

CITY OF BISHOP  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
MARCH 20, 2014

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Ellis called the meeting of the Bishop City Council Budget Workshop to order at 9:00 A.M. in the Executive Conference Room 377 West Line Street, Bishop, California.

COUNCIL PRESENT Councilmembers Laura Smith, David Stottlemire  
Keith Glidewell  
Mayor Pro Tem Pat Gardner  
Mayor Jim Ellis

COUNCIL ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Keith Caldwell, City Administrator/Community Services Director  
Robin Picken, Assistant City Clerk  
Lorraine Ray, Assistant Finance Director  
Ray Seguire, Fire Chief  
Chris Carter, Police Chief  
David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer  
Bryan Rossy, Police Officer  
David Jepson, Police Officer  
Jeff Griffiths, Inyo County Second District Supervisor  
Joe Pecs, Chairman of the Water and Sewer Commission

PUBLIC COMMENT Mayor Ellis announced the public comment period.

Bishop resident Chuck Kilpatrick asked Council to reconsider selling the city parking lot on the corner of Warren and Church Streets to the Administrative Office of the Courts for the proposed courthouse in Bishop. He also thanked City Administrator Caldwell for meeting with him and others about this issue and welcomed the opportunity to meet again on any future issues that may arise.

No further public comments were provided.

CLOSED SESSION - Closed Session began at 9:03 a.m. Council reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Report on Closed Session:

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT – Council will set interviews for the City Administrator position on Friday, April 11, 2014 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Letters of regret and placing telephone calls to those not being interviewed will be made by City Administrator Caldwell.  
TITLE: CITY ADMINISTRATOR  
(1)

REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – Councilmember Glidewell made a motion to deny the sale of the city property on the corner of Warren and Church

Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 (Property APN 001-123-19; 001-123-20; 001-123-21 Bishop, California) Negotiating Parties – City Administrator and Administrative Office of the Courts – Negotiations – Terms and conditions (2)

Streets to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Motion passed 5-0.

Ayes: Councilmember Smith, Stottlemyre, Glidewell, Mayor Pro Tem Gardner, and Mayor Ellis

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Councilmember Stottlemyre made a motion to make the offer to sell the Grammer School as a counter offer to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Motion passed 5-0.

Ayes: Councilmember Smith, Stottlemyre, Glidewell, Mayor Pro Tem Gardner, and Mayor Ellis

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

## SCHEDULED DISCUSSION

Discussion was held on the following agenda items:

Mayor Ellis granted the request made by Councilmember Glidewell to move discussion item #2 – Discuss Information Technology first on the agenda due to a scheduled on-line demonstration to Council.

## DISCUSS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (2)

Councilmember Glidewell introduced Granicus Sales Executive Chris Dodge to Council who will be presenting a demonstration of their “public meeting” solution called Granicus.

Mr. Dodge reviewed Granicus, and their Government Transparency Suite, eComments, iLegislate, and their Meeting Efficiency Suite. After answering several questions from Council, Mr. Dodge reviewed the delivery and implementation of their product and discussed their costs and flexibility in payment.

Council thanked Mr. Dodge for his presentation and requested that staff obtain the costs of a camera and a new sound system, if needed, to implement and run Granicus in the Council Chambers.

## POLICE SERVICES (1)

City Administrator Caldwell and Police Chief Carter provided Council with an overview of their discussions with Inyo County Sheriff Bill Lutze regarding Council's request to review the City's Police Services.

Bishop Police Officers Association (BPOA) Representatives Bryan Rossy and David Jepson were present and discussed their views on the subject. They also suggested that the BPOA would be open to starting their employee negotiations early.

A lengthy discussion ensued on whether or not to continue the investigation of costs relating to the City's police services by Sheriff Lutze. After further discussion by Council, Mayor Ellis announced that Council will table this item (Review of Police Services) at this time. Council is not interested with pursuing the investigation of costs at this time with the County and suggests that staff move forward with negotiations with the BPOA.

Councilmember Smith announced that she needed to excuse herself from the meeting shortly and would like to participate in the scheduling of their next Budget Workshop meeting before she leaves left the meeting. Mayor Ellis granted Councilmember Smith's request and opened discussions on item #4 on the agenda – Schedule the next Budget Workshop.

SCHEDULE NEXT  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
(4)

It was agreed that the next Budget Workshop will be held on Friday, April 25, 2014 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room.

Council also asked staff to add discussions on Information Technology and Taxes/ Transaction and Use Tax (TUT) to the Council Study Session on April 14, 2014.

BREAK

The meeting was recessed at 12:30 p.m. and Mayor Ellis reconvened the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

DISCUSS TAXES  
(3)

Inyo County Board of Supervisor Jeff Griffiths briefly reviewed the current Transaction and Use Tax (TUT) that the County shares with the City.

After a short discussion, Council requested that staff schedule further discussions on TUT at the next Council Study Session on April 14, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ellis adjourned the meeting at 1:03 p.m. to the Special Council Meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in the Bishop Union High School Auditorium.

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JIM ELLIS, MAYOR

Attest: Keith Caldwell, City Clerk

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Robin Picken, Assistant City Clerk