

IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON FEBRUARY 28, 2018 IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY, NEVADA

The Following Were Present:

County Commission

Richard Howe, Chairman
Shane Bybee, Vice-Chairman
Carol McKenzie, Commissioner
Gary Perea, Commissioner
Steve Stork, Commissioner
Nichole Baldwin, Clerk of the Board
Susan Lujan, Deputy Clerk

County Officials

Jennifer Farnworth, IT Specialist
Scott Henriod, WPC Sheriff
Bill Calderwood, Public Works Director
Mike Wheable, District Attorney
Elanie Calderwood, Financial Analyst
Megan Brown, Aquatic Center Director
Kathy Ricci, Human Resources Director
Bryan Pyle, Deputy District Attorney
Catherine Bakaric, WPC Treasurer
Lance Gale, Airport Manager
Brad Christiansen, Building Official

Also Present

Donna Bath
Caroline McIntosh
Anthony Gilbert, WPCFD
George Chachas, KGTV-10
Gretchen Baker, Snake Valley Trails Partnership
Jeff _____, Attorney (Present by Telephone)
Mark Crouter, KGHM
William Ward, WPCFD
Brandon Whipple, CORE Construction
Travis Godon
Lloyd Phillips, Airport Advisory Board

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Chairman Richard Howe called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Commissioner Carol McKenzie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Caroline McIntosh invited the Board and interested public to a Broadband Internet update meeting tomorrow at the School District meeting room, 1135 Avenue C, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. She noted this will be sponsored by the Governor's Office on Science, Innovation & Technology (GOSIT), and provided a handout to the Board and the public. She also advised that the Governor's Office on Economic Development (GOED) is sponsoring a community meeting today at 10:30 a.m. at the East Ely Depot, to present the National Main Street America program. Ms. McIntosh informed the Board that this program focuses on the same goals that we have been addressing in our Downtown Beautification and NTRY Beautification teams. Additionally, this program is aimed at supporting and revitalizing downtown main streets in rural areas throughout America.

Ms. Donna Bath addressed the Board as a private citizen with a concern on today's agenda, namely the proposed Ordinance change regarding the golf carts. The Golf Course is a great resource, and she fully supports it; however, the Ordinance passed January 2017 states that ½ of 1% of the room tax would be going to the Golf Course. During the July 11, 2017 Ms. Bath had also expressed concern that all of those monies would be going to the Golf Course. Marketing Director Ed Spear had announced that applications for funding from the Tourism & Recreation Board would go out July 1<sup>st</sup>, and there would be funds available to those applying. The problem was that during her research, she hadn't found anyone other than the Rodeo Club who had either obtained the application or had the opportunity to apply for funds. That being the case, the funds again went towards the Golf Course. Ms. Bath advised that recreation for our youth is decreasing and nearly non-existent; "we need to take care of this generation." She had brought a 3-day pack of food from the CACH program, and reported that 595 of those were given out last month alone in our County. The kids get this food for 3-days; "our kids aren't eating." Between the lack of recreation and food that many of our own County's kids don't have, she concluded that we need to start putting our money into outdoor recreational activities for the kids. She appreciated the time to present her concerns to the Board.

Mr. George Chachas first stated that he wants Commissioner McKenzie to remove the concrete barrier on her property down in Lund. He then addressed the same Ordinance issue as Ms. Bath had just spoken to, and advised that the Golf Course needs to start standing on its own two feet. One example of the Golf Course leaning on the other entities is that they haven't paid their water charges to the City for 2 years. He continued that it needs to expend its own way, which it said it would do, and it was expected to do so when they went to 18 holes. He was also unhappy with the Building Inspector and charged selective enforcement; he stated that he needs to go. As to the agenda item regarding the School District using the swimming pool at no cost, he advised it isn't because they can't afford it, as they have just built their new building. Mr. Chachas wants to see a rendering for a new Courthouse to be done for the downtown area instead of over on the Pioche Highway; also, that the public wants 4 lanes downtown, not 2. While it's the State highway, it's our community it's going through, he added. Another area of concern is that the City of Ely will be bankrupt in short order, and he is requesting the County provide them a short-term loan since the County "is flush now" and we need to extend them the same courtesy as was done before. He reiterated that the City needs help from the County. Last, Mr. Chachas noted that the railroad rental fees haven't been collected for the last 15 years, and that Commissioner Shane Bybee needs to resign from the Tourism & Recreation Board or "show him the money."

At 9:05 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe recessed the regular Commission meeting and opened the Road Commission meeting. At 9:15 a.m. Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Road Commission meeting and opened the Special Fire Commission meeting. At 10:00 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Special Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

#### ORDINANCES, FIRST READINGS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, BID OPENINGS, DECISIONS

##### DISCUSSION/FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 487, BILL 02.28.2018A, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17, SECTION 65 TO REGULATE ZONING OF MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

Deputy District Attorney Bryan Pyle advised this is consistent with the direction from the Commission at their last meeting; all the marijuana establishments are to be placed into the Industrial Park. District Attorney Mike Wheable asked about Blackjack Junction? He noted this is a first reading and modification of different suitable areas may be included, if the Board wants to figure out how to amend this for zoning within the Industrial Park or over at Blackjack Junction, that may be done. There followed further discussion which also included such places as at the Y in Baker (which gets traffic from Garrison), Lages Junction, etc. Also commercially zoned property outside of the 5-mile radius of the City of Ely; keeping it out of the townsites, etc. D.A. Wheable advised this Board needs to select specific sites. Deputy D.A. Pyle added that the Ordinance states to be zoned industrial pursuant to a special use permit, which this Board will also have to issue. He suggested some language such as that the establishment could be done at any other sites conditional upon obtaining a special use permit. Also, depending upon what the City does with this, we could be limited. Commissioner Perea added there are other issues that need to weigh in on these locations; the water issue, emergency services, etc. He was fine with leaving this broad rather than specific. D.A. Wheable noted that as is currently in effect, the establishments must be zoned commercial and obtain a special use permit. Also, some special zoning in effect also requires special use permits regardless. It was reiterated that it depends upon what the City does first with this. Deputy D.A. Pyle felt that we could do this just for the Industrial Park location for now, but if we get a great proposal from someone out at Blackjack Junction, we could pass another Ordinance to address that and amend the Ordinance specifically. D.A. Wheable will review the Ordinance in light of these discussions today; he read the Summary into the record and cited NRS 453.030 as included in there. He added that because of the special use permit, this Board still has some control. Mr. George Chachas commented that as a citizen, he would like to see this accepted as presented by the D.A. and noted when we start putting these facilities far away from law enforcement problems arise. He added that he felt this was well brought out by the District Attorney.

Building Inspector Brad Christiansen noted there is some Industrial Park zoning on the other side of the railroad tracks; we need to clarify that. D.A. noted the marijuana establishment could be located there, in that event. Deputy D.A. Pyle was commended for doing a good job on this.

DISCUSSION/FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 488, BILL 02.28.2018B, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10 TO REGULATE MARIJUANA IN WHITE PINE COUNTY

Deputy District Attorney Bryan Pyle advised this regulation was put together from many sources, which he explained, and advised that while we defer to the State regulations, we can also pull from sections from the State laws which clarify regulations for White Pine County. One of those sections is for monitoring transactions, which will be in real time; the law enforcement, our Sheriff's Dept., is one example of how that would work. Also, no one under the age of 18 would be admitted to the site, and the fact that this is still Federally illegal could also be prominently displayed on the signage. Focusing locally on the application for the establishment's business license, he continued, there could be a waiver included that the County will have the authority to inspect these business and ensure our agencies (Public Health or the Sheriff) could conduct those inspections. He also suggested language be included whereby the County would be entitled to impose a fine for anyone in possession beyond what is allowed by the voter initiative, such as \$1,000 per unit in fines that may be assessed. For example, that would include anything over 12 plants in the home grow as well, and that would be a code penalty, or a civil fine as he explained. During the discussion it was noted disposal of waste from that facility would need to be addressed as well. Also, Deputy D.A. Pyle noted a remote monitor cable would need to be in place so that the Sheriff's Dept. could monitor the establishment without having to actually go inside the facility; this would mean a slight language change to omit the phrase "access to" with respect to the monitoring. In reply to a query from the Board regarding if we would be able to meet the moratorium deadline, Deputy D.A. Pyle advised in the affirmative.

Chairman Richard Howe recessed the Commission meeting for a break at 10:22 a.m. The meeting was reconvened at 10:32 a.m.

ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

COUNTY COMMISSION

SHANE BYBEE, COMMISSION VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO SEND A LETTER TO OUR CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION REGARDING SNPLMA FUNDING

Vice-Chairman Shane Bybee cited the recent Federal budget being proposed will mean pulling \$230 million out of SNPLMA, which would be disastrous for White Pine County! We are only one of the two rural counties that are allowed to receive that funding. We need to let them know we're dead against this because of the impact; also, when we did the Public Lands bills, we traded off 700,000 acres for the Wilderness Areas, since we were promised funding from SNPLMA for that. WPC Treasurer Catherine Bakaric added that we've spent over \$7 million in SNPLMA funding in this County; and also in the City, she noted. She suggested we approach the City and ask them as well since we've done City Parks, the Railroad, Boy Scout Camp, the Fairgrounds, etc., all with SNPLMA monies. Commissioner Shane Bybee will carry that request to the City. WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin will meet with Treasurer Bakaric and Commissioner Bybee to draft the letter to the delegation. Commissioner Steve Stork suggested Ms. Donna Bath would also be good to include, as she's familiar with many of these issues. Commissioner Gary Perea suggested the appropriate Committee Chairmen be included in Washington, D.C. should also receive copies. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to draft a letter to our Congressional delegation regarding SNPLMA funding, with appropriate Committee Chairmen in Washington, D. C. also to be recipients of the letter, of White Pine County opposing the attack on SNPLMA monies. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION TO AMEND PRIOR ORDINANCES TO REDIRECT ROOM TAX FUNDING TO THE GOLF COURSE TO PURCHASE GOLF CARTS

Vice-Chairman Shane Bybee noted there appeared to be some mixup on the monies being referred to in this agenda item. He isn't looking to use the monies for the Tourism & Recreation Board, but years ago when he was their chairman and Mr. Jack Norcross was a County Commissioner, the Tourism & Recreation Board put it forward to institute a 1% sales tax to build a pool. Once the pool was opened, he continued, the funds were changed to take care of the pool maintenance; then the City of Ely changed it again so it would take care of not

just the pool, but maintenance of all the recreational facilities. Commissioner Bybee continued that this 1% would just be placed in the maintenance fund for the Aquatic Center, which already has about \$40,000 in that account. Financial Analyst Elanie Calderwood clarified that a very minimal amount would be coming in, and this 1% would only be in the County, not the City. Commissioner Bybee added that the Aquatic Center is also more stable than our Golf Course; we do need more carts to offer players, and there are broken-down carts over there. If we continue to operate the Golf Course as a draw for people coming into town, we need to replenish the carts, perhaps by lease or purchase by short-term financing, and utilize this money coming in to offset that payment. Aquatic Center Director Megan Brown requested the Board table this agenda item, and noted she is working with Finance on this. Analyst Calderwood confirmed there is \$40,000 in the fund balance, and that this particular fund isn't in the operating budget at all, it was only used to accumulate funds for the construction of the Aquatic Center. Commissioner Steve Stork had also made an incorrect assumption of this; this wouldn't impact our pool, and we could still make use of our funds and utilize it to serve our community. Chairman Howe commented the golf carts are also revenue for our County; he cited the Public Comment earlier, noting that there's a difference between this and the Aid To Organizations by the Tourism & Recreation Board. Commissioner Perea noted he's in favor of this, but would like to amend it to read "recreational facilities" and make it more broad so the monies could be utilized somewhere else as needed. Commissioner Bybee wants a 10-year earmark for the golf carts, and then revisit the funding at that time. District Attorney Mike Wheable will pull this Ordinance and meet with Finance Director Elizabeth Frances, Commissioner Shane Bybee, and also Director Brown to discuss this and bring it back for a first reading in March. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to give direction to the D.A. to amend the prior Ordinance and meet with the proper parties to set the proper language to redirect room tax funding to the Golf Course. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

