# IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON JUNE 27, 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

Lori Romero, Library/Sr. Center Director Megan Brown, Aquatics Center Director

Lance Gale, Airport Manager
Scott Henriod, WPC Sheriff
Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director
Mike Wheable, District Attorney
Brad Christiansen, Building Inspector
Timothy Bunch, Human Resources Director

Jennifer Farnworth, IT Specialist Bill Calderwood, Public Works Driector Bryan Pyle, Deputy District Attorney Jennifer Drew, Building & Planning Dept.

Tyson Dukes, White Pine Copper Days Rodeo

Jeremy Drew, RCI Katlyn Uhart, RCI

Keith Carson, Land Owner

Also Present

Brandon Whipple, CORE Construction

Tamera Brown, Nevada SBDC Caroline McIntosh, Nevada SBDC

Dan Netcher Tim Keogh

Donna Bath, Senator Dean Heller

Leslie Riley, BLM Stacy Holt, BLM

Meg Rhoades, Events Coord., Convention Center

Charles Odgers, City Attorney

Rose Kama, Ely UMC George Chachas, KGTV-10 Frederick Partey, KGHM-RNMC George Christensen, Ely UMC

Travis Godon

Christina Sawyer, Relay For Life

Paula Carson Richard Barber

Chairman Richard Howe called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Commissioner Carol McKenzie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Donna Bath reported on an email from Washington, D.C. that advised of the PILT figures being released. Nevada will receive \$26,987,166, of which White Pine County's share will be \$1,275,787. She will forward further information when the funds are released.

Mr. Dan Netcher advised that he's supportive of new business, but not at the expense of other people. This pertains to the agenda item regarding the Navy hangar; that white hangar has been used by light sport aviation for over 20 years. There are worries circulating about being kicked out, and Mr. Hewko's hangar will not be big enough for the 5 planes that would be going in there. Mr. Netcher continued to note more expenses will be coming up with respect to snow removal, as the swath the machines make won't cover the area by their hangar. Electricity and heat costs will increase; there's a fire operations concern, and the ramp is where the air tankers, smoke jumpers, etc. utilize. He owns ultralights, he's a pilot and likes to fly; they just got windows that work installed in the hangar so there was no snow on his plane this winter, maintenance has been done there as well as a new paint job. He added they were expected the rent to go up, but not for them to be moved out of the hangar.

Mr. Tim Keogh, a pilot for USDA, has the hangar next to the Ely Jet Center. The ground lease costs 10 cents/square foot, for \$300.00/month; he noted the same hangar rents for \$700.00/year in Parowan, Utah, and

for \$540.00/year in Salmon, Idaho. He asked "where's the little guy going to go if you lease it to this other agency?" He continued that no one can afford to build hangars due to the price of the ground lease, at \$3,600/year. Commissioner Steve Stork felt that the 10 cents/square foot/year was the cost; Mr. Netcher advised that's what they've been paying per month, for the last 12 years. Commissioner Stork will look into that cost.

Ms. Tamera Brown, of the Nevada Small Business Development Center (SBDC), provided copies of their 2017 Annual Report to the Board and the public. She spoke to the positive benefits and economic impacts to White Pine County that their office has achieved, and noted they exceeded their goal of \$603,000 by 263% last year (\$1,385,000). While goals are different in the rural areas, she assured that they're on track with those. Their office works with small businesses, helping people with startup and going through the process to see if their business would be a good fit for them. Most of their training offered is free to the public; she just wanted the information to be out there. She advised Ms. Caroline McIntosh will be their new representative in our area, and welcomed her aboard. Commissioner Shane Bybee commended them on their report, noting he's happy with the figures of progress they've presented today.

Mr. George Chachas advised that the downtown community wants the old Annex site utilized for the new Courthouse. He reiterated that without traffic, there's no business; by narrowing the lane by the White Pine Middle School we will shortly notice the detrimental effects. He advised that an impact study is required by law for Ely Disposal Service, as they are increasing their rates over 2%. Concerning the request by EMS services to reduce the costs for public functions, he stated there shouldn't be any costs involved for those services. He added we should stop double charging those people that they serve; there shouldn't be any charges for those EMS people at any function held here in the County. Mr. Chachas continued that the charge to modify the police protection in the city should be no more or less than \$450,000. The City is giving us breaks in other areas, whereas the County pays little or nothing. Also, in reading the NACO updates pertaining to the sage grouse, someone should suggest that if a species is endangered, they shouldn't be allowed to be hunted. He again brought up Commissioner McKenzie's concrete; Chairman Richard Howe advised this has already been addressed several times. Mr. Chachas continued that there's no road access in connection with the NDOT upgrades being proposed, especially on Park Avenue, Campton Street, and Avenues I, K, and L. He maintained lack of ADA access still needs to be addressed in the White Pine High School-Swimming Pool area. Chairman Howe pointed out that's in the purview of the State.

Mr. Richard Barber, from Baker, spoke of concerns regarding who is going to be put into the big hangar. He advised he and other local pilots are very low impact, and they don't demand snow removal for example, while the air ambulance would require that. Such maintenance is very costly, sometimes on an hourly basis as needed. He asked the Board not to make quick decisions before finding out more information and taking the pilots out of the hangar.

Mr. Chachas was allowed another minute by Chairman Howe: He stated that he wants his \$200.00 payment for damages, and there's been no arrest of the culprit to date for the vandalism done to his property. Also, the Railroad hasn't paid for the past 15 years of track rental; he wants the money paid or the resignation of Commissioner Shane Bybee as Chairman of the Railroad Enterprise Fund Board. Chairman Howe stated that's a City issue.

