

STOREY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 3RD, 2007 2:00 P.M.

STOREY COUNTY DISTRICT COURTROOM
26 SOUTH B STREET, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

MINUTES

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PRESENT: Chairman John Flanagan, Vice-Chairman Greg "Bum" Hess, Commissioner Bob Kershaw, District Attorney Harold Swafford, Clerk/Treasurer Lorraine Du Fresne, Recorder-Auditor Sarah S. Jensen, Storey County Manager Pat Whitten, Administrative Officer Marilou Walling, and Building and Planning Director Dean Haymore

CALL TO ORDER AT 2:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Planning Commissioner Bret Tyle introduced Jim Shaffer with Washoe County District Health Department and Becky Maholland with the Washoe-Storey Conservation District. Mr. Shaffer and Ms. Maholland gave a power point presentation on the conservation of water, erosion control, and vectorborne diseases.

Chairman Flanagan asked that the following agenda item be moved to number 2: ***DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Shaun Griffin, Community Chest, Inc. and Hannafin Design Associates; Review updated Community Youth Center design and project

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 April 3, 2007
Approval of Minutes for March 20, 2007

Correspondence

Building and Planning Director Dean Haymore gave each Commissioner a copy of all correspondence from Cordevista.

Approval of Maps to be recorded

Mr. Haymore presented the following four maps to be recorded

Buyer: McShane East Location:
From: Pcl 99-11=652.57 Ac., Pcl 99-12=734.25 Ac., and Pcl 2007-39=679.66 Ac.
To: 2007-43=725.58 Ac., 2007-44=668.79 Ac., 2007-45=52.54 Ac., and 2007-42=619.58 Ac.

Buyer: Diablo Petroleum Location: South of Waltham Way on USA Parkway,
west side of road
From: Pcl 2005-1A1A4=20 Ac.
To: 2007-50=32.54 Ac., and 2007-49=5.00 Ac.

Buyer: Dermody Family Location: On the corner of Denmark and Venice
From: 2007-11=37.54 Ac.
To: 2007-52=12 Ac., and 2007-51=8 Ac.

Buyer: River Canyon3 Location: Southwest corner of USA Parkway and
Pittsburg Avenue
From: 2005-8A1C=19.11 Ac., and 2006-74=15.36 Ac.
To: 2007-47=20. Ac., 2007-48=6.23 Ac., and 2007-46=8.24 Ac.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: 2007 Legislative Session Update

LICENSING BOARD

FIRST READINGS:

1. **TWO SEASONS AIR CONDITIONING-** Contractor / Out of County
1075 Ron Way, Reno NV
2. **EVCO, INC.-** Contractor / Out of County
275 E Parr Blvd, Reno NV
3. **RAPID PLUMBING.-** Contractor / Out of County
465 S Meadows Pkwy, #20-21, Reno NV

4. **BI-LINGUAL HEALTH COMMUNICATIONS** - Home Business / Document Translation & Classes
2363 Cartwright Road, VC Highlands NV
5. **AL POMBO, INC.**- Contractor / Out of County
275 E Parr Blvd, Reno NV
6. **ACME TEXTURE SOURCE, LLC**- Contractor / Out of County
1425 Hymer Avenue, Sparks NV

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Kershaw moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hess and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Staff Review/Committee Reports

Building and Planning Director Dean Haymore

1. Mr. Haymore informed the Board that the Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for April 6, 2007 has been rescheduled to April 13, 2007 due to technical difficulties. Eighteen hundred notices were mailed out with 9 responses received. Mr. Haymore explained that his office is doing the best they can to let the public know of the cancellation.

Commissioner Kershaw asked Mr. Haymore if he was going out to the River District. Mr. Haymore said that he was headed to the VC Highlands and the River District after this meeting.

2. Mr. Haymore was contacted by Sierra Pacific. They have won the right to enter the Borda property in Mark Twain. He asked that outside legal council from Chris McKenzie regarding a special use permit be placed on the next Agenda.

3. Mr. Haymore has been approached regarding excavation on County property next to Piper's Opera House. He would like to have the item placed on the Agenda. It is believed that there is a valuable privy there.

