

STOREY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 16th, 2010 2:00 P.M.

26 SOUTH B STREET, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

MINUTES

GREG "BUM" HESS
CHAIRMAN

HAROLD SWAFFORD
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

BOB KERSHAW
VICE-CHAIRMAN

JAMES G. MILLER
SHERIFF

JOHN FLANAGAN
COMMISSIONER

VANESSA DIXON
CLERK-TREASURER

Roll Call.

Present: Chairman Greg Hess, Land Use Planner Austin Osborne, Comptroller Hugh Gallagher, County Manager Pat Whitten, District Attorney Harold Swafford, Vice-Chairman Bob Kershaw, Assistant Sheriff Gerald Antinoro, Community Development Director Dean Haymore, Sheriff James Miller, Community Services Director Deny Dotson, Assessor Kathy Weeks, Administrative Officer Holli Kiechler, Recorder Sarah Jensen.

Absent: Commissioner John Flanagan

CALL TO ORDER AT 2:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by The Chair at 2:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chair led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Troy Regas, of Peri Farms, requested a copy of the correspondence rescinding the name change of the Mustang Ranch Exit. County Manager Pat Whitten stated that the document is on record at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Hess stated that Commissioner Flanagan would not be present today.

CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine, and may be acted upon by the Board of County Commissioners with one action, and without an extensive hearing. Any member of the Board or any citizen may request that

an item be taken from the consent agenda, discussed, and acted upon separately during this meeting. The Commission Chair reserves the right to limit the time allotted for each individual to speak.)

Approval of Agenda for March 16, 2010
Approval of Minutes for March 02, 2010

Correspondence - E-mail from NDOT regarding Mustang Ranch Exit sign.

Approval of Claims - Payroll for 3/05/2010 & Accounts Payable for 3/12/2010

Approval of Maps - Boundary line adjustment on Megabyte Drive to create additional parking area for Viper Steel.

Approval of Assessor corrections to the Tax Roll - none

Approval of Treasurer's Report - none

Approval of Planning Commission Minutes - none

Approve Revised HR Policies -

Personnel Files - Confidential Information #105

Fair Employment Practices #201

Anti-Harassment #202

Dealing w/Allegations of Discrimination and/or Prohibited Conduct/Behavior(s), Unlawful Harassment # 203

Employment Disabilities #205

Sick Leave #603

FMLA (Family and Medical Leave) #605 and deleted Forms

Reconsider the award of contract to Marv McQueary Excavating for the Storey County Justice Facility Mass Grading Phase 1&2 and reject all bids for this project

Approve Cooperative Agreement between Roadshows Inc and Storey County to facilitate overall organization of Street Vibrations week in September. Terms of agreement allow Virginia City to be part of the "sanctioned" event and address matters such as traffic control, parking, vendor licensing and public sanitation.

LICENSING BOARD:

FIRST READINGS:

- 1. DONDELINGER MASONRY** – Contractor / 312 Grosh Avenue, Dayton
- 2. HANNAFIN DESIGN ASSOCIATES** –General / 318 North Carson Street #202, Carson City

3. **H&E EQUIPMENT SERVICES, INC** – General / 11100 Mead Road, Ste 200, Baton Rouge, LA
4. **HOT SPOT BROADBAND, INC** – General / 9825 S. Virginia St., Reno
5. **UNDERTAKER** – General / **37 North C Street, VC**
6. **R CONSTRUCTION** – Contractor / 415 Parr Circle, Reno
7. **LIVFAST PRODUCTIONS, LLC**–General /**600 Wild Horse Canyon Dr., RD**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Approve Consent Agenda and maps, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Committee/Staff Reports

Community Services Director Deny Dotson

1. Acknowledged Randy Burke of Roadshows Inc. who owns the trademark for Street Vibrations. The Cooperative Agreement between Roadshows Inc and Storey County will include Virginia City as a sanctioned event as well as help add vendors, advertising and help with traffic control to make it an overall better event. This year the high school will be used for additional parking with a shuttle back and forth that will benefit the Boosters.

Land Use Planner Austin Osborne

1. Reported that the JAC program moved to Saturday and on the first run the ridership was up to 12 people.

Administrative Officer Holli Kiechler

1. The architectural report on the Courthouse for renovations started yesterday. The Courthouse was awarded \$120,000 through a cultural grant to refurbish the front of the building.

