

**STOREY COUNTY
COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 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

*CALL TO ORDER.

•PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Chairman Kershaw, Commissioner Flanagan, Virgil Bucchianeri for Harold Swafford, Rich Bacus, Dean Haymore, Pat Whitten, Marilou Walling, Doreen Bacus, and Maggie Lowther.

ABSENT: Greg Hess, Commissioner, Jim Miller, Sheriff, and Gary Hames, Fire Chief.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Penny Kiechler read a memo into the minutes regarding county streets. She referred to a letter submitted to the board by their new neighbor John Bolander, advising them that he will fence off a portion of East Sutton and North L Street as they fall within the boundaries of his surveyed boundaries. He further advised Mrs. Kiechler that if they continued to park their cars on the paved portion of Sutton and L Streets he would require them to provide liability insurance.

Mrs. Kiechler informed the board that they do not intend to purchase liability insurance nor do they intend to change their parking habits they have exercised for the past twenty-five years. She further advised the board that she felt the Bolander's problem lies with the county rather than with the Kiechlers and requested that the paved roads at Sutton and L Streets remain as they have been. (Complete memo on file in the Clerk's Office)

Chairman Kershaw advised Mrs. Kiechler that this matter will be submitted to staff for review.

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 NOVEMBER 14, 2005.

The following items were moved up on the agenda to just after the consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2005.

-CORRESPONDENCE

Commissioner Flanagan read in part a memo from Keith Judson of the Highlands regarding an additional well in the Highlands for the use of the fire department and paid from the Park Fund.

In essence the memo indicates the residents of the Highlands are not in favor of developing a well at the Park site for fire protection. In part it is the wrong location for a fire well, not for the benefit of the Highlands Park, possibly illegal funding, short-sighted and a breach of faith with the Highland's residents.

Chairman Kershaw suggested that the board attend the property owners' meetings and discuss the matter, and directed the clerk post the proper notices of a possible quorum for these meeting dates of November 29, and December 14 and discuss the matter with the association members at their meetings.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: MAP APPROVAL FOR MAPS TO BE RECORDED (none)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: SPECIAL EVENTS: (none)

Pat Whitten recommended that business licenses be continued to the next meeting due to the absence of Sheriff Miller. Flanagan so moved and the motion carried.

LICENSING BOARD:

FIRST READINGS

1. Robert D. Lord, Inc. Contractors license submitted by Robert D. Lord, of Reno, for a electrical service and repair to residential and commercial buildings.
2. Petro West, Inc. submitted by Steven Munson of St. George Reno, contractor's license
petroleum dispensing equipment & POS systems sales, installation and service.
3. Bandana Installation, L.,P., submitted by James W. Davenport of Palestine, TX contractors license, installation of steel bollards, handrails, stairs.
4. V.C. Roasters, LLC submitted by Community Chest, Inc. Erik Schoen, contact

person, coffee sales primarily on-line (with some retail distribution when health department approval/exemption.

5. VCCTA, general business licence application, submitted by Susan Sutton, located at 86 South C Street, Virginia City.

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES:

October 6, 2005 Planning Commission Minutes.

CON VIRGINIA MINING COMPANY., #2006-004 Boundary Line Adjustment. This item has already been approved by the County Commission.

KONOPIOS, WILLIAM #2006-017 SPECIAL USE PERMIT - 226 North A Street permission to convert a newly built single-family residence to a duplex as he is unable to sell the 3,170 sq ft 2 storey house + 2 furnaces + 2 car garage and extra parking.

Bret Tyler reported that immediately prior to the commencement of tonight's meeting, a representative appeared on behalf of w. Konopisos and asked that the item be removed from the agenda. After considerable discussion. Bret Tyler moved to deny the Special Use Permit, seconded by Austin Osborne and carried.

CHRISTENSEN, CLYDE#2006-021 PARCEL MAP - Creating parcels PR2005-1 being 6.2 acres and PR2005-2 being 3 acres. Christensen advised the board that this land is in the Painted Rock area, his intention is to build on the six acre parcel (no indication in the minutes of his intention for the three acre parcel). Prater questioned access, Dean replied there is common access from Truckee-Carson Irrigation district for access by Storey County, but not individual property owners. A discussion ensued regarding the legality of the access. Dean explained that the title and escrow people have been accepting a document of file with his office that sets forth the access.

Prater moved to approve Parcel Map #2006-021 with the inclusion of Reference #5 reflecting that the access is provided pursuant to the document on file with the Building Department, seconded by Hammack and carried.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: George Georgeson updates regarding water tanks

George addressed the board with an update and status on the water tanks on the divide behind the water treatment plant. Due to illness of BLM employee one of the studies will not be completed until January, and if they find something the project will have to stop and the find catalogued and assessed. The size of the tank is limited to ninety-three by forty- three feet or a 1.8 million gallon tank at a cost of \$870,000. Not including engineering, archeological problems, construction, or painting. There will need to be 3.7 miles of additional pipe line ran to put in a spill way at Five Mile Reservoir, and suggested that the board put a down payment on the tank at this time and construction should start in early March, if BLM is finished with their reports by January 1st.

Chairman Kershaw asked if we have the funds available to start this project? Rich answered that the AB198 Grant Monies have to be spent or we will lose it and that the water department has additional funds to carry the project on further.

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the purchase of the 1.8 million gallon water tank, seconded by Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Planning Commission Minutes of October 7, 2004 regarding Waste Management Zone Change 2005-340 from Forestry to Heavy Industrial on approximately 985 acres to allow for expansion of the Lockwood Regional Landfill.

