

1 The Honorable Board of Lander County Commissioners met in
2 regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Lander County
3 Courthouse in Battle Mountain, Nevada, on March 13, 2014, at
4 9:00 a.m.

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6 **PRESENT:** DEAN BULLOCK, COMMISSIONER
7 STEVEN STIENMETZ, COMMISSIONER
8 BRIAN GARNER, COMMISSIONER
9 DAVID MASON, COMMISSIONER
10 PATSY WAITS, COMMISSIONER
11 SADIE SULLIVAN, COUNTY CLERK
12 ANGIE ELQUIST, DISTRICT ATTORNEY
13 ROGENE HILL, FINANCE DIRECTOR
14 JOY SWEENEY, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR
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16 Let the record reflect the presence of a quorum of five
17 Commissioners.

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19 Let the record reflect the presence of Austin via telephone
20 conference.

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22 [Meeting commenced on March 13, 2014, at 9:00 a.m.]
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24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Call the meeting of the Lander County
25 Commission Meeting, Town Board of Battle Mountain, and Austin
26 Board of County Highway Commissioners to order.

27 Sadie, will you lead us in the pledge.
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29 (Pledge of Allegiance)
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32 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA NOTICE**
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34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
35 approval of the agenda notice.

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll make a motion to approve the
37 agenda notice.

38 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll second.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I have just a question -- not on the
40 agenda notice today. But I'm wondering if maybe we need to take

1 out the part that says, also via teleconference at the Austin
2 Courthouse. I'm not so sure we're going to have every single
3 one covered until we get someone down there to replace the
4 executive secretary. And if we take that off, we can still try
5 and do it, but we aren't mandated to do it. Does that sound all
6 right?

7 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I'll just get with legal to confirm
8 on it.

9 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: All right.

10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.

11 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: So --

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

13 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Thank you for bringing it up.

14 RAY WILLIAMS: I think that's kind of unfair. I think that
15 we should do the best we can. There are people that want to
16 listen in from time to time.

17 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Oh, absolutely. That -- that isn't my
18 intent at all. I mean, we will certainly try and do everything
19 we can. But in the case we could not, then we aren't mandated.
20 I mean, we don't know what else to do, Ray, is what we're
21 saying. But we'll continue to -- absolutely, that's an
22 extremely important part.

23 RAY WILLIAMS: Okay.

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion -- oh, any public comment?
25 Any more?

26 RAY WILLIAMS: Yes, I do have a public comment.

27 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Hold on, Ray, we're under the pr -- under
28 the agenda.

29 RAY WILLIAMS: Okay.

30 COMMISSIONER GARNER: All those in favor?

31 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

34 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

35 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

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38 **APPROVAL & ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

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40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding

1 approval and acceptance of minutes of February 27, 2014, Regular
2 Session.

3 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to approve the
4 minutes for the February 27th, 2014th, Regular Session.

5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Second.

6 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

8 (No comment.)

9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor? Aye.

10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

11 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

12 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

14 COMMISSIONER MASON: You had no comment?
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17 **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

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19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Commissioners reports on meetings,
20 conferences, seminars attended. Staff reports on meetings,
21 conferences, and seminars attended.

22 COMMISSIONER MASON: Last night, I attended the planning
23 commission at 6:00 p.m. And there were six items on the agenda.
24 Two were -- one discussion. And we had one deferred. And the
25 rest will come before this board sooner or later. That's all I
26 have.

27 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Patsy?

28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you. Yes, I attended a few I'd
29 like to report on.

30 On March 3rd, we did have a public lands meeting that was
31 held in Battle Mountain. I was on via the -- the telephone in
32 Austin with some citizens, general updating and information.
33 But I did want to bring up one point, the BLM representative was
34 saying that the was looking for our paperwork to be a
35 cooperating agency with BLM regarding the sage grouse. And I
36 remember that discussion very well. We asked back and forth
37 whether we were going to be a cooperating or coordinating
38 agency. And we went back and forth on that. And he
39 remembered -- the BLM representative remembered that too. But
40 he said he asked BLM for the paperwork, and they couldn't find

1 it. So that's a very big concern that we need to look up that
2 and see where we are.

3 On March 7th, there was a Central Nevada Regional Water
4 Authority meeting. Steve also attended. Ray Williams was also
5 there. Just a couple things. They were looking at a management
6 plan for Pahrump Valley and Diamond Valley that are having some
7 problems on the water, of course. And Eureka, Diamond Valley,
8 actually has gone another source, which they were kind of
9 excited about. So it was an update on that.

10 The Water Authority is looking to do some strategy meetings
11 around the state for the water concern on the drought. And
12 they're looking together right now for some bills that we might
13 be putting forth on the legislature.

14 On March 10th, I attended a tax commission meeting in
15 Carson City with Rex Massey. And we're delighted to tell you
16 that our request to maintain the guarantee status pursuant to
17 NRS 377.057(2) was okayed by the tax commission. So we have
18 another year.

19 I did miss the airport meeting that was the very same day.
20 And Ray might be able to give us an update on that. But one
21 thing I wanted to bring forth on that one was there was some
22 deep concern that we've talked about for some time, of course,
23 with -- with our balance on how we're going to do the av fuel.
24 And they decided they would go for another grant, the Secure
25 Rural Schools Grant from the Forest Service. So they are
26 requesting that. That is due this Friday.

27 And I did have two additional telephone conference calls
28 with the Division of Aging regarding our NRS 459 Tobacco Fund
29 Money for Healthy Nevadans. So we're still working on some
30 drafts on that.

31 And on the Division of Aging also, I know you all were
32 invited to a teleconference, which is on March 21st coming up.
33 I don't know who is able to attend, because we have to travel to
34 connect to that one. So we'll have to see. I'm going to try
35 and make that. Thank you.

36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Steve?

37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: All right. March 5th, we had a
38 LEPC meeting. And we went through -- and mainly it was to
39 discuss all the equipment we need to purchase that we found in
40 supplies and for our grant, because we can apply for 30,000

1 every year for operating equipment and training. And so we went
2 through and filled all that out so Keith could it get it filled
3 out. And I think he has to have it in this -- have it in --
4 supposed to have it in this week. And that -- that's covers our
5 secretary and all our equipment we want to buy this year to
6 staff up all our hazardous material trailers and everything.

7 And then I don't have anything more to say about the
8 Central -- I also attended the Central Nevada -- Central Nevada
9 Regional Water Authority meeting. And Patsy pretty well covered
10 everything we went over.

11 That's all I have.

12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. I attended on March 5th, the
13 LEDA meeting. RCI was there, made a presentation of the leads
14 that we're getting for businesses coming in, which was pretty
15 positive. And so -- going forward on that.

16 And the CEDS document, of course, is on the agenda today,
17 so I'm not going to go into that.

18 So we're moving forward with leads and -- and companies
19 that are looking to come to Lander County for businesses.

20 That's all I have.

21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Mine's in the meeting.
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24 PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

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26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
27 payment of the bills.

28 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I don't know that we legally can
29 without District Attorney here.

30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

31 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Let me go.
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33 (County Clerk Sullivan left chambers to get a
34 representative from the District Attorney's office.)
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36 COMMISSIONER MASON: I had an impromptu meeting with our
37 new director -- executive director a week ago Monday. And we
38 toured the town and had breakfast. And I kind of settled him in
39 as far as Battle Mountain is concerned. Nothing specific, just
40 to help him along. And -- I think -- I think he's settling in

1 pretty good. He's been to a lot of meetings.

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3 (District Attorney Elquist entered chambers.)

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5 JANE BIANCHI: Okay. I have one to ratify today: Check
6 #47395 in the amount of \$455.47 to David J. Cormany.

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8 (Commissioners reviewing the bills.)

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10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I do need to abstain from Check #47536
11 for my travel expenses.

12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And I need to abstain from Check
13 #47455.

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15 (Commissioners reviewing the bills.)

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17 **David J. Cormany**

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19 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I make a motion we ratify Check
20 #47395 in the amount of \$455.47 to David G. [sic] Cormany.

21 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

23 (No comment.)

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

25 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

27 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

29 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

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31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I make a motion we approve submitted
32 expenditures in the amount of \$326,776.96 from Check #47445
33 through Check #47537.

34 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

36 (No comment.)

37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor? Aye.

38 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

39 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

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4 **PAYROLL CHANGE REQUESTS**

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6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
7 payroll change requests. Two.

8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion we approve the
9 payroll change requests for Employee #903 and Employee #1433.

10 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thanks, Jane.

11 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll second it.

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
13 (No comment.)

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor? Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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21 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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23 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It's time for public comment.

24 ROGENE HILL: Rogene Hill. I'd just like to take -- I just
25 wanted to take this time to welcome our new executive director
26 Jim Olson and welcome him to our Lander County team. And we're
27 pleased to have you aboard and look forward to working with you.

