

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 24, 2011

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Smith called the meeting of the Bishop City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 301 West Line Street, Bishop, California.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Pastor Paul Straub of the Nazarene Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemyre.

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

COUNCIL ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Keith Caldwell, Interim City Administrator
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk
Peter Tracy, City Attorney
Chris Carter, Police Chief
David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Gary Schley, Public Services Officer

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

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS Reports from Police, Public Works, Community Services and Administration were given on the departments' activities including upcoming and ongoing projects.
(1)

CONSENT CALENDAR A motion was made by Councilmember Cullen and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:
(2)

Motion/Cullen FOR APPROVAL AND FILING
(a) Study Session Minutes – 10/11/11
(b) Council Meeting Minutes – 10/11/11
(c) Mini-Retreat Council Minutes – 10/14/11
(d) Fund Transactions – 7/1/11 – 9/30/11
(e) Fund Transactions Sunrise Mobile Home Park 7/1/11-9/30/11
(f) Surplus unclaimed found property – BPD064-11
(g) Surplus unclaimed found bicycles – BPD065-11

PUBLIC HEARING

PINE TO PARK PATH Environmental Review - Mitigated Negative Declaration The Mayor opened the hearing to receive public comment on the Environmental Review on an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration to construct an approximately 1,000-foot-long path to provide a safe, all-weather connection to the City

(3) Park for the neighborhood located to the south. The alignment of the path was modified to address public concerns and resulted in further environmental review and revision to the original Initial Study in 2009.

Public Works Director Grah gave an overview of the process since 2009 when the Council directed staff to pursue a different alignment for the Pine to Park Path due to residents' concerns about the proximity of the path to residences. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and released on August 16, 2011; a public meeting was held on August 31, 2011; 14 comments were received at the meeting; and 5 other comments were received on the document.

Grah stated the proximity of the path to residences is conceptual and the final design will optimize the distances between the path and houses and include a meandering alignment. More meetings will be held to receive public comment.

Motion/Cullen On a motion by Councilmember Cullen, the Council voted 5-0 to close the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION MITIGATED
NEGATIVE DECLARATION
Pine to Park Path Project
(4)
Motion/Griffiths Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and authorized the filing of a Notice of Determination on the Pine to Park Path Project. The motion passed 5-0.

REAPPOINTMENT
of Parks and Recreation
Commissioner – Hallenbeck
(5)
Motion/Stottlemire On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemire, the Council voted 5-0 to reappoint Kellie Hallenbeck to the Parks and Recreation Commission for another four-year term ending October 28, 2015.

DISCUSSION – Increasing
the Number of Parks and
Recreation Commissioners
to Seven
(6) Chairperson Hallenbeck stated the members of the Parks and Recreation Commission were split 3-2 not to increase the membership on the Commission. Further discussion was held on the pros and cons for increasing the number from five to seven. It was suggested by Councilmember Cullen that the Commission continue to discuss the idea further and report back to Council.

ADOPTION – FY 2012-
2013 Preliminary Budget /
Modifications to FY 2011-
2012 Budget
(7) Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemire stated he had concerns with the revenue projections in the FY 2012-2013 Preliminary Budget and recommended it not be adopted as presented until negotiations with the bargaining groups have been completed.

Motion/Stottlemire Stottlemire made a motion to not adopt the FY 2012-2013 Preliminary Budget. Stottlemire withdrew the motion.

Motion/Stottlemyre	Stottlemyre made a motion to continue consideration of the Preliminary Budget for FY 2012-2013 until the first meeting in December. The motion failed on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Stottlemyre, Ellis. Noes: Cullen, Griffiths, Smith.
	Further discussion was held. Councilmember Griffiths stated the Council has the ability after adopting the preliminary budget to change it as needed.
Motion/Griffiths	A motion was made by Councilmember Griffiths to approve the Preliminary Budget for FY 2012-2013 and the modifications to FY 2011-2012 Budget, and directed staff to re-agendize the budget for FY 2012-2013 for further discussion at the December 12, 2011 Council meeting and future meetings as necessary. The motion passed on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Griffiths, Cullen, Smith. Noes: Ellis, Stottlemyre.
BID AWARD – Supply of Propane to City Facilities (8) Motion/Stottlemyre	On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to award the bid for the supply of propane to City facilities and the Sunrise Mobile Home Park to Amerigas of Bishop effective November 1, 2011.
CONTRACT APPROVAL Mammoth Lakes Housing, Inc. for Willow Plaza Reporting (9) Motion/Stottlemyre	On a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemyre, the Council voted 5-0 to authorize the execution of a second contract with Mammoth Lakes Housing, Inc. to provide required reporting on the Annual, Semi-Annual and Quarterly documents for Willow Plaza under grant 05-HOME-1675.
APPROVAL – Budget Adjustments / Transfers FY 2011-2012 (10) Motion/Cullen	On a motion by Councilmember Cullen, the Council voted 5-0 to approve the budget adjustments and transfers for FY 2011-2012 September 30, 2011 as presented.
COUNCIL REPORTS	Council Members announced upcoming community events. No action was taken.
ADJOURNMENT	The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. to the Study Session scheduled for Monday, November 14, 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