Chairman Flanagan asked if the privy was under the blacktop. Mr. Haymore said that it is not. The digger wants an agreement and to prorate what he finds.

Storey County Manager Pat Whitten said that a meeting with Ron James should be the first step in the process.

Administrative Officer Marilou Walling:

1. Ms. Walling stated that the 2nd Commission Meeting in May will be held on May 21st, 2007 to meet the requirements for final budget hearings.

Under Sheriff Bruce Larson:

1. Mr. Larson stated that Sheriff James G. Miller was unable to be present today due to a death in the family.
2. The Ponderosa will be holding a BBQ this weekend for the upcoming motorcycle race signups.
3. The ECV will be holding their annual parade for new member initiation.

County Manager Pat Whitten:

1. Mr. Whitten explained that Maggie Lowther was unable to attend today due to hearings at the Legislator on toll roads.
2. Public Works Director Mike Nevin was also unable to attend today's meeting but asked Mr. Whitten to inform the Board that a bid has been awarded for the new football field and not to worry if County equipment is seen at the new field.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Shaun Griffin, Community Chest, Inc. and Hannafin Design Associates; Review updated Community Youth Center design and project

Shaun Griffin gave a brief update on the progress of the funding required for the new center. Mr. Whitten said that new plans have been presented to Chief Hames, Sheriff Miller, and Mr. Nevin. All three gave their support for the project.

Mr. Hannafin described the building as 10,800 square feet and having 22 parking spaces. The building has an occupancy capacity of 300 people. Mr. Hannafin stated that normally half of the building occupancy number would be accommodated in parking spaces, in this case 150 spaces. The issue of parking will have to be addressed. Mr. Hannafin said that currently the project is 90 days out for the plans to be complete.

Vice-Chairman Hess asked if there would be room for racketball courts. Mr. Hannafin said that the plans do not include any racket ball courts, as the excavation cost would be too great.

Mr. Griffin thanked the Board for their time.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Claims and Auditor's Report

Chairman Flanagan read the Auditor's Report as follows: Revenues \$8,102,806.57, Expenditures \$7,074,663.88, Balance \$4,725,817.92.

Chairman Flanagan read the Claims as follows: Warrants \$586,932.89, Payroll #2 \$441,407.26, Total Warrants/Payroll \$1,028,340.15

Commissioner Kershaw made a motion to approve the Auditor's Report and Claims. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Hess and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Storey County Under Sheriff Bruce Larson- Approve Agreement between the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Storey

County Sheriff's Office for reimbursement of expenses related to law enforcement services on BLM lands inclusive of American Flat.

Under Sheriff Bruce Larson explained that by signing the agreement the Sheriff's Office would be reimbursed for work that they are currently performing for free. The Sheriff's Department will be required to submit a report at the end of the fiscal year.

Vice-Chairman Hess stated that it sounds like a good plan.

Mr. Larson stated the BLM is severely understaffed.

Vice-Chairman Hess made a motion to approve the agreement between BLM and the Storey County Sheriff's office. Commissioner Kershaw seconded the motion and it was carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Onetta J. Fanlo with A&H Insurance, Health Insurance rates for the 2007/2008 year

Onetta J. Fanlo was present to discuss the 2007/2008 insurance rates with the Board. The County's medical coverage will remain with St. Mary's Health First. The County's rates with St. Mary's Health First will increase by 9%. The carriers of the vision coverage have passed on a 4.75% increase. Dental and life is currently with Assurant. Assurant will not be raising the County's rates this year. Ms. Fanlo said that Assurant has been difficult to work with and she requested the Board's permission to switch to Premier Accesses if the issues can not be worked out.

Vice-Chairman Hess asked if staff is comfortable with the switch and increases. Mr. Whitten said yes.

Vice-Chairman Hess moved to approve the rates and a possible switch in carrier for dental and life insurance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: District Attorney Harold Swafford's opinion regarding the rebate of property taxes for Carol Johnson

District Attorney Harold Swafford explained that he has done the math and calculated what Ms. Johnson is owed as of today's date. It is his opinion that the County should refund her for 2 years of previous taxes in the amount of \$265.20.

