

STOREY COUNTY
COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 16, 2005, 2:00 P.M.

DISTRICT COURTROOM, COURTHOUSE 26 SOUTH B STREET
VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

BOB KERSHAW, CHAIRMAN
JOHN FLANAGAN, VICE CHAIRMAN
GREG HESS, COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
HAROLD SWAFFORD

SHERIFF
JAMES G. MILLER

RECORDER/AUDITOR
MAGGIE LOWTHER

CLERK/TREASURER
DOREEN BACUS

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

PRESENT: Chairman Kershaw, Vice Chairman John Flanagan, Commissioner Hess, District Attorney Harold Swafford, Recorder/Auditor Maggie Lowther, Sheriff Jim Miller, Dean Haymore, Marilou Walling and Pat Whitten.

ABSENT: Clerk/Treasurer Doreen Bacus, Public Works Director Rich Bacus, Fire Chief Gary Hames. Commissioner Hess after 3:25 p.m. Dean Haymore left the meeting right after the discussion of the relocation of Mustang Bridge.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
PUBLIC COMMENT (none)

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.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR MAY 16, 2005. Chairman Kershaw advised the board the

Tentative Budget discussion/approval will be moved up to 2:30 p.m. because Commissioner Hess needs to leave.

Lorraine advised the board she had left off the request for Special Events by Troy Regis for the June 4, 2005 poker run at Old Bridge Ranch. Whitten advised the board that Sheriff Miller will address this issue.

Upon the recommendation of D.A. Swafford, Commissioner Hess moved to continue the V&TRR agreement to the first meeting in June, seconded by Flanagan and carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MAY 3, 2005.

-CORRESPONDENCE

DISCUSSION/ACTION: MAP APPROVAL FOR MAPS TO BE RECORDED

Pat Whitten presented a record of survey map for Tahoe Reno Industrial Center for the division of lot 2005-9 to lot 2005-9A and 2005-9B of parcel map No. 99635 being portions of the NE 1/4 of Section 6, T.,19N, R22E., & the SE 1/4 of section 31, T. 20N., R. 22E., MDM

DISCUSSION/ACTION: SPECIAL EVENTS

1. Bike the West, Nevada's Historical Bicycle Tour, Sunday June 26, 2005 between 7:00 a.m.

and 11:00 a.m. Two hundred fifty to three hundred participants will ride through the back roads of Carson City onto Hwy. 50 to SR 341/342, the riders choice to use either the Gold Hill route or the Truck Route, through C Street to Miner's Park either down Geiger Grade, Six Mile Canyon or back down to Hwy. 50 and on to Genoa. There will be no road closures during the tour and the bicycles will follow the rules of the road as prescribed in the encroachment permit.

Pat Whitten advised the board this group has been very cooperative in the past and recommended the tour be approved, adding, that they are in and out of town between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. except for a few stragglers.

2. 9th Cathouse Poker Run, September 24, 2005 from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at Old Bridge Ranch, expecting about 3,000 participants with about 500 at the ranch at one time, request to block the road at the Peri Ranch between 1:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. will maintain a travel lane for emergency vehicle access through Prei Ranch Road, concurred by Fire Chief Hames. The event will feature live bands and entertainment, traffic parking control, and in house security are in place.

Sheriff Miller addressed this request, pointing out that the request application is being made by Troy Regis not David Bridges the license holder for the Old Bridge Ranch, Regis will need to go through all of necessary background and financial checks to qualify as a manager of the Old Bridge. Miller further advised the board that the application for the June 4, 2005 event is not in compliance with the six week lead time required for special events and recommended the June event be denied, adding he has no problem with the September event as there is adequate time for the applicants to comply with required regulations.

Troy Regis advised the board the June event is much smaller than the September event and will only draw about three hundred people, he further advised the board he will work with Sheriff Miller to comply with application requirements and time frames for events.

Commissioner Hess moved to approve the September 24, 2005 event and for Regis and Burgess to work with the Sheriff on the June event and if things can be worked out with him approve the June event with his endorsement, seconded by Flanagan and carried.

3. 2005 annual Ferrari Hill Climb scheduled for September 17 and 18, 2005

Commissioner Hess moved to approve the hill climb, seconded by Flanagan and carried.

LICENSING BOARD:

FIRST READINGS:

1. Fire Systems Plus, submitted by Richard E. Jolly, of Sparks, installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems, out of county license.

2. Gene Koffler Masonry, submitted by Eugene Koffler of Reno, contractor's license, masonry sub-contractor.

3. Nevada Technical Reports, submitted by Grahame Ross of Silver City, out of county license, land use & environmental Mgt. Services and related activities.

