

STOREY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2007 1:00 P.M.

ST. MARY'S ART CENTER  
R STREET, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

MINUTES

JOHN FLANAGAN  
CHAIRMAN

HAROLD SWAFFORD  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

GREG "BUM" HESS  
VICE-CHAIRMAN

JAMES G. MILLER  
SHERIFF

BOB KERSHAW  
COMMISSIONER

VANESSA DIXON  
INTERIM CLERK-TREASURER

SARAH S. JENSEN  
RECORDER-AUDITOR

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Roll Call

Present: Administrative Officer Marilou Waling, Chairman John Flanagan, Commissioner Bob Kershaw, County Manager Pat Whitten, Director of Public Works Mike Nevin, District Attorney Harold Swafford, Fire Chief Gary Hames, Sheriff James Miller, Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, Interim Clerk-Treasurer Vanessa Dixon.

CALL TO ORDER AT 1:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 1:00 P.M.

Chairman John Flanagan called for a moment of silence for Lorraine Du Fresne.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman 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. The Commission Chair reserves the right to limit the time allotted for each individual to speak. )

Approval of Agenda for December 18th, 2007

Approval of Minutes December 4th, 2007

Correspondence

None presented

Approval of Maps to be recorded

Mr. Whitten presented 2 maps for informational purposes only. He requested they be reviewed at a later date when Mr. Haymore returned from vacation.

LICENSING BOARD:

None Submitted

#### END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Approval of the consent agenda, Action: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

~~DISCUSSION/ACTION~~ Staff Review/Committee Reports

Director of Public Works Mike Nevin:

1. Mr. Nevin informed the Board that he has a snowplow down.

Vice Chairman Hess asked Mr. Nevin for clarification on which truck he was referring to.

Mr. Nevin stated it was the Paystar truck. The hub assembly froze and broke the axle. He has ordered the replacement parts and they are coming from Canada.

2. Mr. Nevin stated the Auger Monster for the waste water treatment plant has been installed and will be tested on Friday to ensure that it is working properly.
3. Mr. Nevin further stated that the new playground equipment was installed in the Lockwood area next to the Hillside School. He added that the residents are very happy.

Administrative Officer Marilou Walling

1. Ms. Walling requested that the Board move the next Commission meeting to Wednesday January 2<sup>nd</sup> due to the holiday on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

County Manager Pat Whitten:

1. Mr. Whitten thanked the Board for allowing us to have this meeting in a historic building. Due to a misfire in communication a budget request for funding for this building got lost in mail. Ms. Walling and I have promised that we will try to get funding for this building; we are doing our best to get monies before the end of the year.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Claims and Statement of Activities.

Chairman Flanagan read the following claims into the record:

Warrants (School not included)	\$517,005.81
Payroll #1 – December 14, 2007	\$357,336.55

Total Warrants/Payroll	\$874,342.36
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Motion: Action: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Shaun Griffin – Community Chest, Inc. requested permission to start phase one of construction on Virginia City Youth and Community Center (contingent upon receipt of funds).

Mr. Griffin presented a layout of the project. He stated his goal was to have the health center and child care center fully functional. Mr. Griffin is currently requesting funds for the costs of phase I. He recently received an additional \$150,000 from the Redfield Foundation. He stated that proposed plans have been reviewed by all officials.

Mr. Griffin respectfully requested that building and water fees be waived. He stated the center was 6000 sq feet upstairs.

Mr. Griffin further requested that he be able to commence phase I of construction.

Motion: Approval of request for permission to start phase I Action: Approve, Moved by Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of lease with Virginia City Property Owners' Association and Storey County for the lease of property next to Virginia City Highlands Fire House.

Fire Chief Hames presented his plan of taking the existing lease and doubling what we paid the association for the entire year which would be about \$2000 plus the taxes.

Chairman Flanagan asked Mr. Hames how much the property taxes currently are.

Fire Chief Hames stated the he honestly doesn't know, but he would find out. Mr. Whitten said it won't be much more than what is already being paid

Mr. Hames said that the county is currently paying 70% so it is just picking up the remaining 30% of the tax bill We have agreed to do all of the capital improvements. Mr. Hames added that if the county were to ever purchase the property that the taxpayers would not pay for any improvements twice.

Motion: Approval of lease agreement with the Virginia City Highlands Property Owners Association, Action: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Vice-Chairman Greg Hess.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of audit report for fiscal year 2006/2007 by Pringle and Pollard auditing firm.

Rick Bartshe, a senior accountant from Pringle and Pollard, stated that the county is in the best position financially then it has been in a long time. The audit report shows assets exceed the liabilities by over 21 million. Mr. Bartshe added that if you have any questions feel free to call his office.

Mr. Whitten stated that out of all of the firms he has worked with he has never had such a positive working relationship as he does with Mr. Bartshe.

Motion: Approval of 2006/2007 audit report, Action: Approve, Moved by Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

## LICENSING BOARD

### SECOND READINGS

1. RENO TAHOE LIMOSINE- Out of County / Reno NV
2. AGR TOOLS of NORTHERN NEVADA- Out of County / Dayton NV
3. CRAZY CHOCOLATE TEAR- General / McCarran NV (TRI)
4. PPG ARCHITECTURAL FINISHES, Inc- General / TRI - McCarran NV
5. DYKMA, LLC- General / (Wal-Mart Food Services) McCarran NV

Mr. Whitten asked that all 5 be continued until Mr. Haymore returns from vacation.

Motion: Continue all second readings, Action: Approve, Moved by Vice Chairman Hess, Seconded by Commissioner Bob Kershaw.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Walling let everyone know that the services for Lorraine Du Fresne will be Friday December 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary's of the Mountains Catholic Church with a reception to immediately follow at the Fourth Ward School.

Mr. Whitten asked to clarify that Vanessa Dixon is filling in as Interim Clerk/Treasurer, he added that staff has the intent of advertising between now and January 10<sup>th</sup>. Staff will then go through applications and hope to have this item on the agenda for the January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. The candidate who is chosen at that meeting will fill the remainder of Lorraine Du Fresne's term.

Ms. Walling clarified the remainder of 2008 and that the office will have to go on the election ballot for a two year term.

#### BOARD COMMENT

Vice-Chairman Hess stated that he recently met with a big user in the TRI Park that might equate to a large sum of transfer tax.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the call of the Chair at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Maggie Hill, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer