

# STOREY COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 2:00 P.M.

DISTRICT COURTROOM

26 SOUTH B STREET, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

## MINUTES

BOB KERSHAW  
*CHAIRMAN*

BILL MADDOX  
*DISTRICT ATTORNEY*

GREG "BUM" HESS  
*VICE-CHAIRMAN*

BILL SJOVANGEN  
*COMMISSIONER*

VANESSA DU FRESNE  
*CLERK-TREASURER*

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### **Roll Call.**

**Present:** Recorder Jen Chapman, Director of Community Development Dean Haymore, Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, Chairman Bob Kershaw, Administrative Officer Holli Kiechler, District Attorney Bill Maddox, Justice of the Peace Jack McGuffey, Senior Planner Austin Osborne, Commissioner Bill Sjovangen and County Manager Pat Whitten.

### **CALL TO ORDER AT 2:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by The Chair at 2:01 P.M.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Chair led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mark Joseph Phillips, a Virginia City resident, asked to speak on two items that he requested be put on the agenda but was told could be heard during Public Comment. The first item was in regards to requesting written notice of the intent to issue draft permit or deny the application for an exploration project or mining

operation. The second request was for Legislative updates to Chapter 241, Meetings of State and Local Agencies as well as Title 46, Mines and Minerals. He expressed concerns about the cancellation of the July 19<sup>th</sup> County Commission meeting. District Attorney Maddox said he was the driving force on rejecting the Agenda Item Requests after researching the requirements and policy. Mr. Whitten stated that Legislative updates will be given in the near future.

Chairman Kershaw stated that four items were to be removed from the Consent Agenda until further notice pending changes. The items were Amended Resolution 11-324, the approval of contract between Storey County and Coons Const., approval of contract between Storey County and CME for Special Inspection and Testing and approval of contract between Storey County and Kautz Environmental Monitoring.

### 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 June 21, 2011**

**Correspondence** - (2) denied Agenda Item Requests from Mark Joseph Phillips, denial correspondence from the County Manager and District Attorney along with a copy of the County Policy and Procedure #008 for Agenda Requests. Financial Recap of Funds.

**Approval of Claims** - Payroll June 10, 2011 & Warrants June 17, 2011.

**Approval of Maps** - McShane pumphouse for sprinkler system.

**Approval of Assessor corrections to the Tax Roll** - none

**Approval of Treasurer's Report** - none

**Approval of Planning Commission Minutes** - none

**Approve New and/or Revised County Policies** - none

**Approval of Amended Resolution 11-324 Augment the 2010-11 Park Fund** -  
REMOVED

**Approval of Resolution 11-330 Setting Salaries**

**Approve First Reading, Out of County License to Mark Turner, Desert Security.**

**Approve Interlocal Agreement for GIS Service with Douglas County.**

**Approval of applications and issuance of vouchers for TRI Public-Private Partnership Capital Improvement Plan.**

**Approval of contract between Storey County and Coons Const. (Prime contractor) for VC streetscape enhancement phase II project. - REMOVED**

**Approval of contract between Storey County and CME for Special Inspection and Testing for VC streetscape enhancement phase II project. - REMOVED**

**Approval of contract between Storey County and Kautz Environmental Monitoring for Archeological monitoring of VC streetscape enhancement phase II project. - REMOVED**

**Cancel Commissioners Meeting on July 19, 2011 due to participation at the National Association of Counties Annual Conference.**

**LICENSING BOARD:**

**FIRST READINGS:**

- 1. KIVA SYSTEMS, INC. – Contractor / 300 Riverpark Drive ~ North Reading, MA**
- 2. MASCO CABINetry, LLC. – Contractor / 5353 West US 223 ~ Adrian, MI**
- 3. TOYS R US – General / 700 Milan, TRI**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion:** Approve Consent Agenda with 4 removed items and submitted map,  
**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Sjovangen.

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

## **DISCUSSION:** Committee/Staff Reports

### Administrative Officer Holli Kiechler

1. Will be taking a POOL/PACT class regarding Legislative updates and impacts from a Human Resource standpoint
2. Working with the County Social Services Administrators as a group on Legislative impacts.

### Justice of the Peace Jack McGuffey

1. Completed Judicial training along with Judge Pro Tem Jim Miller.
2. Justice Court successfully moved into the Courthouse effective June 1. Thanked everyone involved in the moving process.

