



# MINUTES

Meeting of the  
**Scotts Valley City Council**  
**In-Person and Remote Access**  
**Date: April 19, 2023**  
**Time: 6:00 PM**

| CONTACT INFORMATION  | MEETING LOCATION   | POSTING   |
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| City of Scotts Valley<br>1 Civic Center Drive<br>Scotts Valley, CA 95066<br>(831) 440-5600 | City Council Chambers<br>1 Civic Center Drive<br>Scotts Valley, CA 95066 | The agenda was posted 4-14-23 at City Hall, SV Senior Center, SV Public Works and on the Internet at <a href="http://www.scottsvalley.org">www.scottsvalley.org</a> . |

## CALL TO ORDER 6:00 PM

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ROLL CALL

### ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Randy Johnson, Vice Mayor  
 Donna Lind, Council Member  
 Derek Timm, Council Member  
 Allan Timms, Council Member

### ABSENT:

Jack Dilles, Mayor

### CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mali LaGoe, City Manager  
 Kirsten Powell, City Attorney  
 Lauren Lambert, Deputy City Clerk  
 Chris Lamm, Public Works Director  
 Taylor Bateman, Community Development Director  
 Stephanie Hill, Administrative Services Director  
 Steve Walpole, Chief of Police  
 Scott Garner, Captain

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dientes Community Dental presentation - Laura Marcus, Chief Executive Officer

Laura Marcus presented a slide show and answered questions from Council.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM Lind attended a meeting of the Criminal Justice Council Committee, for which she is the Chair. The Criminal Justice Council has an ADHOC committee working on this year's study focusing on behavioral health needs in our county. The first portion of the study focused on law enforcement and counseling. This year's portion of the study will focus on the courts and jails. An item that came out of the meeting is that the Sheriff's Department reported to have 17 people waiting to determine if they are competent to stand trial, some have been waiting for two years without services.

CM Lind attended the Scotts Valley Chamber of Commerce Awards Gala and presented the Claire Hodgkin Beautification Award to the Scotts Valley Community Theater Guild. CM Lind commented on how wonderful the Awards Gala was, and she is thankful that she was able to attend.

CM Timms attended the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council and reported on the discussions that were addressed during the meeting. One is the intersection between the senior housing needs and the RHNA (Regional Housing Needs Allocation) housing element assessment by tying the lower income properties potentially to the needs of fixed income seniors. There was also a discussion around how METRO might help seniors by providing free fares, for example. CM Timms also reported there is still no resolution for the Live Oak facility. They haven't yet concluded an eviction date and discussions are still ongoing.

CM Johnson attended a Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) meeting and reported there is a grant program for electric bikes. CM Johnson also reported there is going to be outreach in the county to get information about the problems residents faced from the storms this past year and how it has affected transportation.

## CITY MANAGER REPORT

**Public Works:** It has been a big week for Recreation, they have been working on the Parks Master Plan. A survey went out on April 14<sup>th</sup> about what the community wants for the parks, and it has already received 300 responses and we are looking forward to more responses coming in before the survey closes on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. City Manager LaGoe encourages the community to complete the survey if they haven't already. In addition, there are going to be a couple of public meetings coming up. Next Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM at the Scotts Valley Community Center there is a public meeting about the Parks Master Plan and Saturday, April 22<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM in Skypark there will be another place for the public to provide input. The following weekend there is a meeting specifically for the stakeholder groups who utilize our parks. Per the Councils direction, the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup> will have a discussion with the community about the pickleball court concerns. The agenda for that meeting has been posted and already public comments are coming in. Any community members who would like to weigh in on the conversation regarding

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pickleball at the tennis courts in Skypark, please attend the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Storm Cleanup:** The damage from the storms continues to surface and Public Works is inventorying all the damage to the roads. The City has received some reports of potholes and concerns of road conditions from residents. The City is inventorying all the concerns and repairing the issues as they have the capacity to. City Manager LaGoe encourages the community to continue to report concerns as they come up to Public Works so the issues can be put on the list. City Manager LaGoe thanked the community for their patience as Public Works makes the repairs to the streets that are necessary after the storms. Staff have continued to meet with FEMA regarding the permanent repairs to both Green Hills Road and Bean Creek Road, which will be an ongoing process.

**Scotts Valley Police Department:** Last night the police department honored the volunteers of the department. It was the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner at Bruno's BBQ. Five Police Volunteers, four Reserve Officers, and two Police Explorers contributed 1,213 volunteer hours to our police department in 2022. City Manager LaGoe thanked the City Council for attending the event to help the City thank those important members of our community who have stepped up to support our police department.

**Administrative Services Department:** The department continues to be on track with the new software implementation for both our finance system with OpenGov as well as our HR payroll system. The department is already preparing for this current fiscal year's audit work that will begin shortly.

**Wi-Fi:** Skypark and the Scotts Valley Community Center now have public Wi-Fi available to use. There will be a splash screen that will pop up which users will have to agree to use the Wi-Fi responsibly and appropriately.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

CM Johnson read a resolution from the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (SCCRTC) honoring Public Works crews and recognizing their efforts to respond to the recent storm events.

Gary Richard Arnold spoke about his irritation with local government and with how information is reported to the public.

James Ewing Whitman, commented on how he appreciates the time allotted to the public to be able to comment for three minutes at City Council Meetings. Mr. Whitman also complimented the Maintenance staff of the City of Scotts Valley for all they do.

David Alrich, spoke about the Housing Element, he is a supporter of affordable housing and a strong supporter of local jurisdictional control. Mr. Alrich expressed his concerns