## 9:05 A.M. - WHITE PINE COPPER DAYS RODEO

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO REDUCE THE COST OF EMS SERVICES FOR A NON-PROFIT RODEO

Ms. Amanda Lytle provided a handout to the Board and introduced herself and Mr. Tyson Dukes as the Secretary and Coordinator, respectively, of the White Pine Copper Days Rodeo. She continued that this is a non-profit organization, looking to bring National Pro Rodeo into White Pine County, with all proceeds to go towards a scholarship program. This will help WPHS Rodeo Club and 4-H, trying to help the students get to college and prepare for a good future. She cited a contract which had been drafted, and provided it to Chairman Richard Howe. Chairman Howe noted that their request today is to reduce the cost of EMS services for their rodeo; he asked the Board for comments. Commissioner Carol McKenzie didn't feel the EMS services should be reduced, but she would be happy to reduce the fee for the use of the ambulance. Commissioner Steve Stork felt

we could be "pricing ourselves out of the market" and recommended a blanket policy to cover these kinds of events. Mr. Tyson Dukes advised that if this will be a pro-rodeo event, they would have to be inline with Elko County as well. Commissioner Gary Perea advised that we've adjusted their policy twice, and it's apparently not working. The problem is, he continued, that EMS is a big part of our County's services, and we are trying to ensure we would have a good service year-round. The tax rate isn't covering it, and we've had to supplement it with other funds. He felt it was okay to reduce it, but if we do that we also need to see what other communities are charging for their ambulances and if we really need to adjust our rates. Commissioner Shane Bybee agreed, and stated that we're not competitive; we're putting undue pressure on the groups trying to bring events into our community. He would support a discussion as long as we address a revision of this policy. Chairman Richard Howe doesn't want us to start reducing costs for everyone, but agreed with Commissioner Bybee that we need to revise the policy. District Attorney Mike Wheable advised the Board could reduce the costs however they would like to do it; he noted the motion should be either reducing or waiving the ambulance fee and yet retain the EMS fees as they are currently. Ms. Lytle pointed out that the stock should be paid what they've asked, because without them we'd have no rodeo. Also, after talking to others, the ambulance rate is steep; if anything happens to a contestant, another ambulance would have to be called, since 1 ambulance must remain on site regardless. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to reduce the ambulance fee by \$300, making it \$510. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

At 9:10 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe recessed the regular Commission meeting and opened the Road Commission meeting. At 9:46 a.m. Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Road Commission meeting and opened the Liquor Board meeting. At 9:47 a.m. Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Liquor Board meeting and opened the Special Fire Commission meeting. At 9:51 a.m. Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Special Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

## 9:30 A.M. - PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE INTENTION TO MAKE INTERFUND LOANS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO VARIOUS GRANT REIMBURSABLE/OTHER FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances disclosed there is sufficient funding available to be utilized for the interfund loans. She added during her explanation that this is standard at the end of every fiscal year in order to balance the funds. There was no comment during the Public Hearing.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-45 TO PROVIDE INTERFUND LOANS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO VARIOUS SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000

Director Frances noted this is for approval to take action on providing the funds to the loans in the previous agenda item. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-45 as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

# DISCUSSION/ACTION/UPDATE FROM THE BLM ON A PROPOSAL TO EXPAND THE ROBINSON MINE

Ms. Stacy Holt, BLM Project Manager for this project, introduced herself to the Board. She advised that they're opening up a public comment period related to this overdumping proposal from July 8-August 6. There will be 2 public meetings, one in Ruth and the other in Ely. She invited Mr. Frederick Partey, Robinson Nevada Mine, to answer any questions related to the proposal. Commissioner Gary Perea asked about the need for mine expansion; Mr. Partey explained that they are expanding Ruth West 5 in the Ruth pit. Waste rock will be used to overdump Keystone, which is a historic 70-year old dump. It was once used as an acid leach dump and it predates regulations; there's nothing there to protect the environment. He explained the process to cover it up

and keep it from contaminating the environment any further. A map was presented to WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin showing the area, and he advised more can be obtained if needed. The Board thanked them for the information.

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### Resolution Number 2018-45

# Resolution to Provide Interfund Loans from the General Fund to Various Special Revenue Funds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000

Whereas, White Pine County accepted reimbursement grants to help fund programs during FY2018 and runs certain other program pending revenues; and

Whereas, these grants require White Pine County to make expenditures first and then seek reimbursement from the appropriate agency; and

Whereas, this process results in a negative cash balance at the end of the fiscal year in the special revenue funds; and

Whereas, NRS 354.6118 allows the governing body of a local government to make interfund loans under certain circumstances; and

Whereas, the General Fund has a sufficient amount of money for this loan that is not restricted to use (unrestricted cash in the General Fund as of 6/19 2018 is \$5,606,759; and

Whereas, an interfund loan out of the General Fund in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 will not compromise the Fund's economic viability;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the White Pine County Board of County Commissioners authorizes interfund loans from the General Fund to the following Special Revenue Funds in the amounts up to those specified not to exceed a total of \$250,000, that the loans shall bear an annual interest rate of 0° and that the loans shall be repaid within one year:

Special Revenue Fund CSBG Grant	Ennd 043	Loan Amount \$30,000
WSAP Grant Indigent	045	\$5,000
Grant Projects Fund	325	5110,000
Domestic Violence Fund	370	\$1,000
State of Nevada Child Support	575	\$4.00
Emergency Management Grant	725	\$30,000
Task Force Grant	770	\$10,000
Violence Against Women Grant	870	\$60,000
Total		5350 000

It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Taxation, State of Nevada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 27th day of June, 2018.

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## COUNTY COMMISSION

## SHANE BYBEE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO REVERSE THE ACTION TAKEN AT THE JUNE 13, 2018 COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING TO PURCHASE SOCCER GEAR FROM STEPTOE VALLEY SOCCER CLUB AND BEGIN OFFERING A COUNTY-RUN SOCCER PROGRAM

Commissioner Shane Bybee advised he had concerns with respect to the continuity of this program after Aquatic Center Director Megan Brown leaves. He felt this would be a lot to put upon the new person coming in. During the lengthy discussion, it was noted that the purchase of equipment is being done by a private group so there would be no cost to the County. Chairman Richard Howe advised he had talked with Mr. Bruce Eldridge, who is spearheading this effort, and he felt if the Board could allow the group to do the paperwork, have it run for a year, and see how it went, that would be acceptable. Otherwise, he added, we would run the risk of not having this program for the kids this year. He knows both Director Brown's and Mr. Eldridge's commitment to the program and what the consequences would be to the youth if it were to not go forward. He also disclosed that he is the Chairman of the private company that is involved with this. Commissioner Gary Perea asked if the Job Description of the Aquatic Center Director was made more of a Recreational Director, what would that mean in terms of salary? Human Resources Director Timothy Bunch advised that would depend on the scope of responsibilities; it could be a 20% increase, as the recreation wouldn't be limited just to soccer, and it would also be year-round. Finance Director Elizabeth Frances noted that the Aquatic Center is supported by the sales tax strictly for the pool. The budget presented didn't account for a \$20,000+ increase; therefore the budget she

turned in is no longer valid if we do this. Director Bunch noted Director Brown has reached out to the leaders with respect to this program, and if they would be willing to step up and take ownership of this, it would at least give the kids and the County time to see how the program works. Director Brown advised she is fully confident in her staff and in the things that she'd trained them to do. She added it was never her intention to have a bigger salary attached to this; just building the programs, has always been her goal. Following further discussion, Commissioner Bybee commended Director Brown for all she's done, but still felt we would have to decline for this year and look at this again next Spring. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to reverse the action taken during the June 13, 2018 Commission meeting to purchase soccer gear from Steptoe Valley Soccer Club and begin offering a County-run soccer program. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried, 3:2, with Commissioners Carol McKenzie and Chairman Richard Howe voting in opposition.

# 10:00 A.M. - RELAY FOR LIFE

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 2018 AS NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVOR'S DAY TO BE CELEBRATED AT "HOPE GROVE" IN STEPTOE PARK IN ELY

Ms. Faye Cavender and Ms. Christina Sawyer approached the Board, advising they are both on the Leadership Committee for the Relay for Life. Ms. Cavender explained that a "survivor" is someone who continues to function or prosper in spite of hardships or setbacks; they continue to perservere. She noted that many survivors are emotionally strong, and they become beacons of hope for many others facing similar situations. She added the survivors' caregivers fight right beside them, offering their support by helping them get to doctor's appointments, get through chemo, and exercise, just to name a few of the ways they help their family and friends. The annual tree planting is on June 30th; a breakfast is also planned for that morning. They presented the Proclamation to the Board and requested approval; Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to approve the Proclamation for National Cancer Survivor's Day as presented. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

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#### Cancer Survivors Day Proclamation:

WHEREAS, a "cancer survivor" is defined as anyone living with a history of cancer - from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life, and there are nearly 14 million cancer survivors in America, and

WHEREAS, since over 1.6 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States this year, increased access to quality cancer care, screening, and prevention especially among minorities and the medically underserved must be a top priurity in our community; and

WHEREAS, the great community of White Pine County has an active, productive cancer survivor population; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of communities worldwide will be celebrated life on Saturday, June 30th; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the people of White Pine County. I salute all cancer survivors and those who support them:

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Richard Howe, Chairman of the White Pine County Commission, do hereby proclaim observance of

NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS DAY to be Saturday, June 30th, 2018 in White Pine County, and urge all citizens to join in this juyous celebration of life, to be held at the No. East corner of Steptoc Park in the "Hope Grove" as we participate in a tree planting ceremony to honor our local cancer Survivors.

WITNESS MY HAND this 27th day of June, 2018 and the official Seal of White Pine

Chard Har Richard Howe, Chairman

White Pine County Commission

Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk

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## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

## MIKE WHEABLE, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-49 TO MODIFY THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR POLICE PROTECTION WITH THE CITY OF ELY

District Attorney Mike Wheable noted that this Board modified the agreement last month regarding the setback of fees; this action just makes it more formal. He added that this is just to allow for the ability to modify the agreement. Deputy District Attorney Bryan Pyle corrected D.A. Wheable in that the agreement itself is next, and it hasn't been modified since the authority to do so hasn't been granted yet. There followed discussion, during which it was clarified that the Board approved Deputy D.A. Pyle to move forward and draft the agreement. Both Deputy D.A. Pyle and D.A. Wheable agreed that this pertains to the formal change in the agreement; part of the process is to have a resolution in place. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-49 as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

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### RESOLUTION NO. 2018-49

# A RESOLUTION OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DECLARING THAT MODIFICATION OF THE JULY 22, 2015, INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR POLICE PROTECTION IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of WHITE PINE COUNTY, State of Nevada, desire to modify the July 22, 2015, interlocal agreement ("Agreement") with the City of Fly ("City") and the White Pine County Sherift's Office providing police protection services to the City; and

WHEREAS, NRS 277.180(1) allows public agencies to contract with other public agencies to perform any governmental service, activity or undertaking which any of the contracting agencies is authorized to perform; and,

WHEREAS. NRS 277 180(3)(f) states that among the authorized purposes for contracts made pursuant to NRS 277.180 include "the joint and cooperative use of law enforcement agencies:" and.

WHEREAS. Section 14.0 of the Agreement allows the parties to modify the Agreement as long the modification is in writing and approved by the Parties; and,

WHEREAS, the modifications made to the Agreement by the Mutual Modification of Interlocal Agreement for Police Protection, effective July 1, 2018, comport to notions of fairness and equity and are thus in the best interests of the County; now.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WHITE PINE COUNTY, STATE OF NEVADA, hereby resolves that the County shall agree to modify the Agreement to the extent captured in the Mutual Modification of Interlocal Agreement for Police Protection, effective July 1, 2018.

Approved.

