

IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON MAY 27, 2020 IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY, NEVADA

The Following Were Present:

County Commission

Richard Howe, Chairman
Travis Godon, Vice-Chairman
Ian Bullis, Commissioner
Shane Bybee, Commissioner
Laurie L. Carson, Commissioner
Nichole Baldwin, Clerk of the Board

County Officials

Desiree Barnson, Social Services Dir. (Zoom)
Brad Christiansen, Building Official (Zoom)
Lisa Ashby, Aquatic Center (Zoom)
Bill Calderwood, Public Works Dir. (Zoom)
Kristi Rozich, Aquatic Center Dir. (Zoom)
Lori Romero, Library Director (Zoom)
Mike Johnson, IT
Scott Henriod, Sheriff (Zoom)
Maxine Lantz, Victim Witness Svcs (Zoom)
Burton Hilton, Assessor (Zoom)
Brett North, Fire Chief
Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director
Mike Wheable, District Attorney

Also Present

Marietta Henry (Zoom)
Janette Trask (Zoom)
Geri Wopschall (Zoom)
Allan (Zoom)
Caroline McIntosh (Zoom)
Kara Ringueberg (Zoom)
Nikki Gardner (Zoom)
George Chachas, George Town Media
Katlyn Uhart (Zoom)
John Peterson, JNA (Zoom)

Chairman Richard Howe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Ian Bullis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE/SILENT INVOCATION

This was duly observed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

George Chachas stated that at the last RPC meeting that occurred, he was not allowed to attend, but there were over 15 people in the room for the first agenda item. He was asked to leave, even though social distancing and 10-person limits were not being adhered to. The door ended up being shut on him, and the volume for the Zoom phone was not turned up to be caught by his camera. He stated that people should conform to the law, otherwise they should resign. He cannot get a permit to put a roof on his building and asked if the Building Inspector ever made it back with his wife from Eureka. Why does the Board allow the RPC and Building Official to selectively discriminate? Keith Carson is allowed to put a modular home on his property within the City limits, but he is not; this is in violation of City Code. He wants answers. Time was called.

NOTICE OF TIMED AGENDA ITEMS

At 9:08 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe recessed the regular Commission meeting and opened the special Fire Commission meeting. At 9:25 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Special Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

9:30 A.M. – PUBLIC HEARING – FY2020-2021 BUDGETS

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION – THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL TAKE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON THE TENTATIVE BUDGETS FOR FY2020-2021 FOR WHITE PINE COUNTY AND THE TOWNS OF LUND, MCGILL AND RUTH

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances handed out the proposed budgets and proceeded to report on the townships. The Town of Lund had only minor changes which were increases for worker's compensation and insurance; the final number is \$20,854. The Town of McGill's budget underwent the same changes, with a final number of \$150,003. The Town of Ruth also went through those changes, and had a minor increase to salaries and wages. The final number for Ruth is \$60,320.

Changes for White Pine County included in the General Fund on the revenue side: The Intergovernmental amount will be increased; Central Services allocation is going down. Worker's Comp went up; Insurance went down. There were changes to wages in the Clerk's Office with decreases in salaries and wages across the board, due to a step increase freeze. Director Frances noted decreases in Elections and IT; there was a large increase in County-wide expenditures, and a previously omitted increase in salaries and wages for the Sheriff's Office, which she apologized for. She noted the Heart & Lung bill that covers firemen and the police went up significantly. The RCI contract and Water Attorney items were taken down to \$60,000, with more available in Contingency if needed. Transfers out to SB74 were increased. Victim Witness Services is getting a grant, and won't need funding this year; but they don't want to be forgotten in future years. The Ending Fund Balance has been brought down, but will still provide the 18% needed. She advised we need to start working on a Plan, given the shortfall in revenues. Director Frances also clarified that our Water Attorney, Simeon Herskovits, has ensured us that our Plan will cover any unanticipated events coming out of the water fight. The Final, Unrestricted Balance will be \$3,067,957.

Director Frances then noted changes were made to the Ag District 13 Fund and the Agricultural Extension. Changes to the Road Fund were discussed; changes at the Senior Center, the Drug & Alcohol Rehabilitation system in the courts, and Tri-County Weed were also mentioned. Many funds were impacted by the increases in Worker's Compensation and by decreases in Insurance and in the Central Services Allocation. In summary, the amount of the budget for the 48 different fund types that fall under White Pine County is \$55,063,725.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE FY2020-2021 FINAL BUDGETS FOR WHITE PINE COUNTY AND THE TOWNS OF LUND, MCGILL AND RUTH AS OUTLINED DURING THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve and disclosed that his daughter works for the DA's Office; he abstained from action on the District Attorney's budget. Commissioner Bybee subsequently rescinded his motion. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion passed, with Commissioner Shane Bybee abstaining.

