herrington; seconded by Hutchings to accept the bills. *Motion passed.*

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17 MEETING MINUTES APPROVED:

18 Motion to approve minutes for January 12, 2016 made by Trimble; seconded by King. *Motion passed.*

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20 PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

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22 PRESENTATION: Tracy Travers, Intro Montesano Chamber of Commerce- cancelled

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24 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

25 Public Works- Wood, Skaramuca & Cope will be meeting February 3RD AT 6:00P.M.

26 Forestry- Skaramuca, Hutchings and Cope had first meeting. Cope was elected committee chair and City

27 Forester Hiner requested a council workshop to tour the City forestland on May 17th from 5:30 –

28 7:30p.m.

29 Finance- Herrington and Trimble on committee. Trimble was elected chairperson.

30 Parks/Recreation- King, Cope & Hutchings will meet March 2ND and on February 24TH.

31 Public Safety- Trimble, King & Herrington will meet after the Council meeting tonight.

32 Personnel- Wood, King & Trimble will meet on February 1ST at 4:30P.M.

33 Public Traffic- Workshop for streets will take place on March 15th.

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35 MAYORS REPORT:

36 Report was discussed as attached to city council packet.

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38 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

39 Indigent Contract- Chris Coker-Introduced contract and answered questions. Motion to approve the
40 contract was made by Ian Cope and seconded by Tyler Trimble. *Motion passed.* Herrington voted no.

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48 NEW BUSINESS:

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50 Chief Rux-

51 FEMA Grant – The grant would cover the purchase of four life support devices which cost
52 \$26,800 each totaling \$107,200.00.

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54 Volunteers - The Fire Department currently has 26 volunteers and can have up to 35. The Fire
55 Department will put up banners and advertise for anyone interested in applying.

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57 Parks Board- The open position was sent to The Vidette. Position expected to be filled within 30-60 days.

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59 Civil Service- The open position was sent to The Vidette. Position expected to be filled within 30-60 days.

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61 PUBLIC COMMENT:

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63 Randy Pringle of Olympia- Business owner around the Olympia area expressed interest in a location in
64 Montesano for marijuana growing facility. Will provide email address to answer any questions or
65 concerns.

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67 MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

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69 Moving forward on the hiring process and has put together an interview board. Interviews will take
70 place in February and during executive session the February 23rd meeting will discuss and move to hire.

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72 COUNCIL COMMENTS:

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74 Herrington- Has no comment if the comments are not verbatim in minutes.

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76 Hutchings- Stressed his opposition to using the committees as decreases awareness of issues and being
77 aware before meetings in case citizens ask about something discussed.

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79 Cope- He met with the legislators and look forward to working with them. Will be absent from the
80 March 8th meeting.

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82 Trimble- Appreciated the departmental highlights.

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84 Skaramuca- Thanked Loren for the information on the forestry committee.

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86 King- Agreed with Hutchings about committees and would like to know what is going on before council
87 meeting.

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90 Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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92 Ashlee Sund- Deputy Clerk

93 Recording Available.