

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
February 9, 2009

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Connolly called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Pastor Chris Costello of the Oasis of Grace Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Griffiths.

COUNCIL PRESENT Griffiths, Crom, Dishion, Cullen, Connolly

COUNCIL ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Richard Pucci, City Administrator
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk
Peter Tracy, City Attorney
Keith Caldwell, Community Services Director
Ray Seguine, Fire Chief
Kathleen Sheehan, Police Chief
David Grah, Public Works Director
Gary Schley, Public Services Officer

PUBLIC COMMENT The Mayor announced the public comment period. No public comment was provided.

CONSENT CALENDAR A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Cullen and passed 4-0 to
(1) approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Crom abstained.

Motion/Cullen FOR APPROVAL AND FILING
(a) Council Minutes – 1/26/09
(b) Warrant Register – 1/09
(c) Investment Portfolio – 12/08

FOR INFORMATION AND FILING
(d) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes 11/19/08
(e) Fire Department Activity Log – 1/09

NEW BUSINESS

US FOREST SERVICE – Jim Upchurch, Inyo Forest Supervisor, reported the release of the
Motorized Travel Management Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). This document describes a series of six alternatives to help make decisions on over 1,300 miles of roads in the system and 1,700 miles that are not part of the system. The Forest Service will conduct a series of public meetings throughout the area to provide information on the alternatives and answer questions from the public. There will be a 60 day comment period.
Environmental Impact Statement Alternatives
(2)

Forest Planner Susan Joyce reviewed the six alternatives proposed in the Motorized Travel Management DEIS. The purpose of the plan is to get people where they need to go and protect natural resources by confining vehicles to roads and trails.

ORDINANCE NO. 524
School Truancy Prohibited
Introduction
(3)
Motion/Griffiths

The Police Chief reviewed the purpose for having an ordinance to address school-age children who are not in school during school hours. The draft ordinance is the result of many months of work with other public agencies in the area as well as the legal and educational communities. Superior Court Judge Dean Stout and Terry McIntyre, Inyo County Superintendent of Schools spoke in support of the ordinance.

Following further discussion, Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 524, by title only, with the addition of the wording “shall be punishable” to the first sentence in 9.14.050 Penalties A., B., C. “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISHOP, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 9.14 ENTITLED ‘SCHOOL TRUANCY PROHIBITED’ TO TITLE 9 OF THE CITY OF BISHOP MUNICIPAL CODE”. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL – COUNCIL
LETTER OF SUPPORT
Relating to Funding Stream
for Transportation to Parks
and Public Lands
(4)
Motion/Griffiths

Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to approve the letter of support as corrected for a proposal to add a formula based operations and maintenance funding stream to the Paul S. Sarbanes transit in parks program (previously Alternative Transportation in Parks and Public Lands, ATPPL) Section 3021 of SAFETEA-LU (49 J.S.C. 5320). The motion passed unanimously.

BID AWARD – Crack Seal
Material – Public Works
(5)
Motion/Cullen

Mayor Pro Tem Cullen made a motion to award the bid for the purchase of crack seal material to Environmental Concepts from Tehachapi, California in the amount of \$9,913.00. Motion passed 5-0.

BID AWARD – South
Second St. Improvement
Project – Public Works
(6)
Motion/Dishion

On a motion by Councilmember Dishion the Council voted 5-0 to award the bid for the construction contract of the South Second Street Improvement Project to V and C Construction of Minden, Nevada, in the amount of \$680,383.00 and authorize the City Administrator to execute contract change orders up to a total additional value of \$34,019.15 for a total possible contract value not to exceed \$714,402.15.

RELEASE OF REQUEST
FOR PROPOSALS
On Call Tree Trimming
Services – Public Works
(7)
Motion/Cullen

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Cullen to release the Request for Proposals for on-call tree trimming and removal services for the park and city streets as needed. Motion passed 5-0.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE
LICENSE REVIEW
Imperial Gourmet Restaurant
930 North Main Street
(8)

The notification from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control on the location change for the Imperial Gourmet Restaurant to 930 North Main Street was provided by Council's information. No action is needed.

PRESENTATIONS

Howard Holland – Bishop
Volunteer Fire Department
(9)

Howard Holland was presented with a city tile and a centennial gold coin to honor him for over 40 years of service to the Bishop Volunteer Fire Department. He was also recognized by the Bishop Rural First District Chairman Lloyd Anderson for 10 years of service as commissioner and presented with a plaque.

Benjamin Ono and Trevor
Taylor – Boy Scout Troop
#86 – Community Service
Projects
(10)

The Community Services Director reported on the community service projects for both Benjamin Ono and Trevor Taylor, members of Boy Scout Troop #86. The young men are working on their Eagle Scout badges. The Council presented Ono and Taylor with city commendations.

COUNCIL REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. to the next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

MARTIN L. CONNOLLY, MAYOR

Attest: Richard F. Pucci, City Clerk

By: _____
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 23, 2009