Aves:

Absent:

Clerk of the Board

RICHARD FASSED this 27th day of June. 2018

All which follows. Chairman of the Board

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Clerk of the Board

# DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF A MUTUAL MODIFICATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR POLICE PROTECTION WITH THE CITY OF ELY

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances advised it is the formula that's been modified; also, under "revenues paid by the County to the City for services," the ending was changed to "for contracted services." Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the mutual modification of the interlocal agreement for police protection with the City of Ely including the language modification as discussed. Commissioner Gary Perea seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL FOR THE D.A.'S OFFICE TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT FOR CMAR SERVICES ON THE JUSTICE CENTER PROJECT WITH THE TOP RANKED CMAR FIRM BASED ON THE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION PROCESS AND TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE NUMBER TWO RANKED CMAR FIRM IF ACCEPTABLE TERMS CANNOT BE REACHED WITH THE TOP RANKED FIRM

District Attorney Mike Wheable advised this will only be for discussion and update. He advised that the individual's staffing and interviews were done the past two weeks; the fee proposals were received and some follow-up investigation is happening at this point. He advised it wouldn't be appropriate to make a recommendation at this time; this will be brought forward at the next Commission meeting. Per legal advice, Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to table this agenda item until the next meeting. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

# **DEPARTMENT HEADS**

# BRAD CHRISTIANSEN, BUILDING OFFICIAL

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF A PARCEL MAP – APPLICANTS CLIFTON L. AND LINDA L. KEMP WISH TO DIVIDE THE PARCEL FOR ESTATE PLANNING – SUBJECT PROPERTY IS 1/4 SECTION SW, SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 18N, RANGE 65E – GENERAL LOCATION OF THE PROPERTY IS 5379 DUCK CREEK HIGHWAY, WHITE PINE COUNTY, NEVADA, APN 010-200-18

Building Official Brad Christiansen advised this is a 20-acre parcel; per the request of Mr. and Mrs. Kemp, the dividing line follows the creek bed and there would be two 10-acre parcels. He showed there are two points of access on the map. They're proposing to put a house and garage on the property as he noted. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the parcel map for the applicants to be divided for estate planning as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO WAIVE THE APPLICATION FEE FOR THE REZONING OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, WHICH WENT BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON JUNE 13, 2018, DUE TO THE OVERSIGHT OF THE ZONING AT THE TIME OF THE BUILDING'S CONSTRUCTION – ALL FEES FOR VARIANCE, PUBLICATIONS, AND CERTIFIED LETTER WERE PAID

Building Official Brad Christiansen noted this building was constructed in 1996-97, and the property was never rezoned; so all this time the building has been in non-compliance. It would be a C-3 zone, as he explained; he clarified that that while the County approved the rezoning, the fees were overlooked. The property is currently zoned C-5; all the paperwork done on the property was done by the County Engineer at that time. Following discussion, Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to approve waiving the application fee for the rezoning of the United Methodist Church, as requested, based on today's discussion and that this was an oversight made many years ago. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

# LORI ROMERO, LIBRARY DIRECTOR/SR. PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE LIBRARY SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ACT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000 WITH A \$300 MATCH COMING FROM THE BOOK BUDGET

Library Director Lori Romero advised this grant is for \$3,000; she applies for this annually, plus there is funding included in there to purchase Library materials. She added we've been getting this grant for many years. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to accept the grant as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE NUTRITION INCENTIVE PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,772 WITH NO COUNTY MATCH

Sr. Program Administrator Lori Romero advised this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> supplement they've received this year, making the total over \$14,000. She noted this is strictly for commodities, and there's no match required. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to accept the NSIP funds as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO SURPLUS THE 2002 DODGE HOTSHOT DELIVERY VEHICLE BY MEANS OF SEALED BID

Administrator Romero advised their new vehicle should be in by Friday; they are looking to surplus the old one, as they've done with others in the past. She noted mostly local people are interested in these vehicles. She explained the process whereby the bids are sent in, and added this is a good, operable vehicle. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve the surplus of the 2002 Dodge HotShot Delivery Vehicle by means of sealed bid as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

# TIMOTHY BUNCH, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF MEGAN BROWN, WHITE PINE COUNTY AQUATIC FACILITIES DIRECTOR, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 12, 2018

Human Resources Director Timothy Bunch advised that he toured the McGill Pool and the Aquatic Center with Director Brown, went through her processes, and had the opportunity to witness her leadership and also what she's done to positively impact the community and the County. He commended the Board for their decision in hiring her, and with regret, noted that we need to accept her resignation. Chairman Richard Howe spoke to Director Brown, stating that "You're the best!" And further, that we got where we are at the Pool today because of Director Brown. But now we have to accept her resignation; he reluctantly entertained a motion to accept. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to accept the resignation of WPC Aquatic Facilities Director Megan Brown. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion was reluctantly carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO BEGIN THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS FOR THE WHITE PINE COUNTY AQUATIC FACILITIES DIRECTOR

Human Resources Director Timothy Bunch advised this will be a huge undertaking because it will be difficult to fill Director Brown's shoes. He met with Director Brown and all is prepared for an internal posting to be done first. He felt that while there are capabilities in varying degrees, there are people who could step into that role. During the discussion, Finance Director Elizabeth Frances requested we move forward with this as we've budgeted for the position, including providing \$20,000 for the recreational increase. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve beginning the recruitment. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to begin the recruitment process for the White Pine County Aquatic Facilities Director. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO BEGIN THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS FOR A FULL-TIME LIFEGUARD WITH BENEFITS

Director Bunch advised that a full-time Lifeguard took a job outside the Aquatic Center, so we need to fill that position. Commissioner Gary Perea made a motion to begin the recruitment process for a full-time Lifeguard with benefits as requested. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

# **ELIZABETH FRANCES, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-44 TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAX RATES FOR COUNTY FUNDS FOR FY 2018-2019

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances advised she is presenting this for WPC Treasurer Catherine Bakaric as she was unable to attend today. She explained this is required in order for Treasurer Bakaric to send out the tax bills; she added this is approved in the budget. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-44 to levy the ad valorem tax rates for the next fiscal year. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

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### RESOLUTION #2018-44

# RESOLUTION TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAX RATES FOR COUNTY FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

WHEREAS. White Pine County has established its 2018-2019 budgeted expenditures for certain funds to provide services to its citizens:

WHEREAS, these certain funds require Ad Valorem revenue for their operation:

WHEREAS, the Ad Valorem revenues are assessed by tax rates on real and personal property and certified by the Nevada State Tax Commission:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that White Pine County shall levy the following tax rates for the funds specified. The tax rates will be effective for the Fiscal Period beginning July 1, 2018 and are stated by the number of cents for each \$100 of assessed value of property levied for the following funds:

General Fund	1.6199
Emergency Medical Service	0.0350
Senior Citizen Center	0.0500
Accident Indigent	0.0150
Agriculture District #13	0.0350
Agriculture Extension	0.0100
China Springs Youth Facility	0.0061
County Indigent	0.0700
State of Nevada Indigent	0.0600
Capital Improvements	0.0500
TOTAL COUNTY	1.9510
White Pine School District -	0.7500
White Pine School District - Debt	0.2490
TOTAL SCHOOL	0.9990
Hospital	0.5400
State	0.1700
TOTAL COUNTY OVERALL	3.6600
City of Ely	0.0000
Lund Town	0.0000
Ruth Town	0.0000
McGill Town	0.0000
GRAND TOTAL TAX RATE	3.6600

It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Taxation, State of Nevada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 27th day of June, 2018.