#### GARY PEREA, COMMISSIONER

##### DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING REGULATING THE USE OF OHVS ON COUNTY ROADS

Commissioner Gary Perea advised this agenda item came out of the prior discussions of this Board to take another look at the Silver State OHV Trail, in order to get in line with allowing OHVs on County roads and how we will be doing that. The District Attorney was to come up with some language, and he urged that we need to get this going as the BLM will be approving that trail shortly, and we also need to be set with that timeline. District Attorney Mike Wheable advised that pertaining to regulating the use or designation of OHVs, the regulations are pretty lengthy and complicated. He noted we can look at Elko, Lincoln and Clark counties to see what they're doing with this, and then tailor it for White Pine County. Commissioner Steve Stork noted this had been brought up a couple of years ago, and he hoped we don't "end up hog-tying this again like it was back then."

#### CAROL MCKENZIE, COMMISSIONER

##### DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION REGARDING PARKING AT OR NEAR THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Commissioner Carol McKenzie noted this had been discussed at our last meeting, and at that time Public Works Director Bill Calderwood had mentioned it would be fairly simple to do the area where the Annex used to be, to make it into another parking area. Director Calderwood advised that during that discussion, he had forgotten about the Duck Pond Renovation; that area was to be used as a temporary holding location for the birds, and he noted there is some monies available to do that during the Duck Pond reconstruction. Providing a temporary shelter for them during that time is a problem; we would need to put up some temporary fencing, and for the water portion we would need a leach-pad type thing so that the public can still enjoy the ducks and geese. He continued that he's got prices from some local contractors for those. The base material would be the only cost, he felt, and those monies are available in the Maintenance/Park budget. He noted that for now, a gravel parking area could be done for temporary parking. Commissioner McKenzie noted that she can wait for the parking, the ducks should come first! WPC Treasurer Catherine Bakaric noted that in parking out in the back lot she had some problems parking there as she had slid off the slope. As there are so many well-attended meetings, besides jury trials, and other uses here at the Complex, she felt some flat parking should be considered. Also, the Duck Pond project is a 2019 project; that would take awhile, she noted, and the parking issues should

be addressed now. Director Calderwood felt that constructing a temporary duck pond plus making some level parking areas should fit with no problem in that area; he could bring in some base and pea gravel as well, at minimal cost. There followed some brief discussion as to how best the parking area could be accommodated.

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

##### NICHOLE BALDWIN, COUNTY CLERK

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL EVALUATION SUBMITTED BY WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARDS AND TOWN COUNCILS

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised that every year she asks the Town Councils and advisory boards to summarize their previous year's activities, attendance, accomplishments, and needs; they submit to her an evaluation, which the Commission reviews and approves. The information they submit is used to help make decisions that will help these boards accomplish what they need to do, and also to consider their needs during the budget sessions. She cited the backup materials addressing these. Commissioner Carol McKenzie noted that the report for Lund Town Council will be on their next meeting agenda. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve the annual evaluation submitted by White Pine County advisory boards and Town Councils, and to ask the Clerk to send letters of appreciation for their service. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried. Both Commissioners Perea and Bybee agreed these evaluations are very informational.

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR STAFF FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE TO TRAVEL TO LINCOLN COUNTY ON MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH THE 30<sup>TH</sup> FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTION MACHINE TRAINING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised that her staff has an opportunity to go to Lincoln County to learn the new election machines that we recently purchased, but have yet to receive. VOTEC, along with our ePollbooks, will be present for that as well; it's a very important training session. She would like to bring 3-4 of our staff on those days, and to accomplish that it will be staggered so everyone will have a first-hand chance to learn the equipment. This money being requested would also include use of a County car for that mileage and lunches for those days; she is requesting funding from Contingency. Financial Analyst Elanie Calderwood advised that both she and Finance Director Elizabeth Frances feel this could be done by a budget revision within the Election budget instead of using the Contingency fund, as that process would require a resolution, etc. Commissioner Gary Perea felt that for the money we spent, why can't they bring the training here? Clerk Baldwin advised they are going to Douglas, Nye and Washoe counties; we were lucky to get one in Lincoln County, so close. The reason for that is there is only 1 Clerk plus 1 Staff member in Lincoln, and it's very difficult for even one of them to leave for the training, she explained. We will also be receiving additional training on these, this is just the initial training session, it was noted. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve staff from the Clerk's office to travel to Lincoln County March 28-30 for election training in an amount not to exceed \$300. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

##### MIKE WHEABLE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-12, A RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY FIRE COMMISSION DECLARING THAT PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BY THE WHITE PINE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE DISTRICT

