

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 27, 2012

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 Mayor Laura Smith followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Griffiths.

COUNCIL PRESENT Councilmembers Susan Cullen, Jeff Griffiths
Mayor Pro Tem Dave Stottlemire
Mayor Laura Smith

COUNCIL ABSENT Jim Ellis - Excused

OTHERS PRESENT Keith Caldwell, City Administrator/Community Services Director
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk
Peter Tracy, City Attorney
Ray Seguine, Fire Chief
Chris Carter, Police Chief
David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer

PUBLIC COMMENT The Mayor announced the public comment period. No public comment was 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.
(1)

CONSENT CALENDAR A motion was made by Councilmember Cullen and passed 4-0 with Ellis absent to approve the Consent Calendar as presented:
(2)

Motion/Cullen FOR APPROVAL AND FILING
(a) Personnel Status Change Report

FOR INFORMATION AND FILING
(b) Parks and Recreation Agenda – 2/22/12
(c) Planning Commission Agenda – 2/28/12
(d) Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes 1/25/12

NEW BUSINESS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE Tawni Thomson, Executive Director of the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce reported on membership revenues, newly opened businesses, displays in vacant storefront windows, business relocation packets, and upcoming activities for the Chamber. The Visitors Bureau now has a phone kiosk for visitors stopping by the Chamber after hours.
(3)

AUDITORIUM
SIDEWALK PROJECT
Advertisement for Bids
(4)
Motion/Griffiths

Public Works Director/City Engineer Grah reviewed the new Auditorium Sidewalk Project with Council. Proposition 1B monies that need to be expended by June 30, 2012 will be used to fund the project to replace deteriorated sidewalk and curbing on the east side of North Fowler between West Line and Church Street as well as a bench and wall, utility relocation and landscaping. Construction is expected to be finished in early June.

Councilmember Griffiths made a motion to approve the advertisement for construction bids for the Auditorium Sidewalk Project and authorized the necessary budget adjustments to move the remaining Proposition 1B monies from the FY 2012-2013 budget to the FY 2011-2012 budget. Motion passed 4-0 with Ellis absent.

HIRING FREEZE UPDATE
(5)
Motion/

In order to continue the administrative and legislative review for any personnel hiring, Mayor Pro Tem Stottlemyre made a motion to update the expired hiring freeze for the remainder of FY 2011-2012, and FY 2012-2013 and FY 2013-2014. Motion passed 4-0 with Ellis absent.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Members announced upcoming community events. No action was taken.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:45 p.m. the Mayor recessed the meeting for closed session as agendized:

CONFERENCE WITH
LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Conference with Labor Negotiator Keith Caldwell, City Administrator, pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6(a) – Bishop Employees Association, Bishop Police Officers Association, Mid-Management and Management.

RECONVENE

At 8:17 p.m. the Mayor reconvened to open session. It was reported that no action was taken during closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m. to the Special Meeting “Council on Campus” scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Bishop High School Auditorium.

LAURA SMITH, MAYOR

Attest: Keith Caldwell, City Clerk

By: _____
Denise Gillespie, Assistant City Clerk