

1. Call To Order:

The special meeting of the Biggs City Council was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Mayor Frith. Councilors Arnold, Bottorff and Thompson were present. Vice Mayor Crawford was absent. Staff present: City Administrator Pete Carr, City Planner Scott Friend, Engineering Staff Mike Vasquez and City Clerk Roben Dewsnup. City Attorney Greg Einhorn arrived at 7 p.m.

2. SPECIAL BUSINESS:

- A. City Administrator Pete Carr introduced Matthew Swaim of Thomson & Hendricks. Mr. Swaim presented draft plans for upgrading handicap accessibility of the historical Carnegie Library in Biggs. Plans can be viewed on the City of Biggs website.

Public Comment: Daniel Salcedo stated he had been involved in historic restoration projects. He would be willing to pursue historic funding and historic designation for the library.

Council discussed changes that would need to be made to the front steps of the library to comply with current code and the lift that would be installed in the back of the library. Mr. Swaim will continue coordination work with Butte County.

- B. Mark Nemanic, Sheri Nix, and Mary Bosch presented the Biggs Downtown Action Plan Visual Master Plan II to council. Plan can be viewed on the City of Biggs website.

City Planner Scott Friend said he could take the finding from Phase I, Phase II and the economic analysis and integrate them with the policy structure of the new general plan. Consultants will welcome feedback and discussion of the Action Plan.

- C. Mr. Carr presented the First Amendment to Agreement for Construction, Operation and Financing of Combustion Turbine Project One.

Motion/Second to execute the First Amendment to Agreement for Construction, Operation, and Financing of Combustion Turbine Project Number One. (Frith/Bottorff, MCU; Absent: Crawford)

Motion/Second to execute Quitclaim Deed to transfer ownership of the two Roseville CT1 Units to the City of Roseville upon commencement of Phase 2. (Frith/Arnold, MCU; Absent: Crawford)

- D. Mr. Carr presented a summary of the utility shut-off procedures set forth in the Biggs Municipal Code.

Councilor Thompson read a letter from Jody Villapania to council about her recent power shut-off experience.

Residents Mary Frith and Bo Sheppard stated they were insulted by the letter from Ms. Villapania. They felt the city workers did an excellent job for the citizens in the community.

Councilor Arnold stated the policy could be changed to be a little more citizen friendly by making a phone call or knocking on the door to let the citizen know they were going to be shut off.

Councilor Thompson stated she asked the discussion of shut-off procedures be placed on the agenda tonight to look at the policy. She said a 24-hour courtesy call would be a good idea.

City Employee Marlee Mattos said there was not much time on shut-off days to make phone calls.

Mayor Frith said Ms. Villapania stated in her letter that she was 15 days late with her bill. He asked how long the bill was in arrears. Ms. Mattos said before you are shut off, you can actually have 2 ¾ months on your account.

Mayor Frith wanted the fact that Ms. Villapania was several months late entered into the record.

He felt the city procedures were on track with their policy. Perhaps the public works employees could give a business card to customers they encounter when shutting off power.

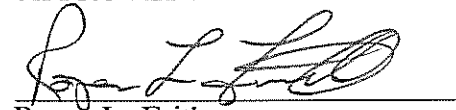
Pete would consider comments, review with staff and return with recommendations.

3. ADJOURNMENT: Special meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

ATTEST:


Roben Dewsnup
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:


Roger L. Frith
MAYOR, CITY OF BIGGS