### Community Development Director Dean Haymore

1. Fulcrum Sierra Biofuels is making progress.
2. GSI Commerce Solutions was given a partial CofO to start stocking.

### County Manager Pat Whitten

1. The Nevada State Firefighters Association held a conference here in Virginia City last week. This week the County Fiscal Officers Association will be having their conference here as well. Each group brought in 100 to 200 people.
2. Construction on Six Mile Canyon begins tomorrow by Granite Construction as part of ARRA stimulus money. Mrs. Kiechler verified there will be one-way traffic for residents only.
3. Reviewed a Financial Recap of Funds as 92% of the fiscal year has elapsed.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Presentation and approval of the 2012 Transportation System Projects and Work Program by Nevada Department of Transportation officials.

Susan Martinovich, Director of the Department of Transportation, introduced the other DOT staff members in attendance and the Federal Highway partners. The group visits each County every year to present projected plans. She highlighted that the DOT is also delving through Legislative Bills and what they may impact. One of the performance measures where tremendous progress has been made is in Safety Initiatives. In 2006 there were over 430 fatalities but that number went down to 256 in 2010. Communication with the public is another area of focus as well as rail transportation. The DOT is working off of "continuing resolutions" which just provide a few month's worth of funds at a time making it hard to plan projects.

Last year's project to work on SR341 has been combined with a bigger project. The road from "D" Street down to the Storey/Washoe line will receive coldmill, dense grade of a couple inches for a cost of \$4.6 million. Ms. Martinovich spoke of the I-80 design build project from Keystone to Vista Boulevard that replaces concrete in those areas along with signage and lighting. The project for the Tahoe Industrial Park section from US 50 to I-80 is underway but must go through the environmental process to be eligible for federal funds. They are also replacing all the historic signs across the region.

Commissioner Sjovangen asked about safety barriers on Highway 50 through Moundhouse and she said a safety audit was done and they will move forward with action but she didn't know the schedule. Thor Dyson, District 2 Engineer, stated that rumble strips will be installed soon for a short term effort. Mr. Whitten stated that the County works with many state departments and wished they all took the time that the DOT does to communicate and cement partnerships. Community Development Dean Haymore thanked the DOT for efforts in dealing with graffiti on USA Parkway and asked for signage at the Patrick Exit showing the direction to Reno for truck drivers. Mr. Dyson thanked the County for their patience and understanding during snow removal. Chairman Kershaw asked how long the environmental assessment would take in which Ms. Martinovich answered from a year to 18 months but it is in process and expedited. Mr. Kershaw also mentioned that the Exit 22 ramp needs attention and suggested putting a rumble strip down middle since the painted line wears off so quickly.

**Motion:** Approve the 2012 Transportation System Projects and Work Program by Nevada Department of Transportation, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Sjovangen, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Hess.

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

#### **RECESS TO CONVENE AS THE STOREY COUNTY WATER AND SEWER BOARD**

- **Board members of the Storey County Water and Sewer Board are the same as the Storey County Commission.**

The Storey County Commission recessed at 2:51 P.M. and reconvened as the Storey County Water and Sewer Board.

#### **Roll Call:**

**Present:** Vice-Chairman Greg Hess, Chairman Robert Kershaw and Commissioner Sjovangen.

**DISCUSSION:** Brent Far/Farr West Engineering – Presentation of 2011 Water and Sewer Rate Analysis

Brent Farr, P.E., President of Farr West Engineering and Matt Van Dyne, P.E., gave a presentation on the rate analysis. The rates had not been raised since 1998. The presented graphs showed that the expenses exceeded the revenues for many years. Usage and projections were depicted over 5 and 3 year periods. Mr. Farr also recommended a few policy changes in billing procedures. Chairman Hess commented that he liked the thorough analysis and brought up the issues with pre-bought will-serve permits and what to do with them. Mr. Whitten thanked Jennifer McCain for her research and work on the rate change.

Discussion Only, No Action Required

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approve Resolution 11-332 making changes to water rates for service in Virginia City, Gold Hill and Silver City and sewer rates for service in Virginia City and Gold Hill. This includes increases in monthly flat rates for water and sewer service and elimination of an assessment for sewer rates based on winter water usage for residential.

**Motion:** Approve Resolution 11-332 as it is written making changes to water rates for service in Virginia City, Gold Hill and Silver City and sewer rates for service in Virginia City and Gold Hill, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Sjovangen.