Commissioner Steve Stork provided his disclosure statement. Deputy District Attorney Bryan Pyle noted this is the Fire District's resolution, which the Fire District already approved earlier, and he didn't feel this would be necessary. He added during the brief discussion that the County is putting their interest forward by Ordinance. District Attorney Mike Wheable clarified that this could be tabled. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to table. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to table this agenda item. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHITE PINE COUNTY AND THE WHITE PINE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT FOR PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Commissioner Steve Stork provided his disclosure statement. Deputy District Attorney Bryan Pyle noted that this would be an expense of over \$25,000, therefore each entity needs to decide either by resolution or Ordinance if this is in its best interests. While the County can take action on this today, it won't be going into effect until the Ordinance itself goes into effect. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted the language should reflect this would be effective upon passage of the Ordinance. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the interlocal agreement between White Pine County and the White Pine County Fire District for provision of emergency medical services, and that it would go into effect upon passage of the Ordinance. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF MUTUAL MODIFICATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR TEMPORARY FIRE AND EMS SERVICES

Commissioner Steve Stork made his disclosure statement. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve the mutual modification of the interlocal agreement for the EMS services portion of this agreement. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION REGARDING A REQUEST FROM THE MCGILL TOWN COUNCIL TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS AT #23 AND #25 AVENUE C IN MCGILL

District Attorney Mike Wheable asked if there was a McGill Town Council representative present; Commissioner Steve Stork advised he is their liaison. D.A. Wheable read briefly from the letter from McGill Town Council regarding the danger from the abandoned, burnt houses on Avenue C. In a reply to a query from the Board, Public Works Director Bill Calderwood advised that #23 Avenue C was McGill's first choice due to the size of the house and the concrete. This had been discussed a couple of months ago, but their budget would only allow for 1 of the 2 houses to be demolished. Perhaps this July, in the new fiscal year, the second property could be addressed. Building Official Brad Christiansen advised that the abatement is in process. D.A. Wheable noted that we need to utilize the monies quickly from the abatement fund as we will lose it at the end of this fiscal year; Financial Analyst Elanie Calderwood noted there is roughly \$27,000 in that fund. She noted we may have to utilize some of the Contingency fund to do both at the same time. D.A. Wheable requested that Official Christiansen and Director Calderwood work with him to get the notices out and move forward quickly with the abatement. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to move forward with abatement of the dangerous buildings at #23 and #25 Avenue C in McGill as requested. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried. It was noted that the McGill Town Council will be sent a letter advising them of our actions.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION ABOUT A LETTER FROM THE MCGILL TOWN COUNCIL CONCERNING BILLBOARDS

District Attorney Mike Wheable advised he hasn't read this letter, but he's dealt with this issue before and stated that we gave them a good answer at the time. Commissioner Steve Stork had called the Building Official, who advised him the property was zoned and all the requirements were met for the billboard. There was "nothing they could do to stop it," and there have been many accidents in that area, perhaps more due to the tilt of the road than being distracted by the billboard. Official Christiansen advised that if the Ordinances allow for the billboards, then it's already approved; that's how it was done in the past. D.A. Wheable noted that while it was legal, McGill Town Council doesn't like it. In the future, he continued, they want to be on the list to receive the Findings of Fact and other notices so they will be in the loop. Perhaps they should be sent a letter confirming that they will be placed on that list so they will be informed, as stakeholders in those properties. Official Christiansen noted that can be done, as well as in areas such as Baker, Lund, Ruth, etc. to receive those when they come up. He also advised there are some time constraints involved with these notifications, which he explained. Commissioner Stork noted the towns need to be more proactive with this, coming in and attending Commission meetings in order to provide their input. D.A. Wheable advised direction may be given to the Building Official

to issue Findings of Fact that have jurisdiction over the areas being considered, such as the town councils. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion that the Building Official be given direction to issue Findings of Facts to those areas having jurisdiction over those properties. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

CATHERINE BAKARIC, TREASURER

DISCUSSION/ACTION/RATIFICATION OF THE SNAKE VALLEY TRAILS PARTNERSHIP APPLICATION FOR A TAP GRANT TO CONSTRUCT A MULTI-USE PATH SOUTH OF BAKER, NEVADA

WPC Treasurer Catherine Bakaric introduced Ms. Gretchen Baker to the Board, explaining that she had been approached by Ms. Baker to apply for this. Whereas the Snake Valley Trails Partnership isn't eligible to apply for funding, the County is. Treasurer Bakaric continued that we would be sponsoring their application; February 26 was the deadline to submit applications. Ms. Baker had received letters of support, and is looking for this to be ratified. Ms. Baker advised that the Snake Valley Trails Partnership is seeking to develop more trails out in Baker. There has been much increased visitation recently—to the Great Basin National Park, for example, resulting in much more vehicle traffic. People are staying the night at motels, visiting restaurants, walking, biking, etc. but as there are no sidewalks in Baker, this is done on the main street, which is also the highway. They are proposing a mile-long paved trail; this would also be safer for the school children as well. The TAP grant requires a 5% match, and they are seeking ways to match that; the BACAB has had some good ideas for this, she added. This application is being considered by NDOT and sometime this Summer they will know if they're approved or not. If it is, then the County would need to have an agreement with NDOT on this. Commissioner Steve Stork advised he has no problem ratifying this; if there are funding issues down the road, they can be addressed at that time. Chairman Richard Howe suggested possibly in-kind services could be done; Commissioner Gary Perea noted this is really needed in the Baker area. He lives at the south end of this trail, and he sees people walking back and forth constantly. He added he feels this is a great project. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to ratify as requested. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to ratify the Snake Valley Trails Partnership application for a TAP grant to construct a multi-use path south of Baker, Nevada. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR SUGGESTIONS FOR SNPLMA NOMINATIONS FOR ROUND 18

Treasurer Bakaric noted that, unlike CDBG, SNPLMA doesn't require advertising for their nominations. She cited an example in the backup materials. The nomination period for Round 18 opens the first part of September and remains open until the second week of November; during that period we need to have the entire application put together. So today, we need to discover which 3 nominations we would like to endorse. She added that while it isn't required for the grant, if the Board would like her to advertise for these she would be happy to do so. Commissioner Carol McKenzie felt that is a great idea, since "we can't expect her to come up with ideas on her own." Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to give the Treasurer permission to advertise for suggestions for SNPLMA nominations for Round 18 as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

