

White Pine County Board of County Commissioners

WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION & SPECIAL BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING AGENDA



DATE: Wednesday, September 23, 2020
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: White Pine County Library Conference Room
950 Campton Street, Ely, Nevada

ASTERISK () DENOTES POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM

In light of Governor Sisolak's directive of limiting gatherings to 50 or fewer, this Commission Meeting is going to be available via Zoom meeting. Please enter the following link in your web browser, or access it from this agenda at whitepinecounty.net. If you plan on attending in person, the meeting will still be held at 9:00 am in the Library and we will be adhering to the 6 foot social distancing rule and the directive to wear masks or face coverings. Thank you for your patience as we abide by the directives.

Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk

Elizabeth Frances is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84436997646?pwd=ZnpPenVtMDFYWkZxQS9QS2h2c2ozQT09>
Meeting ID: 844 3699 7646 1-408-638-0968
Passcode: 187977

Note: All times are approximate except for bid openings, public hearings, and any other items agendized at a specific time. Action may be taken on all items except where otherwise indicated. Items not scheduled for a specific time may be considered at any time and in any order to promote efficiency. The Commission may combine two or more agenda items for consideration, and may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion at any time. Sponsorship of an Agenda Item by a member of the County Commission or Fire Commission may not signify agreement with the requested action. The White Pine County Board of Commissioners may take a short break every 1 ½ hours. The Commission will recess for a one-hour lunch break at approximately 12:00.

Public Comment: Public Comment during the County Commission & Special Board of Public Health Meeting on September 23, 2020, will be for all matters, both on and off the agenda and will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. The Commissions reserve the right to reduce the time or limit the total time allowed for public comment. **Comments during Discussion Items may not be accepted from the General Public.** The Commissions may prohibit comment if the content of the comments are willfully disruptive of the meetings by being slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on the item at the Commission meeting.

ATTENTION: Cell phone use, text messaging and conversation that are unrelated to the specific agenda item that is being discussed are prohibited while the meeting is in session.

9:00 A.M. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MOMENT OF SILENCE/SILENT INVOCATION

PUBLIC COMMENT: A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken (N.R.S. 241.020(2)(c)(3)).

1. NOTICE OF TIMED AGENDA ITEMS:

A. 9:00 A.M. ROAD COMMISSION

- 1) **Discussion/Update** on primary and secondary roads within White Pine County and county facilities, completed and future projects, communications with corporations and governmental agencies. Martin Troutt, Public Works Lead Supervisor
- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to trade in a signal drum roller compactor for a double drum roller compactor. Martin Troutt, Public Works Lead Supervisor
- 3) **Discussion/Update** on Newark Valley Roads WP 1177 and WP 1204. Martin Troutt, Public Works Lead Supervisor
- *4) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Ratification of the amended road maintenance agreement between White Pine County, Western Oil/Western Gold, and Energex concerning County Roads 1177 and 1204 in Newark Valley, White Pine County, Nevada
- *5) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of minutes from the Road Commission Meeting held August 26, 2020

B. 9:30 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING

- 1) **PUBLIC HEARING:** on abandonment and total vacation/deed of road and full easement/Right of Way of that certain portion of County Road 19 as identified in the attached parcel map, in exchange for alternative designated public right of way/road easement adjacent, in a more suitable location for safe public travel and reduced maintenance costs, affecting those parcels pursuant to NRS 403.170(3). Mike Wheable, District Attorney
- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of abandonment and total vacation of the full road easement/Right of Way of that *certain portion* of County Road 19 as identified in the attached parcel map, locally known as Bothwick road, near the junction with the Gleason Creek County road, to include approval of a deed to Kerry Sprouse, et. al. of these County property rights, in exchange for an adjacent commensurate alternative location, designated public right of way/road easement to be granted to the County, in a more suitable location for safe public travel and reduced maintenance costs. Said abandonment/vacation to affect and adjust those parcels APN 009-480-01 through APN 009-480-29, pursuant to NRS 403.170

- *3) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of a new parcel map, and to accept a deed from Kerry Sprouse, et. al. unto the County of White Pine to include, and for the specific purpose of a full road easement/Right of Way for a new re-routed placement of County Road 19 through and over those parcels identified in the attached parcel map, for an adjacent commensurate alternative location, designated public right of way/road easement in a more suitable location for safe public travel and reduced maintenance costs. Said acceptance of parcel map including the new road location to affect and adjust those parcels APN 009-480-01 through APN 009-480-29. Said road identified in the parcel map will be a right of way for public and utility purposes and not to be accepted as a main county road at this time, until this portion of road constructed to County standards and presented to the County Commission for adoption

C. 10:00 A.M. RURAL DESERT SOUTHWEST

BROWNFIELDS COALITION (RDSBC)

- *1) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of a letter of commitment from White Pine County to continue the County's participation as a long-standing member of the RDSBC and to support submission of a US Environmental Protection Agency Fiscal Year 2021 Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant Application for the RDSBC. Lorina Dellinger, Assistant County Manager, Nye County

The Chairman will temporarily recess the Regular County Commission Meeting to convene a Special Meeting of the White Pine County Board of Public Health.

D. 10:30 A.M. SPECIAL BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) **Discussion/Update on COVID-19 for White Pine County for September. Daren Kunz, PHO**
- 2) **Discussion/Update on mitigation efforts and community outreach. Daren Kunz, PHO**
- *3) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the White Pine County Library Trick-Or Treat The Street Event on October 30, 2020. Lori Romero, Library Director
- *4) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of minutes from the Board of Public Health Meetings held August 12, 2020 and August 26, 2020

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Chairman will adjourn the Special Board of Public Health meeting to reconvene the Regular County Commission Meeting.

E. 10:45 A.M. ELY SHOSHONE TRIBE

- 1) **Discussion Only**: Regarding the Ely Shoshone Tribe's Request to place County owned real property parcel # 01049007 in a Land Trust. Shania Marques, Ely Shoshone Tribe

F. 11:00 A.M. NATURAL RESOURCES

- *1) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval regarding a Work Order Amendment for FERC comments to the White Pine Pumped Storage Project. Jeremy Drew, Project Manager, Resource Concepts, Inc
- 2) **Discussion Only**: Information only regarding the White Pine County Natural Resource and Public Land Issues Tracking List. Jeremy Drew, Project Manager, Resource Concepts, Inc
- 3) **Discussion/Update**: on the State Engineer's basin designation for White Pine County. Commissioner Laurie L. Carson

G. 11:30 A.M. UPDATE FROM KINROSS BALD MOUNTAIN

- 1) **Presentation/Discussion/Update**: on the Juniper Project. Josh Roderick, Environmental Services Manager; Deana Zakar, Corporate Social Responsibility

2. ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

A. COUNTY COMMISSION

1. Laurie L. Carson, Commissioner

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval to appoint Laurie L. Carson as the alternate liaison to Energy in White Pine County
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval of Resolution 2020-56 requesting that the Governor and Attorney General of Nevada and the Attorney General of the United States ensure a Citizen's right to vote in person at the 2020 General Election is maintained

2. Shane Bybee, Commissioner

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Ratification of a letter of support for the NNRDA's application to the US Economic Development Administration for an "Economic Development District" designation which would allow NNRDA to tap additional EDA/Dept. of Commerce funding

B. ELECTED OFFICIALS

1. Mike Wheable, District Attorney

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of Resolution 2020-57 requesting the Nevada Attorney General to review for charges and potentially prosecute DA case 2020-258 pursuant to NRS 228.130, and to reimburse the Nevada AG an amount not to exceed \$2,500
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Ratification of an Independent Contractor Agreement between White Pine County and Alma Healthcare, Inc for services at a rate of \$500.00 per hour for one hour per week or two months, for a total compensation of \$4,000.00 effective September 11, 2020 for a two month period
- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Ratification of an Independent Contractor Agreement between White Pine County and Daren Kunz, PharmD for services as a Public Health Officer at a rate of \$5,000.00 per month during the declared COVID-19 pandemic or when a public health emergency is declared due to COVID-19, whichever is shorter, and \$12,000 per year thereafter effective September 11, 2020 until appointment is terminated or resigned

2. Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to allow the Clerk to close the Clerk's Office at 5pm during the close of voter registration on October 5th through October 6th, 2020 pursuant to NRS 293.560(3)(a)

C. DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. Brett North, Emergency Medical Services Director

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval for White Pine County to contract with Dr. Dana Vitale, M.D. to fill the position of White Pine County EMS Medical Director at a cost of \$12,000.00 annually; cost to be split equally with the City of Ely

2. Lori Romero, Library Director/Senior Program Administrator

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to Accept 2020 -27 LSTA Information Access Funding in the Amount of \$7,060.00. Library Director's Salary and in-kind services will be used for the \$706.00 Match
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to Accept Aging & Disability Services Division Grant #17-000-07-IHI-21 for Congregate Meal Services in the Amount of \$23,907.00. Tax Override funds will be used for the \$1,515.00 Match
- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to Accept Aging & Disability Services Division Grant #17-000-04-21-21 for Homebound Meal Services in the Amount of \$38,352.00. Tax Override funds will be used for the \$1,821 .00 Match

3. Desiree Barnson, Social Services Director

- *a) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval to put Ely Bus dispatch at the EOC instead of the Road Shop because of no heat or cooling**

4. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director

- *a) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval to amend budget for CARES Act Funds as previously approved based on changing needs**
- *b) Discussion/for Possible Action: Direction on Golf Course Budget due to large changes in costs for watering from what was represented to the County last fall**
- *c) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval to allow the Sheriff to proceed with vehicle purchases prior to 1/1/2021 due to condition and failure of some of the older vehicles**
- *d) Discussion/For Possible Action: Ratification of Grant Application submitted by Elizabeth Frances/ Tabatha Hamilton to the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 18 for the Nevada Northern Railway Phase 3 project in the amount of \$19,018,655. The required County match amount is \$0**
- *e) Discussion/For Possible Action: Ratification of Grant Application submitted by Elizabeth Frances/ Tabatha Hamilton to the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 18 for the Fairgrounds Upgrades phase 3 project in the amount of \$12,020,075. The required County match amount is \$0**
- *f) Discussion/For Possible Action: Ratification of Grant Application submitted by Elizabeth Frances/ Tabatha Hamilton to the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 18 for the Heritage Park project in the amount of \$24,385,623. The required County match amount is \$0**

3. CONSENT AGENDA

The following are “action” items that may be considered in one motion/one vote. They are considered routine, non-public hearing items that have no protests. Any person representing an item or member of the public not in agreement with the recommendations by staff should request to have that item removed from the Consent Agenda. Any County Commissioner may remove any items from the consent Agenda and have it placed in the Action Items.

- *a) Discussion/For Possible Action: to ratify Correspondence Sent on Behalf of the White Pine County Commission.**
- *b) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of Payroll for County Elected Officials.**
- *c) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of HR Transmittal for Payroll Changes.**

- *d) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of budget transfers within and between functions or programs within a fund that do not increase the total appropriation of the fund.

4. UNTIMED ITEMS

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of a Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week for the week of October 25th, 2020. Mary Kerner, Elks Lodge #1469
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of minutes from the County Commission Meeting held:
- August 26, 2020
 - Special September 2, 2020
- c) **Discussion/Update** from Nevada Rural Housing Authority on the work completed at the Bristlecone Apartments. Stacey Sept, NRHA

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County Commission

*** Adjournment**

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

Members of the public who are disabled and require special assistance or accommodations at the meeting are requested to notify the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners at 801 Clark Street #4, Ely, Nevada 89301; or by calling 775-293-6509 at least two (2) days in advance.

AFFIDAVIT:

I, Nichole Baldwin, did on the 17th day of September, 2020 by 5:00 p.m. cause to be posted (5) five notices of the White Pine County Commission & Special Board of Public Health Meeting Agenda in the County of White Pine, to-wit: At the Courthouse, at the County Administration Building, at the Public Safety Building, the White Pine County Library, and at the Ely U.S. Post Office. The meeting notice is also posted to the White Pine County website at <http://whitepinecounty.net> and on the State of Nevada Public Notices website at <http://notice.nv.gov>. An additional copy of the Agenda along with supporting material, if any, are on display and available at the front counter of the White Pine County Clerk's Office at 801 Clark Street, Suite 4, Ely, NV 89301.

Nichole Baldwin