Frank Casis representing Waste Management presented a rendering of the projected area to support the zone change application.

Dean advised the board there will have to be a complete map presented, public hearings, and review by the Planning Commission with a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

Chris McKenzie, Attorney for the County advised the board that acceptance of this proposal does not bind the board to anything. Pat informed the board this is only a step in a long process it will probably not be completed until 2006 or 2007.

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the zone change application 2005-340 from forestry to heavy industrial as noted in the Planning Commission Minutes of October 7, 2004, seconded by Kershaw and carried.

STAFF REVIEW/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dean reminded the board of the Open House at Western 102 Barrick Power Plant on Tuesday 11:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m.

Dean commented on the new expansion for the Sierra Pacific Power Plant and the next Planning commission will be held at Rainbow Bend Clubhouse.

Dean further advised the board that there has been a permit application for a storage unit on the Divide and he has received some negative input for some neighbors.

Pat advised the board that he has brought back outside counsel, Norm Azevedo to go over the centrally assessed tax and sales tax and also for him to draft the Special Use Permit.

Bob reported the Senior Center at the River is ready for the roof and the grant money needs to be spent.

Rich requested that people should be noticed regarding the parking and snow removal policies.

Rich advised that the money he was going to use to pay for Barbara Bower's Retirement Party was to come from the sales of guard rail posts that were donated to the county by the state, people have been buying them for landscaping and the money put into a donation account for Public Works, and can't see where it is tax dollars. Rich further advised the board he has written a personal check in the amount of \$1411.28 to cover the cost of the party.

Commissioner Flanagan said he still has a hard time with this, it is taxpayer's money used for a party.

Bacus responded it is no different than the County Christmas Party.

Lorraine suggested that everyone that ate at the party throw in a couple of hundred bucks and pay Richard back for what he has paid.

Commissioner Kershaw said the county will go ahead and pay the bill and ask for an

AG's opinion for future payments of parties.

Maggie suggested the \$250.00 spending cap be raised. Pat recommended that the \$250.00 cap stay in place for now.

Pat reported the county web site is up and running the assessor is on line and rest of the departments are working on it. He further advised the board that the budget updates will be available on December 6, 2005 and will be available each month there after.

Connie Butts reported on the ongoing progress of the flood program. Additional stop signs in Rainbow Bend. December flood awareness week with Washoe and Storey County. The board referred her to Gary Hames regarding emergency management plans.

Chairman Kershaw instructed the clerk to place the Christmas Party on the agenda for December 6, 2005.

Bacus advised the board that he would be helping with the stop signs at Rainbow Bend.

THE MEETING IS RECESSED TO THE WATER BOARD: CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 6, 2005

Board members of the Water Board are the same as the County Commission.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAROLD SWAFFORD DRAFT REVISION/UPDATE OF WATER/SEWER ORDINANCE.

THE REGULAR MEETING IS REOPENED:

DISCUSSION/ACTION: RICK CONNELL REQUEST FOR COMMERCIAL WATER/SEWER HOOK UP AT 163 SOUTH C STREET, VIRGINIA CITY.

Rick Connell explained that he is building a commercial/residential building on the north side of the Fire House Restaurant at 165 North C Street and will require a water and sewer hookup.

Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the water and sewer hookup as requested, seconded by Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Prioritize Community Development Block Grant projects. St Mary's Hospital, River District waste water regional treatment plant, Expansion of Virginia City Sewer Plant.

Marilou recommended that both waste water treatment plants be listed as top priority, with Lockwood as number one and Virginia City as number two. There are to be only two grants available this year so the Hospital will have to wait until next year to apply. Application deadline has been moved to January 18, 2006 so everyone will need to get moving on their applications.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Claims: Payroll in the amount of \$212546.33 and warrants in the amount of \$82,338.62 were approved upon motion by Flanagan seconded by Kershaw and carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2005.

Treasurers report was reviewed indicating an ending balance of \$1,568,609.03. Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the report, seconded by Kershaw and carried.

LICENSING BOARD: CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 6, 2005

SECOND READINGS:

1. Change of Location from 2440 Lousetown Road, VCH to 148 South C Street, Virginia City, general business license, custom embroidery, general retail merchandise, submitted by Karlyn A. McPartin of VCH.

2. Machabee Office Environments, submitted by Gary A. Machabee, of Reno, out of county business, sale of office furniture.

3. Jerry's Electric Service, submitted by Jerry Heckathon of Reno, electrical contracting.

4. RB Services Unlimited, submitted by Richard J. Beauchemin of VCH, finish carpentry.

5. Bettridge-Kidd Mechanical Inc. submitted by Lynn J. Betteridge of Carson City, sheet metal, heating cooling circulate air.

6. Jensen Enterprises, Inc. Submitted by Roger Wright of Sparks, precast concrete.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Brad Bryant thanked the board for a wonderful Veterans Day Parade.

BOARD COMMENTS: Bob said he met with TRI for about three hours and talked to Lance Gilman, and suggested that the TRIGID make plans to take care of the roads and suggested to him that a meeting be scheduled with the board and the directors of TRI and get some things worked out. He also advised the board that Bob Sadar is no longer active on the board for TRI and will try to find out who his replacement will be as soon as possible.

Rich said he did talk to NDOT and they will take care of the plowing of the road from the top of the hill to SanMar adding that it is going to be quite an adventure these next few years. Rich will talk to NDOT.

There being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m. at the call of the chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Du Fresne
Clerk to the Board