

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF BIGGS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
COUNTY OF BUTTE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

June 9, 2026

The regular council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Sheppard. Staff present: City Administrator Nicolas Gauthier, City Attorney Greg Einhorn, and City Clerk Roben Benish.

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** By Mayor Sheppard

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**3. ROLL CALL:**

Present: Brown, Squires, Wilks, Arnold, and Sheppard

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Approve warrants 40086 – 40125, 51420261, 51420262, 5152061, and 3903769 – 3903806 in the amount of \$295,519.02.
- B. Acknowledge receipt of May 2026 Police Report.
- C. Acknowledge receipt of May 2026 Animal Control Report.

Councilmember Wilks asked to pull item A for further discussion.

Motion/Second to approve items B and C of the Consent Calendar. (Arnold/Squires, MCU)

Councilmember Wilks asked for clarification on warrants paid to Blue Collar Plumbing, Sunrise Environmental, and Lakeview Petroleum.

Motion/Second to approve item A of the Consent Calendar. (Wilks/Brown, MCU)

**6. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**A. Senior Rate – Electric Rate**

City Administrator Nicolas Gauthier provided background and context surrounding the City Senior Rate.

Council directed Mr. Gauthier to bring this item back for further discussion with answers to their specific questions.

Councilmember Squires excused himself from the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

**B. Approval to Support the Butte County Public Health Department Request for Tobacco Retail Enforcement.**

Mr. Gauthier asked Council to review the Support Letter from the City of Biggs and the City Council.

Motion/Second to direct the City Administrator to send Support Letter. (Wilks/Sheppard, MCU; Absent: Squires)

**C. Resolution for Biggs Cooperation with Cat Trap-Neuter-Return Program**

Mr. Gauthier asked Council to consider authorizing the City's cooperation for grant and funding applications for the Cat Trap-Neuter-Return Efforts and authorization to submit support letters with the resolution for grant applications.

Motion/Second to adopt Resolution No. 2026-18, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING COMMUNITY CAT TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN EFFORTS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY COOPERATION FOR GRANT AND FUNDING APPLICATIONS."  
(Wilks/Arnold, MCU; Absent: Squires)

**7. DEPARTMENT UPDATE REPORTS**

**A. Extension of Tentative Parcel Map 2023-01 (Chavez)**

City Planner Bob Summerville stated the applicant requests approval for a one-year extension of Tentative Parcel Map 2023-01 (Chavez) that was unanimously approved by the City Council at its April 9, 2024, regular meeting.

Motion/Second to adopt Resolution No. 2026-17, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIGGS APPROVING AN EXTENSION OF TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP 2023-01 (CHAVEZ)." (Wilks/Arnold, MCU; Absent: Squires)

**B. Public Works Department Report by Superintendent Paul Pratt.**

**C. Police Report by Lt. Garringer.**

**8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Councilmember Brown attended BCAG and Butte County Air Quality Meetings.**

**B. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Meeting will be held here August 19, 2026, at 1 p.m.**

**8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

Mr. Gauthier reported on meetings he had attended since the last council meeting and items he is currently working on.

**9. CLOSED SESSION: Conference with Labor Negotiators**

The Council adjourned to Closed Session at 6:57 p.m.

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**10. RESUME REGULAR SESSION:** Council resumed the Regular Session at 7:09 with no reportable action taken.

**11. ADJOURNMENT:** Council adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Roben Benish, CITY CLERK

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James T. Sheppard, MAYOR