Mayor Carbone opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

The invocation was led by Reverend Jason Yarbrough.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Brian Ferrante.

Present: Mayor Mary Ann Carbone  
Vice Mayor Blackwelder  
Council Member Hawthorne  
Council Member Hubler  
Council Member McDaniel

Staff: Todd Bodem, City Administrator  
Jim Heisinger, City Attorney  
Leon Gomez, City Engineer  
Brian Ferrante, Police Chief  
Connie Horca, Deputy City Clerk/Admin. Assistant  
Charles Pooler, City Planner

AGENDA ITEM 4, ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR

The Mayor announced that Debbie Hale, Executive Director of the Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC) will be presenting an update on Measure X and SB 1 funding. She added that her report of monthly activities will be available at the next City Council meeting.

City Administrator Todd Bodem announced that handouts for Ms. Hale’s presentation will be distributed by the Deputy City Clerk to the City Council.

AGENDA ITEM 5, COMMUNICATIONS

5:32 P.M.  Floor opened for Public Comment.

There were no comments from the Public.

5:32 P.M.  Floor closed to Public Comment.
AGENDA ITEM 6, CONSENT CALENDAR

A. There was no discussion of the July 17, 2018 Sand City Council Meeting Minutes.

B. There was no discussion of the Designation of Voting Delegate and Alternate for the 2018 League of California Cities Conference.

C. There was no discussion of the Denial of Claim submitted by Linda Bebermeyer regarding Personal Injuries from Bicycle Accident on February 1, 2018.

D. There was no discussion of the City Resolution authorizing Renewal of the Sheltering Services Agreement with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for Monterey County (SPCA).

E. There was no discussion of the City Resolution to Oppose Proposition 6.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar items was made by Council Member Blackwelder, seconded by Council Member Hawthorne. AYES: Council Members Blackwelder, Carbone, Hawthorne, Hubler, McDaniel. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM 7, CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items pulled from the Consent Calendar.

AGENDA ITEM 8, PRESENTATION

A. Presentation by Debbie Hale, Executive Director of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) regarding SB 1 Gas Tax Repeal on the November Ballot {10 minutes}

Debbie Hale, Executive Director of the Transportation Agency of Monterey County presented an update of Measure X and SB 1 funding. Measure X funding will provide a small amount of funds to Sand City, approximately $21,000 towards transportation projects. Although it is not a great deal of money, it should amount to a considerable sum over the course of 30 years. The City’s SB1 funding is approximately double that of the anticipated revenues of Measure X funds. The combination of both funds can assist the City in looking to improve Contra Costa Street which serves as a major route into Sand City. A majority of the voters would like to protect the gas tax revenues as those funds are used toward local and regional roadway improvements and is an important funding source for our roads, economic development, and jobs.

A handout was provided that listed the Sand City projects funded by
Measure X and the Gas State Tax that included Contra Costa Street Improvements, Rapid Bus Transit along Highway 1, and a Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program. Ms. Hale continued that Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) just finished the feasibility study for a rapid bus transit line along Highway 1. Their proposal is to run the bus line through Contra Costa and into the City of Monterey. This should help alleviate traffic congestion in various parts of Sand City, and further provide greater access to Edgewater Shopping Center and other parts of the City.

There was discussion regarding the Monterey branch line along Highway 1, Proposition 6 that would repeal the recent increase in the gas tax and vehicle fees, how each Cities revenues are calculated by population, leveraging some of the existing funds to move forward with proposed projects, alleviating parking issues within the City, and acquiring matching grant funding for projects.

Ms. Hale concluded that MST just adopted the feasibility study and their next phase would be to conduct an environmental review. In order for improvements to commence for the Highway 68 corridor and Highway 156 improvements TAMC plans on applying for what is called “congested corridor money”. She spoke to proposed improvements at the Castroville Boulevard/Highway 156 interchange, driver safety, moving forward with transportation improvements and the re-evaluation of SB1 and Measure X funds on an annual basis.

AGENDA ITEM 9, OLD BUSINESS

A. Progress report on Desalination Plant and Sand City Water Supply New Wells Project, Residential Developments, Carroll Property Parking, West Bay Coastal Access Repair, Illicit Discharge Updates, South of Tioga Development, and other Sand City Community programs by City Engineer/City Administrator/City Planner

City Engineer Leon Gomez reported that the desalination plant produced 25 acre feet of water for the month of July. A technical draft memorandum was received from Intera containing the new proposed well locations along Sand Dunes Drive. One of the locations for the wells was cited at a different location and the City Surveyor will need to generate another survey for the proposed location. A site visit will be performed by FEHR Engineering and Staff to discuss the electrical system. Comments to the draft memorandum are anticipated to be received sometime next week.

Staff is coordinating with the surveyor for the Contra Costa Street improvement project in relation to the Prop 1 Technical Assistance Grant, and working with P.G. & E. to set up a meeting to discuss the overhead utilities along the corridors of Contra Costa and Catalina Street. Plans for improvement/remedy were requested from Graniterock regarding the illicit discharge that occurred at their facility. A hand drawn sketch was received, but Staff is seeking and requesting more concrete specificity
regarding the proposed improvements they plan to conduct.

There was Council discussion regarding the enforcement and procedures regarding follow-up of illicit discharges, and whether they may be in violation of Health Department standards. A strong letter addressed to the facility managers regarding their land use permit was suggested by the City Engineer and may be a possible course of action.

A lot line adjustment was recorded for the Dayton residential project. They have resubmitted their plans and is currently being reviewed by Staff. The issuance of the permit for the Dayton project would be determinant upon the relocation of the pole by P.G. & E. The Bogue residential development is progressing rapidly and the construction crew has been consistent about keeping the area/street clean of construction debris. The boundary map for the South of Tioga project was received which will be provided to NBS for review for the formation of possible Community Facilities District (CFD).