4. Eagle Precast Company, submitted by Scott Waldron of West Valley UT, instal precast concrete, contractor's license.

5. Jensen Electric Company, submitted by Gary A. Jensen, of Sparks, electrical contractor, install electrical for commercial and industrial buildings.

6. Gardner Engineering, Inc. submitted by James Gardner of Reno, HVAC and Plumbing contractor.

7. JDC Excavating, Inc. submitted by Pat Conely of Reno, excavating all aspects.

8. Panelized Structures Inc. submitted by Peter Post of Manteca, CA contractor-steel structures.

9. Century Glass, Inc. submitted by Roland Scarselli of Reno, residential automotive and commercial glass with related products.

10. Buchanan General Contracting Company, submitted by Dennis Buchanan of Belveue, WA, general contractor.

11. Lunstrum Construction submitted by Mark J. Lunstrum of Virginia City, residential, commercial remodel and restoration.

12. Tech Services, submitted by Kenneth Ballew of Carson City, technical, maintenance electronics, out of county license application.

13. Industrial Handling Equipment, Inc. submitted by Anthony Facklmann, of Reno, sales service, rental forklifts; material handling, out of county license application.

14. Gary Romero, Inc., submitted by Gary Romero of Reno, door installation, out of county license application.

15. Dynamic Drywall & Const. Inc. submitted by Robert Bush of Reno, drywall and general construction.

16. Brand Scaffold Rental & Erection, submitted by Paul Woods, of Chesterfield, MO, scaffold rental and labor, out of county license application.

17. L & L Plumbing and Heating, Inc. submitted by Leo Legorburu, of Reno, plumbing and heating contractor.

18. Highlands Transport, Inc. submitted by William Breitenbach of VCH, home

business license application, interstate trucking, tractor and trailer will not be located or parked at the residence address in the Highlands, home office use only there will be no customers visiting the office.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVAL OF May 5, 2005 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

will not be approved by the board until their meeting on May 19, 2005.

Planning Commission minutes for April 21, 2005 were not available for action by the board for this meeting and will be on the next available agenda for action.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Hess and carried.

•STAFF REVIEW/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dean presented to the board tentative plans and easements for the relocation of the Mustang Bridge. Dean explained that George Georgenson designed the area for the relocation of the bridge and it will run from existing road to existing road, it will require a thirty foot fill, and is above the five hundred year flood line and one hundred year flood line, it will require about seven thousand dollars of concrete an easement from Nature Conservancy and that Reno Engineering should pay for the easement and concrete. The county has already spent approximately seventy- five hundred dollars for Georgenson's design and Washoe County may require payment for the signal at the cross section and state lands pay require some fees.

Pat Whitten advised the board there is \$13,600. budgeted for the bridge relocation.

A special meeting will be held May 24, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. to discuss/approve funding for relocation of the Mustang Bridge upon motion by Hess, seconded by Flanagan and carried.

2:40 p.m. DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR 2005/2006.

Pat Whitten and Marilou Walling submitted a memorandum with budget updates and final consideration by the board,

Increase Building Department salaries and benefits for new hire of plan review inspector \$36,208. Training by \$2000. to train and certify same employee. Rental payments to Water Department for rent of building from \$4400 to \$6000.

Increase fire department salaries and benefits by \$54,312 to cover 60% of plan review inspector. Training/certification of plan review inspector. Plan review fees have been increased to offset these expenditures.

Increase Forestry Fire District from \$182,000 to \$204,813 contingent upon NDF's deployment of eight seasonal employees four each at the Highlands and Lockwood, which was approved by the board on April 4, 2005 as well as 100% collection of forecast ad-valorem taxes.

Revenue Increase Water Department rent revenue increased from \$4400 to \$6000

to provide payback for \$20,000 in already budgeted repairs to building.

Salaries all departments with employees subject to the ongoing labor negotiations with SNEA.

Administrative was adjusted in three areas;

1. Professional services was increased from \$50,000 to \$60,000 to partially cover \$18,350 in software upgrades to the AS-400 required for the Assessor's Office.

2. A new line item for "web design" has been added. Recommended approval of Vision ASP's proposed Pricing B plan by paying \$42,358 from our current 2004/05 budget (augmented in from unanticipated plan review fee income) and \$42,358 proposed in the new budget, spreading the cost over two budget years. Hopefully to budget an additional amount in 2006/07 that will complete the full and optimum site development.

3. Payment to the VCCTA has been increased to \$112,500 which reflects anticipated payment under a proposed revision to our business license revenue sharing agreement. (See attached memo for further details)

Increase Swimming Pool by \$48,900 to reflect actual balances available for projects at each respective park.