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

**ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS THE STOREY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Storey County Water and Sewer Board adjourned at 3:14 P.M. and reconvened as the Storey County Commission.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approval of necessary transfers in the General Fund from contingency account for fiscal budget 2010-11.

County Manager Pat Whitten explained the procedural need for the transfer.

**Motion:** Approve necessary transfers in the General Fund from contingency account for fiscal budget 2010-11, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Sjovangen.

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

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** First Reading, Ordinance 11-235 Approval of Amended Text to Chapter 17.32 (Forestry Zone) of the Storey County Code to clarify the scope and applicability of existing text pertaining to public utility “uses” as it applies to certain renewable energy generation facilities.

Senior Planner Austin Osborne was present to provide explanation or answer any questions. Mr. Whitten clarified that this is a text clean up and modernization of an old ordinance.

No Action, First Reading Only.

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Second Reading, Out of County License to Paul K. Singh, John F. de Podesta and Thomas Kloster, Primus Telecommunications, Inc.

Lieutenant Tad Fletcher, on behalf of Sheriff Antinoro, stated that the business is in good standing and there are no objections to approval.

**Motion:** Approve Second Reading, Out of County License to Paul K. Singh, John F. de Podesta and Thomas Kloster, Primus Telecommunications, Inc., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Sjovangen.

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

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Second Reading, Add Cabaret License to existing, Greg Sutherland, Silver Dollar Saloon.

Lieutenant Tad Fletcher, on behalf of Sheriff Antinoro, stated that the business currently holds a valid license, is in good standing and there are no objections to approval.

**Motion:** Approve Second Reading, Add Cabaret License to existing, Greg Sutherland, Silver Dollar Saloon, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Sjovangen

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

**DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Second Reading, Out of County License to Martin Wellman, Protect A Home.

Lieutenant Tad Fletcher, on behalf of Sheriff Antinoro, stated that the business is in good standing, currently holds a valid State license and has Storey County customers. No objections to approval.

**Motion:** Approve Second Reading, Out of County License to Martin Wellman, Protect A Home, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Vice-Chairman Hess, **Seconded by** Commissioner Sjovangen.

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

County Manager Pat Whitten stated he is working with the District Attorney and the Sheriff to possibly structure a Board for these types of License Hearings similar to the Water Board.

#### **LICENSING BOARD:**

##### **SECOND READINGS:**

1. **DMC, Inc. dba MOODY WEISKE** – Contractor / 103 Keystone Avenue ~ Reno
2. **RENO TILE & MARBLE, INC.** – Contractor / 1660 Clifford ~ Reno
3. **WILLIAMS SCOTSMAN, INC.** – Contractor / 4911 Allison Parkway ~ Vacaville, CA
4. **THE ROASTING HOUSE – HB / 4770 Livery Road**
5. **MISSOURI PACKAGING SVCS, INC.** – Contractor / 400 West St. Eunice ~ Fulton, MO
6. **ADRIANA’S ANTIQUES – HB / 2589 Keystone Circle, VC**
7. **GROVES FISCHER, INC** – Contractor / 7788 White Fir Street ~ Reno
8. **GSI COMMERCE SOLUTIONS, INC. –General / 2777 USA Parkway, TRI**
9. **CHICKEN HAWK TRANSPORT – Transportation / 235 London, TRI**
10. **D&S TOW, INC.** – General / 3051 Deer Run Road ~ Carson City, NV
11. **SCHLUTER SYSTEMS, L.P. – General / 100 Germany Circle, TRI**

Mr. Osborne asked to continue Items #8, #9 and #11.

**Motion:** Continue Second Readings of Licensing Board Items #8, #9 and #11, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Sjovangen, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Hess.

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

Mr. Osborne asked to approve Item #1 through Item #7 and Item 10.

**Motion:** Approve Second Readings of Licensing Board Items #1 through #7 and #10, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Sjovangen, **Seconded by** Vice-Chairman Hess.

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

#### **BOARD COMMENT**

Vice-Chairman Hess invited Mark Phillips to call him regarding the Legislative updates and how he thinks they will affect Storey County. Out of 17 items, only about 3 really have an impact. Chairman Kershaw has a meeting Friday with NACO where they will discuss Legislative impacts.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by call of The Chair at 3:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Jessie Fain  
Storey County Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

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