BILL CALDERWOOD, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON THE PARKS SHOP

Public Works Director Bill Calderwood advised that the hill behind the lawn shop sloughed off this winter and the dirt is pressing against the building. A trail is needed in the front to get a backhoe in there to fix it, as he explained.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A LEASE WITH THE WHITE PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ITS USE OF THE LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD #3 AND MARICH FIELD FOR BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SEASONS FOR 2018, 2019, AND 2020

Director Calderwood advised that nothing has changed on this lease except for the term; it's the School District's desire to change it to a 3-year term. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve entering into a lease with the White Pine County School District for the use of Little League Field #3 and Marich Field for baseball/softball seasons for 2018, 2019, and 2020. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

MEGAN BROWN, AQUATIC CENTER DIRECTOR

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF UPDATES AND REVISIONS TO WHITE PINE COUNTY AQUATICS DEPARTMENTS' "CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT" CONTRACT AND "SHIFT EXPECTATIONS" ATTACHMENT WHICH ALL EMPLOYEES SIGN AND AGREE TO UPON HIRE

Aquatic Center Director Megan Brown advised this has been updated from 2014, when it was revised last. She noted that the changes have been highlighted in the backup materials, and asked if the Board had any questions; there were none. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the updates and revisions to WPC Aquatics Dept. "Conditions of Employment" contract and "Shift Expectations" attachment which all employees sign and agree to upon hire. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL SWIM TEAM TO USE THE POOL DURING THEIR REGULAR SCHEDULED PRACTICE TO HOLD A SWIM-A-THON FUNDRAISER, WITH ALL MONEY GOING TO THE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACCOUNT FOR THE TEAM'S FUTURE USE

Director Brown advised that the Swim Team Coach is requesting they be allowed to utilize the pool during the same timeframe where they would normally be exercising; there would be no financial impact. District Attorney Mike Wheable advised both this and the next agenda item may be opened at the same time. Following the discussion, Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the High School Swim Team to use the pool during their regularly scheduled practice to hold a Swim-A-Thon fundraiser, with all monies going to the High School Athletic Account for the team's future use. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried. Director Brown explained that all the swimmers get paid per lap, or a lump sum; she added the entire Aquatic Center staff is trained in CPR.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-11, A RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ALLOWING THE WHITE PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO USE THE WHITE PINE COUNTY AQUATIC CENTER FOR WHITE PINE HIGH SCHOOL SWIM TEAM-RELATED PRACTICE ACTIVITIES AT NO COST

At this point, Deputy District Attorney James Beecher provided some historical information to the Board; he cited Commission minutes from 2003, when this all began and they were looking for land for a location of the swimming pool. The School District offered half of the land, and Mr. Mike Lemich—then a Commissioner—donated the rest. The property would go to White Pine County if the building is built within 10 years and the students could use it at low cost, or for free. In the County Commission minutes of 2008, when Paul Johnson was a Commissioner, it was noted the students wouldn't have to pay fees for the use of the pool but could use it for Physical Education (P.E.). The individual students would have to pay their fees after school like every other member of the public, however. The property was duly accepted as requested at that time. The deed was prepared with the stipulations, as a quitclaim deed. However, both sides agreed that the School District would donate the land at no cost and the students could use it for school-related activities. However, as Deputy D.A. Pyle pointed out, that was never ratified, until just now by this resolution being presented today. Further, he is here representing the School District rather than the District Attorney, for purposes of this agenda item. The School District is asking to use this; they need a time/place for practice. He added that swim meets are different, as those must be closed to the public; the costs of the County and the School District would be paid separately. This is all just to honor the agreement that was made back in 2003. During the discussion, Director



Brown agreed it was a “gentleman’s agreement” made a couple of years back, and according to the Commission minutes they were just supposed to track their time for usage of the pool. She agreed the School District should be able to use the pool for free, but we will continue tracking and turning the results in to the Finance Director. She continued that it was a split, in that half of the pool would remain open to the public while the other half would be used for the swim team purposes. As there are only 3 kids on the swim team that wouldn’t require any additional Lifeguard staff; she added the kids are covered under the student liability insurance by the School District. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-11, a resolution allowing the White Pine County School District to use the Aquatic Center for the White Pine High School Swim Team-related practice activities at no cost. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried.

Richard Howe, Chairman  
 Shane Bybee, Vice Chairman  
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**White Pine County  
 Board of County Commissioners  
 RESOLUTION NO. 2018-11**

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 ALLOWING THE WHITE PINE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO USE THE WHITE PINE  
 COUNTY AQUATIC CENTER FOR WHITE PINE HIGH SCHOOL SWIM TEAM-RELATED  
 PRACTICE ACTIVITIES AT NO COST**

WHEREAS, NRS 244.137 establishes the County’s authority to regulate matters of local concern,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of WHITE PINE COUNTY, State of Nevada, has acknowledged in the past that while not reflected in the Deed, the White Pine County School District donated real property on which the White Pine County Aquatic Center was built to the County with the understanding that such donation would grant White Pine County School District students no-cost use of the facilities,

WHEREAS, there now exists an understanding thereby allowing White Pine High School students no-cost use of the Aquatic Center facilities for physical education purposes;

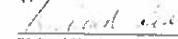
WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners understands that the School District requires only a time and place to hold swim team-related practice activities and therefore that the School District alone would be responsible for providing any coaching or equipment,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of WHITE PINE COUNTY, State of Nevada, do expressly find that allowing White Pine High School students to use the Aquatic Center facilities for swim team-related practice activities at no cost is in the best interest of the County;


NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WHITE PINE COUNTY, STATE OF NEVADA, hereby resolves that the White Pine County School District may use the White Pine County Aquatic Center for White Pine High School swim team-related practice activities at no cost to the White Pine County School District or its students.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