Commissioner Flanagan questioned the increase in the swimming pool fund, adding that it has doubled in the past three years.

Maggie explained that these park fees are paid at \$250 for stick built houses and \$150 for mobile homes into each park fund and that the money needs to be budgeted for expenditures for each specific park.

Marilou explained that salaries needed to be increased for the lifeguards because they can make more money in Carson or Reno than up here.

Pat advised the board he would look at the specific operations of the pool and see if the costs can be cut back.

Pat advised the board there are some logistical problems that need to be worked out, the business office for the Sheriff will eventually be moved out to the Jail, the Justice Court and District Court may need to share the courtroom upstairs.

Shawn Griffin, Community Chest Director thanked the board for the \$25,000 contribution and outlined all of the services provided for the community through Community Chest and requested the amount be increased to \$50,000 for this year.

Pat reported that public works got a lot of painting done at the senior center, the kitchen hood needs to be replaced, and they are asking for a car. They have added \$2500 to the senior center budget to cover the hood replacement and if car becomes available from another department perhaps it could be moved over to the center.

Commissioner Flanagan stated that the refrigeration will need to be replaced at the Senior Center soon.

Commissioner Flanagan questioned the road department budget increase of up to

\$200,000. Maggie explained that the gas tax is based on population and can only be used for roads.

Pat explained that Bacus does a good job of budgeting and will not pay too much for black top, if it is too high priced he will wait to order it.

Commissioner Hess advised the board there will be a waste management meeting, and legislature has not voted on Franklin yet.

Increase Capital Projects from zero to \$75,000 to provide funding for Courthouse facility remodel/relocation. There will also be a transfer out to Capital Projects on the Administrative budget.

Increase Technology Fund by \$25,000 to \$33,000. The original \$8000 remains dedicated for Recorder's Office use thru fee assessment. The increase of \$25,000 would be used to obtain high-speed, secure data communications between the Courthouse, Jail, Firehouse and Building Department; allowing broader access to the AS-400 database. Again you will see a transfer out to Technology on the Administrative budget.

There is insufficient revenue to provide patrol vehicles for the Sheriff's Department beyond the two in the original tentative budget. Sheriff Miller has indicated that the department needs five or even six vehicles. Nevada Department of Taxation has advised the budget officer that an aggregate amount exceeding \$50,000 will trigger "medium term debt financing" requiring bond counsel and taxation approval. Therefore, the budget officer is recommending holding to the two vehicles and hopefully be able to acquire more units as the county receives unanticipated revenues during the budget year.

Pat and Commissioner Hess both advised the board that the Sheriff's department is presently understaffed, there is one retiree, two in V.C. and one in Lockwood on disability leave, it appears there will be no vacations without the department being understaffed. Pat further advised the board the Sheriff's Department was over budget when he left, however, there is \$71,000 available from the feds which will keep him close to budget.

The ending fund balance in the General Fund is projected to grow from \$713,117 to \$843,636

and the budget officer is recommending that \$125,000 of this amount be set aside to begin a reserve dedicated to paying back our future obligations under the TRI Development Agreement.

Chairman Kershaw advised Shawn Griffin that the board had no choice but to raise taxes last year and that he hopes he does not get phone calls from irate parents this year for not funding Community Chest more.

Pat advised the board there is a five million dollar threshold for TRI pay back but it is time to look at it real close and it is time to understand the whole thing.

Marilou reported that not every department has charged things to TRI as they are supposed to.

Commissioner Flanagan commented that it is time to find out just what is going on with the TRI payback.

Pat advised the board that the TRI audit will be finished by the end of June. Come September we want to know exactly where we are in June 2005 dollar wise.

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the Tentative Budget as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Hess and carried.

BOARD COMMENTS: Commissioner Flanagan asked Commissioner Hess to speak to Greg Hess, Sr. about repairs to the wall at the Hospital.

Harold Swafford submitted letters regarding the name "Mark Twain Museum" a proposed letter from Dean Haymore to John Schafer and one from Harold to Dean advising Dean that the problem is a civil matter between the two parties involved.

3:25 p.m. Commissioner Hess leaves the meeting.

Back under Staff, Marilou advised the board that Bank of America would like to do a promotional meeting with employees on May 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., adding that payroll now is at 100% direct deposit.

Pat informed the board there will be a department head meeting on June 7th. People are requesting zip code changes and he will contact Harry Reid's office if no one else has done so.

Commissioner Kershaw reported that he has talked to Commissioner Larson of Washoe County and he would like to tour

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Agreement between Storey County and the V & T Railroad for use of surface estate of real property. This item was continued at the request of Harold Swafford.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Agreement between Washoe County and Storey County for Senior Lunch Program at north end of the county.