10:00 A.M. – PUBLIC HEARING – CEDS

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION – THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL TAKE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON THE COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES DATED MARCH 2020

At 10:42 a.m., this item was opened. Finance Director Elizabeth Frances cited the two documents in backup; she wanted to make sure the Commissioner's wants and needs are included in this document, that it reflects our priorities. Commissioner Laurie Carson noted the population differences as being an issue; it should be 10,400 in the County. She added that some information concerning Great Basin National Park was lacking, plus there are several typos. She wants to see some history included about how Ely became the County seat. Commissioner Ian Bullis thought that the Goal Sheet needs to be updated in regard to our need for housing. Chairman Richard Howe noted that the Board nixed the low- to moderate-income housing in the new development, because of where it is located; he added the new houses are being developed "as we speak." Commissioner Bullis suggested "to expand housing options"; the assemblage agreed with his suggestion. Director Frances clarified that this is the first of the two required Public Hearings; this is the beginning of a 30-day comment period, after which the Board will approve the changes and the final document will be submitted.

10:15 A.M. – NATURAL RESOURCES

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF A WORK ORDER AMENDMENT FOR BLM'S DRAFT PROGRAMMATIC EIS FOR RANGELAND RESTORATION IN THE GREAT BASIN

Ms. Katlyn Uhart, BLM (via Zoom) provided some context for this request. Commissioner Travis Godon disclosed that his family runs cattle and sheep on BLM grazing land, but this does not affect his family's grazing rights any more or less than anyone else, so he will be voting. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve; Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried. It was noted an amount not to exceed \$2,750 was included in the motion.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF A COMMENT LETTER TO THE BLM'S DRAFT PROGRAMMATIC EIS FOR RANGELAND RESTORATION IN THE GREAT BASIN

Ms. Uhart advised she had drafted the letter, and noted these comments are mostly in support of the EIS. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ONLY REGARDING NATURAL RESOURCES AND PUBLIC LANDS
ISSUES BEING TRACKED BY RCI (RESOURCE CONCEPTS, INC.)**

Ms. Uhart explained what RCI is currently tracking for the Board, and discussed the time lines involved. Commissioner Laurie Carson advised Ms. Uhart that there is an N4 Grazing meeting in Panaca in June that she cannot attend, and asked if someone from RCI could attend that. Ms. Uhart will make sure someone participates on the County's behalf.

At 11:00 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe recessed the regular Commission meeting and opened the Road Commission meeting. At 11:25 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Road Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

**ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS
COUNTY COMMISSION**

TRAVIS GODON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL TO SEND A LETTER TO TESLA ASKING THAT THEY CONSIDER WHITE PINE COUNTY FOR ANY OPERATIONS AS THEY PLAN TO LEAVE CALIFORNIA FOR NEVADA AND TEXAS

Commissioner Travis Godon noted this was Deputy D.A. Bryan Pyle's idea, and he liked it; the letter is included in the backup. The Board voiced their unanimous support of the letter. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to send the letter to Tesla as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded; motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

SCOTT HENRIOD, WPC SHERIFF

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATION BEING MADE BY SCOTT HENRIOD/TABATHA HAMILTON TO THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, FOR FUNDING OF ACTIVE SHOOTER AND MASS CASUALTY PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO BE STATIONED AT THE WHITE PINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO SERVE THE SURROUNDING AREAS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,350.00 WITH A REQUIRED COUNTY MATCH OF \$-0-

WPC Sheriff Scott Henriod (via Zoom) publicly thanked Ms. Tabatha Hamilton for her help in writing the grant; he requested the Board give their approval. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve the grant application as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded; motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL FOR THE WHITE PINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE/WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION TO AWARD THE BID TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR THE SALE OF THE 2004 HARLEY DADIVSON MOTORCYCLE

There were several bids received for this item; they were distributed to the Board and opened. The bids were as follows: From Eric Boardman, \$2,501; from Bethany Coca, \$2,002; from Richard Ken Holthus, \$2,225; from Jeremy Mangum, \$1,505; from Tommy Bick, \$1,675; from Cody Crosetti, \$2,550, from Mandy Davis, \$1,900. The highest bid was from Cody Crosetti, for \$2,550. WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin will get the contact information to WPC Sheriff Scott Henriod. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to award the

bid for the motorcycle to Cody Crosetti, for \$2,550. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded; motion carried.

