

STOREY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

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

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

MINUTES

JOHN FLANAGAN
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LORRAINE DuFRESNE
CLERK-TREASURER

SARAH S. JENSEN
RECORDER-AUDITOR

Roll Call.

Present: Administrative Office Marilou Walling, Chairman John Flanagan, Clerk-Treasurer Lorraine Du Fresne, Commissioner Bob Kershaw, County Manager Pat Whitten, District Attorney Harold Swafford, Recorder Auditor Sarah Jensen, and Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

CALL TO ORDER AT 2:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by the Chair

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman John Flanagan led those present in the 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 July 3^d, 2007

Chairman John Flanagan requested that following item be heard after the Consent Agenda: ***DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Permission to hold a car wash at the Virginia City Fire House on July 21, 2007 by the Virginia City School Cheerleaders.

Recorder/ Auditor Sarah S. Jensen asked that the following item be continued: ***DISCUSSION/ACTION:** 2007 Merchant License Report

Motion: Agenda with above mentioned changes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess

Approval of Minutes for June 19^h, 2007

Administrative Officer Marilou Walling stated that she would like to clarify the matter of Justice of the Peace Annette Daniels receiving fees. Ms. Walling said that Ms. Daniels will return any fees earned Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Any fees collected on the weekend will be paid to the Justice of the Peace.

Correspondence

Mr. Whitten stated that a letter was received from Susan Sutton asking for a decision regarding G Street. Mr. Whitten stated that he will get a letter to Ms. Sutton informing her of the 2005 decision made by the Board.

Mr. Whitten received an email asking that a meeting in August be held in Mark Twain.

Approval of Maps to be Recorded

None

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Planning Commission Minutes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR June 7, 2007

Kathy Weeks requested to be heard after 2007-061 Variance and before 2007-062 IMS Nevada LLC SUP. Lydia Hammack made a motion to hear 2007-069 Variance as requested and Larry Prater seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, all voted aye and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes for 17 May 2007

Peter Maholland requested that the spelling of his last name be corrected. Bret Tyler made a motion to approve the minutes with the spelling correction and Larry Prater seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, all voted aye and the motion carried.

2007-061 Variance - by David B. Thomas & Pamela K. Loy 1935 Saddleback Road, VCH

Seeking a variance from the front yard setback of 30' to a dedicated road easement. At the extreme, the corner of the proposed addition would be 13.5' from the easement. This corner would be 31.5' from the actual edge of Saddleback Road.

Dave Thomas and Eric Loyer explained how the road went through the property and that there would be no interference with the road. Dean Haymore said that he had surveyed the property line and had no problem with the variance.

Bret Tyler made a motion to approve the variance and Lydia Hammack seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, all voted aye and the motion carried. Larry Prater abstained from voting due to personal involvement.

2007-069 Variance - by Ronald E & Kathryn J Weeks

110 North 'A' Street ~ Virginia City

Requesting approval for an additional reduction to a zero front setback by removing existing porch which is in need of repair and existing front fence which is located in line with buildings to the north and replace them with a new covered porch the width of the house and out to the existing fence line. Additionally, a handicap ramp would be installed on the North side down to the existing driveway.

Kathy Weeks explained her request for a variance. Jim Collins will be doing the building and she still has to have a sign off from the Historical District. Dean Haymore said that the porch would need one hour fire rated paint and that he saw no problem with the variance.

Lydia Hammack made a motion to approve the variance with the condition of on hour fire rated paint and sign off from the Historic District, and Peter Maholland seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, all voted aye and the motion carried.

LICENSING BOARD:

FIRST READINGS:

1. **NEVADA CONTRACT CARPET-** Contractor / Las Vegas NV
2. **TOWN & COUNTRY ELECTRIC, Inc.-** Contractor / Sparks NV
3. **ALL AROUND MASONRY-** Contractor / Sun Valley NV
4. **MUCKRAKER, LLC-** Contractor / Reno NV

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Treasurer's Report

None

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Consent Agenda, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Permission to hold a car wash at the Virginia City Fire House on July 21, 2007 by the Virginia City School Cheerleaders.

Members of the High School Virginia City High School Squad were present. The girls requested permission to hold a carwash at the Fire Station for fundraising purposes.

Chairman John Flanagan asked if Fire Chief Gary Hames had been notified of the request.

Mr. Hames stated that he had and there was no issue with the fundraiser. He is pleased to see the tradition restarted.

Jana Seddon asked that permission be given to hold more than one carwash.

Motion: Carwash at the Virginia City Fire Station for fundraising purposes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Staff Review/Committee Reports Recorder/ Auditor Sarah Jensen

1. Ms. Jensen stated that she would like permission to continue research of a new audit program called CAFR2000. The program was recommended to Ms. Jensen by other counties currently using the program. She explained that the program would initially cost \$5,495.00 but she felt that this cost would be made up for in the future by cutting outside audit costs.

Vice-Chairman Greg Hess asked Ms. Jensen to continue researching the product and find out what the savings would be.

Fire Chief Gary Hames

1. Mr. Hames stated that the Ambulance Subscription program has experienced a great turnout.
2. Due to the recent fire activity, Mr. Hames explained, a strong eye is being kept on the situation.
3. Mr. Hames has received more information regarding ISO ratings. The average savings per home is about \$460.00.
4. The county sent 3 engines and 10 personal for a total of 6 days to the Angora Fire in Lake Tahoe. Chairman John Flanagan commented on the picture in the LA Times. He stated that it is great public relations.

Commissioner Bob Kershaw stated that the people can contact their insurance company. Mr. Hames added that there is a letter on the website with the new ISO rating and it's effective date. He stated that people are welcome to call him if they are having any problems.

