

IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON MAY 11, 2016 AT THE WHITE PINE COUNTY AQUATICS CENTER, 1111 VETERANS BLVD., ELY, NEVADA

The Following Were Present:

County Commission

Gary Perea, Chairman
Carol McKenzie, Vice-Chairman
Laurie Carson, Commissioner
Mike Coster, Commissioner
Richard Howe, Commissioner
Nichole Baldwin, Clerk of the Board
Susan Lujan, Deputy Clerk

County Officials

Megan Brown, WPC Aquatic Center Dir.
Chris Ricci, Senior Program Supervisor
Burton Hilton, WPC Assessor
Jennifer Farnworth, IT Specialist
Mike Wheable, District Attorney
Brett Waters, WPC Fire District Chief
Bill Miller, Road Maint. Superintendent
Kathy Ricci, Human Resources Director
Elaine Blackham, Sr. Management Assistant
Bill Calderwood, Facility Maint. Supertd't.
Steve Stork, Airport Manager
Lori Romero, Library/Sr. Center Director
Lynette Gust, Juvenile Probation Officer
Megan Pekuri, Juvenile Probation Officer
Juan Carlos Cervantes, UNR-Coop Extension
Martha Rivera Sindelar, WPC Recorder
Catherine Bakaric, WPC Treasurer
Karen Collis, Public Health Nurse

Also Present

Geri Wopschall
Ron Miller
Donna Bath (Senator Dean Heller)
Tony Locke
Matt Bowers, Nat'l. Speleological Society
George Chachas, KGTV-10
Terry McIntosh, High Desert Trailblazers
Johnathan Dishong
Ely Mayor Melody VanCamp
Robert Switzer, Ely City Administrator
B.J. Almberg, City of Ely
Steve Blakely, Road & Highway Builders, LLC
Wendy Conner, Silver Sabre Electric Co.

Chairman Gary Perea called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Laurie Carson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Terry McIntosh, of the High Desert Trailblazers, advised they are an OHV/ATV club; they have bylaws, and are currently filing for tax exempt status. The club focuses on trail enhancement, and they have a concern regarding Ordinance #461. They caution that we shouldn't go outside the boundary of the NRS—amending Chapter 11—with respect to insurance and financial responsibility. They feel the County could be put at risk, isolating us from other counties and the rest of the State. He continued that most of the counties are accepting the State NRS with the exception of Lincoln County, and they do require insurance. He requested a delay in the process to allow further input before making a decision. Chairman Gary Perea noted there will be an update shortly from Commissioner Mike Coster on this.

WPC Assessor Burton Hilton advised of the confirmation regarding the Senior Tax Assistance Rebate Program (“Star Program”); he received the documentation yesterday. This program was designed to assist low income senior citizens; they can receive \$500 rebate from their property taxes, if they are

eligible. He explained that his office will provide the applications, the seniors fill them out and send them to the State; there is a deadline of September 30. The State will then send the rebate checks to the qualified applicants later on during the year. He was excited about the program and pleased for the help it will provide our seniors in White Pine County. Assessor Hilton added that the Senior Center, the EDC Office, the Treasurer's Office and the Assessor's Office will all have these forms available. Chairman Gary Perea asked how the program is funded; Assessor Hilton responded that it's a State program, and it won't affect the counties insofar as coming back on us. He added that it also does not affect the exemptions people already have. He encouraged people to apply for this as the money is available at this point in time.

Mr. George Chachas was excited about the rebate for taxes, too. He presented ongoing concerns to the Board: He recalled when the County gave financial assistance to the City; he has yet to receive the information on that. With respect to cuts in the School District, he felt the County should deny them a permit to build a new gymnasium. He commented that when they close the school, a gym will be available then. He continued that a new modular installed on the 700 block of Great Basin Boulevard is out of compliance with the City/County codes. He charged that the Building Inspector is selectively enforcing codes and needs to resign. Regarding the 2.5% room tax being used for City infrastructure, he felt we should concentrate on real issues and not frivolous things; he cited he hasn't seen anything with respect to the railroad progressing in years. Lastly, he added that the members of the Tourism & Recreation Board who aren't meeting membership requirements, should be replaced.

At 9:05 a.m., Chairman Gary Perea recessed the regular Commission meeting and opened the Fire Commission meeting. At 9:30 a.m., Fire Commission Chairman Gary Perea recessed the Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

9:30 A.M.

DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON THE EFFORTS OF THE COMBINED CITY/COUNTY RECYCLING COMMITTEE AND THE RECYCLING FACILITY

Ely Mayor Melody VanCamp advised that we have a very aggressive recycling committee; they meet twice monthly to get this project going. They are educating the public, trying to get them on board with recycling. She commended WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin for her aggressive articles in the paper to help educate the people, besides the School District also cooperating with this effort. An art recycling contest was held recently; it was very successful, and the public turned out in large numbers to view the artwork. Due to the program, 1.5 tons of cardboard have already come in for recycling; the word is getting out and people are getting involved, as well as our local agencies. Mr. Tony Locke continued that his purpose today is to come and provide information to the Board and the public regarding recycling. He began by stating that "we are a throwaway society," and it's a hard habit to break. He gave a short history of the recycling effort in White Pine County, beginning with the "Green Up" program years ago. The idea of a bailer was proposed; however, it was found that in a commercial venture, that equipment couldn't pay for itself, although it could produce an economic benefit to us as a community if it's done right. The opportunity arose for him to obtain a bailer in 2011 and install it in his place of business, and although he felt he could make it work and break even, after 5 years that didn't happen. He concluded that "there will always be a cost to recycle." Since that time, he noted they produced over 2 million pounds of product (paper, plastic and cardboard). At the current rate of production at the landfill, Mr. Locke advised that extended the life of the landfill by nearly 3 months. While that's not a lot for 5 years of work, he noted it was all volunteer, no one in the community was mandated to recycle, and it was all being done independently of the landfill. Mr. Locke figured that as a community, 5 years of independent recycling translates into 2-3% of the community actively recycling. Mr. Locke pointed out two big things