Assessor Kathy Weeks

1. Announced that she has chosen to retire early, at the end of June, before her term ends. She read her letter of resignation into record in lieu of mailing it. She will have worked in that office for 26 years and thanked all for their friendship. A round of applause followed.

Comptroller Hush Gallagher

1. Reminded everyone that tomorrow is Saint Patrick’s Day and read a blessing to everyone.

Recorder Sarah Jensen

1. Reported that the Governor signed Assembly Bill 6 which raises some recording fees beginning April 1st, 2010 and will sunset June of 2011.

County Manager Pat Whitten

1. Engineering marks on the pavement of E Street between the church and the middle school are marks of progress on the Tunnel 6 project. They have found that the tunnel is about 8 feet further to the west than believed which is good as it will be further from the church.
2. Acknowledged Mrs. Kiechler for writing one of the best grant requests that resulted in the \$120,000 for the courthouse façade.
3. The tentative budget hearing is set for April 5th at 9 A.M.
4. In regards to Assessor Weeks early retirement, protocol needs to be followed in the advertising to fulfill that position.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Proclamation Honoring and Congratulating Our “Lady Muckers” For Their Historic 1st Ever State Championship

Chairman Hess said that most of the Team is at a softball game today so the Proclamation will be presented to the girls at an upcoming dinner. Chairman Hess read the Proclamation into record.

Motion: Approve Proclamation Honoring and Congratulating Our “Lady Muckers” For Their Historic 1st Ever State Championship, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Contract for Design Services by Stantec Engineering for Phase II of Virginia City Streetscape Enhancement Project ID # 73532

Mr. Haymore stated that the scope includes demolishing the old restrooms at the north end of town, designing new restrooms, building a kiosk and the Sharon House stair foundations. Chairman Hess asked if Scott Jolcover was going to donate a mining headframe. Mr. Haymore clarified that the County was in charge of that deal and Stantec would only be designing the foundation. There is still discussion regarding using an old Stampmill. There is a match grant of \$33,617 which is in the budget. The project will have to be approved by both archeological and historical committees.

Motion: Approve for Design Services by Stantec Engineering for Phase II of Virginia City Streetscape Enhancement Project ID # 73532 with authorization for

Dean Haymore to sign, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Appoint Pringle CPA Firm for the 2009/2010 Storey County certified financial audit.

Mr. Whitten said we are required by statute to appoint a firm each year. Mr. Gallagher recommends using Pringle again.

Motion: Approve Appointment of Pringle CPA Firm for the 2009/2010 Storey County certified financial audit, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Acceptance of \$485,000 EECBG grant awarded to Storey County for energy efficient retrofits for county buildings.

Mr. Osborne announced that with the help of Mrs. Kiechler, we applied for \$400,000 in grant money and were awarded \$485,000. This is a ZERO match grant that is 100% funded. The grant covers energy efficient retrofits such as windows, doors and heaters for Fire Stations 1, 3 and 4 and the Public Works building. The Community Development building will also receive insulation. The Virginia City Senior Center is scheduled for windows, doors, refrigerators and freezers. Mr. Osborne thanked Governor Gibbons, his senior staff, Catherine Goen, and Holli Kiechler for helping procure this grant. All work must be done under Davis-Bacon wages with benefits. Mr. Haymore hopes to go out to bid soon for these projects that will create jobs using American-made products. Connie Lea Butts, Canyon GID Manager, asked if the Lockwood Senior Center was included in any of the plans. Mr. Osborne and Mr. Haymore said not yet since that building was newer but if there are any funds left over, they could use them.

Motion: Approve acceptance of \$485,000 EECBG grant awarded to Storey County for energy efficient retrofits for county buildings, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Resolution 10-299 authorizing filing of an application for Land and Water Conservation Funds for the “Peri Family Recreational Area Project”.

Mr. Dotson reported that the School District received surplus Title One money in the amount of \$20,000 that was going to be used for fitness equipment. After some discussion and a tour of the area, some unused land was found in which the residents in the area would like to use for a dog park, walking trail, etc. The grant would be submitted for \$50,000 with a \$25,000 in-kind match. Material for a community garden has already been donated. For the record, Chairman Hess said that he had been asked by the School District to bid on some concrete and preparation work. Mr. Dotson recognized Ms. Butts for her help cleaning up the title on the land as well as including valves on water lines to include the parks gray water and drinking water. Vice-Chairman Kershaw asked about naming the area and mentioned that the late Dominique Peri wanted the elementary school named Lockwood so maybe the park could be called that instead. Mr. Regas clarified that “Lockwood “ was a middle name in the Peri family. Ms. Butts thinks the residents would prefer Peri.

