

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 28, 2013

CALL TO ORDER	Mayor Smith called the meeting of the Bishop City Council to order at 7:01 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 301 West Line Street, Bishop, California.
INVOCATION	The invocation was given by Pastor Chris Costello of the Oasis of Grace Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Stottlemyre.
COUNCIL PRESENT	Councilmembers David Stottlemyre, Pat Gardner, Keith Glidewell Mayor Pro Tem Jim Ellis – joined meeting at 7:06 p.m. Mayor Laura Smith
COUNCIL ABSENT	None
OTHERS PRESENT	Keith Caldwell, City Administrator/Community Services Director Robin Picken, Assistant City Clerk Peter Tracy, City Attorney Cheryl Solesbee, Assistant Finance Director Ray Seguire, Fire Chief Fred Gomez, Police Lieutenant David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer Gary Schley, Public Services Operator
PUBLIC COMMENT	The Mayor announced the public comment period. No public comments were provided.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS	Reports from Administration, Community Services, Fire, Police, and Public Works were given on the departments' activities including upcoming and ongoing projects. Public Works Director Grah reported on: 1) The Bishop Union High School Homecoming Parade went well; 2) He appreciated the opportunity to go to the CalPERS Educational Forum with other staff members this month; 3) The new water tower coating should be done in a month; 4) The SCADA part of the Sludge Transfer Project is complete and is currently being fine tuned; 5) The Public Meeting on the Water & Sewer Rate Review held on October 24 went very well; and 6) Contractors Marzano and Sons are currently working on widening the intersection for the Wye Road Project. City Administrator and Community Services Director Keith Caldwell reported on: 1) The advertising of the Assistant Finance Director position; 2) Budget Workshop (#4) is

scheduled for Wednesday, October 30th at 9:00 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room; 3) The State of the City address will be presented to Council at the November 12, 2013 Council meeting; 4) The Second Annual Miss Bishop Pageant will be held Saturday, November 2 at 6 p.m. at the Bishop Union High School Auditorium; 5) Trunk or Treat was a success with 250-300 participants this year; 6) Soccer is gearing up again; and 7) We will be starting a “Winter Movie Series” in the City Hall Auditorium soon.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
UPDATE**

Tawni Thomson, Executive Director of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce provided a report on Chamber activities and Visitors Bureau statistics. Ms. Thomson reported on: 1) October has been a very busy month for the Visitor Center; 2) Spring and Summer projects and their new 2014 Vacation Planner and updated Treasure Map; 3) Chamber Mixer on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 starting at 6:00 p.m. at Karma Restaurant; 4) Helping the Salvation Army food drive on Saturday, November 2 in front of VONS; 5) Announced two new members of the Chamber of Commerce (Eastern Sierra Business Consulting and Inyo Portal); 6) Inyo Associates will be holding their monthly meeting and dinner at the Bishop Country Club on November 18th, and 7) Join this year’s Tree Lighting on December 6th and the Christmas Parade with this year’s theme “Miracle on Main Street” on December 7th.

**CONSENT CALENDAR
(1)
Motion/Stottlemire**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stottlemire and passed 5-0, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:

FOR APPROVAL AND FILING

- (a) Investment Portfolio – September 2013
- (b) Statement of Fund Transactions for Sunrise Mobile Home Park (SMHP) – 7/1/13-9/30/13

FOR INFORMATION/FILING

- (c) Fire Activity Log – September 2013

NEW BUSINESS

**COMMUNITY PROMOTIONS
FUNDING
(2)
Motion/Stottlemire**

After a thorough discussion, of how the City is doing its best to balance its future budgets while also acknowledging the community organizations that are also trying to continue the work they do for our community, the Council expressed their concern that they will not be able to sustain the kind of financial support that has been given in the past years. Council encouraged these organizations to start preparing for this change in the future.

A motion was made by Councilmember Stottlemire and passed 5-0, to award the Community Promotions funding for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 as follows:

Chamber of Commerce = \$143,000
Laws Museum = \$12,600
Inyo Council for the Arts = \$20,000
Tri-County Fairgrounds for the CHRERA Finals = \$5,000
California Indian Legal Services = \$1,000

For a total of \$181,600.

SUPPLY OF PROPANE
(3)
Motion/Ellis

On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Ellis, the Council voted 5-0 to extend the City's propane contract with Amerigas through October 31, 2014.

WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES
(4)
Motion/Gardner

Councilmember Stottlemire recused himself from discussing or voting on this item due to a financial relationship with this contractor.

On a motion by Councilmember Gardner, the Council voted 4-0 to extend the City's waste disposal services contract with Preferred Septic and Disposal, Inc. through September 9, 2014.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS/
TRANSFERS
(5)
Motion/Glidewell

Councilmember Glidewell made a motion to approve the budget adjustments and transfers for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 through September 30, 2013 as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

CLAIM AGAINST THE CITY –
CORE
(6)
No action taken.

Councilmember Stottlemire recused himself from discussing or voting on this item due to a conflict of interest.

Council requested that this item be tabled to the next City Council meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2013.
No action was taken.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Members reported on committee meetings and announced upcoming community events.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m. to the Council Budget Workshop scheduled for Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room.

LAURA SMITH, MAYOR

Attest: Keith Caldwell, City Clerk

By: _____
Robin Picken, Assistant City Clerk