Commissioner Kershaw moved to approve a refund in the amount of \$265.20 to Carol Johnson. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hess and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of the inter-local agreement with the State of Nevada Deferred Compensation Plan

Ms. Walling stated that if the county joins with the State then we will not have to pay the extra 5% as the fees will be deferred.

Vice-Chairman Hess moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Kershaw seconded the motion and it was carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution 07-238, Transportation of radioactive waste in Storey County

Commissioner Kershaw stated that Storey County sits along a popular route for transportation. He doesn't want to see the waste moved into our backyard.

District Attorney Harold Swafford read Resolution 07-238 into the record.

Vice-Chairman Hess moved to approve Resolution 07238. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Virginia City Advertising Co-op Angelo Petrini and Marshall McBride, motorcycle race

Marshall McBride was present to address the Board regarding the sponsorship by the Virginia City Advertising Co-op of a motorcycle event. Mr. McBride stated that the main sponsor of the event is "Road Show". The event will take place on June 8th and 9th, 2007. It will depend on the weather if the rally makes it to Virginia City or Lake Tahoe.

Vice-Chairman Hess stated that this event will give the town a good jump start on the season.

Vice-Chairman Hess moved to approve the rally. Commissioner Kershaw seconded the motion and it was carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Elimination of pigeon health hazard

Mr. Whitten said that Deputy Chris Parsons went to the home where the pigeons are being fed and asked the residents to stop feeding them. Mr. Parson was told that if there was an ordinance they would abide by it, if not, they will keep feeding the pigeons. Mr. Whitten stated he has called the state and was told that they have no jurisdiction over the matter.

Mr. Bopko from the audience stated that there have always been pigeons in the area. He and his wife will quit feeding the birds.

Ms. Bopko stated that she wasn't aware of any objections to her feeding the pigeons. Someone could have come to her earlier and asked her to stop before it escalated to the mess it is now.

Vice-Chairman Hess stated the Board will take no action at this time. He would like to see if the pigeons leave now that the feeding has stopped.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Appoint Planning Commission member to fill vacancy

Ms. Walling recommended Peter Maholland for the position.

Mr. Maholland was present and stated that he looks forward to serving on the Planning Commission.

Vice-Chairman Hess moved to appoint Peter Maholland to the vacant position on the Planning Commission. Commissioner Kershaw seconded the motion and it was carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of \$12,000.00 payment to the USDA regarding Piper's Opera House, this is a onetem allocation that is due by May 15, 2007

Ms. Walling said that this money was approved in last year's budget. She wanted to make sure that she still has the Boards permission to make the payment.

Commissioner Kershaw moved to approve the \$12,000.00 payment. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hess and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Building and Planning Director Dean Haymore: Acceptance of contract and notice to proceed with flood rehab and bridge work

Mr. Whitten stated that hopefully, this will be a wrap up on last years flood damages. The bid has been awarded to Peterson Construction.

Vice-Chairman Hess moved to approve the acceptance of the contract and notice to proceed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Truckee River Flood Project, Cooperative Agreement

Rhonda Moore with the Truckee River Flood Project was present. She gave a presentation to the Board and updated them on the changes made to the contract.

Commissioner Kershaw expressed his concern with the amount of the contribution expected from Storey County. Ms. Moore stated that a dollar amount has not been set.

After much discussion Commissioner Kershaw said that he would like to call a separate meeting to discuss his concerns. He is not comfortable committing to the agreement at this time.

Commissioner Kershaw moved to continue this item. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hess and carried.

LICENSING BOARD

SECOND READINGS

1. **FREY BUILD CONSTRUCTION-** Contractor / Out of County
2325 Derbish Way, Reno NV
2. **ROLLAPART BUILDINGS, INC.** - Contractor / Out of County
2815 Cushman Road, Fallon NV

Commissioner Kershaw moved to approve both second readings. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Hess and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD COMMENT

Commissioner Kershaw asked that maintenance of Cartwright Road be placed on the next Agenda.

Commissioner Kershaw stated that he would like to find out who truly has ownership of Lousetown Road. It may be best to abandon the portion ~~pat~~ the blacktop. He said that the County needs to look at the growth in the VC Highlands and the issue they are facing with water.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the call of the Chair at 3:40 p.m.

By _____
Deputy ClerkTreasurer