

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 26, 2010

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Griffiths called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Smith.

COUNCIL PRESENT Smith, Cullen, Stottlemyre, Dishion, Griffiths

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
Bob Kimball, City Treasurer

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

REPORTS

CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF FISH AND GAME
Fish Stocking
(1) Brad Henderson from the California Department of Fish and Game reported on the current way the Department will be conducting business to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) on an Environmental Impact Report affecting fish stocking. As of January 2010 the DFG is required by the EIR to inspect lakes and streams for evidence of the northern leopard frog or the willow flycatcher bird which are species impacted by fish stocking. Henderson reported that once a lake or stream has been evaluated and a determination made there is no impact to either species, stocking can be done at that location for five years. Twenty locations in Inyo County have been cleared for stocking as well as thirty locations in Mono County. More evaluations will be taking place as weather conditions allow and ice on the lakes melts.

BISHOP AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE
(2) Executive Director Tawni Thomson of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce gave a report on upcoming activities including the Trout Press Reception, Home Show, Taste of the Sierra, Mule Days and the California High School Rodeo Association State Finals.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS (3)	Reports from Community Services, Fire, Police, Public Works and Administration were given on the departments' activities including upcoming and ongoing projects.
CONSENT CALENDAR (4)	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 – 4/12/10 (b) Personnel Status Change Report FOR INFORMATION AND FILING (c) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes -2/24/10 (d) Public Works Report – 3/10
PUBLIC HEARING	
HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE (5)	The Mayor opened the public hearing to hear a report from Bauer Planning Environmental Services and receive any comment on the report. Bauer reported that the California Department of Housing and Community Development had numerous comments on the draft housing element submitted in September and approval was not received until late March. Some of the requirements of a housing element are difficult to accomplish for Bishop because of the lack of available land for housing projects. She stated that if land does not become available through land releases by the LADWP by 2012, the City should develop a back-up plan to make land available by rezoning property in commercial zones for housing and emergency shelters. With the small inventory of available land it will be difficult for the City to meet the 111 units of housing required by HCD.
Motion/Cullen	A motion was made by Councilmember Cullen to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously.
NEW BUSINESS	
ADOPTION OF FINAL HOUSING ELEMENT 2009 (6) Motion/Cullen	Following discussion on alternatives for compliance on the Housing Element, Councilmember Cullen made a motion to adopt the 2009 City of Bishop Housing Element. The motion passed 5-0.
APPROVAL OF BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/ TRANSFERS FY 2009-10 (7) Motion/Stottlemyre	On a motion by Councilmember Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the budget adjustments and transfers for fiscal year though March 31, 2010 as presented.
APPROVAL OF LETTER OF OPPOSITION TO AB 155	On a motion by Councilmember Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to execute the draft letter and send it to Assemblyman Tony Mendoza with a copy to the League of California Cities opposing

(8) Motion/Stottlemyre	Assembly Bill 155 which will remove the ability of cities to file for bankruptcy without first obtaining permission from the State of California.
REQUEST FOR PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON PIONEER LANE (9) Motion/Griffiths	On a motion by Mayor Griffiths, the Council voted 5-0 to direct staff to prepare a resolution establishing a “no parking zone” on the east side of Pioneer Lane between West Line Street and the southern-most driveway into Northern Inyo Hospital as requested by hospital staff.
REQUEST TO ELIMINATE PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON CENTRAL STREET (10) Motion/Griffiths	On a motion by Mayor Griffiths, the Council voted 5-0 to direct staff to prepare a resolution eliminating the parking restriction on the west side of Central Street between the two driveways into the Bank of America parking lot.
APPROVAL TO EXTEND TERM OF PUBLIC WORKS INTERN POSITION (11) Motion/Cullen	The Public Works Director indicated that more GIS work for the water and sewer systems has been identified for the intern to accomplish and requested an extension to the position and approval of the budget adjustment. Councilmember Cullen made a motion to approve the extension of the intern position and increase the budget by \$1,000.00 to be funded equally from the water and sewer programs (Account 51002). The motion passed unanimously.
APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO CLARK WING FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM (12) Motion/Stottlemyre	The Community Services Director reported that a routine fire inspection found deficiencies in the Clark Wing fire sprinklers that require emergency repairs to bring them into compliance with the state fire codes. Councilmember Stottlemyre made a motion to waive the formal bid procedure and authorize Cisco Fire Sprinklers, Inc. of Copperopolis, California, to make the necessary emergency repairs to the city facilities as proposed in the amount of \$3,525.00. Motion passed unanimously.
APPROVAL TO GO TO BID FOR PROPANE CONTRACT (13) Motion/Griffiths	On a motion by Mayor Griffiths, the Council voted 5-0 to authorize the Community Services Department to go to bid for the supply of propane for city facilities and the Sunrise Mobile Home Park.
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH KIMBERLY CLARKE PROFESSIONAL (14) Motion/Griffiths	Mayor Griffiths made a motion to approve the execution by the Assistant City Administrator/Community Services Director of a contract with Kimberly Clarke Professional for janitorial dispensers. The motion passed 5-0.

COUNCIL REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m. to the next Council meeting scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

JEFF GRIFFITHS, MAYOR

Attest: Richard F. Pucci, City Clerk

By: _____
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON MAY 10, 2010