Approved:

  
 Richard Howe, Chairman  
 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 White Pine County, Nevada

ATTEST

  
 Clerk of the Board

**LANCE GALE, AIRPORT MANAGER**

**DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE AIR RACE COURSE, CAMPING, PARKING, AND BLEACHER LOCATIONS**

Mr. Lloyd Phillips, of the Airport Advisory Board, accompanied Airport Manager Lance Gale to the podium and cited the maps in the backup materials. The Board asked several questions, which were answered as follows: NDOT has approved the maps and the Air Races will be properly coned off, with lowered speed limits. The Sheriff’s Department will be securing the entrance, and there will be overflow parking and buses provided, if necessary. Should Medflight need to take off/land during the air show, an Air Boss will be monitoring radios and the event can be closed should that become necessary. Additionally, this has been cleared through the FAA. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the Air Race course, camping, parking and bleacher locations as proposed. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO USE COUNTY BLEACHERS FOR THE AIR RACES

Airport Manager Lance Gale cited the maps in the backup materials and noted that he had spoken with Public Works Director Bill Calderwood regarding the bleachers. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the use of County bleachers for the Air Races as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO PUT "YELLAND FIELD" ON THE SOUTH HANGAR

Airport Manager Lance Gale appreciated the Commission's presence on Yelland Day; he brought a picture to the Board of what the Airport looked like in 1949. At that time, it was a Naval Training Center. The Yelland family has requested this be done; they have three qualified painters and volunteers who could represent this and put the sign back onto the Airport. He continued that he's been working with the White Pine High School welding class, building the letters for the sign coming into the Airport. Manager Gale also presented a logo for the Air Races, which also features the Yelland Field sign as well. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve putting signage for "Yelland Field" on the South Hangar as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

#### KATHY RICCI, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

##### DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION ON THE PROPOSED COUNTY MANAGER JOB DESCRIPTION AND COMPENSATION

Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci provided a handout on this to the Board, listing the responsibilities of a County Manager in the counties who have retained one. They oversee much of the Finance and Human Resource responsibilities, she noted. She recommended sitting down with HR and Finance to discuss what they believe might help with this decision. She added that several of the County Managers also handle Commission meeting agendas; WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin noted it takes up about 30% of her work week to do those, and maybe the County Manager would have much more to do than doing those. Chairman Richard Howe felt that either a County Manager or an exempt employee could take care of much of those tasks. He continued that getting all these Job Descriptions, costs, etc. is valuable in order for the Board to make a solid decision during budget time. Director Ricci noted that Commissioner Gary Perea had requested budget figures from the other counties, and while these aren't yet available, she noted that it also includes which employees fall under that fund in those counties. Commissioner Perea felt strongly that Finance would need to be separate and under the County Commission, rather than under the County Manager; he also noted that a Secretary would be needed in the County Manager's office as well. Chairman Howe agreed that Finance should be separate, and it's been good working as it has been that way. Public Works Director Bill Calderwood asked that while the Board is contemplating the County Manager position, he asked if there would be a cost to funds outside of the General Fund, an office allocation, or a portion of Department's budget, etc. He noted he was paying over \$77,000 for the Maintenance portion of Finance allocations! He added we need to know as it does ripple down through the General Fund; he didn't feel the Finance allocation is being done fairly. He continued that some Departments are having to pay for positions that aren't even being filled. Chairman Howe commended Director Ricci for her information. Commissioner Steve Stork felt it would be appropriate that we ask for some direction for HR and Finance to address some of these concerns for the next meeting so we can better evaluate what we'll be faced with. Chairman Howe agreed these should be addressed right away, in time for our budget hearings.

##### DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR LONGEVITY PAY FOR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE A BREAK IN SERVICE AND RETURN TO EMPLOYMENT WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF THE EMPLOYEE'S VOLUNTARY SEPARATION, AS OUTLINED IN THE PERSONNEL POLICY 5.8 AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT ARTICLE 24 WITH CLARIFICATION ON REHIRE POLICY 3.1 PROVISION

Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci advised that we had an employee who left the County and returned within 3 months; this question had arisen. Policy states that individual would be eligible for longevity pay as it was less than the 12 months break in service. Also, in the Rehire Policy, it states no credit for former employment will be given unless there is a specific set of circumstances. After discussing this with the District Attorney, Director Ricci felt the longevity pay should be paid to this individual. District Attorney Mike Wheable

noted that if the Board doesn't like a policy, they can change it. Director Ricci felt some rewording would be needed; D.A. Wheable felt another agenda item would be required for that. This is specific to the question being posed for a certain individual. Another item could be placed on the agenda to discuss the policies and change them as needed. Commissioner Shane Bybee asked that if our policy states this needs to be paid, why would we have to take any action? D.A. Wheable noted this is a preventative measure to ensure it's ratified. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion that based on the legal counsel's recommendation, we approve this motion for longevity pay for the specific individual in this case. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR EMILY WILLARD TO WORK ON UPDATES FOR THE WHITE PINE COUNTY PUBLIC LAND POLICY PLAN UPDATE APPROVED BY PLUAC AT \$25.00 PER HOUR NOT TO EXCEED 75 HOURS

