

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 24, 2009

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

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Pastor Kent Puls of Grace Lutheran Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Stottlemyre.

COUNCIL PRESENT Smith, Dishion, Stottlemyre, Griffiths, Cullen

COUNCIL ABSENT None

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

PUBLIC COMMENT The Mayor announced the public comment period. Gloria Howell and David Jones, members of the 2008-2009 Grand Jury thanked the Council for all they do for the community. The Council thanked them for their service on the Grand Jury.

PRESENTATION Mayor Cullen presented Benjamin Ono with a City Council Eagle Scout – Ben Ono Commendation recognizing his accomplishment of obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout with Boy Scout Troop 86. His project involved signage at the City Park to provide visitors with directions and information.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS The Fire Department has ordered a new dispatch radio with grant funding provided by the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee.

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The Police Chief reminded everyone to drive safely with the start of the school year and advised residents to lock their vehicles due to a recent increase in the theft of car contents.

The Public Works Director reported the City’s website has received a face lift with improved organization. Grove Street Sidewalks Project has been completed. Eighty trees are now available for residents to pick up for planting. The Director gave an update on several other street projects. A survey has been mailed out relating to the possible relocation of the South Main Street mail box currently located in front of Alpine Signs and

redesignating the parking zones on Lagoon at South Main. The Water and Sewer Rate Study will be reviewed by the Commission on September 8 and be brought before the Council at the next meeting. Northern Inyo Hospital has received the necessary permits to begin construction on the new addition.

The Community Services Director reported that the tennis court resurfacing project is complete and the fall programs for Parks and Recreation are underway.

CONSENT CALENDAR
(3)

A motion was made by Councilmember Stottlemyre and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:

Motion/Stottlemyre

FOR APPROVAL AND FILING

- (a) Council Meeting Minutes – 8/10/09
- (b) Personnel Status Change Report
- (c) Fund Transactions – 7/1/08 – 6/30/09
- (d) Warrant Register – 7/09
- (e) Fund Transactions – Sunrise Mobile Home Replacement Reserve Account – 4/1/09-6/30/09

FOR INFORMATION AND FILING

- (f) Planning Commission Meeting Cancellation Note - 8/25/09
- (g) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes – 5/20/09

NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATIONAL
REPORT Relating to
Consultant Work for
Bringing Businesses to
Bishop
(4)

Lisa Hill, Vice President of Community ID Division of Buxton, gave an informational report on strategies used by consultants in matching retailers that would be compatible with a community by using customer spending habits to determine the market viability of the area. The service in part includes a plan of action for marketing a community to retailers and developers by identifying potential sites, profiling the shopping and dining habits of the citizens, and preventing retail leakage and lost tax revenue.

Discussion and questions followed. No action was taken.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET
ADJUSTMENTS/
TRANSFERS FY 2008-09
(5)
Motion/Cullen

Mayor Cullen made a motion to approve the budget adjustments for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 through June 30th as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

SURPLUS OF CITY
PROPERTY
(6)
Motion/Griffiths

Mayor Pro Tem Griffiths made a motion to surplus the listed City property from the various departments and dispose of the items in the best interest of the City. Motion passed 5-0.

COUNCIL REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. to the next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

SUSAN CULLEN, MAYOR

Attest: Keith Caldwell, Acting Assistant City Administrator

By: _____
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL 9/14/09