AGENDA ITEM 10, NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of City RESOLUTION Approving the 5 Year Lease/Purchase of Motorola Radios for the Police Department at a cost not to exceed $148,033

Chief Brian Ferrante reported that the Police Department has utilized Harris Unity radios since July 2012 as part of the Monterey County’s NGEN radio upgrade. The County uses Harris communications system to provide digital and encrypted radio communication for nearly all of the agencies. Harris equipment must be purchased, serviced, and updated through Harris Corp, causing the equipment to become more expensive to maintain than other vendors. Several agencies have expressed their dissatisfaction with the performance of their radios and have conducted and tested other systems. They have found the most effective radio system to be the Motorola APX8000 series radio.

The County has informed agencies that within the next year, Harris will no longer be providing support for the Unity series radios. The Harris system has been in use for 6 years; however, after next year they will no longer be a viable option. The Motorola product is expected to be in production for the next several years and should provide the necessary firmware upgrades and support. Purchase of the Motorola APX8000 series would cost approximately $148,000 and have an expected lifespan of 10-15 years. This would cost approximately $35,000 per year, and the fiscal year 2018-19 budget includes a line item for the purchase of the radio system. Staff recommends approval of entering into a lease agreement with Motorola for the purchase of the APX8000 series radios to replace the current Harris Unity radios.

There was Council discussion regarding the disposal and/or possibility of
donating the Harris system to a non-profit organization.

6:09 P.M. Floor opened for Public Comment.

There were no comments from the Public.

609: P.M. Floor closed to Public Comment.

Motion to approve the City **Resolution** approving the 5 Year Lease/Purchase of Motorola Radios for the Police Department at a cost not to exceed $148,033 was made by Council Member Hawthorne, seconded by Council Member McDaniel. AYES: Council Members Blackwelder, Carbone, Hawthorne, Hubler, McDaniel. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None. Motion carried.

**B. Consideration of City RESOLUTION to Adopt New Terms and Benefits for Represented Members of the Sand City Police Officers Association for Fiscal Year 2018/2019**

Human Resources Consultant Mike McCarthy reported that successful negotiations were conducted with the Police Officers Association (POA). In his involvement with a variety of groups over the last 15-20 years, these negotiations were one of the most healthy and positive sessions he has experienced. A summary of the tentative agreement that the association and staff reached would include a 3% wage increase effective July 1, 2018 with an enhanced incentive plan for education. The Council had given direction also to do a full salary survey to revisit compensation with a review to be conducted within the next 3 months. This survey would research and compare salaries within the market. The POA had approved the terms and benefits as outlined in the attached memo, and is presented for Council ratification.

6:13 P.M. Floor opened for Public Comment.

There were no comments from the Public.

6:13 P.M. Floor closed to Public Comment.

Motion to approve the City **Resolution** to adopt New Terms and Benefits for Represented Members of the Sand City Police Officers Association for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 was made by Council Member Hawthorne, seconded by Council Member McDaniel. AYES: Council Members Blackwelder, Carbone, Hawthorne, Hubler, McDaniel. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None. Motion carried.

**C. Consideration of City RESOLUTION to Adopt New Terms and Benefits for all Full-Time Permanent Employees of the City of Sand City Not Represented by the Police Officers Association for Fiscal Year 2018/2019**
Human Resources Consultant Mike McCarthy reported that several employees sent a note to staff and council expressing their thoughts about compensation for July 2018. Their memo was very well thought out, well written, and presented a lot of considerations for staff to review.

It was collectively expressed that it was best to offer an adjustment similar to the police department, and to consider a variety of things that they brought up in their memo to Staff. It was agreed and recommended that a 3% wage increase be given to all non-safety employees effective July 1st, and to do a full compensation survey for all employees. The survey should be submitted for Council review some time in late August or early September with some data for Council consideration.

6:15 P.M. Floor opened for Public Comment.

There was no comment from the Public.

6:15 P.M. Floor closed to Public Comment.

Motion to approve the City Resolution to adopt New Terms and Benefits for all Full-Time Permanent Employees of the City of Sand City Not Represented by the Police Officers Association for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 was made by Council Member McDaniel, seconded by Council Member Hawthorne. AYES: Council Members Blackwelder, Carbone, Hawthorne, Hubler, McDaniel. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Hawthorne reported that Sand City will be receiving the Silver Beacon Award at the Annual League of California Cities conference for reducing carbon footprint and sustainability. A fashion show will be presented at the West End Celebration this year as well as a video show display at the Independent. There will also be an after-party following the Friday night concert.

Council Member Hubler added that the footprint for the West End Celebration will be extended to include 20-30 more vendors and another stage.

Mayor Carbone reported that Public Works had done a tremendously good job at the Community Garden. The City has drafted some guidelines and an application for its use is being reviewed by the City Attorney.

Council Member Blackwelder added that under the direction of the public works foreman, the public works crew performed a good job clearing the
park and that the new landscaping is quite appealing.

E. Upcoming Meetings/Events

There were no RSVP’s for upcoming events.

AGENDA ITEM 11, CLOSED SESSION

6:30 p.m.

A. The City Council/Agency Board adjourned to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 regarding Public Employee Employment, Position: City Administrator

7:44 p.m.

B. The City Council/Agency Board re-adjourned to Open Session to report any action taken at the conclusion of Closed Session in accordance with 54957.1 of the Ralph M. Brown Act.

There was no action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 12, ADJOURNMENT

There was consensus of the Council to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m to the next regularly scheduled Council meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

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Connie Horca, Deputy City Clerk