

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 28, 2011

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| CALL TO ORDER | Mayor Smith called the meeting of the Bishop City Council to order at 7:02 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 301 West Line Street, Bishop, California. |
| INVOCATION | The invocation was given by Pastor Rick Klug of the Calvary Baptist Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Ellis. |
| 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 Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk Peter Tracy, City Attorney Ray Seguine, Fire Chief Fred Gomez, Police Lieutenant David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer Gary Schley, Public Services Officer |
| PUBLIC COMMENT | The Mayor announced the public comment period. Pat West from Pioneer Home Health Care invited the Council and community to their annual Open House scheduled on December 6, 2011 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. |
| ADDITION OF URGENCY AGENDA ITEM | Mayor Smith announced that since the posting of the agenda of this meeting it had become necessary to add an urgency item to the agenda for possible Council action relating to street closures. Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to add item 7-A relating to street closures for the Bishop Chamber holiday activities scheduled on December 2-3, 2011. The motion passed 5-0. |
| PRESENTATION Clean Air Projects Program Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District (1) | Lisa Isaacs, Administrator for the Clean Air Projects Program gave a presentation on the program established by the Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District to reduce harmful air emissions emanating from identifiable sources within the Air District. The program will help homeowners replace old wood-burning stoves with updated cleaner systems. |
| 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) Study Session Minutes – 11/14/11
- (b) Council Meeting Minutes – 11/14/11
- (c) Request to surplus found property – BPD073-11
- (d) Request to surplus found property – BPD074-11

FOR INFORMATION AND FILING

- (e) Planning Commission Agenda – 11/29/11
- (f) Suddenlink correspondence relating to limited rate adjustments
- (g) Water and Sewer Commission Minutes – 9/13/11

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DISCUSSION – Election
Consolidation
(4)

Further discussion was held on the options, procedures and cost savings for consolidating the City’s General Municipal Elections held in March of odd-numbered years with County General Elections held in November of even-numbered years. Kammi Foote, Inyo County Clerk/Recorder answered questions and provided information on the County’s process.

Council directed staff to schedule a public hearing at the next meeting to hear citizen input on election consolidation and review any further information. If a decision is made to consolidate with the November 2012 election, action will be needed in order to start the process.

NEW BUSINESS

STREET VENDOR
PERMIT – Hot Diggity
Dogs 2012
(5)
Motion/Stottlemeyre

On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemeyre, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the 2012 renewal of the Street Vendor Permit for Hot Diggity Dogs / Paige and Bob Van Velzer pending completion of the requirements of the permit.

APPROVAL TO RELEASE
RFP – Sewer Trunk
Replacement Project
(6)
Motion/Cullen

On a motion by Councilmember Cullen, the Council voted 5-0 to authorize the release of the Request For Proposals for consultant services for the Sewer Trunk Replacement Project.

MEETING
CANCELLATION
December 26, 2011
(7)
Motion/Ellis

On a motion by Councilmember Ellis, the Council voted 5-0 to cancel the second meeting in December scheduled on the 26th.

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| APPROVAL OF STREET CLOSURES – Chamber Holiday Activities (7-A) Motion/Griffiths | On a motion by Councilmember Griffiths, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the closure of Academy Avenue between Warren Street and Main Street and the closure of East and West South Streets between Warren and Sneden for the annual Street of Lights on December 2 nd and Christmas Parade on December 3 rd . |
| COUNCIL REPORTS | Councilmembers announced upcoming community events. No action was taken. |
| CLOSED SESSIONS | At 8:15 p.m. Mayor Smith recessed the regular meeting for closed sessions as agendized: |
| PERSONNEL | Conference with Labor Negotiator Keith Caldwell, Interim City Administrator, pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6(a) – Employee Associations. |
| PENDING LITIGATION | Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(a) – Conference with City Attorney Peter Tracy relating to Inyo Superior Court Case No. SICV PT 1152863. |
| RECONVENE | At 9:08 p.m. the Mayor called the regular meeting to order and announced that no action had been taken in closed session. |
| ADJOURNMENT | The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:09 p.m. to the Study Session scheduled for Monday, December 12, 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 DECEMBER 12, 2011