Ayes: 5

Absent:\_\_\_\_

Richard Howe, Chairman of the Board

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DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-42 TO AUGMENT THE WPC GENERAL FUND FROM UNANTICIPATED AND UNBUDGETED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,220 IN ORDER TO PURCHASE FIVE NEW VOTESAFE POLL BOOKS FROM VOTEC AND 15 NEW ELECTION MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT FROM DOMINION VOTING AS APPROVED AT THE OCTOBER 11, 2017 COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

Director Frances recalled for the Board that while they passed a previous resolution to do this, that one is void since the public wasn't properly noticed in the newspaper. Therefore this is to redo the same action that was taken to get this done correctly, she noted. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-42 to augment the WPC General Fund as presented and discussed by Director Frances. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-43 TO AUGMENT THE WPC GENERAL FUND FROM UNANTICIPATED AND UNBUDGETED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,503 TO TRANSFER FY2017 REVENUES FROM LAND SALES TO THE SB74 FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE JAIL/COURTHOUSE EXPANSION PROJECT

Director Frances indicated the circumstances for placing this resolution on today are the same as for the previous resolution; the Board took action, but it wasn't properly noticed in the newspaper, therefore the resolution was voided. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-43 to augment the WPC General Fund as presented and discussed by Director Frances. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

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#### Resolution Number 2018-42

Resolution to Augment the White Pine County General Fund From Unanticipated and Unbudgeted Beginning Fund Balance in the Amount of \$55,220 in Order to Purchase Five New VoteSafe Poll Books from VOTEC and 15 New Election Machines and Equipment from Dominion Voting as approved at the October 11, 2017 County Commission Meeting

Whereas, at the October 11, 2017 White Pine County Commission meeting the Board of County Commissioners approved the purchase of Five New VoteSafe Poll Books from VOTEC and 15 New Election Machines and Equipment from Dominion Voting; and

Whereas, this purchase was unanticipated and unbudgeted during the FY 2018 budget process; and

Whereas, on October 25, 2017 Resolution Number 2017-53 was passed by the County Commission to provide for this purchase but proper notice was not given to the public at that time, and

Whereas, at that time the FY2018 White Pine County General Fund was anticipated to have a beginning fund halance of \$14,019,083 which is \$2,113,234 higher than budgeted of which \$357,402 has been appropriated for transfers to various special revenue funds leaving \$1,760,832 available for legal appropriation:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that White Pine County shall replace Resolution 2017-53 with Resolution 2018-42 and augment the White Pine County General Fund from unanticipated and unbudgeted beginning fund balance in the amount of \$53,220 (001-000, 29005-000) and increase the Elections Department. Equipment over \$5500 Line Item (001-108-53901-000) by the same amount.

It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Favarion, State of Nevada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 27th day	of June,	2018
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### Resolution Number 2018-43

Resolution to Augment the White Pine County General Fund From Unanticipated and Unbudgeted Beginning Fund Balance in the Amount of \$5,503 to Transfer FY2017 Revenues from Land Sales to the SB74 Fund for the Purpose of the Jail/Courthouse Expansion Project

Whereas, at the July 27, 2016 White Pine County Commission Meeting the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution Number 2016-29 which dedicated revenues generated by land sales to capital improvements; and

Whereas, in FY2017 White Pine County generated \$5,503 from land sales that remained in the General Fund and are part of the LY2018 beginning fund balance; and

Whereas, on October 25, 2017 Resolution Number 2017-54 was passed by the County Commission to provide for this transfer but proper notice was not given to the public at that time, and

Whereas, at that time the FY2018 White Pine County General Fund is anticipated to have a beginning fund balance of \$14.019.083 which is \$2,113,234 higher than budgeted of which \$352,402 was appropriated for transfers to various special revenue funds and \$53,220 was appropriated for election equipment leaving \$1.707.612 available for legal appropriation and this amount still remains available for legal appropriation today.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that White Pine County shall replace Resolution 2017-54 with Resolution 2018-43 and augment the White Pine County General Fund from unanticipated and unbudgeted beginning fund balance in the amount of \$5.503 (001-000-29905-000) and increase the Transfers out to the \$874 Fund Line Item (001-50)-58104-000) by the same amount.

It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Javation State of Novada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 27th day of June, 2018.

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Richard Howe. Chairman of the Board

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-50 TO AUGMENT THE WPC GENERAL FUND FROM UNANTICIPATED AND UNBUDGETED NET PROCEEDS OF MINERALS REVENUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,892,238 AND TRANSFER THAT TO THE SB74 FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE JAIL/COURTHOUSE EXPANSION PROJECT

Director Frances recalled for the Board that Resolution 2017-40 dedicates 80% of Net Proceeds to this project. She advised we got a lot more than was anticipated, and she's requesting this be transferred over to the project as noted. She clarified that there would be nearly \$21 million in that fund once that is achieved. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-50 to augment the WPC General Fund from unanticipated and unbudgeted Net Proceeds of Minerals revenues of \$1,892,238 and transfer that amount to the SB74 fund for the Jail/Courthouse expansion project. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

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### Resolution Number 2018-50

Resolution to Augment the White Pine County General Fund From Unanticipated and Unbudgeted Net Proceeds of Minerals Revenues in the Amount of \$1,892.238 and Transfer that to the \$874 Fund for the Purpose of the Jail/Courthouse Expansion Project

Whereas, the White Pine County Commission passed Resolution 2017-40 to dedicate 80% of all General Fund Net Proceeds of Minerals Revenues to the Justice Center Project; and

Whereas, the County received a total of \$3.115.298 in Net Proceeds of Minerals Revenues in FY2018 which is \$2.268.683 over what was budgeted; and

Whereas, 80% of the FY2018 amount received is \$2,492.238 of which \$600,000 was included in the FY2018 budget leaving a balance of \$1,892,238 to transfer:

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that White Pine County shall increase the budget for Net Proceeds of Minerals (001-000-31311-000) by \$1,892 738 and increase the Transfers Out to the \$B74 Fund Line Item (001-501-58104-000) by the same amount.