28 JIM OLSON: Thank you.

29 ROGENE HILL: Thank you.

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Ray?

31 Ray Williams?

32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Is he down there?

33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Ray, you down there?

34 RAY WILLIAMS: Yeah, do you hear me?

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yes.

36 RAY WILLIAMS: Yeah. I'm sorry. I had the -- had the
37 phone on red instead of green.

38 Anyway, I'm Ray Williams, a citizen down in Austin, Nevada.
39 And I'm just piping in this morning to kind of -- to express my
40 views on the Austin mapping process, the Austin roads mapping

1 process and the meeting that was held here in Austin.

2 I just felt that the engineers somehow are on -- way off on
3 the wrong track on trying to -- to do what the original intent
4 was back -- back in history is to try to identify existing roads
5 were and map it out so it -- boundary lines could be out.

6 And I just feel they need to sit down with the county
7 surveyor and assessor and perhaps some of the committee that was
8 here in Austin master plan and basics. The map that they
9 presented, it seemed like they've done an awful lot of work, but
10 it doesn't really resolve what we have here in our historic
11 community. About all I have to say.

12 I just wish that they could set up another meeting to sit
13 down at the table with the staff to work on these issues.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.

15 COMMISSIONER MASON: Ray?

16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: (Non-word utterance directing a stop in
17 discussion.)

18 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Can't comment.

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: Can't comment? Oh.

20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We have any other public comment?
21 (No comment.)

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24 **FINANCE**

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26 1) **Discussion for possible action regarding budget review,**
27 **contracts, financial update, and other matters properly**
28 **relating thereto.**

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30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Moving on to one, Finance. Discussion
31 for possible action regarding budget review, contracts,
32 financial update, and other matters properly related thereto.

33 NAN ANCHO: Good morning.

34 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Good morning, Nan.

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning, Nan.

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: You're still alive after
37 yesterday?

38 NAN ANCHO: Kind of. Nan Ancho, Finance.

39 I'd like to give you a review of your accounts
40 receivable -- receivable for the month of -- let's see --

1 February: water is 16,264; sewer is 17,130; water and sewer
2 miscellaneous is 5,760; landfill is 16,171; ambulance is at 780;
3 and we currently have at collections 707 -- \$770, which gives
4 accounts receivable balance of \$56,875.

5 We have a couple of expenditures in the commission's budget
6 that we need to discuss.

7 The first one would be the -- in the commissioners' budget
8 for two th -- fiscal year 2013/14. The first one would be the
9 advisory board travel and training. It was established in 2003.
10 And since then the expenditures are as follows: in the 2003, we
11 spent 2,740; 2004, 2,000; 2005, 2,510; 2006, 1,375; 2007, 1,165;
12 2008, 1,810; 2009, 2,660; 2010, 1,300; 2011, 2,800; and 2012,
13 \$3,210. In this current fiscal-year budget of '13/'14, we
14 budgeted 3,500. And in eight months, we have met that budgeted
15 amount. So the current line item is at zero. And if you -- we
16 still have four more months to go with this. If you want to
17 continue to fund it, we can move money from contingency to this
18 line item, or you can choose other options.

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: This is our travel expenses?

20 NAN ANCHO: This is for the advisory board, not the
21 commission's -- the advisory boards for those that go to other
22 meetings out of town like PLUAC and -- what's the other ones
23 that they go to?

24 ROGENE HILL: PLUAC. LEDA is --

25 NAN ANCHO: LEDA's its own.

26 ROGENE HILL: No.

27 RAY WILLIAMS: Rural water.

28 JOY SWEENEY: Sewer.

29 ROGENE HILL: The water. Yeah, the water.

30 NAN ANCHO: Water.

31 ROGENE HILL: Conferences. I think what's happening --
32 Rogene Hill -- I think what's happening is that back in the day,
33 we used to have the county vehicle. And the county vehicle
34 would be used for attending all these advisory board meetings.

35 And now, it looks like everybody is taking their own
36 vehicles, which costs a lot more.

37 And I think that that's why you're seeing the rise in the
38 cost that --

39 RAY WILLIAMS: We talked about this. If you get that other
40 vehicle transferred up to Austin, I'm sure that everyone will

1 use it more than --
2 ROGENE HILL: Right. Absolutely. And was --
3 RAY WILLIAMS: The vehicle --
4 ROGENE HILL: -- that's the intent.
5 RAY WILLIAMS: Just for own my position, I wouldn't even
6 drive it anymore.
7 ROGENE HILL: Right. And that is the intent in this next
8 year's budget. So hopefully, July 1 we will have the Tahoe
9 moved, transferred to Austin.
10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Do we not have a vehicle we could
11 transfer down there now?
12 ROGENE HILL: Uh.
13 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: For four months, whatever? Until we
14 can make the trade?
15 DONALD NEGRO: We've got the Expedition that -- that the
16 senior center had. We could take it down or send it down.
17 ROGENE HILL: Is it in better shape than --
18 DONALD NEGRO: I don't know. I haven't drove it.
19 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I mean, it's either take a vehicle
20 down, or we're going to have to put more money in this account
21 so --
22 DONALD NEGRO: The new one?
23 ROGENE HILL: Huh?
24 DONALD NEGRO: -- get them a new one?
25 ROGENE HILL: No, not this year. Because it's not budgeted
26 for it. Let us take a look and see what we can come up with.
27 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I mean, I know we got a plan changed
28 for July, but for right now --
29 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.
30 ROGENE HILL: Exactly.
31 DONALD NEGRO: (indiscernible) -- the bug man's truck?
32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay. Are we tabling --
33 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.
34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- that decision?
35 NAN ANCHO: And what do you --
36 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: The only problem is we need to make
37 a decision, because if somebody's got a meeting next week, what
38 are we supposed to do?
39 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Well, we need to put some money in
40 there for something --

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah, we --
2 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: If we have money in there, we
3 don't spend it, it rolls over anyway. So -- how much do we need
4 to -- do you think we need to add? Another thousand?
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Another 1500?
6 NAN ANCHO: Well, that's up to you how much you want to put
7 in there?
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Another 1500, I'm guessing.
9 ROGENE HILL: I would say about \$2,000 is what you need to
10 move into that.
11 You can -- you know, you have the option to move it out of
12 your contingency into the -- I think there's another area. I
13 think Nan will discuss in a minute. So you might want to make
14 that motion to move -- to cover both of those areas.
15 NAN ANCHO: We have another line item we need to discuss
16 and that is the service and supplies. It was -- the budgeted
17 amount was 10,500. I don't know if you want to move on to that
18 or if you want to make a motion on this.
19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Sure.
20 NAN ANCHO: But this is -- if you want me to bring this all
21 into --
22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Do it all in one motion.
23 NAN ANCHO: Budgeted was 10,500. And currently there is
24 1,115 available to cover the next four months. This averages to
25 about \$900 a month coming out of this line item.
26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: What kind of things come out of here,
27 Nan?
28 NAN ANCHO: Like your office supplies, copies, papers, OPI
29 --
30 COMMISSIONER WAITS: This is for the whole county?
31 NAN ANCHO: -- office supplies. But there was also two
32 radios that were purchased out of this line item.
33 ROGENE HILL: That's basically what --
34 NAN ANCHO: That's what hit it hard is those were totaling
35 3,150 for the two radios.
36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: What division did they go to? What
37 department?
38 NAN ANCHO: Commissioners.
39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: South and north. Yours and mine. They
40 were supposed to come out of safety.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Oh, I -- Oh, I don't have anything
2 yet. Okay. That one.
3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Right.
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: All right.
5 NAN ANCHO: So. That -- that would be another one you
6 could move money from contingency to cover for the next four
7 months also.
8 CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: But you're going to have to have another
9 \$2500 is what you're telling me in that one?
10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It was 10,000 to begin with though.
11 NAN ANCHO: It was 10,500 that was budgeted.
12 And there's --
13 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Give me account numbers.
14 NAN ANCHO: The account number for the -- hang on.
15 For the advisory board is account number 001-001-53965.
16 The account number for the service and supplies is
17 001-001-53920.
18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And what's the contingency fund?
19 NAN ANCHO: Contingency is 001-050-59710.
20 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Five nine seven --
21 NAN ANCHO: One zero.
22 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: One zero.
23 I make a motion that we take \$4,500 from the contingency
24 fund of 001-050-59710 and put 2,000 in the advisory board travel
25 fund of 001-001-53965 and 2,500 in the service and supplies
26 account of 001-001-53920.
27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second that motion.
28 NAN ANCHO: Okay. With that being said, I -- I would like
29 to read into the minutes that we'll be moving --
30 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: We need to --
31 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: We need to go ahead and go with
32 our stuff.
33 NAN ANCHO: Oh, I'm sorry. Got ahead of myself.
34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
35 (No comment.)
36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
38 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
40 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Now, you can go.