Human Resource Director Kathy Ricci advised this had been brought to her attention by Ms. Emily Willard, who is our Administrative Assistant for the Natural Resources/Water Advisory Committee/PLUAC boards. They need to update the plan and she submitted a request to do the revisions; this is what she is asking for. She added that this is what they will need to pay Ms. Willard for over and above what they are paying her for now. Financial Analyst Elanie Calderwood advised it will have to come from the Contingency fund; a resolution will be needed to accomplish that, at the next meeting. She added it would probably cost around \$2,000. In reply to a query from D.A. Wheable, Commissioner Gary Perea noted the Public Land Use Plan hasn't been updated for about 10 years; and it does need to be presented to the Commission for final acceptance and approval. He added that the Water Advisory Committee will be doing this separately for their Plan as well, and DRI (Desert Research Institute) is helping them with that; they aren't looking for additional funds to incorporate the update into their plan, it was noted. While he wasn't sure how many hours it would take to update the water plan but he advised it does require updating; and where this had been done by the EDC Office in the past, this is something we will now have to do ourselves. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve additional compensation for Emily Willard to work on updates for the White Pine County Public Land Use Policy Plan approved by PLUAC at \$25.00 per hour, not to exceed 75 hours. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO REOPEN NEGOTIATION WITH THE WHITE PINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION AS REQUESTED TO ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT DARREN WALLACE

Human Resources Director Kathy Ricci noted this had been discussed during Closed Session. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to send a letter that we won't be reopening negotiations with the White Pine County Sheriff's Employees Association as requested by Association President Darren Wallace. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried. Director Ricci will write the letter.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO CLOSE THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING TO HAVE A CLOSED PERSONNEL SESSION FOR FIREFIGHTER II/AEMT DAVID B. CARLSON TO CONSIDER CHARACTER, ALLEGED MISCONDUCT, PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE, PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HEALTH IN RELATION TO JOB PERFORMANCE

This was done earlier in today's meeting, in conjunction with the Fire Commission.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF A PLAN OF ACTION TO CORRECT ISSUES WHICH CAME TO LIGHT DURING THE CLOSED PERSONNEL SESSION OF FIREFIGHTER II/AEMT, DAVID B. CARLSON, PREVIOUSLY HELD WHICH MAY ALSO INCLUDE ISSUING TO DAVID B. CARLSON; A VERBAL WARNING AND/OR WRITTEN REPRIMAND, AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE WITH PAY, AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE WITHOUT PAY, AND/OR TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT WITH THE WPCFPD, AND/OR NO DISCIPLINARY ACTION, AND/OR COMMENDATION OR RECOGNITION FOR POSITIVE ACTION TAKEN AND SATISFACTORY EXECUTION OF JOB DUTIES

This was done earlier in today's meeting, in conjunction with the Fire Commission.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/RATIFICATION OF A WRITTEN PLAN OF ACTION TO CORRECT ISSUES WHICH CAME TO LIGHT DURING THE CLOSED PERSONNEL SESSION FOR FIRE CHIEF/DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TIM WOOLEVER ON JANUARY 24, 2018

This was done earlier in today's meeting, in conjunction with the Fire Commission.

ELIZABETH FRANCES, FINANCE DIRECTOR

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO PAY ADVOCATES FOR COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT A NET AMOUNT OF \$7,242.28 TO COVER DECEMBER 2017 AND JANUARY 2018 SERVICES RELATED TO THE LEGAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE SNWA PIPELINE

In reply to a query from the Board, Financial Analyst Elanie Calderwood advised there is about \$50,000 that we received from Robinson Nevada Mine related to water rights. This had already gone through as a resolution, and she noted we do have the money "in hand." Commissioner Perea asked how come we are having to augment PLUAC? The response was that the \$50,000 has been specifically earmarked for just the water. Following brief discussion, Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to cover the expenses for Advocates for Community and Environment in the amount of \$7,242.28 for December 2017 and January 2018 services related to the legal campaign against the SNWA pipeline. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON FY2019 BUDGET

Analyst Calderwood apologized on Finance Director Elizabeth Frances' behalf for the delay in getting the books in to the Department Heads, as she is ill. She did note that a few Departments were also late in submitting their budgets. Director Frances is expected to return next Monday. Analyst Calderwood added that the revenues will still be estimates, as we won't be getting anything from the State until March 25<sup>th</sup> or so.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY 2018

Chairman Richard Howe asked for comments; there were none. Chairman Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the monthly financial reports for January 2018 as requested. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/UPDATE/REPORT/APPROVAL OF QUARTERLY GRANT REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Financial Analyst Elanie Calderwood advised that WPC Fire District Chief was supposed to have these in, but he isn't here today for the discussion; WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin noted this has been included in the backup material. Chairman Richard Howe asked for any changes or additions; there were none. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve the quarterly grant report from the Office of Emergency Management. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO REVISE THE BUDGET WORKSHOP SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 5, 6 AND 7 AS NECESSARY FOR THE TAX COMMISSION HEARING AND DEPARTMENT HEAD/ELECTED OFFICIAL AVAILABILITY

Analyst Calderwood advised that Finance Director Elizabeth Frances is requesting a change in the Budget Workshop due to the Tax Commission hearing. The Public Works budget will be done during the March 14<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting, in this revision. WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised that due to the posting requirements, there is no other choice than to approve this; she noted all is good to go with the revised schedule. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve revising the budget workshop as discussed. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to revise the budget workshop scheduled for March 5, 6 and 7 as necessary for the Tax Commission hearing as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES ON THE JUSTICE CENTER PROJECT WITH THE TOP RANKED ARCHITECT, LOMBARD-CONRAD ARCHITECTS-NEVADA, LTD. (LCA) BASED ON STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION PROCESS AND TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE NUMBER TWO RANKED ARCHITECT IF ACCEPTABLE TERMS CANNOT BE REACHED WITH LCA