It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Taxation, State of Nevada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 27th day of June 2018,

Nays:

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DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MAY 2018
Director Frances advised these were handed out this morning; she is requesting no action, just for the Board to review them and she will bring them back at the next meeting agenda. 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 RESOLUTION 2018-47 TO AUGMENT THE GENETIC MARKER TESTING FUND BY \$1,000 TO APPROPRIATE UNBUDGETED AND UNANTICIPATED REVENUES

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances advised this fund will be going overbudget; this is just to augment that budget to reflect the activity of the revenues as they flow in and out. Following brief discussion, Chairman

Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-47 to augment the Genetic Marker Testing Fund by \$1,000 as requested. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

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#### Resolution Number 2018-47

Resolution to Augment the Genetic Marker Testing Fund by \$1,000 to Appropriate Unbudgeted and Unanticipated Revenues

Whereas, White Pine County maintains the Genetic Marker Testing Fund which is utilized to collect fees and pay them to Washoe County pursuant NRS; and

Whereas, the anticipated revenues in this fund will be higher than projected for FY2018; and

Whereas, this will require that both the revenues and related expenditure budget line items are increased to reflect the revised amount.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that White Pine County shall increase the Genetic Marker Testing Fund (Fund 135) as follows:

- Increase Revenue (account 135-000-35112-000) by \$1,000
- + Increase Expense (account 135-501-57121-000) by \$1,000

It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Taxation, State of Nevada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 27th day of June 2018.

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent

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DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO PAY ADVOCATES FOR COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$17,627.28 TO COVER APRIL AND MAY 2018 INVOICES FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE LEGAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE SNWA PIPELINE

Director Frances advised she had included some historical information regarding what the County has paid over the past fiscal year in connection with this. If this is approved, she noted the total amount of \$131,630 would be paid this year for their services. She added that the Great Basin Water Network has paid \$157,406.87 towards this effort. During the discussion, she confirmed the funds are available in the budget. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to pay the Advocates for Community and Environment the \$17,627.28 as requested. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON PRELIMINARY REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FROM THE  $_{2018}$  AIR RACE EVENT AND THE POTENTIAL OF SCHEDULING THE EVENT AGAIN IN  $_{2019}$ 

Both Airport Manager Lance Gale and Finance Director Elizabeth Frances approached the Board. Director Frances advised more expenditures are coming in; she cited the handout showing the Preliminary Revenues and Expenditures. The revenues are \$35,730.54 and expenditures are \$147,265.26, with a negative balance of (\$111,534.72). She wished the Board to have the information related to this year's event and its outcome prior to any scheduling of a follow-up event. Commissioner Steve Stork advised that while we fell short of our goals in attendance, for the first year it was remarkable that we got it all put together. We were short on

time, and the event could have been more than it was for that reason. However, he spoke to the opportunity for growth, and he felt this is a very viable event for the County. He also pointed out that several expenses were required upfront that in upcoming years wouldn't be necessary; also some displays were cancelled at the last minute, and he noted that with more planning going forward the event could be improved. During the discussion, Airport Manager Lance Gale noted that a 50-year weather study had been done in connection with this event, and it was discovered we only had a 10-day window within which the weather would be the best in Ely, which is why those dates for the event were selected. Also, pilots could come here, participate in the event, and then smoothly continue on to Reno for those air races. Chairman Richard Howe commented that there were 180 golfers participating in a golf event at the same time; we need to ensure that two major events aren't scheduled for the same time. He felt this event should be a great thing for White Pine County, and that we should stay with the 3-year arrangement. Manager Gale noted for the Board's information that over \$72,000 of the (\$111,534.72) was for the insurance coverage.

# LANCE GALE, AIRPORT MANAGER

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO LEASE THE SOUTH NAVY HANGAR SPACE; and,

# DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO LEASE HANGAR NUMBER 2

Airport Manager Lance Gale requested these two items be taken together; the Board acquiesced. He advised that there are many aviators who were tenants of the South Hangar, some of whom are here today. On July 7th he advised that MedX AirOne will be taking over the South Hanger for their operations. There is a minimum of \$300/month for the lease; there were no bids received on Hangar 2. Hangar 2 was utilized during the Air Races, he noted for the Board. MedX AirOne wants to rent Hangar 2 from the County so he can offer those tenants in the South Hangar a space for them to move to, while he moves into the South Hangar. Manager Gale added that Ely Jet Center also wants to rent the South Hangar; a commercial firm wants to lease Hangar 2 and a portion of the South Hangar as well. There was a proposal made to lease both areas, and the direction he received from the Board was to rent on a nightly basis. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted that if this goes out to public bid, they might not get the bid. He added the Board doesn't have to take any action today. Commissioner Steve Stork commented that they do want hangar space before the snow flies, and hopefully before our thunderstorms begin. He would like to see if anyone would be interested in paying for some hangar development. Manager Gale felt another option would be for MedX AirOne to lease property from the County and just build a hangar. Commissioner Shane Bybee would like us to table these items until the second meeting in July, have us meet with MedX AirOne and discuss some alternatives, have discussions with the Airport Advisory Board as well, and after those conversations, come back to this Commission. While it was clarified by District Attorney Mike Wheable that no legal action may be taken today, Manager Gale has requested some direction from the Board. D.A. Wheable suggested that Manager Gale contact the companies to see if there might be a better option out there; Manager Gale agreed, reiterating that they might not get the bid if it's put out to the public. Following further discussion, Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to table these two agenda items. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

## DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON 2018 ELY AIR RACES

Airport Manager Lance Gale thanked the Commissioners for attending during the Opening Ceremonies. He added that the Board knows the event's potential, it's been reported on the financial side. Also, he noted they got their waiver 5 days prior to the event. The positive thing is now we have a 3-year waiver, everything is in line and we're ready to go. The FAA was very impressed; he advised that the FAA Director over Air Races worldwide had watched how we did this, and he was amazed; this was the first time in 34 years such an event has ever been attempted. He continued to report there were 5 med flights during the event; during the races a helicopter called that had ran out of fuel, but we brought them in and landed them during the races. There was also a Mayday event during Saturday morning; their response time was 42 seconds. 350 Volunteers were needed for the event, and we had 374. We had -o- claims for insurance from spectators, volunteers, or racers. The FAA was very surprised at how smoothly things had gone; they expected to see "lots of fumbling," but everything was accomplished as if we'd been doing it for 4-5 years, per FAA opinion. Manager Gale

continued that at the last minute, 75% of our displays didn't show, but he noted that will be corrected in the future. He noted that comments received indicate we treated the pilots the very best over all the other air races in the world! In reply to a query from Commissioner Gary Perea, Manager Gale advised that Air Shows cost a lot less than Air Races; they also require different waivers. He did note that we can develop the Air Shows and other things since we have now completed our waiver process. He cited one example of other items being added to the event - the Air National Guard is planning to do a fly-by, with men parachuting out the back of the planes next year.

Ms. Meg Rhoades, Events Coordinator for the Bristlecone Convention Center, reported some feedback from the Tourism & Recreation Board on the Air Races; for this first year event, the attendees could become next year's referrals. We were way above the industry average with our event. She advised that the C-130 pilot wants to be here for the entire show next year, but we need to start the waiver process for that early; it's due July 1<sup>st</sup>. A jump team could be scheduled for training, at no cost to us. She would also like to see the Tourism & Recreation Board take on some of the duties of the event planning. Coordinator Rhoades added that more than half of the feedback was from people out of our area; they felt for a first year, it was a great event, and want to see it return next year. She noted we even got coverage from Nevada Magazine. The Board thanked both Coordinator Rhoades and Manager Gale for their updates.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF REFUNDS REQUESTED BY 8 INDIVIDUALS AT THE 2018 AIR RACES COMPRISED OF 2 PARKING PASSES AT \$10/EACH AND 6 GENERAL ADMISSION PASSES AT \$35 EACH FOR A TOTAL OF \$230

District Attorney Mike Wheable advised the Board should either table this or vote on it; it isn't for discussion in public. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve the refunds requested in the total amount of \$230. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. However, no vote was taken; therefore, the motion and second were rescinded. The Board gave direction to Airport Manager Lance Gale to take care of the matter.

# DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL TO START PLANNING THE 2019 ELY AIR RACES

Manager Gale advised that in order to begin planning for this event, the Board needs to approve it. He added the first application for this is due this Friday, and with Board approval this can be accomplished. He noted that next year's events will feature a sporting class, with biplanes, etc. It will be spread out over 3 days instead of 4; there will be a reduced rate for White Pine County residents; and even a night race is planned when the wind would be calmer. He added a BBQ event for families will also be included, and there are lots of other ideas being brought forth for next year's event. Commissioner Gary Perea would like to see the new Commission coming on Board next January hear Manager Gale's proposal at that time, and then make the decision to go forward with this. Finance Director Elizabeth Frances pointed out that we will begin advertising now, and you don't want to be put into a situation where the event would have to be cancelled January 1st. Coordinator Rhoades agreed that families will need to schedule their time to attend the event as well. During the discussion, involving whether or not to go forward at this point, Manager Gale asked the Board "When was the last time you had 1800 people at the Airport?" Commissioner Shane Bybee responded, "World War II!" Manager Gale added that one of the things this Board asked him to do, was to develop the Airport. Director Frances noted that none of this is budgeted; she will have better ideas of where to draw the funds from after the fiscal year is closed out. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Shane Bybee made a motion to start the planning process for the 2019 Ely Air Races. Commissioner Steve Stork 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

Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

### NOTICE OF UNTIMED ITEMS

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF AN AMENDED INTRASTATE INTERLOCAL CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF NEVADA DEPT. OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION AND WHITE PINE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN WHITE PINE COUNTY

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised the State is sending her emails to put this on the agenda. She put this on last time, and it was tabled for the District Attorney to have time to review and then recommend approval to the Commission. D.A. Wheable agreed this is fine, we've been doing this contract for years. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to approve the amended intrastate interlocal contract to provide services to children with intellectual and developmental disabilities in White Pine County as requested. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/UPDATE ON NACO'S EFFORTS AND INPUTS TO THE BLM AND FIREST SERVICE GREATER SAGE-GROUSE LAND USE PLANNING AMENDMENTS (INFORMATIONAL) – UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF NACO'S ACTIONS RE: THE BLM NEVADA'S EIS AND FOREST SERVICE'S RECENT NOTICE OF INTENT TO ANALYZE A PROPOSED TARGETED AMENDMENT TO THE AGENCIES' EXISTING LAND USE PLANS. THE BLM'S DEIS IS COMPLETE AND COMMENTS ARE DUE AUGUST 2, 2018. THE FOREST SERVICE ISSUED A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSIDER A FOREST PLAN AMENDMENT ON JUNE 20, 2018. JEREMY DREW, RCI, WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATE AS TO HIS WORK FOR NACO AND BOTH PROCESSES TO DATE, SCHEDULE GOING FORWARD, AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO WHITE PINE COUNTY

Mr. Jeremy Drew, RCI, thanked the Board for having him present today. He noted this is a reminder that the BLM EIS is scheduled and the Notice of Intent by the Forest Service was released last Fall regarding a plan amendment, which was based on some litigation. He noted some administrative changes, including review of the 2015 Land Use Plans. NACO retained RCI to provide technical support with respect to mapping and habitat objectives, plus discussions regarding the Land Use Plan Amendment. Mr. Drew continued that we're in the middle of the 90-day public comment period; he explained the schedule to the Board. What is driving all this, he noted, is the BLM's directive to better align with the State's Plan. He briefly reviewed the targeted RMP (Resource Management Plan), which specifically addressed priority/general/other habitat, removal of habitat focal areas, adaptive management to ensure all government entities are part of the "causal factor analysis" process, mitigation, seasonal timing, etc. Other than the targeted items, the remainder of the 2015 Land Use Plan will remain the same, he assured the Board. He briefly reviewed NACO's position on each of the issues that were listed. Mr. Drew then provided a quick update on where the USDA Forest Service is on this; Another Notice of Intent was issued showing what they plan to do; there's a 30-day comment period on that running through July 20th. They also added one issue, namely to coordinate with other agencies to implement predator projects where appropriate. He added their goal is to have a final EIS and Draft Record of Decision shortly. He thanked everyone and advised his office has an open door policy to answer any questions the Board may have.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING HELD MAY 23, 2018

Commissioner Carol McKenzie noted a couple of changes that needed to be made. Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to approve this set of minutes with changes noted. Commissioner Shane Bybee seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/APPROVAL OF AN EASEMENT DEED GRANTING THE CITY OF ELY AN EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY THROUGH AND WITHIN THE COUNTY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY SO DESIGNATED BY PURPLE LINES SURROUNDED BY BROWN LINES ON THE ATTACHED "NDOT STORMDRAIN PROPOSED ALIGNMENT" MAP CREATED BY BASIN ENGINEERING, FOR THE PURPOSE OF LOCATING, ESTABLISHING CONSTRUCTING, MAINTAINING, REPAIRING, AND OPERATING AT 1500 FOOT LONG BY 8 FOOT WIDE STORM DRAIN FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALTERING THE FLOODPLAIN IN RELATIN TO NDOT'S AULTMAN STREET PROJECT

City Attorney Chuck Odgers thanked the Board for the opportunity to present. For the last 2-1/2 years the City of Ely has been working with NDOT on a flood control channel project; that would take most of Ely out of the flood plain area, so the flood insurance requirements could be reduced for those in the Floodplain Control District. He advised many meetings have been held on this trying to determine the best way to get this done; he cited a map showing the floodplain as it exists today. Once the project is implemented, Attorney Odgers showed another map with those changes, and he noted the vast difference between the two. NDOT will be breaking ground April 2019 and they will be spending \$10.2 million on this project. He cited the process, which included rights-of-way issues, such as one portion is in the County that was never annexed into the City. An easement will be needed to complete that right-of-way portion, which is why this is on today's agenda. He continued to explain the route of the flood control channel on the map, which is what the City is asking for. Mr. Keith Carson and Mr. Rod Scherrer are two residents who aren't happy with this proposal; Mr. Carson was invited by the Board to speak, as Mr. Scherrer was unable to attend at this time.

Mr. Keith Carson is a farm owner of 42 acres, and 20% of this project is located on his property; it was noted that Mr. Scherrer has 80% of this project located across his property. Mr. Carson advised that both their farms have been fenced for over 50 years. He stated these are pastureland for his livestock, and "he's ready to fight." It was noted there was a death in the Scherrer family so they were unable to attend, he noted. He felt that by signing this proposal, it will give the City access through their properties. He wants the Commission to understand this is where they live and raise their cattle and horses; it's an overlay of an old 1905 subdivision, as he explained. He would ask the Board to table this until Mr. Shear can attend. Mr. Carson added that he doesn't wish to hold up the project, and he realizes its importance, but is still requesting to wait until Mr. Scherrer has a chance to speak to this as well. Chairman Richard Howe advised he has no problem tabling this until Mr. Scherrer can be here, and felt it was important to hear both of their statements. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted that the County can't give away property it doesn't have. Mr. Carson felt that the County may not have a County property there, which would be important to consider; if he and Mr. Scherrer don't have any property rights, then the City would have to do due diligence to prove that we gave them the property right. Mr. Carson added that he still has his remedies to prove he does have the property right. Attorney Odgers advised that the County never abandoned the road, citing the 1905 property map. The title search showed the County is the owner of those roadways; they've been maintained by the County, and never given up. Commissioner Gary Perea was reluctant to grant the right-of-way because the property, which was based on subdivision lots, wasn't developed that way. D.A. Wheable advised that you can't take property from a municipality for adverse possession; there could be some legal issues with this. At this point it looks like the County owns the property, and we do have the right to grant easement through it. Commissioner Perea disagreed, in that the land isn't being used for what it was designed for. Commissioner Shane Bybee didn't feel the land belongs to the municipality. Attorney Odgers advised that it was developed to run water/sewer and storm drains; that is the County's. It's owned by the Commission, and not by the Carsons or the Scherrers. Commissioner Perea disagreed.

At this point, Ms. Paula Carson advised that while she isn't authorized to speak for Mr. Scherrer, she does know he's a structural engineer, and he has an idea that he felt might be a good solution. Ms. Carson added that they've never been included in the meetings apparently held on this project, and they—along with the Scherrer's—need to have the opportunity to present their perspectives and work on the solutions. As taxpayers, she concluded, they would appreciate that consideration. Following brief discussion, Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to table this agenda item. Commissioner Carol McKenzie made a motion to table this agenda item until Mr. Scherrer can appear to speak to this. Commissioner Steve Stork seconded. Attorney Odgers advised that after considering other possible routes, this way, going through public rights-of-way, is the last resort; NDOT will pull out, he felt, if this can't be resolved. The motion and second were recalled, and the vote was taken; motion carried.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Carol McKenzie wants some input from the Board regarding the meeting in Pioche this Friday, at which she will need to provide reports. The subject matter is an overview of public land activities/impacts on Lincoln and White Pine County; she noted anything that she could present would be helpful.

Chairman Richard Howe asked if the Board might have an appetite to meet with the City to discuss grant funding. Once a year, he noted, we have a joint meeting with the City at the Bristlecone Convention Center, and he felt perhaps during the next month or so this could be done.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:42 p.m., Commissioner Steve Stork made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Carol McKenzie seconded. Motion carried.

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