Administrative Officer Marilou Walling

1. Ms. Walling wanted to commend Public Works Director Mike Nevin on his quick response to concerns the citizens are having. She added that the pool is in very nice shape.

County Manager Pat Whitten

1. Mr. Whitten addressed the Sierra Pacific issue. He stated that the planning Commission has denied the power plant. The minutes are scheduled to go before the board on August 7, 2007. Staff is on top of the issue and will remain on top of it.
2. Mr. Whitten also thanked Mr. Nevin and the entire crew. We had an individual that was very concerned with the lack of service in painted rock. Mr. Nevin, along with others, traveled out to painted rock to speak with the citizens and immediately began road, sign, and bridge work. Mr. Whitten has received tons of phone calls thanking the crew.
3. Mr. Whitten recently went out to TRI to discuss transit needs. The group has committed to doing a survey to assess the needs. He will be working with RTC and NDOT. HE stated that it was great meeting.

Clerk/Treasurer Lorraine Du Fresne

1. Ms. Du Fresne stated that she was confused in regards to the substation. It was explained that the Planning Commission denied the substation. Nothing can be done until the Planning Commission minutes are brought before the Board.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Claims and Statement of Activities

Chairman John Flanagan read the claims into the record as follows: Warrants: \$455,924.13, Payroll #3: \$488,097.85, Total: \$944,021.98.

Motion: Claims, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Recorder/Auditor, Resolution 2007-249 amending resolution 99-24.

Ms. Jensen explained that she wanted to clean up the current resolution. She has updated the procedure for petty cash as well.

Motion: Resolution 07-249, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Resolution 07-252 establishing the 2007/2008 Tax Rate.

Chairman Flanagan read the tax rate into the record as follows: General 1.6774, Indigent Medical .0600, Indigent Accident .0150, Youth Services .0068, Jail Fund .0745, Capital Acquisition .0500, Fire .4346, Forestry .1100, TOTAL COUNTY 2.4283

Motion: Resolution 07-252, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Ordinance 07-205 prohibiting the feeding of pigeons.

Motion: Ordinance 07-205, **Action:** Postpone, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve stipulation agreement regarding reportable costs obligated under the developer agreement between TahoeReno Industrial Center, LLC and Storey County.

Mr. Whitten stated that this is an agreement of how the County charges for certain things. The agreement covers how the county charged for things as of June 30, 2005. This is related to the long over due audit. A new agreement will be developed to cover current fees.

Motion: Stipulation Agreement, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Possible ballot questions for the 2008 Election

Commissioner Bob Kershaw stated that he asked for this to placed on the Agenda. It is something that he wants to get out there.

Ms. Du Fresne explained that if the Board would like to place a question on the 2008 Primary ballot they have until May of 2008. If the Board would like to put a question on the 2008 General ballot they have until July 2008. Ms Du Fresne stated that it is easier for the Board to place a question on the ballot that it is for the people.

Mr. Whitten stated that there is potential for a huge turnout.

Commissioner Bob Kershaw added that it may be an advisory question.

Chairman John Flanagan stated that 25% railroad tax will be due to sunset and may need to place on the ballot.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Acceptance of a Quitclaim Deed of Dedication to include four roadways between Tahoe Reno Industrial Center, LLC and Storey County.

Mr. Whitten stated that the outstanding issues were solved internally and with help of the developers. We are looking at a very aggressive and innovative way to handle encroachment fees.

Vince Griffith with Reno Engineering stated that an estimate had been performed in the past regarding the value of the roads and he would be happy to get a copy of the estimate to the Recorder/ Auditor.

Motion: Acceptance of a Quitclaim Deed of Dedication, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

**LICENSING BOARD
SECOND READINGS**

1. **CUNNINGHAM BARBEQUE Co, LLC**- Mobile & Event Catering / Home Office in Virginia City NV APPROVED
2. **REICH INSTALLATION SERVICES, Inc.**- Contractor / Pewaukee WI
3. **YMC, Inc.** - Contractor / Meridian ID APPROVED
4. **UCI CONSTRUCTION, Inc.**- Contractor / Martinez CA APPROVED
5. **PROJECT ONE** - Contractor / Carson City NV APPROVED
6. **4-Day PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**- Out of County / Sparks NV APPROVED
7. **GREAT BASIN TERMITE & PEST CONTROL**- Professional / Reno NV APPROVED
8. **RENO TILE & MARBLE, Inc** - Contractor / Reno NV APPROVED
9. **CRAZY CHOCOLATE TEAR**- General / McCarran NV (TRI) CONTINUED
10. **GOLDEN STATE UTILILTY CO.** Contractor/Out of County 4425 Farm Supply Rd., Ceres CA APPROVED

Motion:Item #9, **Action:**Postpone, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

Motion:Items #1-#8, and #10, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Bob Kershaw, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bradley Bryant stated that there are no problems other than having a hard time drawing interest in the community center with the residents.

BOARD COMMENT

Commissioner Bob Kershaw stated that with Legislature being complete he would like to look into hiring Ms. Lowther to work on a few other projects. These projects include the ownership of Louestown Road, the ownership of the land located next to the senior center, and reviewing current policies. Commissioner Bob Kershaw added that the Virginia City Highlands Property Owners Association annual meeting will be held on July 14, 2007.

Chairman John Flanagan stated that he attended a meeting on the reconstruction of the V&T Railroad. The Commission will be advertising the start of phase 2. The contract will be awarded on October 9, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the call of the Chair at 2:45 p.m.

By _____
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer