

STOREY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2009 2:00 P.M.

DISTRICT COURTROOM
26 SOUTH B STREET, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

MINUTES

GREG "BUM" HESS
CHAIRMAN

HAROLD SWAFFORD
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

BOB KERSHAW
VICE-CHAIRMAN

JAMES G. MILLER
SHERIFF

JOHN FLANAGAN
COMMISSIONER

VANESSA DIXON
CLERK-TREASURER

Roll Call.

Present: Administrative Officer Holli Kiechler, Chairman Greg Hess, Clerk Treasurer Vanessa Dixon, Commissioner John Flanagan, Comptroller Hugh Gallagher, County Manager Pat Whitten, Director of Community Development Dean Haymore, District Attorney Harold Swafford Sheriff James Miller, Vice Chairman Bob Kershaw, Assistant Sheriff Gerald Antinoro.

CALL TO ORDER AT 2:00 P.M.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chair 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 August 18, 2009
Approval of Minutes for August 04, 2009

Correspondence

Approval of Claims

Approval of Maps-none

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Approval of Planning Commission Minutes
2010-003 SPECIAL USE PERMIT: By Peggy Buggy VCH VC

The Applicant has applied for a Special Use Permit for APN 003051-20, located at 21510 Delta Avenue in the VC Highlands and is a two acre parcel, to operate a home-based child care facility of no more than 6 children.

Motion: Approval of the Special Use Permit with all the conditions in the Staff Report (see 8/6/09 Planning Commission Minutes) and move on to the County Commissioners before approval of the Planning Commission Minutes Action:

Approve, Moved by Lydia Hammack, Seconded by Larry Prater.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

LICENSING BOARD:

FIRST READINGS:

1. **NV REPORTING, LLC**- Out of County / 455 W Peckham Lane, Reno
2. **OLD VIRGINIA CITY ANTIQUES** - General / **81 North C St, VC**
3. **BGTC CONSTRUCTION**- Contractor / 10056 Hwy 50 East, Carson City
4. **DAVIS COMPANY, Inc.**- Contractor / 2985 Sutro St, Reno
5. **POUND MECHANICAL**- Out of County / 7900 N Virginia St #113, Reno
6. **OMBOLI INTERIORS, Inc**- Contractor / 4200 Rewana Way #505, Reno
7. **RANDA ACCESSORIES**- General / **201 Ireland Dr, TRI**
8. **NOBLE TECHNOLOGIES CORP**- General / **1280 Alexandria Court, TRI**
9. **RUBBISH RUNNERS**- Out of County / 748 S Meadows Pky #A9, Reno
10. **WSB MORTGAGE SERVICES, Inc.**- Hone Business (*name change*) / **2260 Empire Road, VCH**
11. **L A PERKS PLUMBING & HEATING, Inc.**- Contractor / 765 E Greg St #103, Sparks
12. **SIMPLEX GRINNELL, LP**- Contractor / 1105 S Rock Blvd #127, Reno

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Approve Consent Agenda Action: Approve, Moved by Vice Chairman Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Commissioner John Flanagan

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Committee/Staff Reports

Connie Lea Butts, Manager, Canyon GID

1. Announced that the sewer plant is almost operational. In about 3 weeks, all septic tanks will be abandoned in Rainbow Bend.

Lobbyist Maggie Lowther

1. Shared a new committee list.
2. Thanked Sheriff Miller and his staff for the return of her dog

Sheriff James Miller

1. Reported a serious incident from last weekend where a 9 year old was mauled in Mark Twain by a dog. The owner of the dog received a citation. The Sheriff's Department is not equipped to handle canines and they are bitten quite often. Last year there were 255 dog calls and this year we are already at 16 calls. Dogs are reportedly being dumped in Mark Twain from the Dayton area. The County needs to address Animal Control. Patrick Flanagan has volunteered to help raise funds for a facility and an Animal Control Officer. Maggie Lowther announced that she will donate the \$1,000 she had offered as a reward for the return of her dog.

Comptroller Hugh Gallagher

1. The 2009 Audit is ahead of schedule with the possibility of the report being ready by mid-September.

County Manager Pat Whitten

1. The franchise agreement for household, commercial and drop-off waste will expire in October 2009. A new bid was opened a week ago last Friday and the lowest bid out of the four received is being considered and scrutinized for compliance. The new agreement may be ready for approval at the September 01, 2009 Commission meeting.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Cancel Commissioners Meeting on September 15, 2009 due to Nevada Association of Counties Annual Conference.

Mr. Whitten encouraged all departments to attend the NACO Conference.

Motion: Approve Cancellation of Commissioners Meeting on September 15, 2009 due to Nevada Association of Counties Annual Conference
Action: Approve, Moved by Commissioner John Flanagan, Seconded by Vice Chairman Bob Kershaw.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Assessor Corrections to the 09/10 Tax Roll

Mr. Whitten explained that these are 5 minor corrections made after the 2010 Tax Bills were mailed.

Motion: Approve Assessor Corrections to the 09/10 Tax Roll, Action: Approve, Moved by Vice Chairman Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Commissioner John Flanagan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approve for signature the Cooperative (Local Public Agency) LPA Agreement-S-ST-2 between the County of Storey and Nevada Department of Transportation for the Virginia City Streetscape Phase II Enhancement Project. The project consists of constructing: stairs at Taylor Street between C Street (SR341) and B Street; streetlights along the east side of C Street between Fourth Ward School And Flowery Street, and between the Way It Was Museum and Carson Street; restrooms and kiosk on C Street at the north end of Virginia City; and stairs with street furniture, lighting, and landscaping at Washington Street between C Street and D Street.

Director of Community Development Dean Haymore explained that it has taken many years but we were finally awarded the \$672,343.00 grant. This is a stewardship through NDOT with in-kind match rules. Storey County did budget \$33,617.00 for the cash match in the 2010 budget. The scope of work for this project includes finishing street lights on the east side of C Street, resurrecting the stairs by the Ponderosa Saloon to B Street, replace the restrooms on the north end of town, and build a kiosk at the north end of town. Also included is enhancing the stairs to the middle school with lights and constructing a little rest park there. The design phase for the lights is complete. The new restrooms need to be designed in a historical manner but low maintenance. The kiosk is going to be a mining head frame. Scott Jolcover will give the headframe of the Keystone Mine to Storey County. The Stamp Mill could be put back up as well. After the agreement is signed, notice to proceed will be issued. Chairman Hess asked if we are in charge of that money in which Mr. Haymore explained that the funds run through in draws and Storey County will be in charge of the contract, contractors and overseeing the project. Commissioner Flanagan asked if the stairs were going to be made out of redwood again. Mr. Haymore responded that the stairs will be made of concrete and heated to melt snow. The Comstock Historic District had approved the plan but Public Works is concerned about the snow plow catching on the pilasters. Commissioner Flanagan said the stairs going down Washington Street are in bad condition even though they have been replaced recently. Mr. Haymore clarified that sidewalk work is not included on the east side of C Street like it was previously for the west side.

Vice-Chairman Kershaw asked what “street furniture” is in which Mr. Haymore explained as seating or benches made out of whatever material is approved

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Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Connie Lea Butts, Manager, Canyon GID and Paul Urban, Project Manager, Truckee River Project to give a brief presentation of the TRaction Project for flood protection for Rainbow Bend

Ms. Butts explained the past efforts of creating an acceptable concept that will protect Rainbow Bend in the future from extra water coming from Washoe County once they develop their flood protection plan. Mr. Paul Urban narrated a slideshow of the “raised walkway” phase of the project that would help send more water down the river faster. The water flow rate of 20,000 cubic feet per second could be raised by 3,500 cubic feet. In 1997 the flood waters came just up to Avenue de la Couleurs but did not flow over. The project would help contain the water levels by creating channel improvements through Rainbow Bend such as a retaining wall in the river and widen the channel to make the capacity level higher. The plan would also contain Long Valley Creek so that the Truckee River doesn't back it up and have it flow out. Residents do not want a 6 foot levee obstructing their view. The bridge railing on Long Valley Creek could be changed to solid instead of open. The 1,000 foot raised walkway design from the Community Park to Avenue Rue de la Divoire could incorporate grass or shrubs on the sides and concrete on top. These details will be worked out in the design phase. Careful consideration is being made of changing FEMA flood plains or that could change insurance flood maps. Bradley Bryant asked about the direction of Long Valley Creek's flow in which Mr. Urban explained how the pressures of water flow work and force it into the Truckee River. Ms. Butts said the project will not affect anything up or down stream of the area. Mr. Haymore will look over the design even though this isn't a Storey County Project. Mr. Whitten stated that Emergency Management has been working towards a FEMA grant to help prevent flooding versus FEMA paying for flood clean-up. Vice-Chairman Kershaw clarified that the project is to prevent ugly flood walls. Troy Regis commented on a different estimate of water flow being given at a previous Lockwood meeting and his concerns of other bridges flooding out downstream.

Discussion only, no action required.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Second Reading, On Sale Liquor License: Dos Dogs LLC

Sheriff Miller clarified that Dos Dogs is the LLC name for the Red Dog Saloon.

Motion: Approve Second Reading, On Sale Liquor License: Dos Dogs LLC
Action: Approve, Moved by Commissioner John Flanagan, Seconded by Vice Chairman Bob Kershaw.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Ordinance 09-226. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Storey County Code Title 2 Administration and Personnel by Adding Chapter 2.33 Fees on Court Actions to Support Programs for Court Security.

Clerk-Treasurer Vanessa Dixon stated that no changes were made since the first reading and asked for approval.

Motion: Approve Ordinance 09-226. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Storey County Code Title 2 Administration and Personnel by Adding Chapter 2.33 Fees on Court Actions to Support Programs for Court Security
Action: Approve, Moved by Vice Chairman Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Commissioner John Flanagan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

LICENSING BOARD:

SECOND READINGS

1. **ALL-in-ONE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT, INC**– General / 3033-B Waltham Way, TRI
2. **MACKAY MANSION**– General /129 South D St, VC

Mr. Haymore asked that Mackay Mansion be continued due to building and fire corrections. The needed repairs are costly but he will revisit the issues to see if there might be less expensive options.

Motion: Continue Licensing Board Second Readings Item #2, Action: Continue, Moved by Commissioner John Flanagan, Seconded by Vice-Chairman Kershaw
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

Motion: Approve Licensing Board Second Readings Item #1, Action: Approve, Moved by Vice-Chairman Bob Kershaw, Seconded by Commissioner John Flanagan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes=2).

BOARD COMMENT

Chairman Hess commented on Troy Regis's thoughts of flood water naturally flowing downstream.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by call of the Chair at 2:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jessie Fain, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer