

IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HELD ON  
JANUARY 8, 2020 IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY, NEVADA

The Following Were Present:

Regional Planning Commission

Andy Bath  
Jason Bath  
Leah Brown  
John Charchalis  
Carol McKenzie  
Brad Simpson

City Officials

Caroline Townsend, City Attorney  
Mayor Nathan Robertson

Jennifer Drew, Secretary

County Officials

Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk  
Bryan Pyle, Deputy District Attorney  
Commissioner Laurie L. Carson

Also Present

George Chachas  
Bill Panagopoulos  
Kent Lynskey

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Clerk Nichole Baldwin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

George Chachas has a concern about a sound system in the Library Conference Room for people with hearing difficulties. He is concerned that this board might stack this meeting on the same day as other County or City meetings. He mentions the sidewalk near the 4 Sevens Motel does not meet ADA requirements. He notes the volunteer fireman held an event and some parking were not available and street lights were not working. Water collection drain needs to be concrete and not asphalt. The Centennial Fine Arts building is undergoing repair and he's asking if they have a permit. He claims selective enforcement is taking place. Curb and gutter and street width is an issue on Avenue D and across from the Prospector near VanCamp's property. Policy states curb and gutter goes in first and it wasn't done. Time was called at 3 minutes.

Mayor Nathan Robertson, resident of Ely, is happy the members are here and introduces himself and makes himself available at any time. He's looking forward to working with the RPC.

Laurie Carson, Commissioner, introduces herself and congratulates the members and thanks them for stepping up. She notes what a valuable tool this board will be to both the City and County and advises them that she is the County Liaison to the RPC.

**A. Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval to select a Chairman for 2020**

John Charchalis throws his hat into the ring and moves to nominate himself as chairman. Brad Simpson seconds the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**B. Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval to select and Vice Chairman for 2020**

Jason Bath motions and nominates himself for vice chairman. Andy Bath seconds the motion. Chairman Charchalis calls for the vote and it passes unanimously.

**C. Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2020-01 to set the meeting schedule for the Regional Planning Commission**

Chairman Charchalis asks for suggestions. Carol McKenzie mentions Lori Romero asked to please not have them on the same as Commission and City Council meetings. There was discussion about when is the best time of the week and best time of the month. Evenings and late afternoons work better for Vice Chairman Bath, Leah Brown and Andy Bath. Chairman Charchalis recognizes George Chachas who suggests Tuesdays. Mayor Robertson advises the Board that the items that come before the RPC will not come before the City and County meetings as they are autonomous. Bryan Pyle notes the RPC cannot do their own ordinances and City and County are like an appeal board. Commissioner Carson would not like meetings on Tuesdays; she suggests Wednesdays or Mondays. Member Simpson prefers Wednesdays. Bill Panagopoulos advises the Board about Ag 13 meetings held here Wednesdays sometimes. Clerk Baldwin suggested the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. Andy Bath moved to approve Resolution 2020-01 for the Regional Planning Commission Meetings to take place the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm in the Library Conference Room. Vice Chairman Bath seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

George Chachas advises that there are offensive signs near the new hotel on VanCamp's Towing fence. He feels we aren't showing class and are deterring those who desire to invest here. The Building Inspector may be double dipping from the City and County and asks the Board to look into it. In central Ely, Keith Carson is installing modular homes in a trailer park while George was prohibited from doing something similar in the past. He wants selective enforcement to stop and he won't sit back while sweetheart deals are occurring. On January 17, 2019 he informed the Chairman of the Commission that Carol McKenzie didn't meet code for a sidewalk that was poured in

front of her house in Lund. No ADA access exists on corners of Avenue C, 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Avenue M. There are handicapped people here and we need to be friendly to them. He complains about more ADA issues in other locations and notes his son has disabilities requiring special access. Time was called at 3 minutes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Simpson made a motion to adjourn, Member McKenzie seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
WHITE PINE COUNTY  
STATE OF NEVADA

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
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CLERK OF THE BOARD