

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
BUDGET HEARINGS FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013
OCTOBER 18, 2011

CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Smith called the Budget Hearings of the Bishop City Council to order at 4:05 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 301 West Line Street, Bishop, California.
COUNCIL PRESENT	Councilmembers Jim Ellis, Susan Cullen, Jeff Griffiths Mayor Pro Tem Dave Stottlemire Mayor Laura Smith
COUNCIL ABSENT	None
OTHERS PRESENT	Keith Caldwell, Interim City Administrator Cheryl Solesbee, Accounting Secretary/Budget Manager Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk Peter Tracy, City Attorney Ray Seguire, Fire Chief Chris Carter, Police Chief David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer
PUBLIC COMMENT	The Mayor announced the public comment period. Mike Johnston, local resident, spoke in support of increasing funding for the Bishop Chamber of Commerce.
PUBLIC HEARINGS	Public Hearings and discussions were held as follows:
Community Promotions	Presentations were made by the following community groups requesting funding from the City of Bishop for Fiscal Year 2012-2013: Bishop Chamber of Commerce, Laws Museum, Inyo Council for the Arts, Inyo Mono Area Agency on Aging, Inyo Mono Senior Legal Program, and the Tri-County Fairgrounds on behalf of the California High School Rodeo Association State Finals. Councilmembers assigned to represent the City, or serving as a community member on any of the organizations requesting funding, did not participate in discussion during those particular presentations.
Recess/Reconvene	At 5:50 p.m. the Mayor recessed the hearings for a 10-minute break reconvening at 6:00 p.m.
Administration/Finance	The draft Administration and Finance departmental preliminary budgets for FY 2012-2013 which included City Council, Planning Department, Legal Services, Elections, Redevelopment Agency and others were reviewed with staff.
Dinner Break	At 6:20 p.m. the Mayor recessed the hearings for a dinner break reconvening at 6:50 p.m.

Community Services The draft Community Services departmental preliminary budgets for Parks and Recreation, Buildings and Grounds, Sunrise Mobile Home Park and TUT were reviewed with staff.

Police Department The draft Police Department preliminary budgets were reviewed with staff.

Public Works Department The draft Public Works departmental preliminary budgets for Building, Sewer, Water, Gas Tax, Street Maintenance and Projects, Grant Projects, and others were reviewed with staff.

Fire Department The draft Fire Department preliminary budget was reviewed with staff.

Recess/Reconvene The Mayor recessed the hearings for a short break reconvening at 8:20 p.m.

Community Promotions Council held discussion on the level of funding for the community promotions and made the following recommendations for action under the adoption of the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 anticipated at the next regular Council meeting. The amounts are consistent with funding approved for FY 2011-2012.

Chamber of Commerce	\$128,304
Laws Museum	11,664
Senior Legal Program	1,000
Tri-County Fair/CHSRA	1,094
Inyo Council for the Arts	18,225

Councilmember Griffiths recommended withholding a determination on the funding for the Inyo Mono Area Agency on Aging until there is more clarity on what agency will be administering the program. IMAAA can submit a new request for funding at any time in the future when the information is available.

ADJOURNMENT The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m. to the Study Session scheduled for Monday, October 24, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

LAURA SMITH, MAYOR

Attest: Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk

By: _____
 Keith Caldwell, Interim City Administrator

APPROVED BY COUNCIL 11/14/11