

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 8, 2011

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Smith called the meeting of the Bishop City Council to order at 7:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 301 West Line Street, Bishop, California.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Councilmember Ellis followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Cullen.

COUNCIL PRESENT Councilmembers Jim Ellis, Susan Cullen, Jeff Griffiths
Mayor Pro Tem Dave Stottlemire
Mayor Laura Smith

COUNCIL ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Keith Caldwell, Assistant City Administrator/
Community Services Director
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk
Peter Tracy, City Attorney
Ray Seguine, Fire Chief
Chris Carter, Police Chief
David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer

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

PRESENTATION

Quarterly Citizen Award
Dee and Cindy Younger
(1) The Council presented the Quarterly Citizen Award to Dee and Cindy Younger for their contributions to the Bishop community.

DEPARTMENT HEAD
REPORTS
(2) Reports from Administration, Community Services, Fire, Police, and Public Works were given on the departments' activities including upcoming and ongoing projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR
(3) A motion was made by Councilmember Cullen and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:

Motion/Cullen

FOR APPROVAL AND FILING
(a) Fund Transactions – 7/1/11 – 7/31/11
(b) Warrant Register – 7/11
(c) Investment Portfolio – 6/11
(d) Surplus of Found Property (Bicycles) – BPD044-11
(e) Personnel Status Change Report

INFORMATION/FILING
(f) Planning Commission – Special Meeting – 7/26/11

- (g) Planning Commission Meeting Cancellation Notice
- (h) Water and Sewer Funds Monthly Balances 2010-2011
- (i) Fire Department Activity Log – 7/11

NEW BUSINESS

CERRO COSO COMMUNITY COLLEGE - Update
(4)
Deanne Campbell, Director of the Eastern Sierra College Center of Cerro Coso Community College gave an update on the Bishop Campus relating to class size, enrollment and graduate statistics.

DRAFT ORDINANCE NO. 536 – Flood Damage Prevention Second Reading/Adoption
(5)
Motion/Griffiths
Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 536 by title only and authorize the City Clerk to publish a summary of the ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Government Code § 36933(c), “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISHOP, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REPEALING BISHOP MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 15.20 ENTITLED ‘FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION AND ORDINANCE NOS. 432 AND 450, AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 15.20 ENTITLED ‘FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION’ IN ITS ENTIRETY”.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT – Water Tank Cleaning/ Inspection
(6)
Motion/Stottlemyre
On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the execution of a contract with Aquatic Inspections to inspect, clean and repair the City of Bishop water tank located at 3244 West Line Street and authorize the expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$4,800.00 under the contract.

APPROVAL OF CONCEPTUAL DESIGN – Radio-Controlled Car Track City Park
(7)
At the July meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission gave their support to the conceptual design of a radio-controlled car track at the City Park. Sam Vargas, representing the 47 members of the Owensville RC Racing Organization, reviewed their proposal for the race track with the City Council.

Tom Jackson, Chalfant resident, and John Bone, spoke in support of the concept for a RC race track.

On a motion by Councilmember Ellis, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the conceptual design of the radio-controlled race track and gave authorization to pursue fund raising and appropriate contractual and liability agreements with the Owensville RC Racing Organization.

Councilmember Cullen stated she would like to see more public meetings held to hear additional public comment as this project moves forward.

<p>APPROVAL OF BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/TRANSFERS FY 2010-2011 (8) Motion/Cullen</p>	<p>On a motion by Councilmember Cullen the Council voted 5-0 to approve the budget adjustments and transfers for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 through June 30, 2011 as presented.</p>
<p>APPROVAL OF SUPPORT LETTER – Grant Application by Eastern Sierra Connect Regional Broadband Consortium (9) Motion/Cullen</p>	<p>On a motion by Councilmember Cullen, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the endorsement letter to be sent to the California Public Utilities Commission for the Eastern Sierra Connect Regional Broadband Consortium grant application for California Advances Services Funding (CASF).</p>
<p>COUNCIL REPORTS</p>	<p>Council Members announced upcoming community events. No action was taken.</p>
<p>RECESS/CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION</p>	<p>Mayor Smith recessed the meeting for a closed session as agendaed:</p>
<p>PERSONNEL (10)</p>	<p>PERSONNEL – Pursuant to Government Code § 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation. Title: City Administrator.</p>
<p>REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS (11)</p>	<p>REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government Code § 54956.8 (Property APN 001-023-19; 001-123-20; 001-123-21 Bishop, California) Negotiating Parties – Assistant City Administrator and Administrative Offices of the Courts (ACO) – Negotiations – Terms and conditions.</p>
<p>PERSONNEL (12)</p>	<p>Pursuant to Government Code § 54957 – Public Employee Termination/Release.</p>
<p>RECONVENE/ ANNOUNCEMENT Motion/Griffiths</p>	<p>At 9:12 p.m. the Mayor reconvened the regular meeting. The City Attorney announced that action was taken during closed session on a motion by Councilmember Griffiths to approve the Employment Resignation Agreement between the City of Bishop and James M. Southworth and authorized the Mayor to sign the Agreement. The motion passed on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Griffiths, Ellis, Cullen, Stottlemire, Smith. Noes: None; Abstained: None; Disqualified: None.</p> <p>Tracy stated the Agreement provides that James Southworth resign effective at the end of this evening. Southworth will be paid four months severance pay and four months continuation of health coverage as set forth in his original employment contract. The Employment Resignation Agreement was executed by James Southworth and City Attorney Peter Tracy. The City has received Mr. Southworth’s resignation. A joint press release was issued with copies provided as requested.</p>

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m. to the Study Session scheduled for Monday, August 22, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

LAURA SMITH, MAYOR

Attest: Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

By: _____
Keith Caldwell, Acting City Administrator