MIKE WHEABLE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONSIDER AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON OPENING COUNTY PARK FACILITIES, TO INCLUDE PLAY EQUIPMENT, SOFTBALL, SKATE PARK, CAMP SUCCESS, BASEBALL DIAMONDS AND BACKSTOPS, BASKETBALL COURTS AND OTHER SUCH FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO PLAN THE OPENING OF MCGILL POOL AND AQUATIC CENTER CONSISTENT WITH GOVERNOR'S DIRECTIVES

District Attorney Mike Wheable asked for a motion to open all these facilities starting today, and carve out the pools for Aquatic Center Director Kristi Rozich to handle and prepare for them to reopen on Monday. Director Rozich (via Zoom) advised that the Governor is allowing them to open at 50% capacity, but with the locker rooms being closed. She explained the locker room situation will be changed, but she will work out something to accommodate people. She reported that in McGill, they have 10 foot sections laid out for groups of 4 people. She is trying to respect social distancing so they can stay open, as they are one of the only pools of its kind in the State that are opening now. No outdoor play structures will be open for use; prepackaged food will be available; and guidelines will be followed for those approaching the Snack Shack. If patrons do not follow guidelines, she continued, they will be given one warning and then be asked to leave. She requested the Board's opinion on providing chairs for the public: Commissioner Laurie Carson thought people should bring their own chairs. During the discussion, Director Rozich noted the bathrooms will be cleaned every 60 minutes. People can bring their own pool "noodles" but will be discouraged from sharing pool toys. The idea of setting time limits was mentioned. She asked for support regarding some minor policy changes. She also asked the Board to ratify hiring 2 Lifeguards that were hired prior to the COVID-19 crisis to help relieve scheduling stress. She added that while she isn't allowed to train right now, but JOIN will train and pay for that; she's working with Donna Bunch from JOIN to get that done. Commissioner Shane Bybee asked if the playgrounds and parks can be opened, why does the play equipment at the pool need to stay locked up? It was explained that these guidelines are for pools that usually have indoor toys, but this was Director Rozich's call to make. She advised that she's just going by an original directive from Dr. Byun, and is working with him to adjust them. D.A. Wheable advised the Board they should leave that up to Director Rozich's discretion. Commissioner Shane Bybee noted the CDC came out with conflicting news recently that says the virus is not transferable via surfaces, so now things don't need to be sanitized. Chairman Richard Howe doesn't want Director Rozich to be afraid of fully opening the McGill Pool. She responded that she won't have enough staff to fully open the pool. Commissioner Ian Bullis will contact the Red Cross to see about opening the McGill Pool. It was agreed the Aquatic Center can open Monday, and the McGill Pool can open next Saturday. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to open the facilities as requested and discussed; Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Bullis will send a message to Public Works Director Bill Calderwood to have him remove signage.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

BRETT NORTH, DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATION BEING MADE BY BRETT NORTH/TABATHA HAMILTON TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT-SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S DIV. OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MCGILL EMS BUILDING ADA RESTROOMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,692.00. THE REQUIRED COUNTY MATCH AMOUNT IS \$283,308.00 AND WILL BE PROVIDED THROUGH THE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FUND

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances presented this item as grant money to be used to help prevent the spread of COVID-19; she is seeking the Board's approval. District Attorney Mike Wheable explained that the scope of the improvement projects has been expanded to include the prevention of COVID-19. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the grant application as requested. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2020-31 TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH NYE COUNTY FOR FIRE/EMS MUTUAL AID PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 277 OF THE NEVADA REVISED STATUTES

Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-31 as requested. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried.

Richard Howe, Chairman
Travis Godon, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Shane Bybee
Commissioner Ian Bullis
Commissioner Laurie L. Carson

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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DECLARING ITS INTENT TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH NYE COUNTY TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES MUTUAL AID

WHEREAS, the White Pine County Board of County Commissioners desire to enter into an interlocal agreement with Nye County, Nevada whereby both political subdivisions will provide fire protection and emergency medical services mutual aid to one another; and

WHEREAS, NRS 277.045 and NRS 277.180 grant political subdivisions and public agencies of the State the authority to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance of governmental functions and services; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of carrying out such an agreement over its duration may exceed \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes it will be beneficial to the citizens residing within the boundaries of the County to have a mutual aid agreement for fire protection and emergency medical services in place with Nye County;

NOW, THEREFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WHITE PINE COUNTY, STATE OF NEVADA, hereby resolves that the County shall enter into an interlocal agreement with Nye County whereby both political subdivisions will provide to each other fire protection and emergency medical services mutual aid to the fullest extent provided by interlocal agreement between the Parties.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED this 27th day of May, 2020

Approved

Richard Howe, Chairman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
White Pine County

ATTEST

Clerk of the Board

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH NYE COUNTY FOR FIRE/EMS MUTUAL AID

Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the interlocal agreement with Nye County for Fire/EMS Mutual Aid as requested. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

DESIREE BARNSON, SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/RATIFICATION TO ACCEPT THE EFSP GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,336 WITH NO COUNTY MATCH REQUIRED

Social Services Director Desiree Barnson (via Zoom) presented this item, and explained this is for emergency food and shelter. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to ratify the EFSP grant application as requested. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