District Attorney Mike Wheable advised that the selection committee for this consisted of Public Works Director Bill Calderwood, WPC Sheriff Scott Henriod, Finance Director Elizabeth Frances and himself, plus a member of the public, \_\_\_\_\_ Henriod. Six proposals were received; this committee came up with a schematic outlining what we're looking for in a Statement of Qualifications. The 6 proposals were reviewed, 4 firms ended up being interviewed, and the ranking changed slightly after the interviews, with Lombard-Conrad Architects as the top of the list. This agenda item is asking the Board to approve negotiating with them over their contract. He will work with them to construct an acceptable contract for the USDA and will bring it back to the Commission, hopefully by the next meeting. In reply to a query from the Board, D.A. Wheable advised copies of the resumes are available in his office. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the D.A.'s office to negotiate the contract for architectural services on the Justice Center Project with Lombard-Conrad Architects-Nevada, Ltd., based on the SOQ process and with the number two ranked architect if acceptable terms cannot be reached with LCA. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA: DISCUSSION/ACTION/RATIFICATION OF CORRESPONDENCE SENT ON BEHALF OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION; APPROVAL OF PAYROLL FOR COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS; APPROVAL OF HR TRANSMITTAL FOR PAYROLL CHANGES; APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS WITHIN/BETWEEN FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS WITHIN A FUND THAT DO NOT INCREASE THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF THE FUND**

Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

#### NOTICE OF UNTIMED ITEMS

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO HOLD THE NEXT QUARTERLY SLUPAC MEETING IN WHITE PINE COUNTY

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised that Ms. Laurie Carson had requested this item be tabled at this time. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to table. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to table this agenda item. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR THE RSVP PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,604 TO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised we receive this annual request from RSVP, and the Commission traditionally approves their request; she cited backup materials in the packet. Analyst Calderwood noted this is for next year, and the cost is within the Social Services budget; it is also the same amount they requested for last year. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve funding for the RSVP program in the amount of \$13,604 as requested. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF A PROCLAMATION TO DECLARE APRIL 3, 2018 AS NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY IN WHITE PINE COUNTY, NEVADA

Clerk Baldwin noted that during the last Commission meeting, this Board approved support for this organization, which is endorsing this Recognition Day. She advised that she has gone online and signed up on behalf of this Commission to support this; approval of this Proclamation is the next step, as she explained. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to

approve the Proclamation to declare April 3, 2018 as National Service Recognition Day in White Pine County, Nevada. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

Richard Howe, Chairman  
Shane Bybee, Vice Chairman  
Commissioner Gary Perea  
Commissioner Carol McKenzie  
Commissioner Steven M. Stork

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**PROCLAMATION TO DECLARE APRIL 3, 2018 NATIONAL SERVICE  
RECOGNITION DAY IN WHITE PINE COUNTY, NEVADA**

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's counties are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants address the most pressing challenges facing our communities, from educating students for the jobs of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, to fighting the opioid epidemic, to responding to natural disasters, to supporting veterans and military families; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants serve in more than 50,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, national service participants demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with local leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, Cities of Service, and local leaders across the country for National Service Recognition Day on April 3, 2018.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the White Pine County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 3, 2018, as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our community, to thank those who serve, and to find ways to give back to their communities.

Richard Howe, Commission Chairman

Attest:

Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk

**DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO RENEW THE INTRASTATE INTERLOCAL CONTRACT FOR SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES IN WHITE PINE COUNTY WITH THE AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION TO BEGIN ON JULY 1, 2018**

Clerk Baldwin noted this is for the next fiscal year. The Board approves this annually; it came to her directly, and she forwarded it to the District Attorney for review, and its ready to approve today. D.A. Wheable confirmed this contract is fine. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to renew as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to renew the intrastate interlocal contract for services with children with intellectual disabilities in White Pine County with the Aging and Disability Services Division to begin on July 1, 2018. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

There were a few noted during the meeting, otherwise there were recommendations that needed to be placed under Public Comment per legal advice.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Commissioner Gary Perea asked about the possibility of having an armed resource person on site at the High School. He had asked the Sheriff about this, and while the School District can't afford it perhaps the Sheriff's Dept. could obtain some grant funding for this resource person. Chairman Richard Howe noted the

Governor is meeting with all the School Superintendents in the counties regarding this. The Nevada Association of School Boards is hosting a meeting on this to discuss safety concerns in the schools, April 20-21. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted it's also on our agenda for our budget workshop. WPC Sheriff Scott Henriod provided a sobering update to the Board; we had a threat last week, and a juvenile was placed in the Elko Detention Center. Eureka County also had a threat last week, which was very serious; a juvenile was actually plotting to go forward with his plan. Reno and Las Vegas have also detained numerous kids over the past week with various threats as well. There was even an incident near the border of Nevada/Utah; some kid pulled a fire alarm indicating that a shooting was taking place. Sheriff Henriod is implementing a plan to make the presence of law enforcement known, to be there as best as they can. Programs such as "Friendly Cop" are being read to the smaller grade-school kids, to help them feel safe. Commissioner Perea asked about possibly having a law enforcement officer dedicated to those kinds of programs.

Commissioner Carol McKenzie reported she had been invited to speak at a High Level Nuclear Waste Advisory meeting in Las Vegas on March 20<sup>th</sup>. She's been doing a lot of research with respect to Yucca Mountain again, and she has discussed the issue with Assemblyman John Ellison. A copy of a letter has been received from Elko County in support of Yucca Mountain, which they had sent to the State. She's trying to get some information and input on everyone's concerns regarding Yucca Mountain and then will compile that into her talk, which will run for 4 minutes. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted that the County's comments could be placed on our next agenda, with the results going forward with Commissioner McKenzie to that meeting. Commissioner McKenzie noted she had also discussed this with former Nuclear Waste Project Office Manager Mike Simon. Chairman Richard Howe felt she could be authorized some travel monies, but she demurred, noting she's going to be taking someone else down there anyway.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin reminded everyone about candidate signups next Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Candidates need to bring cash for their fees, plus a current ID card (such as a drivers' license). The candidate sign-ups will go from the 5<sup>th</sup> through the 16<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to adjourn at 12:23 p.m. Commissioner Steve Stork made the motion; Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WHITE PINE COUNTY  
STATE OF NEVADA

BY:



CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
WPC CLERK OF THE BOARD