that recycling can do for White Pine County; first, it will extend the life of the landfill; and second, it can lower the County's operational costs. The cost years ago was \$65/ton, which did not generate any payback. He illustrated that the \$65/ton cost is still there, but by recycling we would actually be doing LESS than \$65/ton. During the discussion, Chairman Gary Perea asked about the people in Baker, Lund, and outlying areas who want to recycle but there's no economical way to do it. He asked if they could work with Ely Disposal on that issue? Mr. Locke responded that he would hope the people would work with him instead of the franchise. He noted it was frustrating for him that people feel he should bear the cost of the recycling at his business, and yet pay the fees for Ely Disposal for the same thing. He continued that he has invested in this recycling effort; he built trailers and offered them to commercial ventures for a small cost, and either the businesses could bring in their recycling or he would go to them and pick it up. Commissioner Carol McKenzie noted that this had been talked about in Lund, and there's a concern about household garbage going into the recycling bins. Mr. Locke agreed that's a problem; she asked him to visit and educate the people in Lund about recycling, which he would be happy to do. At this point, City Administrator Bob Switzer advised that we are "starting on the ground floor" and provided a handout showing where we are currently with the landfill. Paper, cardboard and plastic will be recycled now, and in the near future they will be taking aluminum cans as well as other products that have recycling potential. He added they also have metal recycling at this point in time; in fact, he noted that \$20,000 was reimbursed back to the City of Ely for recycling metal products. He continued that the City has decided to do this as a matter of public policy, to help offset the cost of operations and extend the life of the Landfill, which currently stands at 57 years. In the future, the EPA may require us to recycle, so we are beginning this in anticipation of that. The Board thanked the Mayor, Mr. Locke, and Administrator Switzer for their presentation.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ASSIST BY AUTHORIZING ONE WEEK'S WORTH OF LABOR FROM THE MAINTENANCE DEPT. TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF THE RECYCLING FACILITY DURING THE WEEK OF JUNE 6TH THROUGH THE 10TH

Facility Maintenance Superintendent Bill Calderwood advised he is on the recycling committee; he lauded recycling as a potential cost-saving effort for taxpayers. He explained that Maintenance will do the forming for concrete pads, tie the rebar, and assist the truck and flatwork on top of the concrete, as they have expertise in these areas. He added that he felt it could be done in less time than a week. This would really be a joint City/County effort, as he explained. There will be two concrete pads; one 24' x 50', and another smaller pad to hold the bailer. In reply to a query from the Board, District Attorney Mike Wheable didn't feel there would be a need to have a document written up for the City/County in this joint effort. Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to approve this, noting he feels it's a good project and will be done by good cooperation between the parties. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to authorize one week's worth of labor from the Maintenance Dept. to begin construction of the recycling facility during the week of June 6-June 10 for the City of Ely Landfill. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried. Following further discussion, Commissioners Carson and McKenzie amended their motion and second respectively to include "not to exceed 200 hours" and omit "during the week of June 6-June 10." Amended motion carried.

SENIOR CENTER:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM (NSIP) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,480 FOR THE WHITE PINE NUTRITION PROGRAM WITH NO COUNTY MATCH REQUIRED

Senior Program Supervisor Chris Ricci noted she is just asking acceptance by the Board for this award; there is no match, and it's just a supplement for the program. Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to approve this. Commissioner Richard Howe made a motion to approve acceptance of a grant award

from the Nutrition Services Incentive Program in the amount of \$6,480 for the White Pine Nutrition Program with no County match required. Commissioner Mike Coster seconded. Motion carried.

NOTICE OF UNTIMED ITEMS

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RENTAL CONTRACT BY THE NATIONAL SPELEOLOGICAL SOCIETY TO UTILIZE PORTIONS OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY GOLF COURSE AS PART OF THEIR NATIONAL SCIENCE CONVENTION IN JULY

Mr. Matt Bowers, National Speleological Society, cited a rental agreement they are hoping the County approves in order to utilize part of the Golf Course to be a "leave-no-trace" campground for those members of their society who wouldn't be staying in motels. District Attorney Mike Wheable advised he had reviewed the rental contract, and the only concern he would have was with item #20, regarding personal fires. Mr. Bowers advised they don't want open flames anywhere; they would be using camp stoves or above-ground equipment for warmth. Golf Professional Randy Long had been asked for his input, and he was also acceptable to this agreement. There was some discussion regarding this, and it was felt camp stoves could be allowed but no personal fires. Commissioner Mike Coster commended the package that the society had put together for their stay here in White Pine County. Mr. Bowers explained one problem regarding potable water; as there's no backflow valve at the Golf Course, it isn't legally potable. So they would rent a water truck for a cost of \$1,100, and he was asking if some of that amount could be subtracted from the rental fee, which is \$10,400 for the week. During the discussion, Mr. Bowers indicated he would be willing to split the cost. Commissioner Richard Howe pointed out that this society will be bringing money into the County, we need to encourage this event, and this additional cost for them to bring in a water truck would be a hindrance. Mr. Bowers added that Golfdom Magazine may also be coming in to report on their event, for the Board's information. Following further discussion, Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to approve the rental contract by the National Speleological Society to utilize portions of the White Pine County Golf Course as part of their national science convention in July, deleting the last sentence in Paragraph 20 of the contract pertaining to fire, and also a provision be added "not to exceed \$1,000 for costs incurred for alternative water supply," as a credit against their rental. Commissioner Richard Howe seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF FREE PUBLIC EVENT HOSTED BY THE NATIONAL SPELEOLOGICAL SOCIETY IN COURTHOUSE PARK AS PART OF THEIR NATIONAL SCIENCE CONVENTION IN JULY

Mr. Matt Bowers advised this event is part of the society's educational outreach; with the help of the Tourism & Recreation Board, their Marketing Director Ed Spear, and the Great Basin National Heritage Partnership, they are donating a new mural based on the discovery of Lehman Cave. He continued that the unveiling ceremony will take place on their opening Saturday weekend, and they are looking to have a festival at Courthouse Park. The City of Ely has approved the artwork on the mural, and it's now in the studio getting prepped to turn into a 25' wide mural. Mr. Bowers advised they want to have use of County Park during the day with play caves, Smokey the Bear, some alcoholic beverages, etc., with the activities free and open to the public. There will also be a showing of the "Amazing Caves" movie, with the High School Drama Club selling tickets to that as a fundraiser; two stars of the movie will be in town as well. Commissioner Laurie Carson was very impressed with this organization and what they're doing. Mr. Bowers advised this is the 75th Anniversary of the National Speleological Society; there will be many representatives in town, from different countries such as England, Poland, the Philippines, Czechoslovakia, etc. He added over 900 hotel rooms have been rented out in town for this event. Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to move forward with this and then come back for final approval. Commissioner Richard Howe noted we should add the date of the event, which Mr. Bowers indicated is July 16th, when it comes back for final details. Following brief discussion, Chairman Gary

Perea entertained a motion to have Facility Maintenance Superintendent Bill Calderwood work to arrange the details of the Park event and come back to the Board for final approval. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to allow Superintendent Calderwood to work with the Speleological Society representatives, get all the details of the public event worked out, and come back to the Board for final approval. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Bowers applauded Superintendent Calderwood and his team, and also the Tourism & Recreation Board for all their work and cooperation.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2016-14 REGARDING WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION'S COMMITMENT TO PURSUE A COMBINED JAIL-COURTHOUSE EXPANSION PROJECT WITH SAVED FUNDS SECURED FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND TO APPROACH NEVADA LEGISLATURE TO ACQUIRE BALANCE FUNDING – RESOLUTION DRAFTED BY HON. STEVE DOBRESCU, PRESIDING DISTRICT JUDGE OF 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

District Attorney Mike Wheable advised that Judge Steve Dobrescu met with the Governor, other Nevada Court Judges, the Supreme Court, and other officials, all of whom are in support of this project. In pursuing revenue sources for the Legislature, he noted this is one of the steps moving in that direction. Chairman Gary Perea read a portion of Resolution 2016-14 into the record. Following brief discussion, Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to adopt this as requested. Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-14 regarding White Pine County Commission's commitment to pursue a combined Jail-Courthouse Expansion Project with saved funds secured for that purpose, and to approach Nevada Legislature to acquire balance funding, as presented. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. During a brief discussion it was felt it would be beneficial to have all 5 Commission signatures on this resolution. Commissioner Mike Coster amended his motion to add signature lines for all 5 Commissioners to this resolution; Commissioner Laurie Carson amended her second accordingly. Amended motion carried.

Nichole Baldwin, Ex-officio Clerk of the Board White Pine County commissioners@whitepinecountynv.gov

**Board of County Commissioners
RESOLUTION 2016-14**

Courthouse Security/Jail Expansion

WHEREAS, the District Judges of the Seventh Judicial District of Nevada, in and for the Counties of Eureka, Lincoln and White Pine are charged with presiding over litigation, both civil and criminal, arising out of Ely State Prison; and

WHEREAS, Ely State Prison is the designated maximum security prison for the State of Nevada where the most violent, dangerous inmates in the prison system are incarcerated; and

WHEREAS, inmates incarcerated at Ely State Prison are regularly transported to the White Pine County Courthouse to make appearances in District Court for such litigation; and

WHEREAS, the White Pine County Courthouse, built in 1906, has served the citizens of White Pine County for over one hundred years; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Rural Courts empaneled by the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada issued its Report in 2003 identifying serious security flaws arising out of the age and design of the White Pine County Courthouse which negatively affects the ability of the District Judges to ensure a safe, secure environment for such prison litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice System in Rural Nevada and Transitional Housing for Released Offenders (S.C.R. 32) Committee empaneled by the 2003 Nevada Legislature listened to testimony, toured the White Pine County Courthouse and expressed its concern over the security flaws identified in the aged Courthouse; and further expressed its concern over the District Judge's ability to safely conduct and preside over prison litigation in the Courthouse; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Marshall's Service conducted a facility survey in 2007 which concluded in part that the White Pine County Courthouse "should no longer be used for any

courthouse related matters either civil or criminal"; and

WHEREAS, the extreme need for a new court facility in White Pine County has clearly been shown; and

WHEREAS, the County of White Pine is able to partially fund the construction of a new court facility; and

WHEREAS, it is widely recognized across the State of Nevada that Judges of the Seventh Judicial District provide a vital service to all of the citizens of Nevada by presiding over cases arising out of Ely State Prison;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION that the State of Nevada should recognize the critical need for a new court facility in White Pine County and should further recognize the State's moral responsibility to assist with this critical need;

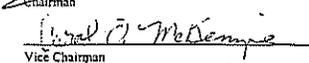
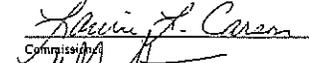
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND RECOMMENDED that the Nevada Legislature should appropriate sufficient monies to assist White Pine County in the construction of a new courthouse facility in White Pine County, Nevada.

Passed and adopted this 11th day of May, 2016

By a vote of 5 Ayes
 _____ Nays
 _____ Absent

ATTEST:

 Clerk of Said Board


 Chairman

 Vice Chairman

 Commissioner

 Commissioner

ASSESSOR:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF LIST OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY, DISCUSS AND IDENTIFY CERTAIN PARCELS FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF PUBLIC AUCTION, AND THE POSSIBLE INTEREST FROM COMMUNITY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PARCELS; DISCUSSION OF USE OF FUNDS DERIVED FROM SALE OF SAID PROPERTIES

WPC Assessor Burton Hilton advised this pertains to various properties the County owns and he took photos of. He emphasized these are just ideas; some people are asking about Mineral Heights, there's an area out past the dump, and even in some alleys in McGill, where there are some odd-shaped pieces of property that are considered alleys. Not all of them are listed due to the time crunch, he noted, so there are others to be considered. Chairman Gary Perea noted this is the first step; he recommended setting up a committee to look at these and come up with a plan, since not all of these can be done at once. A committee could look at the properties, figure the rough value of the land, and perhaps set a goal to sell \$100,000 worth of lands per year. His plan would be to hire a County Manager from the revenues gleaned by these sales. Commissioner Laurie Carson would like to see a Natural Resource person instead. She noted there are some items on the list that are already dedicated, such as the solar project out at the Airport. District Attorney Mike Wheable advised he had asked Assessor Hilton to get a list together in order to bring out these issues; we can do research on 2 parcels for now, he suggested, and bring them back to the Board; he added a committee would be a good idea. During the discussion, D.A. Wheable added that some parcels on this list are actually costing the County money. Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to allow for a committee to be formed to make recommendations. Commissioner Richard Howe made a motion to allow Assessor Hilton to form a committee which will make recommendations on the properties. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried. It was noted that the alleys in McGill are included in this effort. Commissioner Mike Coster made a second motion, to give direction to the Assessor with respect to offers on properties, and to have the Assessor and the District Attorney identify the process we need to take on this. Commissioner Richard Howe seconded. Motion carried. It was felt the committee members could be identified and approved at the next Commission meeting.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEVADA DEFERRED COMPENSATION, A RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN THAT ALLOWS ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES TO SUPPLEMENT THEIR EXISTING RETIREMENT WITH PRE-TAX DOLLARS – THIS IS AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY

Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci thanked Assessor Hilton for his work in bringing this together. She advised this would be a good benefit for our employees, to have an option for deferred compensation, besides the one we already have. Assessor Hilton advised that the Deferred Comp group meets quarterly to approve applicants; their next meeting is May 25th, and the one following at the end of August. He has talked with other counties and it looks really beneficial. This would be a 457-B program, much like a 401K in the private sector. Employees would contribute pre- or post-tax monies to this program; he noted most do the pre-tax, which lowers their taxable income. You would be investing the money, and he noted there are many mutual funds available. This would be at no cost to the County, as everything would be done by electronic transfers. Chairman Gary Perea asked what would occur if someone left the County; Assessor Hilton advised they couldn't continue contributing to it if they left. The amount could be very minimal, as small as \$12.50/paycheck, he advised; the employee would still have to pay FIC on it, however there wouldn't be a 10% penalty and he felt it could be rolled over when the employee leaves. Commissioner Richard Howe applauded this option, explaining that you pay the tax when you draw it out, it's a one-time tax. Assessor Hilton added that the investments grow tax-free; the employee never pays taxes on the investment returns. What you do pay FIC taxes on, is what you

initially contributed. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to direct Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci and other necessary staff to enter into an agreement with Nevada Deferred Compensation, a retirement savings plan, as presented. Commissioner Richard Howe seconded Motion carried.

At 10:44 a.m., Chairman Gary Perea recessed the Commission meeting for a break. The meeting was reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

11:00 A.M. – ORDINANCES, FIRST READINGS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, BID OPENINGS, DECISIONS

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ACCEPT AND OPEN BIDS FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT 3-32-0006-020-2016

Airport Manager Steve Stork approached the Board and advised one bid was received, from Road & Highway Builders. He opened and read the bid amount: Total for Schedule 1 is \$2,430,000. It was noted the bid will go back to Armstrong Consultants for review, and then brought forward for final approval by the County Commission. Manager Stork noted it is commensurate with the funding available, which is \$2.5 million. The Schedule 2 bid is \$40,000, and there has been \$150,000 for that. It was advised that the grant amount will be adjusted to the actual dollar amount of the bid; he added it could be July before it comes back before this Board. Once the grant offer comes back, the process will begin.

CLERK:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION REGARDING A POTENTIAL ORDINANCE SETTING LIMITS ON THE TERMS OF THE AB191 BALLOT QUESTION TO ASSIST THE BALLOT QUESTION COMMITTEES

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised that the committees have met, they've selected chairmen, and they do have some questions. The chairmen from both the pro and con committees are present today, she noted. She continued that other Nevada counties are capping the percentage and others are limiting the length of time the tax will be set in place. Clerk Baldwin advised this is just for discussion to see how the Commission feels about putting limits on the taxes. District Attorney Mike Wheable advised that this Board has already approved the language; he didn't feel an ordinance would be necessary. The Commission can include a provision to adjust the percentage rate down to 0%, which will have the same effect as a termination of the tax. During the discussion, Commissioner Laurie Carson cautioned about capping the tax as we might not have enough monies to do what we are trying to accomplish; she explained that if the index goes down we could be "flat." She felt we could work on an Ordinance, but if it doesn't pass, then it isn't binding, either. She didn't know if we could even pass an Ordinance that wasn't approved with respect to the ballot question. D.A. Wheable explained we could rephrase the ballot question language if needed; in the meantime he would like to see the actual figures that would be required to complete the projects proposed. Mr. Gage Hansen, a member of the pro-committee, noted that the Commission could review the rate annually so that it could be raised or lowered as needed; the ballot question language could be modified to give that ability. Clerk Baldwin advised of the timeframe, for which a deadline has already been extended; the ballot questions have to be in to the State the 3rd Monday in July. D.A. Wheable reviewed the possible options; either to add "not to exceed 7.8%", which was the original ballot language; or change it go 2.5%. Also, if the applicable percentage could be changed annually by the Commission, by an Ordinance. There followed further discussion, during which the possibility of adding a provision to the language to bring this back for a future Commission to rescind or revise, as suggested by Manager Stork. D.A. Wheable advised that per legislation, once it is

set, it's set for a 10-year period; as is currently written, it can't be modified. It was generally agreed no action would be taken by the Board at this time.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION TO PROVIDE THE BALLOT QUESTION COMMITTEES WITH DETAILED INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLOCATION OF THE ¼ CENT SALES INCREASE IF APPROVED

In reply to a query from the Board, Finance Director Elizabeth Frances clarified that the NRS specifies special revenue funds must be used specifically for the purposes for which they were dedicated. When asked how much money the sales tax could generate, Director Frances felt it would be roughly \$100,000; however, that would also depend upon the economics in the County. She added the monies would also need to be split among the Roads, Parks, Senior Center, and the Agricultural Extension Office. Manager Stork added that if the ¼ cent sales tax increase passed, it would become a function of the budget process, and the Commission would allocate the funds according to the need. It was determined no action was necessary by the Board at this time.

ROADS:

DISCUSSION/ACTION APPROVAL FOR THE CLOSURE OF CLARK STREET AND 8TH STREET FOR THE WHITE PINE ATHLETIC BOOSTER'S BFD ON JULY 2ND, 2016 FROM APPROXIMATELY 4:00 PM TO 12:00 AM

Road Maintenance Superintendent Bill Miller advised he is presenting this request on behalf of Ms. Becky Murdock, so she wouldn't have to take time off work for this today. He provided an aerial photograph illustrating how signage should be placed to direct traffic and parking for this event. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to approve the closure of Clark Street and 8th Street for the White Pine Athletic Booster's BFD on July 2nd, 2016 from approximately 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM, consistent with prior practice. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

FIRE DISTRICT:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/POSSIBLE RATIFICATION OF FY2016 EPWG GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$239,346 WITH NO MATCH REQUIRED

WPC Fire District Chief Brett Waters explained this is a grant funded through the U. S. Dept. of Energy. We have the opportunity every year to apply; the amount is based on the low level and potential medium level nuclear waste which travels through White Pine and other counties. The amount fluctuates, depending on what travels through; he didn't think we would be receiving the entire amount but felt we would be getting \$203,860 instead of the amount indicated in the agenda item title. He will make the revision and submit the application. District Attorney Mike Wheable felt this would be acceptable as long as the amount requested wasn't more than the original amount indicated; he was fine with submitting the application and coming back to the Board for ratification. Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to ratify as discussed. Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to ratify the FY2016 EPWG grant application for \$239,346 with no match required. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF NEVADA WILDFIRE AWARENESS MONTH FOR MAY 2016

WPC Fire District Chief Brett Waters noted that all the Nevada counties were asked to do Proclamations concerning this vital issue. He proceeded to read the Proclamation into the record. Commissioner Laurie Carson felt the signature portion should read "Passed by the Board of County Commissioners" instead of "Chairman, Board of County Commissioners." She felt this was a great Proclamation, and encouraged pre-fire activities and cautions during the fire season. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to

approve the Proclamation in support of the Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month for May 2016. Commissioner Mike Coster seconded. Motion carried.

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Carol O. McKenzie, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Laurie L. Carson
Commissioner Richard Howe
Commissioner Mike Coster

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WHITE PINE COUNTY PROCLAMATION
IN SUPPORT OF
NEVADA WILDFIRE AWARENESS MONTH - MAY 2016

Whereas, wildfire significantly impacts Nevada's environmental, economic and social well-being; and

Whereas, residents of Nevada's fire-prone communities need to accept responsibility for living in high fire-hazard areas; and

Whereas, residents must be encouraged to move from the expectation of being protected from wildfire to the understanding that they must be prepared to survive wildfire; and

Whereas, residents need to work together to prepare their homes and community to survive wildfire and commit to becoming a Fire Adapted Community; and

Whereas, when whole communities implement appropriate pre-fire activities they improve the survivability of their individual homes and community during wildfire;

Therefore be it proclaimed, that the White Pine County Board of County Commissioners supports the month of May, 2016 as Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month and this year's theme:

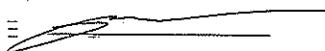
Create Unity
Fire-Adapt Your Community!

as a means for education and a call for residents of White Pine County to take action to reduce the wildfire threat to their homes and help their community move toward becoming a Fire Adapted Community.

Passed, Approved and Adopted this 11th day of May, 2016, by the White Pine County Board of County Commissioners.

Attest:

Chairman, Board of County
Commissioners:



UNTIMED ITEM

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE RTC 2017 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ELY'S PORTION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT THAT WAS NOT SPENT FOR THE 2016 MURRY STREET PROJECT

Engineer B.J. Almberg, of the City of Ely, noted there had been an issue with a prior project; the City is currently working through that, and based on action taken by the City Council, they will take this over tomorrow. They are asking to take the monies set aside for the project and roll it over into next year's budget; the project would be delayed and continued again next year, as he explained. In reply to Finance Director Elizabeth Frances' question regarding more exact figures, Engineer Almberg advised that \$533,825.21 had been set aside for this fiscal year and will be put in for next year. Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to approve the increase of the RTC 2017 budget for the City of Ely's portion of Capital Improvements in the amount that was not spent for the 2016 Murry Street Project. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF PROPOSED EXEMPT EMPLOYEE PAY SCALE WITH SEPARATION OF ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR EXTRA DUTIES AS IT SUPERVISOR AND GOLF COURSE GREENSKEEPER SUPERVISOR

Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci advised this is the previously approved exempt pay scale, to exempt the IT Supervisor and Golf Course Greenskeeper Supervisor, as she explained. She cited in the Commission packet the pay scale showing exempt employee rates as they were in the past and currently. Chairman Gary Perea wished to clarify that there's no change in salary, but now these are separated out to make future comparisons easier; Director Ricci confirmed this. She will put in "special pay" as was done with the Senior Center Assistant at an earlier meeting; District Attorney Mike Wheable felt we should bring that back with a change in the title as discussed, and add language to the pay scale specific to the "special pay." Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to approve this as presented. Commissioner Richard Howe made a motion to approve the proposed exempt employee pay scale with separation of additional compensation for extra duties as IT Supervisor and Golf Course Greenskeeper Supervisor, with special pay. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AQUATIC FACILITIES PAY SCALE WITH STEP INCREASE TO BE APPROVED ON JULY 1ST OF EACH YEAR

Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci advised we had included years of experience as a factor when the pay scale was initially done; now we're running into problems, and it's felt that there should be a change from years of service to steps. Also, WPC Aquatics Facilities Director Megan Brown advised Aquacize is on the pay scale now, but there are 2 other fitness programs that her employees are instructing and she suggested changing the Aquacize to Fitness Programs instead. Director Frances cautioned that we need to be consistent with how all the other employees are handled. We were going to handle the seasonal employees one way, though, and there was some discussion as how best to do this. Director Brown noted that she has people coming in all year round, and she was hoping just to do the step increase once for the year. There was still a problem as to how best this would work out for employees and Lifeguards; she will make some comparisons to see how long the seasonal employees work, and other factors, and bring this back to the Board. Director Brown clarified that the seasonal work runs from the end of May through the end of September. It was the consensus of the Board to table this agenda item for now.

At 11:49 a.m., Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to close the regular Commission meeting and open the Closed Session for negotiations. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made the motion; Commissioner Richard Howe seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/MOTION TO CLOSE OPEN MEETING FOR DISCUSSION WITH BOARD RELATED TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PURSUANT TO NRS 288.220

This Closed Session was duly held.

At 12:07 p.m., Chairman Gary Perea adjourned the Closed Session and reopened the regular Commission meeting. The regular Commission meeting was recessed for a lunch break; the meeting was reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

FINANCE:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION TO THE FINANCE DIRECTOR REGARDING THE FY2017 BUDGET

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances cited her memo from the Department Heads meeting on May 3rd. She reviewed the high points, noting that we will have to prepare for employee turnover by crosstraining and

other methods. Suggestions from the Department Heads follow: The Commission needs to change their perspective and start working on ideas using a "how can we do this" approach, as opposed to "why can't we do this." Also, since we're all working to balance the budget, decisions need to come from the Commission. The Department Heads have asked the Board not to put them in the position of having to cut people; they feel that should come from the top down instead of having them do that. They also don't want the only solution to the problem to be giving up their staff. Sharing half-time positions between departments could be one solution to saving full-time positions. Director Frances added that their least favorite option was to reduce all positions by 1 hour per day; there would be an adverse impact on morale, which is already low, plus it would affect their PERS. They would also like to see a gradual process, rather than taking it all from the fund balance.

Chairman Gary Perea asked about the Industrial Park; Director Frances indicated that's a special revenue fund. The Industrial Park Review Board is carrying forward projects into next year, she noted.

Director Frances advised that the Judges have asked for the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to be run through Elko; they are asking to add our budget into theirs. We would handle funds on behalf of the Elko District Court, and there would be no impact to the General Fund. The monies generated from this would go into the Drug Court, and it would be operated much like a grant.

Chairman Perea also asked about step increases, especially pertaining to seasonal workers. Director Frances noted that it's difficult to assess who of the seasonal employees would be coming back. Due to that unknown factor, she is taking the average of hours worked, etc.

Director Frances also advised that for the Jail Expansion/Courthouse, funds have been set aside for that project. At the next Commission meeting there will be information pertaining to these and other issues noted, and those will result in a revised, tentative budget. Additionally, the Nv. Dept. of Taxation has contacted her with some changes they want us to make pertaining to the budget and the process.

Chairman Perea advised that he didn't think we would get down to the \$425,000 figure, and he would like to see us go with the budget as it is, with the approved cuts already done. He cited the numerous cuts that have been made and commented that we are trying to work through the strategic planning committee's recommendations, but he felt it would be impossible to achieve all those in one year. He felt that by continuing to work on this, using due diligence and with the information we would need, we could make informed decisions. That's his recommendation: To move forward with the cuts we've already done.

Commissioner Richard Howe stated that in his opinion, we aren't making the effort to get down, and we're saying that status quo is okay. We're at \$657,000 now and still trying to get to \$425,000; we've made cuts, but it isn't enough. He felt his plan was viable; his Plan A was to make reductions per the strategic plan, and his Plan B would be to cut 2-1/2 more employees. Even so, he felt the Plan B wouldn't solve the problem, it was only a "bandaid." His goal was that over a 3-year period, we would have a balanced budget. When asked about specific positions he had in mind, Commissioner Howe stated that he would reduce EDC from 80 hours to 30 hours a week, remove 1/2 position from Juvenile Probation, and 1 full-time position from Justice Court. His alternate plan would be to keep the EDC office intact but then cut 1/2 position from Juvenile Probation, keep the full-time position in Justice Court, and remove 1 full-time position from the Clerk's Office and a 1/2 position from the Assessor's Office. He also suggested combining positions, which he briefly outlined for the Board. He noted that this is the way we should be going, and that by his proposals we could get to the \$425,000 goal.

Commissioner Mike Coster stated that the only way to make big budget changes would be to reorganize. While he doesn't have a list, his changes would be more of an administrative nature. He asked if there is a dividing line between Commission duties and EDC duties, and have we assigned to the Clerk the most Commission-related duties? A ½ time position from EDC could be assigned to the Clerk to assist with that workload. Also, he felt that rather than economic development, that office is doing related administrative functions for the Commission and the County. All the funds in EDC wouldn't be properly reassigned to the Commission budget, as he sees it. He added that we need to focus on community issues, nuisances, etc.; we will have to find funds to tear down buildings, for example, and we would need some cash flow to do that. He voiced appreciation for those Department Heads and elected officials, especially WPC Treasurer Catherine Bakaric, who have invested lots of time and bringing their professional expertise to bear on the budget this year. Commissioner Carol McKenzie clarified that EDC does, besides all the economic development work, the secretarial work for many advisory boards; she felt very little of what they do is County Commission work.

There followed various items of concern during the Board's discussion: Commissioner Laurie Carson asked how much revenue from the Fire District last year and this year was not generated from the BLM; is it costing the Fire District anything to send those people on fire duty? WPC Fire District Chief Brett Waters advised the net for the Fire District last year, after expenses, was \$60,000; there should also be increases for this year, depending upon the fire season. Commissioner Carson also asked Director Frances how much our revenues have been reduced due to the State's mandated assessments and the tax abatements. She did note that the Legislature is working towards no further mandates coming down. Commissioner Mike Coster noted the biggest "unfunded mandate" for the County is the 2.5% increases in salaries. He added that the employees have indicated they would rather reduce the number of overall employees than negotiate flat pay or reduction of hours, per the wishes of the Department Heads. Commissioner McKenzie noted that the Finance Office is short one ½-time person right now, and she felt we shouldn't hire that person; the Board needs to look at that. Chairman Gary Perea commented that we're trying to tackle all these things at the same time, and we aren't getting anywhere. He stated the Board must make a decision today so our Finance Director can get going on the budget. He reiterated what we've done so far to day, that needs approval from the Board. Commissioner Richard Howe was invited to put items on the agenda pertaining to the budget, but to make sure there's another Commissioner who would agree with going forward with those items. Finance Director Elizabeth Frances clarified that for the Public Hearing on the tentative budget, there is an action item to approve it; however, final approval isn't required until June 25th. She emphasized that changes may be made up to that time. Commissioner McKenzie would like to take each item on the list of proposed changes, get all the information for each one, and then open for discussion. Chairman Perea emphasized he's not opposed to restructuring, but we should have the time to devote to it outside of the rushed budget process. Commissioner Carson felt furloughs would be better than cutting hours.

Following that discussion, Chairman Perea entertained a motion to move forward with the budget as discussed and direct our Finance Director to put those figures together for the special budget meeting. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to give direction to the Finance Director regarding the FY2017 budget, including obtaining figures as discussed. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Laurie Carson then made a motion to approve the budget as was put together during these budget workshops, and bring them in final form for submittal to the Nv. Dept. of Taxation. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried. At this point, Director Frances clarified that the budget hearing next Monday must be on the tentative budget as filed; she can bring back the changes as outlined, but the Public Hearing must be on the budget as filed with the

changes that had been requested by the Nv. Dept. of Taxation. The first motion and second that were made, were rescinded.

At 2:05 p.m., Chairman Gary Perea reopened and continued the Fire Commission meeting. At 2:07 p.m., Fire Commission Chairman Gary Perea adjourned the Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

FINANCE:

DISCUSSION/UPDATE/REPORT/APPROVAL OF QUARTERLY GRANT REPORTS BY GRANT MANAGERS

WPC Fire District Chief Brett Waters advised that under the HMEP training grant, \$5,000 has been expended. The regular SERC grant has been spent down. Under Public Safety, there is an EMPG grant balance of \$9,302.35. The other grants are from DOE: The EPWG grant was provided extensions since we haven't utilized them within the timeframe. He cited the remaining grant balances: For FY2013, \$2,694.21; for FY2013, \$25,179.90; for FY2014, \$90,090; for FY2015, \$71,433.11. He explained these are for taking care of some of the older grants. Sr. Management Assistant Elaine Blackham reported to the Finance Director that past due amounts will be made to White Pine County from the State. Following brief discussion, Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to approve these as requested. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to approve the quarterly grant reports for Emergency Management. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO DISCUSS ISSUES AND STATUS OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITY AND TO FORMALLY APPOINT MEMBERS, IF NECESSARY, AND TO NOTIFY AND DIRECT PREVIOUSLY APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE 911 ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE TO HAVE INITIAL COMMITTEE MEETING IN JUNE 2016, TO PROCEED WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE APPROPRIATE ACCOUNT, BEGIN COLLECTION OF FEES FROM TELECOMMUNICATION PROVIDERS, AND TO OUTLINE THE PLAN FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE 911 SYSTEM AND TO RETURN AND REPORT THE PROGRESS TO THE COMMISSION IN JULY 2016

Commissioner Mike Coster asked how much money would be generated by this; District Attorney Mike Wheable advised that figure is unknown until the Committee is formed to see how many phone lines there are. D.A. Wheable continued that the committee is comprised of Director Frances, Sheriff's Dept. Capt. Scott Henriod; and Chief Waters. The recommendation from AT&T regarding their person on the committee, is retiree Ray Bradley; the recommendation from Mt. Wheeler Power is Mr. Bill Ricci. Following brief discussion, Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to direct Finance Director Elizabeth Frances to set the time for the meeting of the committee and get letters out to those prospective members. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to direct the 911 Enhancement Committee to hold their initial meeting in June. Commissioner Mike Coster seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON EDC, COUNTY COMMISSION AND FINANCE OFFICE MOVES

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances advised that the Commission Meeting Room will still be there for use by the Commission, in the old EDC office in the Administrative Building. She admitted that while it's not really convenient, it still accommodates everyone's needs. She clarified for the record that the Commission had approved a new position which created a space shortage; space was needed for the individual, and this was brought to the Board. She asked if anyone else had a viable solution; she can't be separated from her staff, as they work together daily. In order to try and keep Departments together, she proposed this solution. Commissioner Laurie Carson advised she'd never heard anything from Director Frances about this; for her part, Director Frances advised she had asked for viable solutions to

the problem and had not heard back from anyone. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted that Facility Maintenance Superintendent Bill Calderwood had measured the rooms, and that he believed there was enough space to carry this out. Director Frances continued that she and her office are currently working on changing their addresses, vendor notifications, and boxing up their offices, as is the EDC Office. She listed such items as postage machines, key changes, and other things associated with this move, which are having to be done and involve lots of coordination with the Maintenance Dept. She provided a timeline for the move to the Board, and advised May 23rd is the date set for the main move.

At 2:38 p.m., Chairman Gary Perea recessed the Commission meeting for a break. The meeting was reconvened at 2:48 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA: TO RATIFY CORRESPONDENCE, APPROVE PAYROLL FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS, APPROVE HR TRANSMITTAL FOR PAYROLL CHANGES, AND APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS WITHIN/BETWEEN FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS WITHIN A FUND THAT DO NOT INCREASE THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF THE FUND

Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Mike Coster seconded. Motion carried.

ADVISORY BOARDS

There was nothing to report.

UNTIMED ITEM

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF PERMIT FOR DISINTERMENT OF THE HUMAN REMAINS OF GEORGE WILSON, AS THE PUBLIC HEALTH WILL NOT BE ENDANGERED BY SUCH DISINTERMENT, AND REMOVAL

District Attorney Mike Wheable advised that per NRS, the Commission has to make a specific finding that this will not be a danger to public health. The cause of death in his early '40s was determined to be a massive heart attack, and there is no risk based on that, he noted. A letter simply stating the Commission finds no risk to the public for this disinterment would be in order. WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised the City of Ely has provided an original permit for this, with a signature line for the Commission to sign. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to approve the permit for disinterment of the human remains of George Wilson as presented, with a finding of the public health not being endangered by this disinterment and removal. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

COMMISSION:

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO APPOINT ELAINE BLACKHAM, SR. MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT OF THE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, TO ACTING SUPERVISOR OF THE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY WITH NO INCREASE IN PAY

This item was tabled.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF REASSIGNMENT OF ALL REMAINING COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS FROM EDC OFFICE TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK TO INCLUDE BUDGET, PURCHASING, AND ALL CORRESPONDENCE/eMAIL RESPONSIBILITY (PRODUCTION, RETENTION, AND CALENDARING)

Commissioner Mike Coster put this on the agenda to direct the Commission support duties that haven't yet been moved to the Clerk's Office. He felt the balance of the administrative support work could stay

in the EDC Office (the advisory board duties, etc.), and also some hours could be reassigned with the EDC staff. He noted this goes along with Commissioner Richard Howe's proposal for cuts, combining and reducing staff. He added that moving all these responsibilities to the Clerk would also save the Clerk's position. Chairman Gary Perea advised that he's not opposed to this idea, but his issue is with the timing. He noted that with the upcoming elections, work on the ballot questions, etc., plus the normal amount of work, he felt this should be considered in the future, not right at this time. Commissioner Laurie Carson advised she agrees with this, in theory. Commissioner Coster felt the Board could defer this for a few weeks until after the physical moves are completed, perhaps in early June. He asked Sr. Management Assistant Elaine Blackham about the effects of the possible loss of Administrative Assistant Dahn Puckett's office into the Clerk's Office; Assistant Blackham replied, "Whatever the Commission wants to do." Commissioner Carol McKenzie asked for the County Clerk's opinion; WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin supports the hard decisions with respect to reducing staff and if there are more duties to be done she feels we can do it. If there's no change, she noted that's equally fine, she can keep doing the work as presented. She did note this is a tough month for her to take on more responsibilities, however, but she will do whatever she needs to do. Commissioner McKenzie felt Clerk Baldwin could advise the Board when she's ready to accept the additional responsibilities. Commissioner Coster noted this wouldn't affect the budget anyway, but if the timing for this is bad right now he won't motion for approval. Chairman Gary Perea noted Commissioners Coster and Howe can get things together on this, and entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner McKenzie pointed out that things will slow down eventually, but the Clerk does need to be taken into consideration in this. Chairman Perea suggested placing this on a future agenda; Commissioner Coster wanted to "just vote on this thing and be done with it, if it's a bad time then let's wait." Following brief discussion, Commissioner Richard Howe made a motion to approve reassignment of all remaining Commission administrative functions from the EDC Office to the Office of the County Clerk to include budget, purchasing, and all correspondence/email responsibility (production, retention and calendaring). Commissioner Mike Coster seconded. At this point, Chairman Gary Perea asked D.A. Wheable if he could make a motion; D.A. Wheable advised this could be done. Chairman Perea made a motion to table this until after the November election. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. It was noted there was a prior motion on the floor; Chairman Perea withdrew his motion. Then Commissioner Richard Howe withdrew the first motion, which was to approve the reassignment of duties, and Commissioner Mike Coster withdrew his second. Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to table this agenda item until the first meeting in July. Then Chairman Perea made a motion to bring this back after the election in November. There was an interchange between D.A. Wheable and Commissioner Coster as to whether this could be tabled or not. It was noted there was another motion on the floor, and Commissioner Coster said it could wait until it's put on the agenda. No motions were passed.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE SENDING A LETTER, WHICH INCLUDES SUPPORT FOR THE NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' COMMENT LETTER AND PROPOSED LANGUAGE CHANGES, TO THE BLM REGARDING PROPOSED CHANGES TO THEIR PLANNING REGULATIONS REFERRED TO AS PLANNING 2.0

Commissioner Laurie Carson cited the draft letter in the Commission packet, noting the words in red were suggested language. She advised that Road Maintenance Superintendent Bill Miller was included in this as he is a petitioner, and is also an expert regarding the sage grouse. She added that having all 5 signature lines for the Commission was a good idea. Additionally, this letter was adopted with changes noted by PLUAC, with the exception of PLUAC member Kurt Leet, because he felt it was more involved with emotions and socio-economics for him to approve it. It was approved by everyone else on PLUAC, though, including the changes. Commissioner Carson advised that NACO is preparing a letter for this,

and they are going line-by-line in their comments; we would be adopting those comments, as she explained. She added that National NACo is also working with them on this. Superintendent Miller advised many hours have been spent on this, the majority of which was on his own time. Chairman Gary Perea asked if there are any questions on this from the Board; there were none. Commissioner Carson will provide updates as she receives them. Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to approve sending the letter as presented, with the narrative wording changes in support of the NACO comment letter and proposed language changes to the BLM re: proposed changes to their planning regulations referred to as Planning 2.0. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2016-06, MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION 2013-04, INDUSTRIAL PARK REVIEW BOARD

Commissioner Richard Howe advised the Industrial Park Review Board met on April 20th and approved going to quarterly meetings instead of monthly. They also filled a vacancy for the representative from the Planning Commission, Mr. Travis Lund. They are requesting the Commission to allow them to do meetings quarterly, and hold special meetings as needed. They would also like to solicit a local tenant of the Industrial Park to sit on the review board, as he explained. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-06, modification of Resolution 2013-04, Industrial Park Review Board. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

Special March 30

Special April 6

Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to approve the Special Meeting minutes of March 30 with corrections noted, and the Special Meeting minutes of April 6 as presented. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

At this time, Commissioner Laurie Carson noted a correction needed to be made to the heading for the April 6 set of minutes. Commissioner Mike Coster made a motion to reopen the Approval of County Commission Minutes. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Chairman Gary Perea reopened the agenda item as requested. Commissioner Laurie Carson advised the heading for the Special April 6th set of minutes should be modified to include the Fire Commission. Commissioner Mike Coster seconded. Motion carried.

At 3:22 p.m., Chairman Gary Perea reopened the Fire Commission meeting agenda item pertaining to the approval of minutes. At 3:23 p.m., Fire Commission Chairman Gary Perea adjourned the Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Gary Perea entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:24 p.m. Commissioner Laurie Carson made the motion; Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

Gary Perea, Chairman
Carol O. McKenzie, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Laurie L. Carson
Commissioner Richard Howe
Commissioner Mike Coster
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RESOLUTION 2016-06

MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION 2013-04
INDUSTRIAL PARK REVIEW BOARD

WHEREAS, the White Pine County Commission strives to achieve the goals of strengthening and stabilizing the area's economy to generate jobs and revenue and improve the quality of life for White Pine County citizens, and

WHEREAS, the White Pine County Commission seeks the assistance of area citizens with interest and expertise in the area of industrial and commercial development, property development, and property maintenance to provide oversight, planning, and recommendations for operation of the White Pine County Industrial Park,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the White Pine County Commission creates the White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board to fulfill the needs of the Commission and the County's citizens for assistance in planning, development, and operation of the White Pine County Industrial Park, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) The purpose of the White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board is to assist the Board of County Commissioners regarding the development of the White Pine County Industrial Park and the Application and Enforcement of Protective Covenants Applicable thereto.
- 2) The Duties and Responsibilities of the White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board are: a) to serve as an advisory board to assist the Board of County Commissioners regarding the development of the White Pine County Industrial Park and the application and enforcement of the protective covenants applicable thereto, b) to review any construction proposed for the Industrial Park for compliance with the covenants, restrictions, and conditions of the protective covenants applicable to the Industrial Park, and c) to recommend adoption of rules and regulations outlining the criteria and development guidelines for all proposed uses and construction in the Industrial Park.
- 3) The Membership of the White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board shall consist of five (5) members and shall include one member of the Board of County Commissioners, one member of the White Pine County Planning Commission, and one member who is a tenant of the White Pine County Industrial Park.

- 4) The Term of Members appointed to the White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board shall be two (2) years and shall expire on December 31st of their respective years.
- 5) The Meetings of the White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board shall be held on a quarterly basis during the third business week of each month beginning in June, 2016. Special meetings will be held on an as needed basis. The Board members will select the specific day and time at the prior meeting before the next meeting.
- 6) The White Pine County Industrial Park Review Board shall operate according to the Provisions of the White Pine County Advisory Board Standards of Operation.

Passed and Adopted this 11 day of May, 2016 by a Vote of:

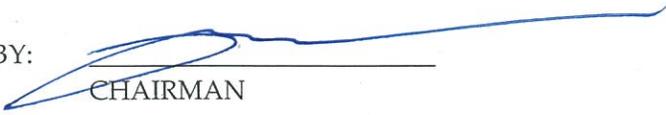
5 AYES ___ NOS ___ ABSENT


Gary Perea, Chairman

ATTEST:

Clerk of Said Board.
5/11/16
Date

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF WHITE PINE
STATE OF NEVADA

BY: 
CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


WPC CLERK OF THE BOARD