ELIZABETH FRANCES, FINANCE DIRECTOR

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDED FINANCING OPTIONS FOR THE WHITE PINE COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER PROJECT

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances provided some history of this project in order to clarify any misconceptions the public may have. The Public Safety Building was built in the 70's, but there was not enough money to improve the Courthouse at that time. In 2007 the Legislature authorized SB74 to allow a quarter cent sales tax to be dedicated to public safety and infrastructure; the County has been collecting those revenues ever since. She continued that in 2019 we requested funding from the Legislature and received \$5 million, which will be deposited by the end of this month. She continued that the County Commissioners passed a resolution years ago dedicating the Net Proceeds of Minerals revenues towards this project, to make it a reality. She's been working on a USDA loan for \$9.8 million and also a \$1 million loan from Mt. Wheeler. Director Frances explained that the SB74 revenues will be collected and will offset our share, and be used to service the debts. Putting this agenda item and others related to this, show our compliance with the law regarding this. She emphasized that the funding is not a new tax; she was happy to report she was able to procure the USDA loan at 3.25% or 2.375% by the end of June. She continued that Mr. John Peterson from JNA Consulting is here today, and so is Ms. Kendra Follett from Sherman & Howard, to answer questions from the Board. It was noted at this point that 90% of the comments on Facebook pertaining to this issue is based on misinformation by people seeking political gain. D.A. Wheable encouraged people to email him if they have any questions, rather than relying on Facebook for their answers. The existing plan is they plan the County has had and discussed for at least 4 years; furthermore, and the information is there and on the record. He added that people should stick to the County's expertise in this.

Mr. John Peterson from JNA Consulting introduced himself and explained the financing program being presented today. The financing is for 30 years through the USDA, with an incredible interest rate of 2.375%; he noted this is a testament by the USDA to their support of this project. The debt service would cost \$430,000 per year for a 30-year period, which could be cushioned by the sales tax. The other factor in this is a \$1 million loan from Mt Wheeler for 10 years, for a total of \$100,000 annual debt service.

Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve the recommended financing as explained and discussed for the Justice Center Project. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX REVENUE BOND IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$9,161,000.00 TO FINANCE WHOLLY OR IN PART A PUBLIC SAFETY PROJECT INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A JUSTICE CENTER; PROVIDING THE FORMS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF AND COVENANTS RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF THE BOND; PROVIDING FOR THE SALE THEREOF TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION AS IF AN EMERGENCY EXISTS; AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

JNA Consulting's John Peterson advised they're requesting this be adopted to cover an emergency situation, and therefore a speedier execution of bond documents; he explained the circumstance in detail. D.A. Wheable added that they will be paying that down as soon as possible. It was clarified that this is an Ordinance solely for the bonding aspect, and it doesn't present any tax increases to the public. Commissioner Laurie Carson noted that the County has a history of working well with the USDA, and she is proud to have been able to help put us in a situation to be able to do this. Commissioner Shane Bybee added the USDA is wonderful to work with. Chairman Richard Howe is 100% committed to this community; he noted those who have been involved with constructing the new Courthouse and Public Safety Building from the beginning. He added any misinformation regarding this project should be squashed! Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve the Ordinance for the revenue bonds as requested. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded; motion carried. The Board thanked Mr. Peterson for his information.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS TO THE FINANCE DIRECTOR JOB DESCRIPTION ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS #14 AND #15 EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Director Frances noted there was an issue with a previous Department Head not wanting to perform a duty that wasn't listed in their Job Description; although the change was technically made, she explained that it didn't make it into the document. Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to approve the additions to the Job Description as explained and discussed. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE 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 Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded; motion carried.

UNTIMED ITEMS

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS HELD:

- Special Meeting May 6, 2020
- Special Joint Meeting with the City of Ely and the Board of Public Health on May 7, 2020

Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve these sets of minutes as presented. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

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

At 11:12 a.m., Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to close the Open Meeting. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded; motion carried. The discussion was duly held and the Open Meeting of the regular County Commission was reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHITE PINE COUNTY, NEVADA AND THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL UNION #3, AFL-CIO FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances summarized the Collective Bargaining Agreement for the record; a red-lined document was cited in the backup materials. She explained that the renewal is a 1-year agreement whereby both the Union and the County have agreed to provide the existing wage scale, with no COLA added, and the wage steps being frozen. The County will provide an analysis in December to examine the revenues and reinstitute step increases if necessary. The cost will be \$3,139,926 for one year; it was noted both sides bargained in good faith. There was no Public Comment. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve the agreement as requested and after the Public Hearing was held. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded; motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:24 a.m., Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WHITE PINE COUNTY
STATE OF NEVADA

BY: 
CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


WPC CLERK OF THE BOARD