3 NAN ANCHO: Okay. With that being said, I would like to
4 move out of contingency 001-050-59710 \$2,000 into line item
5 advisory board 001-001-53965 and read into the minutes also
6 moving money out of contingency 001-050-59710 \$2,500 into line
7 item service and supplies number 001-001-53920.

8 And the last item I had on my list was the same thing Patsy
9 talked about was the gas-tax waiver. We were approved for that
10 waiver. But with the changing of the guards, we need to
11 remember that this is a yearly occurrence that we do have to
12 apply for this every year. So we will have to remember to do
13 the same thing next year. And we're grateful that we got it.

14 And that's all I have.

15 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks, Nan.

16 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thank you.

17 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Thank you.

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19 **BUILDING**

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21 **2) Discussion for possible action regarding operations and**
22 **projects for the Building Department, and other matters**
23 **properly related thereto.**

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25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Two, Building. Discussion for possible
26 action regarding operations and projects for the Battle -- for
27 the Building Department, and other matters properly related
28 thereto.

29 JOE LINDSEY: Good morning.

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Good morning.

31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Good morning.

32 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning.

33 JOE LINDSEY: I forgot to bring my information so I had to
34 borrow Joy's.

35 Joe Lindsey, Building Department.

36 The month of February 2014, we had 15 new building permits
37 issued.

38 We performed four non-permitted inspections.

39 Our ongoing projects are mostly communication towers still:

40 AT&T mobility at Stony Point, Antelope Valley, and Cortez mine

1 site, and AT&T at Stony Point in Austin. They're adding and
2 replacing antennas and upgrading their towers.

3 The south county, we got the Verizon tower in Austin. We
4 have presently ten open construction permits in the south
5 county. And we just permitted the civil improvements for Phase
6 2 at Ormat at McGinness Hills project last week. So they're
7 breaking ground on that -- excuse me -- as we speak.

8 Under the miscellaneous, Joe and Anna were supposed to be
9 attending the International Code Training in Las Vegas. I had a
10 family emergency last week, so I was not able to attend that,
11 but Anna is down there now. She will return to the office
12 March 17th. And she has been staying in contact with us. So --

13 The Turquoise Hills Subdivision has permitted two new
14 homes. It looks like they're going to be moving slowly but
15 they're still progressing. So things are looking good out
16 there.

17 We ordered a replacement fuel pump for the Battle Mountain
18 Airport fuel system for the low lead. It should be delivered
19 hopefully late this week. I haven't heard anything from -- from
20 the company, but I'm going to be checking with them later today.

21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: A new pump?

22 JOE LINDSEY: Yeah, a new pump for the low lead. The
23 low-lead pump is not working at all.

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Is that the one you just rebuilt?

25 JOE LINDSEY: Yeah. It is. So Mark's working with a
26 gentleman who performed the project, the repairs on that system,
27 tried to give him the opportunity to make that right. But we
28 also just, I believe, yesterday --

29 MARK BRETHER: L.A. Perks. Yeah.

30 JOE LINDSEY: L.A. Perks came out and spent quite a bit of
31 time out there reviewing. They apparently they said it looked
32 pretty good. But I think they're putting together a quote for
33 replacing that pump just in case the guy from California doesn't
34 -- isn't able to come back up. So we need to get that fuel
35 system up and running.

36 MARK BRETHER: What will happen -- excuse me -- just to
37 let everybody know, I mean, what's going to happen, is the pump
38 that did actually fail after it was rebuilt, will get -- it's
39 under warranty. It will get replaced. And then that one will
40 be placed on a shelf for as a backup pump in case they lose the

1 other pumps --
2 JOE LINDSEY: Right.
3 MARK BRETHAUER: -- until we get the new system installed.
4 JOE LINDSEY: Yeah.
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So we're not paying for this, right?
6 MARK BRETHAUER: No. You're paying for the backup pump,
7 just in case you need a backup. They've never had a backup pump
8 up there. If they've ever failed on a pump, you know, they're
9 out of business. So it's a backup pump essentially.
10 RAY WILLIAMS: Can't hear the guy in the background.
11 MARK BRETHAUER: Anyway, go ahead. Sorry.
12 JOE LINDSEY: What he's saying is the backup pump -- we
13 purchased a backup pump. And the pump that failed will be
14 rebuilt under warranty. And -- and so that we will have a spare
15 pump on site should we ever have another pump failure out there.
16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So that project is not being funded? The
17 other 50%?
18 JOE LINDSEY: For the fuel?
19 COMMISSIONER GARNER: It hasn't been signed off, right?
20 It's not --
21 JOE LINDSEY: No.
22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It hasn't been paid for?
23 JOE LINDSEY: The remainder of the project has not been
24 paid for yet.
25 MARK BRETHAUER: No, we're still holding \$5,000.
26 JOE LINDSEY: There's \$5,000 being held out right now.
27 MARK BRETHAUER: Until he finishes that work.
28 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Well, I don't understand why -- so
29 because he failed on rebuilding a pump, now we have to buy an
30 extra pump?
31 MARK BRETHAUER: He didn't fail. He had the pump rebuilt
32 by Gorman-Rupp. It's not him. He had a company actually --
33 Gorman-Rupp who actually makes that pump rebuilt it for him.
34 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Mark, could we have you come
35 forward, --
36 JOE LINDSEY: Come up here.
37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah, you need to come forward.
38 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- if you would, please. Thank
39 you.
40 MARK BRETHAUER: No. What it was, was both pumps were

1 rebuilt by a company called Gorman-Rupp, who makes the pump.
2 And so it's under -- they're warrantied that it will be replaced
3 and fixed?

4 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Well, actually I was --

5 MARK BRETHAUER: We're not paying for that.

6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Actually I was CC'd on all the e-mails,
7 and he rebuilt them in his shop. If you go back into your
8 e-mails --

9 MARK BRETHAUER: I did. And I know -- I spoke to him
10 personally. It was -- it was given to Gorman-Rupp. So --

11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Well, that's the problem I have with this
12 whole thing is I don't want the bills paid until it's brought
13 back to us.

14 MARK BRETHAUER: Exactly. That's why we're here and
15 safeguard that. We're the watchdogs.

16 No, we're not paying anything. If we need to, that money
17 will go towards somebody else to have the repairs done.

18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Because in his e-mails, he said he
19 rebuilt the pump himself in the shop. And he was getting the
20 seals to work.

21 MARK BRETHAUER: Well --

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: And the seals were not --

23 MARK BRETHAUER: -- that's --

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- right. And the pumps were -- they
25 sent the wrong parts. He finally got the right parts. He put
26 them in there. I think you need reinvestigate that a little bit
27 deeper.

28 MARK BRETHAUER: Doesn't matter. Either way, it's under
29 his warranty. We'll make sure it gets fixed.

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: But now we're buying an extra pump
31 because his --

32 MARK BRETHAUER: We should have always had an extra pump
33 out there. We should have always had a backup pump for that
34 system out there if it was that critical. It's -- they've never
35 had a -- they told me for years they've been asking for a backup
36 pump, and the county's never given them any of these backup
37 pumps. That's what the FOB's been telling me, or FBO.

38 If the system fails, they don't have any backups.

39 JOE LINDSEY: Anyway, we should hopefully have that system
40 online this week and have the repairs scheduled here shortly.

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.
2 JOE LINDSEY: And last, we would like to welcome Mr. Olson.
3 JIM OLSON: Thank you, sir.
4 JOE LINDSEY: Thank you. We look forward to working you,
5 sir.
6 JIM OLSON: Thank you.
7 JOE LINDSEY: Any questions?
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Nope.
9 JOE LINDSEY: Thank you, very much.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Joe.
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13 **ENGINEER**

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15 3) **Discussion for possible action regarding operations and**
16 **projects of the Lander County Engineer, and other matters**
17 **properly related thereto.**
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19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Three, discussion for possible action
20 regarding operations and projects of the Lander County Engineer,
21 and other matters properly related thereto.

22 MARK BRETHER: Staying put. Mark Brethauer, Engineer.
23 So everybody has their current schedule, the updated
24 schedule here. Let's go through it real quickly.

25 We still have our Fifth Street alley project on the list
26 here because we're still waiting for temperatures to be
27 acceptable for replacement of the fog seal. And we're still
28 holding retention money on that as well. So it won't be done
29 until the weather cooperates. I have to have a certain
30 temperature range in order to replace that.

31 The Well #9 project. All paperwork from Western Title for
32 the purchase of the 20-acre parcel from New Nevada Lands was
33 signed. And all documents have been officially recorded. So
34 you now own a 20-acre parcel out there for your new well.