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the agreement with Washoe County, seconded by Commissioner Hess and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Agreement with Washoe County for mosquito abatement program. This agreement was approved and signed at the April 5, 2005 meeting.

Pat explained that this is an Interlocal Agreement with several agencies with the requesting agency to pay the bill. Chairman Kershaw suggested Whitten talk to the Department of Agriculture regarding a grant for the program.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Cherie Alexander, R.N. progress report regarding opening of a Public Health Clinic and what health services will be available to Storey County residents by the fall of 2005.

Cherie Alexander explained the program to the commissioners and ask for their support. She explained that she has been the public health nurse for the past eight years working out of community chest, however, with the new privacy regulations she will need to work out of a clinic instead of the back of her car.

The board assured her that they would support he proposed clinic and if they could

find the money for the services as she requested they would help.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Pete Leonard representing the 4th Ward School to sell Lot 2 Block 175 Range C at 321 South C Street, approximately 1,026 square feet APN 1-063-08, assessor's market value at \$3,631.

Marilou advised the board that this property was donated to the 4th Ward School by John Nevin and the school wishes to sell the property, the board needs to take no action, this is for information only.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Claims

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the claims as follows Payroll at \$184,262.05 and warrants at \$267,891.41, seconded by Kershaw and carried.

LICENSING BOARD:

SECOND READINGS:

1. Hibshman Construction Company, Carson City, a general contractor; submitted by Harry L. Hibshman. **APPROVED**
2. Reno Heating & Air, Inc., Sparks, repair and replacement and installation of heating and air conditioning and cooling; submitted by Joe Trevino, Sr., President. **APPROVED**
3. Paragon Associates, Inc., Reno, a general contractor; submitted by Christopher Bawden. **APPROVED**
4. Daniels Construction, Reno, a general building contractor; submitted by Kenneth Daniels, owner. **APPROVED**
5. Rainier Construction Company, Inc., Sparks, excavation construction, submitted by Keith Fegert, president. **APPROVED**
6. La Jolla Newport Financial, 184 South C Street, Virginia City, loan brokerage for home loans, taking applications, processing and closing loans; submitted by Terrance Butcher.
7. Smith Plumbing, Minden, plumbing, rough-in, top-out, finish, remodels, repair service; submitted by Jeff Smith, owner. **APPROVED**
8. Four Seasons Mechanical, Sparks, plumbing, heating, irrigation, solar; submitted by Edwin Marlin, general manager. **APPROVED**
9. Walker's A&KW Crane & Rigging Service, Sparks, crane service; submitted by Elijah Walker, president. **APPROVED**
10. Rocky Mountain Building and Supply, Sparks, contracting/roofing; submitted by Chandler Walker. **APPROVED**
11. Martin Iron Works, Inc., manufacture and install reinforcing and structural steel, Reno; submitted by Piero Bullentini, president. **APPROVED**
12. Architectural Systems Corporation, Reno, commercial glass; submitted by Todd Rasmussen, president. **APPROVED**
13. Centry Constructors & Engineers, Inc., McCarren, general contractor; submitted by Arie Van Wyngaarden. **APPROVED**
14. Miller Organ Company, 480 South C Street, Virginia City, submitted by Robert Miller, owner. **DENIED applicant has not complied with licensing regulations, will be cited if he continues to operate.**
15. Turquoise Kiva, submitted by Nidel Ahdelhady of Virginia City retail shop at 35 North C Street, Virginia City **APPROVED**
16. Jewelry House, submitted by Nidel Ahdelhady of Virginia City retail shop at 71 South C

- Street, Virginia City. **APPROVED**
17. Turquoise Kiva #2, submitted by Nidal Ahdelhady of Virginia City, retail shop at 145-A south C Street, Virginia City. **APPROVED**
 18. World Famous Mustang Ranch, #5 Wild Horse Canyon Drive, Brothel License, submitted by Cash Processing. **CONTINUED**
 19. World Famous Mustang Ranch, #5 Wild Horse Canyon Drive, general, escort & liquor license application, submitted by Cash Processing. **CONTINUED**
 20. World Famous Mustang Ranch, #5 Wild Horse Canyon Drive, trucker lounge and souvenirs, submitted by Mustang Memories. **CONTINUED**
 21. Tahoe Activities, Bucket of Blood, sale vacations and presentations. **CONTINUED**
 22. Gifted Cowboy, change of location, submitted by Linda DelCarlo and Jan Browman. **APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned at the call of the Chair at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

By _____
Lorraine DuFresne
Clerk to the Board