

CITY OF BISHOP
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
BUDGET WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Smith called the meeting of the Bishop City Council to order at 9:10 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room, 377 West Line Street, Bishop, California.

COUNCIL PRESENT Councilmembers Patricia Gardner, Keith Glidewell,
David Stottlemyre
Mayor Pro Tem Jim Ellis
Mayor Laura Smith

COUNCIL ABSENT None

OTHERS PRESENT Keith Caldwell, City Administrator/Community Services Director
Robin Picken, Assistant City Clerk
Cheryl Solesbee, Assistant Finance Director
Ray Seguine, Fire Chief
Chris Carter, Police Chief
David Grah, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Tawni Thomson, Executive Director of the Bishop Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau

Discussion was held on the following agenda items:

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

CONTINUE Councilmember Stottlemyre opened the discussions with Council
DISCUSSIONS OF to look at financial options to produce future savings and/or
FINANCIAL OPTIONS TO revenues to the City of Bishop budgets. Councilmember
PRODUCE FUTURE Stottlemyre reiterated that Council needs to look at all of the
SAVINGS TO THE CITY things we can look at, and vet through them all, in order to put the
OF BISHOP BUDGETS City's finances on a sustainable track.

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Transient Occupancy Tax and other taxes were the first items to be discussed. City Attorney Tracy and Assistant Finance Director Solesbee reviewed the past history and current status of the City's Transient Occupancy Tax and the various taxes with Council.

BREAK The meeting was recessed at 10:33 a.m. and the Mayor reconvened the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Based on these discussions, it was agreed that the lodging businesses be invited to participate in an open forum at the next Council Budget Workshop scheduled for Tuesday, September 24th to discuss Transient Occupancy Tax and possible lodging strategies to help increase occupancy during the shoulder seasons.

A brief discussion on information technology was led by Councilmember Glidewell. After further research, more information will be brought forward to Council on this subject at future budget workshops.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m. to the Study Session scheduled for Monday, September 23, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

LAURA SMITH, MAYOR

Attest: Keith Caldwell, City Clerk

By: _____
Robin Picken, Assistant City Clerk