35 The contract for the construction phase of the project was
36 also signed. And we have our preconstruction meeting scheduled
37 for 11:00 a.m. this morning. All typical inspections required
38 for this project will be performed by our in-house building and
39 engineering staff.

40 On the 2013/'14 Water Sewer Replacement project, work on

1 this project began last week with potholing activities. That's
2 probably what you guys have been seeing out there where they
3 were actually out there digging to verify depths and any
4 potential conflicts with other utilities, our existing
5 utilities. We get this all out of the -- we figure this all out
6 first before they actually start construction out there. So
7 that's what's going on right now.

8 I don't know if anybody saw the article in the paper. We
9 put a little, brief article in the paper last week regarding the
10 project.

11 On Mountain View Golf Course, not much changing there
12 really. It's just -- as everybody remembers, on the February
13 27th meeting, the Commissioners approved the work to proceed
14 with the well's rehabilitation -- potential rehabilitation of
15 the wells and the installation of variable frequency drives in
16 the pumps.

17 Cemetery fencing is still on the list. Apparently, Grace
18 informed me yesterday, she's got some money to go ahead and
19 proceed with certain portions of that project. And we're still
20 collecting some information on the electrical for her at this
21 time. So we're still waiting for Fred to come back with some
22 information for us.

23 Austin Visitors Center construction's now about 98%
24 complete. Preliminary punch list has been provided to the
25 contractor. Final completion is expected towards the end of
26 this month, which will include all landscaping materials. We're
27 hoping -- that's kind of what they're saying right now.

28 I have requested information from the architects related to
29 the additional supplies that may be necessary to support the two
30 restrooms facilities, as far as like what we're going to need:
31 extra trash cans, paper towels, and all of the necessary things
32 you would typically see in a restroom. So hopefully I'll have a
33 list of that here pretty quick, because I think that's up the
34 discussion on Item Number 15. I think that's coming down the
35 road.

36 As far as the pedestrian bridge, I haven't heard anything
37 new on that. So I have no idea what the schedule is on that
38 right now. So I'm just kind of waiting for input. And if I can
39 get any information on that, I will include it into the schedule
40 here as well.

1 Some of the miscellaneous things we've been working on is
2 the new CXT prefabricated restroom/concession stand was placed
3 on its foundation last Friday. The installation went perfectly.

4 We also have received the approval letter from the state
5 authorizing use of the new septic system. So -- and we have all
6 the keys and documents and spare parts package that comes in
7 from the -- from the contractor that we'll be finding a place to
8 hide. Touch up paint and that kind of stuff.

9 Cormany has provided additional review, comments for the
10 new fuel system at the Austin Airport, which has been provided
11 to the consultant for incorporation into the plan sets. Plans
12 will be adjusted to reflect those comments and should be
13 available -- I've been informed -- in the next few weeks.
14 Apparently, there's still some funding issues on that project.

15 I've been in contact with Washoe County regarding the
16 inclusion of our Orange Book details, which were all adopted a
17 few weeks back, but they're still trying to figure out who's in
18 charge of that process. So as soon as I hear back from those
19 folks, we'll be proceeding with those into the official record.

20 We've begun to collect pertinent information, such as well
21 logs, water quality information, and old record drawings that
22 will be necessary in order to begin the airport complex water
23 master plan and getting those all pulled together.

24 And we're also working with the assessor on various IT
25 issues, such as upgrades to the existing permitting software,
26 replacement of various engineering-related documents, such as
27 Orange Book details, capital -- previous -- or capital --
28 previous capital improvement project plans, and archived
29 building department plans into our website for public reference.

30 I've also been asked by the Department of the Air Force to
31 perform a -- and complete a 2014 inventory report and
32 certification package for the F-111 A jet, which is out at the
33 Battle Mountain Airport right now. It's considered to be
34 historical property on loan from the National Museum of the
35 United States Air Force. I guess there's still a possibility
36 that this aircraft will be moved to a new aircraft museum being
37 planned at the Reno Airport.

38 And what I'm saying, I will be attending the FAA, National,
39 or Nevada Airports Conference in Minden that's scheduled to
40 occur between March 26th and the 28th.

1 You look confused on that jet issue. Do you have a
2 question on that?

3 Anybody know about that? Oh. Okay.

4 That's all I have, unless anybody has some questions.
5 Everything's good? Okay. Thank you, everybody.

6 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thanks, Mark.

7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Mark.

8 MARK BRETHAUER: Mm-hm.
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11 ROAD AND BRIDGE SOUTH

12 13 4) Discussion for possible action regarding operations and 14 projects for the Road and Bridge South Department, and other 15 matters properly related thereto. 16

17 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number four, discussion for possible
18 action regarding operations and projects for the Road and Bridge
19 South Department, and other matters properly related thereto.

20 Bert?

21 Ray, do we have Bert down there?

22 RAY WILLIAMS: He's not here in the off -- he's not here in
23 the conference room.

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks, Ray.
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27 ROAD AND BRIDGE NORTH

28 29 5) Discussion for possible action regarding operations and 30 projects for the Road and Bridge North Department, and other 31 matters properly related thereto. 32

33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number five, discussion for possible
34 action regarding operations and projects for the Road and Bridge
35 North Department, and other matters properly related thereto.

36 DONALD NEGRO: Good morning. Donald Negro, Road and Bridge
37 North.

38 Pretty much what we got going is we -- we got a call from
39 the airport. They had helicopters coming in. So we sent a crew
40 out there to -- to sweep the tarmac or whatever they are. And

1 one side went really well. The other side went really bad
2 because of the cracks, you know, when we started sweeping it,
3 that it started pushing the dirt out. So we sent our other
4 broom out to sweep it. But we have to address the problem with
5 the cracks out there. They weren't very happy with what we did
6 until we went back and did it. Then we took and went and -- we
7 beat -- we beat it all around the lights and stuff, so we've
8 been pretty much on that.

9 We got a crew down in Antelope Valley cleaning cattle
10 guards out. That's pretty much what we do in the spring, clean
11 cattle guards and just business as normal.

12 Questions?

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thanks, Donnie.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks, Donnie.

15 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

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18 **PUBLIC WORKS**

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20 6) **Discussion possible action regarding operations and projects**
21 **for the Public Works Department, and other matters properly**
22 **related thereto.**
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24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Six, discussion for possible action
25 regarding operations and projects for the Public Works
26 Department, and other matters properly related thereto.

27 Is Jake on vacation?

28 Jake's on --

29 ROGENE HILL: Yes, he is. Sorry.

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32 **LANDER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

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34 7) **Discussion for possible action to adopt the 2014**
35 **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs) for Lander**
36 **County, and other matters properly related thereto.**
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38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Seven, Lander Economic Development.
39 Discussion for possible action to adopt the 2014 Comprehensive
40 Economic Development Strategy (CEDs) for Lander County, and

1 other matters properly related thereto.

2 ROD DAVIS: I'm Rod Davis, University of Nevada Cooperative
3 Extension.

4 This -- this document represents a lot of work done over a
5 lot of years. And it's kind of a -- pulls everything together.

6 Dr. Fred Steinmann is with me today, also a university
7 extension educator and specialist, who is the primary author on
8 the document. He'll be making a brief presentation.

9 So we'll move forward. Fred.

10 FRED STEINMANN: Thank you, Professor Davis, and of course,
11 members of the county commission.

12 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: She went to get the operator for
13 it.

14 FRED STEINMANN: Okay. I guess I'll do a little song and
15 dance and wait to get the projector turned on. For the record
16 --

17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: We need his name. Oh, go ahead.

18 FRED STEINMANN: For the record, Fred Steinmann, extension
19 educator, assistant professor with the University of Nevada
20 Cooperative Extension, University of Nevada, Reno.

21 And it's a pleasure to kind of bring to you the completed
22 comprehensive economic development strategy for Lander County
23 for 2014.

24 The document that you have in your agenda packet today is
25 really the culmination of almost a year's worth of strategic
26 economic development planning that cooperative extension,
27 working with the LEDA, the Lander Economic Development
28 Authority, serving as the CEDS, or Comprehensive Economic
29 Development Strategy, has been working on.

30 To kind of give you a little background about the
31 comprehensive economic development strategy itself, back in
32 2008/2009 with passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment
33 Act by the United States Federal Government, the U.S. Economic
34 Development Administration, or EDA, essentially managed to
35 convince Congress that there were more governments, local,
36 regional governments in the United States looking for economic
37 development grant dollars than the federal government had to
38 provide.

39 So as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act,
40 the federal government essentially said, if you want to be

1 eligible for non-entitlement competitive economic development
2 grants, you essentially have to have an approved CEDS or
3 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy in place.

4 The CEDS itself is a federal, legal document with the
5 requirements of the CEDS being listed in the Code of Federal
6 Regulations, Title 13. And there's a very specific planning
7 process involved in development of the CEDS that essentially
8 outlines the various requirements that are -- that are required.

9 The 2014 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that
10 we bring before you today is really, in a lot of ways, an update
11 to a 2009 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that
12 Lander County had already completed. And it's also really kind
13 of the summary of all the existing economic development planning
14 documents that have been done by Lander County through either
15 LEDA or the Lander County Sustainable Development Committee over
16 the last several years.

17 And what we've done through a whole series of public
18 workshops is really summarize and synthesize those various
19 planning documents and then bring it into one comprehensive
20 document here today.

21 And so with that, we can just kind of move through the
22 presentation. And please feel free to make any comments or ask
23 any questions as we move through this presentation.

24 The comprehensive economic development strategy is a public
25 process, designed to really engage the community, both the
26 public and the private sector, in terms of developing a
27 strategic economic development plan over a five-year planning
28 window.

29 We began work on the Lander County CEDS in April and May of
30 2013.

31 As I mentioned, LEDA served as the CEDS committee, a
32 requirement of the federal government through Title 13 and the
33 Code of Federal Regulations.

34 We also heavily relied on Rod Davis and the Lander County
35 Cooperative Extension Office and engaged both the University
36 Center for Economic Development at UNR through Dr. Tom Harris,
37 as well as the public, first and foremost, engaging the public
38 in this planning process.

39 We had our first workshop, which was held here in Battle
40 Mountain on June 19th, where we reviewed and updated existing

1 data, including various socioeconomic and demographic data. We
2 reviewed the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threat
3 analysis, or SWOT analysis, that was conducted way back when in
4 2009.

5 And we also reviewed a whole series of potential economic
6 development incentives and programs that Lander County through
7 LEDA, the CEDS committee, and other organizations could pursue
8 as part of the comprehensive economic development strategy.

9 ROD DAVIS: You know, it would also be interesting to note
10 that at this point, this really is a county document.

11 And there were times we pulled out and looked at the
12 Austin/Kingston area separately from the Battle Mountain area,
13 other areas, you know, as it was appropriate to lump them
14 together.

15 So make it clear this is not just a Battle Mountain
16 document. This is a countywide effort.

17 FRED STEINMANN: Absolutely.

18 ROD DAVIS: Patsy.

19 FRED STEINMANN: And of course, Commissioner Waits was --
20 we were fortunate enough to have Commissioner Waits attend our
21 first workshop way back when -- it feels so long ago -- in June
22 of last year.

23 In July 23rd, 2013, we had our second public workshop
24 where we completed the update to the SWOT analysis and began
25 development of a series of economic development opportunities
26 for Battle Mountain as well as the Austin/Kingston area and the
27 county combined.

28 We reviewed and updated a economic development mission and
29 vision for the CEDS document, as well as for LEDA serving as the
30 CEDS committee moving forward and then developed a series of
31 economic development issues, goals, policies, and implementation
32 measures as required by Title 13 of the Code of Federal
33 Regulations.

34 We had our final public workshop, again, here in Battle
35 Mountain at the UMC, Lander County workshop on January 22nd,
36 2004 -- '14 where we simply reviewed the completed mission,
37 goals, and objectives, issued strategies, and planned an action
38 and then also reviewed and updated an evaluation and
39 performance-measure component of the CEDS itself.

40 As I indicated, the CEDS itself, all the requirements are

1 listed in Title 13 of the Code of Federal Regulations. And as
2 Section 303.7 outlines here, the CEDS itself is really designed
3 to be a bridge between the public and the private sector and the
4 development of strategic economic development planning and then
5 implementation of various action steps moving forward over a
6 five-year period.

7 It is interesting that EDA, in revising Title 13 of the
8 Code -- of the Code of Federal Regulations, really wanted local
9 governments to focus on regional economic development as much as
10 local economic development. It's kind of a tricky thing,
11 especially for states in the western United States, counties
12 like Lander, Eureka, White Pine, Nye are very large
13 geographically and their population centers seem to be very, you
14 know, tightly clustered and then lots of, you know, space in
15 between those population centers, and that makes regional
16 development a little tricky.

17 However, as most of you probably are aware of, in the 2011
18 of the Nevada State Legislature, AB 449 was passed, which
19 restructured economic development in the State of Nevada,
20 requiring local governments, counties, and municipalities to
21 more actively engage in regional economic development.

22 Lander County is, of course, part of the Great Basin
23 Regional Development Authority in partnership with Eureka and
24 White Pine counties. So as part of the comprehensive economic
25 development strategy, we tried to not only develop specific
26 action steps for the Austin/Kingston area and Battle Mountain,
27 but also for the county as a whole in cooperation/collaboration
28 with White Pine and Eureka counties as part of the Great Basin
29 Regional Development Authority as required by AB 449 and the
30 governor's office of economic development.

31 The final product, before you in your agenda packets,
32 really has these ten various sections, all of which are required
33 as part of Title 13 of the Code of Federal Regulations. I won't
34 bore you with the individual details of each individual section,
35 but I did want to touch on a couple key points.

36 First and foremost is really the mission and the vision
37 that was laid out for the CEDS and economic development efforts
38 moving forward. And really both the mission and the vision are
39 extensions of really the great economic development planning
40 work that has already been done in Lander County, either through

1 LEDA or the Sustainable Development Committee through projects
2 such as the FIND, Future Industrial Needs Discovery project, as
3 well as other documents that have been developed since 2005.

4 The mission simply within the CEDS is simply to enhance the
5 quality of life throughout Lander County by employing
6 sustainable methods in order to create business opportunities
7 and economic prosperity through a diversified economy and tax
8 base while respecting individual freedoms and independence. And
9 really this is a direct extension of efforts of the sustainable
10 development committee and LEDA in an attempt to diversify Lander
11 County's economic base. You know, we've -- we've all in the
12 back of our minds have, you know, the memories of the last bust
13 cycle, you know, being reliant upon one single industry for the
14 majority of economic activity. And really the CEDS and other
15 economic development efforts in Lander County are not designed
16 to replace one primary industry but to add to it so that you can
17 kind of smooth out the economic development boom-and-bust cycle
18 over time.

19 The vision itself, how we go about implementing our vision
20 is simply to leverage through community and grassroots efforts
21 Lander County's natural resource base including land, minerals,
22 abundant renewable energy, along with existing infrastructure
23 and transportation systems and future redevelopment of mine
24 sites to sustain, expand, and attract new and existing business
25 that generates jobs and shares prosperity.

26 And again, it's a direct extension of work that has been
27 done by the sustainable development committee and LEDA over the
28 last several years.

29 In addition to the development of a mission and vision,
30 throughout the three public workshops and a variety of
31 individual one-on-one meetings, we developed a series of eight
32 individual economic issues that the CEDS committee identified as
33 critical in terms of tackling over next year five-year planning
34 horizon.

35 Issue number one is simply the redevelopment and
36 enhancement of property in need of revitalization, both in the
37 Austin/Kingston areas as well as in Battle Mountain and
38 potentially throughout Lander County.

39 Issue number two is to enhance the appearance of gateways,
40 main streets, and business corridors. Again, an issue that is

1 repeatedly identified, things such as the Battle Mountain
2 business plan and the Lander County master plan as well. So try
3 to remain consistent there moving forward.

4 Issue number three is simply to participate in land-use
5 planning for future development. LEDA, serving as the CEDS
6 committee, identified the desire of, you know, to continue to
7 work closely, you know, with the county, community development,
8 and planning entities in order to ensure that land-use planning,
9 you know, is conducted and implemented in ways which support
10 economic development moving forward.

11 Issue number four, development of the Lander County capital
12 improvement and infrastructure plan specifically for economic
13 development purposes. An issue that came up in several of the
14 existing economic -- strategic economic development documents
15 that have been completed by LEDA and sustainable development
16 over the years, as well as discussions with the Planning
17 Commission last night, and LEDA itself, was really, you know,
18 the continued demand for improvement in infrastructure to
19 continue to support economic development moving forward. So
20 certainly an issue that we wanted to include in the CEDS itself.

21 Issue number five is development and business incentives
22 for existing and new businesses. Sometimes in the world of
23 economic development, we get a little too focused on the
24 recruitment of new businesses into our communities. So it was
25 important, the CEDS committee felt, to really emphasize that we
26 also wanted to develop programming and support structures to
27 support existing businesses as they, you know, start up here,
28 you know, organically here in Lander County, but also to
29 continue to support existing businesses as they attempt to grow.
30 So looking at something like comprehensive business recruitment,
31 retention, and expansion effort to support new and existing
32 businesses.

33 Issue number six is employment opportunities and
34 development of the labor force. Of course, you can only recruit
35 businesses into your community as long as you have a work force
36 that those new businesses can -- can utilize and take from.
37 Also, it's very critical to grow your work force in terms of the
38 skill set that they have in order to support the expansion and
39 growth of existing businesses within your community. So
40 certainly focusing on labor and development was -- was -- was

1 another major issue we included.

2 Issue number seven was the capture of local residential
3 market demand within the county. Certainly going back to the
4 studies such as the retail leakage analysis that had been
5 conducted by the University Center for Economic Development a
6 number of years ago. Retail leakage is still a major concern
7 for Lander County moving forward. And one of the primary goals
8 and objectives of the CEDS is really to develop programming
9 which ensures capture of that retail activity here in Lander
10 County instead of it -- it escaping the county to neighboring
11 communities. So that will certainly be an issue moving forward
12 as well.

13 Issue number eight is continued implementation of the 2012
14 Economic Diversification Community Business Enhancement and
15 Marketing Plan. So the CEDS was certainly not designed to
16 supplant or replace existing documents such as the 2012
17 marketing plan, as well as working closely with the county's
18 existing master plan already in place.

19 Beyond those eight issues and tied to each one those issues
20 is a series of economic development goals that LEDA, serving and
21 will continue to serve as the CEDS committee, will want to
22 achieve over the next five years with goal number one being
23 identification of properties in both Battle Mountain and the
24 Austin/Kingston area in need of revitalization and then pursue
25 appropriate redevelopment efforts in partnership with private
26 property owners.

27 It was important to emphasize, you know, both the need to
28 revitalize parts of Austin/Kingston as well as Battle Mountain
29 and throughout Lander County in need of revitalization. But to
30 do so in a way which is in partnership with private property
31 owners not in lieu of.

32 Goal number two is to update and implement a gateway master
33 plan for the key gateways, both within Battle Mountain and the
34 Austin/Kingston area. Again, another goal that continues to
35 show itself in other strategic economic development documents
36 developed by Lander County over the years.

37 Goal number three is to update and implement the Lander
38 County master plan as needed in Battle Mountain and the
39 Austin/Kingston area. The CEDS committee, you know, made it
40 clear that they do want to work closely with the county in terms

1 of implementation of the county's master plan in the area of
2 economic development moving forward.

3 Goal number four is to complete the five-year economic
4 development capital improvement infrastructure plan consistent
5 with the stated goals of the FIND project itself. So in order
6 to, you know, take the very valuable work that had been done as
7 part of the FIND product and then begin its implementation
8 through an economic development capital improvement and
9 infrastructure plan over the next five years.

10 Goal number five is to promote, assist and provide
11 incentives for the growth and vitality of existing businesses,
12 so, you know, specifically calling out the goal of strengthening
13 the existing business community here, in Austin/Kingston and
14 Battle Mountain, throughout the county.

15 And turning into number six, the attraction of new
16 wealth-and-job-creating businesses to the county. So goals five
17 and six really pertain to a comprehensive business retention,
18 recruitment, and expansion effort.

19 And then goal number seven, the creation of employment
20 opportunities and career advancement for the current citizens
21 and hopefully future citizens of Lander County as well.

22 The final three goals, begin with goal number eight,
23 encourage a variety of commercial activities to enhance and
24 retain shopping opportunities to serve the population as well as
25 increase sales-tax revenues for Lander County. So again, really
26 tied to the overall issue of, you know, stemming the leakage of
27 retail/commercial activity to surrounding communities.

28 Goal number nine is to simply maximize the county's market
29 potential in order to enhance and retain retail opportunities
30 that serves the population, increase county revenues, in
31 addition to sales tax and things like property-tax revenue,
32 business-license revenue, and other revenue streams as well as
33 provide new employment opportunities for the citizens of Lander
34 County.

35 And then finally, goal number ten is to simply continue and
36 implement the 2012 marketing plan in order to achieve the plan's
37 existing and stated goals.

38 Really the next steps, beyond some touch-up work in the
39 document itself, pending acceptance of the LEDA board and the
40 CEDS committee, which was completed on February 5th in 2014, we

1 took the CEDS document to the planning -- Lander County Planning
2 Commission yesterday where the planning commission did receive
3 and adopt the comprehensive economic development strategy. We
4 would hope that the Lander County Commission, today, will also
5 adopt. However, if you have any questions, I'm more than happy
6 to take them. And we can -- we can also fine tune and refine
7 the document moving forward.

8 Once the county commission now receives and accepts the
9 report, we'll then submit it to the U.S. Economic Development
10 Administration, the Seattle regional office. And then hopefully
11 have them certify and approve the document within the next few
12 weeks.

13 Pending approvals by USEDPA, it really then turns to
14 implementation. There are -- there is a requirement for an
15 annual review of the CEDS document by the CEDS committee. In
16 this case, it would remain LEDA for the time being. Section 10
17 of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy lists a
18 series of implementation measures. And there is an expectation
19 that the CEDS committee would convene every year and simply just
20 shake the document a little bit, go goal by goal and simply say,
21 what have we achieved? You know, are these goals still
22 appropriate? Do we need to make changes? Do we need to
23 allocate resources here or there?

24 And then beginning in four years, which will be just right
25 around the corner, it will be time to do a comprehensive
26 evaluation and review and update of the 2004 [sic] Lander County
27 CEDS and then resubmit again to EDA as this is a five-year
28 planning -- planning document.

29 With that, I really don't have any other questions other
30 than really just to say that I kind of feel like
31 Johnny-come-lately. I've only been with extension for a year
32 and eight months now, and it's been an absolute treat working
33 with Rod and LEDA and members of the Lander County community on
34 the development of this document.

35 Lander County really is in a strong position from an
36 economic development standpoint just from my own professional
37 experience. A county like Lander has really done a lot in terms
38 of strategic economic development planning and implementation
39 moving forward.

40 And I look forward to kind of watching the CEDS unfold over

1 the next five years. Thank you.

2 COMMISSIONER MASON: Jan Morrison has worked -- you've
3 worked with this, Jan, haven't you?

4 JAN MORRISON: I came in at the tail end of it. Yes.

5 COMMISSIONER MASON: And then Patsy has been involved,
6 right?

7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yes.

8 COMMISSIONER MASON: Am I to understand that if we adopt
9 this, LEDA will come in? They'll help.

10 FRED STEINMANN: Right. LEDA, the Lander Economic
11 Development Authority, would continue to serve until a change is
12 made if necessary, as the Comprehensive Economic Development
13 Strategy or CEDS committee. And as the CEDS committee, they're
14 the organization primarily responsible for implementation,
15 overview, and review of the CEDS.

16 COMMISSIONER MASON: The adoption is required; isn't it?

17 ROD DAVIS: Yeah.

18 FRED STEINMANN: By EDA. You're not making any changes to
19 county ordinances or the master plan. You're simply essentially
20 receiving the document by resolution. It's a fluid document,
21 which EDA understands, that can be changed, amended, corrected,
22 revised, modified at any point --

23 ROD DAVIS: In -- in -- in --

24 FRED STEINMANN: -- by the CEDS committee.

25 ROD DAVIS: In order to receive any non-entitled federal
26 funds, this document has to be approved by the EDA.

27 COMMISSIONER MASON: Then it's updated every five years?

28 FRED STEINMANN: There's a comprehensive evaluation really
29 beginning in the fourth year and then resubmission in the fifth
30 year. But every year the CEDS committee needs to meet at least
31 once to kind of review it.

32 But the main update is really done every four years and
33 then submitted on the fifth year.

34 COMMISSIONER MASON: I'm just checking parameters. That's
35 all.

36 FRED STEINMANN: Sure.

37 COMMISSIONER MASON: So last night, I sat through this
38 presentation. And it was very good. It's -- there's a lot of
39 good work that have been done -- has been done in this. So I'm
40 going to -- unless there's any other comments, I'll make a

1 motion here.

2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I -- I do have. Thank you.

3 Dr. Steinmann, it has been a pleasure working with you.
4 And this is a very inclusive document. There is no question
5 about it.

6 I do have some concerns on some of the information in the
7 southern Lander County area. And I noticed where actually
8 your -- your information came from. It said, U.S. Census Bureau
9 2010 U.S. Census. But I'm wondering whether we actually did not
10 participate in that in the Austin/Kingston area. Because on
11 page 32 where it starts some of the population, it addresses
12 that we have 21 civilians available for the civilian market
13 area. And out of the twenty-one, seven are employed and
14 fourteen are unemployed. And I know we have more than 7 people
15 working in southern Lander County. And along with those same
16 21, it identified their relationship to education. Not one of
17 them had a college degree. Well, I know that there's more
18 people in the southern part of the county that have college
19 degrees. So again, your information, where it came from, you
20 can't dispute the Census Bureau; however, I'm wondering if we're
21 just good old boys and we didn't -- we didn't answer the U.S.
22 Census Bureau in 2010. I'm sure we did. So I think we have to
23 update that a little bit. And we'll work with Jan to do that.
24 That was excellent.