Motion: Approval of Resolution 10-299 authorizing filing of an application for Land and Water Conservation Funds for the “Peri Family Recreational Area Project”, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Resolution 10-300 requesting the assistance of the Attorney General in the prosecution of a criminal matter.

District Attorney Harold Swafford read the Resolution into record.

Motion: Approval of Resolution 10-300 requesting the assistance of the Attorney General in the prosecution of a criminal matter, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Revision of Ordinance 09-224 Special Events. New “Vendor and Exhibitor” language and the removal of fee(s) to be established by resolution. (2nd Reading)

Mr. Dotson reviewed the changes such as the fee schedule and definitions of vendors that were revised.

Motion: Approve Revision of Ordinance 09-224 Special Events. New “Vendor and Exhibitor” language and the removal of fee(s) to be established by resolution, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Ordinance 10-228, addition of new language to Title 10 (chapter 10.26) Motor Vehicle Restrictions within the area of the Lagomarsino Canyon Petroglyphs (2nd Reading)

Chairman Hess verified that two gates are to be installed. He then recommended Jim Maushardt as a “steward” of the area.

Motion: Approve Ordinance 10-228, addition of new language to Title 10 (chapter 10.26) Motor Vehicle Restrictions within the area of the Lagomarsino Canyon Petroglyphs, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

LICENSING BOARD:

SECOND READINGS:

1. **G AND S ENTERPRISES** – Contractor / 11595 Lemmon Drive, Reno
2. **CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS ENGINEERS** –General / 6980 Sierra Center Pkwy, Reno
3. **MILLER & SONS DRILLING COMPANY, LLC** – Contractor / 4551 Almond Drive, Reno
4. **ADVANCED STAINLESS, LLC** – Contractor / 1255 Springer Court, Reno
5. **HART HIGH-VOLTAGE APPARATUS REPAIR** – Contractor / 1105 Terminal Way, Reno
6. **VIRGINIA CITY DISCOUNT OUTLET** – General /**56 NORTH C ST, VC**
7. **CHART, Inc.** - General / 1995 Peru, TRI
8. **NOBLE TECHNOLOGIES CORP**- General/1280 Alexandria Ct, TRI
9. **ANVIL RECYCLING CORP (Office)** - General /50 Ave of the Colors, RB
10. **ANVIL RECYCLING CORP (Yard)**-General/2700 Waltham Wy, TRI

Chairman Hess acknowledged that there are still issues with landlords owing taxes on business property but the actual business is run under another person. Mr. Haymore reviewed the list and proceeded to ask to approve items # 1 through #5.

Motion: Approve Licensing Board Second Readings #1 thru #5, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

Mr. Haymore then asked to continue Items #6 thru #10 for compliance on taxes and inspections.

Motion: Continue Licensing Board Second Readings Items #6 thru #10, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** ~~Commissioner Flanagan~~, **Seconded by** ~~Vice-Chairman Kershaw~~. (**CORRECTED** as follows per April 20th, 2010 Commission Meeting: **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Kershaw, **Seconded by** Chairman Hess.)

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes=2).

Mr. Haymore asked to report on his trip to Washington D.C. outside of Staff Reports. He attended several meetings with Senators Reid, Congressman Heller and Senator Ensign. There are funds for small business administration to increase economic development in rural communities. They put in for \$500,000 of appropriations to purchase the old train depot.

BOARD COMMENT

Vice-Chairman Kershaw also reported on NACO's national conference. He spoke of the Healthcare Bill and wondered if anyone has actually read it. The job bill is going through to support COBRA. The BLM discussed profits from renewable energy projects on state land being shared with local governments. The Railroad Commission talked about the Tunnel 6 project and the train depot.

Chairman Hess reported the renewable energy appropriations on public land were to be 25% County, 50% State and 25% Federal Government.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by call of The Chair at 2:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jessie Fain, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Please note that these minutes have not yet been approved and are subject to revision at the next meeting. These minutes are presented in a summary format and are not verbatim.