



**City of Portola  
Minutes  
Special Meeting  
May 17, 2023 03:30 PM  
35 Third Ave Portola 96122  
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**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Mayor Bill Powers • Mayor Pro Tem Pat Morton • Councilmember Stan Peiler • Councilmember Leah Turner • Councilmember Jim Murphy

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by Mayor Bill Powers.

**A. Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Bill Powers, Mayor Pro Tem Pat Morton, Councilmember Stan Peiler, Councilmember Leah Turner, Councilmember Jim Murphy  
Staff Present: Interim City Manager - Jon Kennedy, Deputy City Clerk - Jason Shaw, Financial Officer - Susan Scarlett, Director of Public Works - Todd Roberts

**2. Public Comments**

Sheriff Todd Johns made a public comment about a threat that was made towards the Middle School in Portola. They identified the individual who made the call and there is no outstanding threat to the school or community.

Carol Mero made a public comment in opposition to a proposal by Hat Creek Construction to open a temporary asphalt plant near Delleker.

**3. Mayor Committee Appointments**

Mayor Bill Powers reorganized the Council committee appointments.

Councilmember Leah Turner was added to the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Pat Morton was made a permanent member of the Plumas County LAFCo Commission. Councilmember Jim Murphy was made an alternate member.

Mayor Pro Tem Pat Morton replaced Councilmember Stan Peiler on the Transportation Commission.

Councilmember Jim Murphy replaced Interim City Manager Jon Kennedy on SCORE.

Councilmember Leah Turner was added to the Emergency Services Policy Committee.

Councilmember Jim Murphy was added to the Finance Administration Committee.

Councilmember Stan Peiler was added to the Infrastructure Committee.

Councilmember Jim Murphy was added to the Fire Department Advisory Committee.

**4. 2023/2024 Budget Workshop**

Financial Officer Susan Scarlett reviewed the draft budget in detail at the workshop. It was noted that the insurance rate numbers would change in the budget as there was a large increase in some insurance rates. Add on items were reviewed and the Council was asked which items should be included in the draft budget going forward. All items on the Add On list were approved including a 7.125% COLA adjustment for employees.

**5. Adjournment**

Mayor Bill Powers adjourned the meeting at 6:04 PM