25 So my other question then is: Most certainly, will you be
26 available to help us with these non-entitlement grants as we
27 pursue these in the future?

28 FRED STEINMANN: Um.

29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Like identifying some of them? And --

30 FRED STEINMANN: Commissioner Waits, just -- just to take
31 these, you know, one at a time.

32 First, regarding the census data, you're right. And it's
33 a -- it's a frustrating thing working with the U.S. Census data
34 sometimes. Unfortunately, EDA requires us through Title 13, as
35 we've spoken about, to use primarily U.S. Census data for the
36 CEDS itself, which is very frustrating because even in the large
37 communities -- I've done comprehensive economic development
38 strategies in relatively large communities, like the City of
39 Carson and Southern California. And you know, you go census
40 tract by census tract and you know the data that's being

1 reported by the Census Bureau is not correct, you know, by your
2 own experience in the field.

3 Thankfully, EDA understands this and appreciates it. And
4 even though they require the data to be, you know, be listed in
5 the document, when you start to, you know, actually apply for
6 individual grants, non-entitlement, competitive federal economic
7 development grants via the CEDS process, there's kind of a
8 tongue-in-cheek understanding, you know, by the various funding
9 entities that we know that there's going to be holes in the
10 data. And it's just -- it's just one of the frustrating things
11 of working with census data. Hopefully -- and really part of
12 the problem is the Census Bureau itself. Not -- I don't want to
13 speak for them, but working with Mr. Jeff Hardcastle, the state
14 demographer, it is something that Jeff and the state
15 demographer's office is trying to work on with the Census
16 Bureau, in order to fill these holes as they're identified in
17 the data.

18 So hopefully, you know, through the American Community
19 Survey, ACS, which is the annual and every three-year update to
20 the decennial census, that information will improve upon what's
21 here. And then when we do the annual review of the CEDS every
22 year, hopefully, we can update and clean up, you know, these
23 obvious holes.

24 In terms of the second part, my relative availability to
25 assist and work with the county, I don't want to get into too
26 much detail, but it's -- it's likely I'll be leaving extension
27 within the next little while to pursue opportunities elsewhere.
28 However, --

29 ROD DAVIS: Best -- well, yeah --

30 FRED STEINMANN: Mr. Davis, as the extension educator, is
31 brilliant when it comes to shaking the trees to -- to fund
32 various projects. And you have a fantastic staff, you know,
33 community development with Jan and the LEDA board. And
34 certainly, where I can -- I can help, I certainly will. But you
35 have a fantastic staff that -- that I'm very confident will do
36 an excellent job of finding those funds to complete the document
37 and fund programs moving forward.

38 ROD DAVIS: I -- I have to say that I have confidence in my
39 own college, the College of Extension. University of Nevada as
40 a land-grant university has outreach responsibilities. And our

1 business college and Dr. Tom Harris and a number of other folks
2 there take very Lander County very personally. I have to say
3 that we have probably availed ourselves of their services more
4 than any other in the state. And they've kind of bonded with
5 us. And -- and I -- while I'm not -- Fred is a jewel. And I'll
6 admit that. But I do have confidence in our ability to -- to be
7 committed to, you know --

8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Identifying our grant options?

9 ROD DAVIS: You know, I've -- I've -- I've cranked about
10 \$3 million through the Lander County Extension Office in support
11 of a number of programs. And I'm getting to be pretty good at
12 -- pretty good at it and reading those RFPs. And I think
13 between Jan's office and myself, I think we'll be able to --
14 well, if we're not going to apply for the federal money, then
15 the CEDS is not an issue. And I don't think we would have put
16 the time and effort into it if I didn't feel the county was
17 committed to availing themselves of additional, you know,
18 federal funds that are out there for the taking. You just have
19 to have a good program, some -- some verified needs, and put
20 together a good package. And I think we can do that.

21 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

22 Sadie, they're talking about a resolution. Do you have a
23 resolution number?

24 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I do not. All I was given was just
25 the -- like his whole presentation, just like what you have
26 there in the packet. I -- nobody called for a resolution.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So on the motion then we would need to
28 --

29 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I can have her bring the book down.

30 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- just move we have a resolution and
31 then approve the resolution when it comes back in with a number?
32 Is that what we do?

33 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I can go get the resolution book if
34 you'd like.

35 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: It wasn't on the agenda as a --

36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah.

37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

38 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- resolution.

39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We can't. You'll have to bring it back.

40 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: So we can't do that. All we can

1 do is approve it.

2 ROD DAVIS: I think to move it forward on the
3 (indiscernible) --

4 FRED STEINMANN: Just an update.

5 ROD DAVIS: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So we can approve it and then adopt
7 the resolution at another meeting; is that correct?

8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Mm-hm.

9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Having attended the planning
10 commission's meeting last night, of the -- planning commission
11 of Lander County adopted this economic development strategy for
12 Lander County wholeheartedly.

13 And so I make a motion that this commission adopt as
14 recommended by the Lander County Planning Commission, we adopt
15 the 2014 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Lander
16 County.

17 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll second it.

18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

19 (No comment.)

20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

21 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

23 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

24 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

25 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

26 ROD DAVIS: Thank you.

27 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

28 ROD DAVIS: Thank you.

29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

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32 **PLANNING COMMISSION**

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- 34 8) **Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval**
35 **of a Boundary Line Adjustment for Lander County, located in**
36 **various parcels fronting Main Street in Austin, Nevada, APNs**
37 **001-073-03, -04, -05, -06, -08, -09, -10 and -11, to conform**
38 **to survey, and other matters properly related thereto.**

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40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number eight, discussion for possible

1 action regarding approval/disapproval of Boundary Line
2 Adjustment for Lander County, located in various parcels from
3 Main Street in Austin, Nevada, APN 001-073-03, -04, -05, -06,
4 -08, -09, -10 and 11, to conform to survey, and other matters
5 properly related thereto.

6 What are we doing here, Jan?

7 JAN MORRISON: Normally, this wouldn't come before you.
8 But the next two items are requested by Lander County. And so,
9 um, Bob Mor --

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: State your name for the record.

11 JAN MORRISON: Oh, I'm sorry. Jan Morrison, Community
12 Services Officer.

13 Bob Morley, who is the county surveyor, did not want to
14 approve his own work. So this is coming -- it has come in front
15 of the Planning Commission. It was approved last night --
16 excuse me -- recommended for approval by you.

17 And both these items were. So we're simply going through
18 the public hearing process rather than the normal process in
19 which it would be done solely by Robert Morley.

20 So on Main Street -- and these were directed by our county
21 assessor. Main Street, basically, you have county property
22 bookending a block. And this is correcting the property lines
23 for the county parcels. And obviously, you have to do to the
24 private property lines in between. So -- that's -- it's pretty
25 routine on that.

26 If -- when you look at the map, it's actually between the
27 visitors center in Austin and the youth center.

28 All the property owners are in agreement.

29 COMMISSIONER MASON: I attended that meeting last night.
30 Planning commission recommends that this commission uphold the
31 recommendations of the Lander County Planning Commission as a
32 motion for Agenda Item Number 8.

33 We're -- this is the first of many lot line adjustments
34 coming out of Austin we will see in the next year or so.

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second the motion. Do you want
36 it any more detailed or just agenda --

37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: (Indicating yes.)

38 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. All right.

39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: You need to read it into the motion.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah, would you redo your motion to

1 include a little bit more of the detail on what boundary line
2 adjustment and just read the first part.

3 COMMISSIONER MASON: Oh, okay.
4 I'll withdraw my first motion.

5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And my second.

6 COMMISSIONER MASON: I make a motion that the Lander County
7 Commission uphold the Lander County Planning Commission's
8 recommendation to approve of a boundary line adjustment for
9 Lander County located in various parcels running Main Street in
10 Austin, Nevada, APNs 001-073-03, -04, -05, -06, -08, -09, -10
11 and 11 to confirm -- no -- conform to survey and other
12 matters -- to conform to the survey.

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second that motion.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
15 I do. Is this include a mylar?

16 JAN MORRISON: Yes, however, because there's multiple
17 property owners, I'm actually going to be going down to Austin
18 next week when they're all there. We'll have them sign it and
19 then I'll bring it back for your approval.

20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.

21 JAN MORRISON: So I thought we should get those property
22 owners signed first.

23 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.

24 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So then on the motion, do we need to
25 include that the chairman --

26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Mm-hm.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- sign the mylar?

28 JAN MORRISON: Okay.

29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Mm-hm.

30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Mm-hm.

31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Amend your motion to include --

32 COMMISSIONER MASON: I amend the motion that the chairman
33 sign the mylar when it's available.

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And I will second that motion.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any other public comment?
36 (No comment.)

37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

38 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

- 3
4 9) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval
5 of a Boundary Line Adjustment for Lander County, located at
6 135 Court Street (Austin Town Hall) and 140 Water Street in
7 Austin, Nevada, APNs 01-106-06 and 01-106-10, to conform to
8 survey, and other matters properly related thereto.
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10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number nine, discussion for possible
11 action regarding approval/disapproval of a Boundary Line
12 Adjustment for Lander County, located at 135 Court Street
13 (Austin Town Hall) and 140 Water Street in Austin, Nevada, APNs
14 01-0 -- 01-106-06 and 01-106-10, to conform to survey, and other
15 matters properly related thereto.

16 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: I am Kimberly Buffington.

17 JAN MORRISON: So I'm going to step aside from this. Jan
18 Morrison, Community Services Officer. This is the same action.

19 And by the way, the mylar also has to be transported to be
20 signed before it comes back to you.

21 I'm going to step aside because I have an interest in one
22 of the private properties.

23 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Kimberly Buffington.

24 Again, this is a boundary-line adjustment. You have a
25 couple -- you have a photograph and a map.

26 As you can see, the town hall parcel owned by Lander County
27 sits below the parcel that's commonly known as the parsonage.

28 The parsonage property actually extends through the
29 building currently. So part of the town hall is in the
30 parsonage property and part of it's on the county property.
31 This item will address that.

32 The owners are conveying back to the county, at no cost,
33 the property the town hall sits on that they currently own.

34 In addition to that, there has been in use a shortcut
35 that's been used by the community that actually is not a road
36 and it's a bit of a hazard. So at the same time, correcting the
37 boundary also creating a turn out at the top of the property
38 with a small fence. And it will alleviate that hazard.

39 Water Street's fairly narrow. So you will find a couple of
40 these turnouts throughout that road. And it will address that.

1 The bottom portion of the drive will still remain in use.
2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So we have a picture of the old. What
3 will the new look like?
4 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: The -- the new one.
5 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: On the mylar.
6 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Let me show you on this.
7 And I can grab the mylar as well.
8 The town hall sits here. Currently, the parsonage property
9 is all of this. So this area that's hashed is what's being
10 conveyed back to the county. There's actually a retaining wall
11 that makes a natural boundary --
12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Mm-hm.
13 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: -- between the town hall and the
14 parsonage.
15 So everything hashed on this is being conveyed back.
16 So on this, pretty much --
17 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Across.
18 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: -- across the front. Mm-hm. It
19 actually goes down a little bit.
20 Dean, did you see that?
21 CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Yeah, I understand.
22 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: This area here is the area being
23 conveyed from the parsonage owners to the town hall.
24 Okay?
25 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: All right.
26 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Again, Bob Morley's prepared the
27 maps. He didn't choose to approve his own work. So it was
28 presented before planning yesterday and then to you today.
29 COMMISSIONER MASON: I make a motion the Commission uphold
30 the recommendation of the Lander County Planning Commission to
31 approve a boundary-line adjustment for Lander County located at
32 135 Court Street, Austin Town Hall, and 140 Water Street in
33 Austin, Nevada, APNs 01-0 -- 106-06 and 01-106-10 to conform to
34 survey and that the mylar be signed by the chairman at its
35 availability.
36 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: All right.
37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.
38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
39 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: May we ask that the turnout be
40 included in that?

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Is the -- is the turnout on this?
2 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Yes.
3 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's on the mylar; --
4 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: It's on the --
5 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- isn't it?
6 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: It's on the map. And it was
7 agendized as such.
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So it -- so it would be included if it's
9 on the map.
10 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: It's -- it's part of the county
11 roadway so it's not specifically addressed on the map, but it's
12 inclusive of the agenda item.
13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Is that what was recommended on the
14 Planning Commission?
15 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Yes.
16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay, and so --
17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yeah, the Planning Commission --
18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- he said as recommended by the
19 planning commission.
20 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: It -- the two items in having this
21 property line adjustment was to do the property line adjustment
22 and then create that turnout to close that shortcut that's been
23 used and create that turnout at the top with a small little
24 barricade or fence to clean up that shortcut that shouldn't be
25 there.
26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: But it will be included.
27 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: It's not -- it has nothing to do with
28 the map per se, but it is on the agenda item.
29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: And the agenda item is being --
30 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Is addressed as both items, --
31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yes.
32 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: -- yes.
33 COMMISSIONER MASON: So is this an amendment or what?
34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: No, it's -- it's included.
35 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Okay.
36 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's included? Okay.
37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: We're good.
38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any other public comment?
39 (No comment.)
40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

1 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
3 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
5 KIMBERLY BUFFINGTON: Thank you.
6 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
7 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
9 approval --
10 COMMISSIONER MASON: Mr. Chairman, can we take a
11 five-minute break?
12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: You bet.
13 We'll take a ten-minute recess, break, whatever you want to
14 call it.
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16 (Break taken between 10:18 a.m. to 10:25 a.m.)
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18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Call the meeting back to order.
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21 **COMMISSIONERS**

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23 **10) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval**
24 **of Proclamation No. 2014-01, a proclamation in support of**
25 **Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month - May 2014, and other matters**
26 **properly related thereto.**
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28 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Item ten, discussion for possible action
29 regarding approval/disapproval of Proclamation Number 2014-01, a
30 proclamation in support of Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month --
31 May 2014.

32 TERAH MALSAM: Hi, I'm Terah Malsam, Fire Mitigation and
33 Education Specialist for the Winnemucca District and the Battle
34 Mountain District BLM.

35 DERRICK RADER: Derrick Rader, detailed Assistant Fire
36 Management Officer for the Battle Mountain, BLM.

37 TERAH MALSAM: And I'm here to ask your support for the
38 proclamation of Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month.

39 In the past eight years, it's been a week-long event. And
40 this year, for the first time, they decided to extend it to a

1 month to accommodate more events throughout the State of Nevada.

2 So this year, the theme that was voted upon is "Prepare
3 Your Home for Wildfire." And it sends the message that home
4 owners need to proactive in preparing their homes rather than
5 reactive in protecting them when there is a threat of wildfire.

6 So some of the events we have planned for the month of May
7 are displaying posters around town. We will have banners
8 displayed at some of the -- the local communities: Battle
9 Mountain, Eureka, Austin. And then we'll also have one -- that
10 might be it. I think I ordered three banners.

11 And then we will also have a regional workshop put on by
12 the Living with Fire program. They're based out of Reno,
13 Nevada. And this will be held on Thursday, May 8th in
14 Winnemucca. And I've already extended the invitation to all the
15 fire departments within Lander County.

16 And I brought invitations to share with all of you today,
17 too. I'd -- I'd love to see you guys there. They'll be going
18 over defensible space practices for small communities and just
19 encouraging homeowners to take a proactive part in creating
20 defensible space in their communities.

21 The Battle Mountain Civic Center has also agreed to display
22 the message "Prepare Your Home for Wildfire" on their marquee
23 through the month of May.

24 And that is all I have for you guys. If you have any
25 questions, please let me know.

26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Just one, on your banners.

27 TERAH MALSAM: Yeah.

28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You said one for Austin. You didn't
29 have one for Kingston?

30 TERAH MALSAM: I ordered three. And then the Forest
31 Service, I believe, orders enough to cover their areas. So the
32 Forest Service may be covering Austin. I can, by all means,
33 cover Kingston if they are covering Austin.

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And unfortunately, May 8th is a
35 commissioners meeting. So --

36 TERAH MALSAM: Okay.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- we may not be able to be there with
38 you, but thank you --

39 TERAH MALSAM: Okay.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- for your information.

1 TERAH MALSAM: Does your meeting -- this -- this workshop
2 takes place in the evening. I don't know when your meeting
3 takes place.

4 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah, nice try.

5 TERAH MALSAM: You know, I'll just give you the invitation
6 anyways. And if you can make it, that would be great. So --

7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I make a motion the Commission
8 approve Proclamation Number 2014-11, a proclamation in support
9 of Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month -- May 2014, and authorize
10 the chair to sign.

11 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

13 (No comment.)

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

15 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number 11.

20 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Thank you.

21 DERRICK RADER: Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

23 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

24 TERAH MALSAM: And will I receive the Proclamation in the
25 mail or do I --

26 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Once it's recorded.

27 TERAH MALSAM: Okay.

28 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Do you want me to take the invites?

29 TERAH MALSAM: Yeah.

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31 11) Discussion for possible action regarding the Environmental
32 Assessment (EA) prepared by the Bureau of Land Management
33 which analyzes the impacts of a proposed Competitive Oil and
34 Gas Lease Sale for Lander and Nye Counties, and other matters
35 properly related thereto.

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37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number 11, discussion for possible action
38 regarding the Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared by the
39 Bureau of Land Management which analyzes impacts of a proposed
40 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale for Lander and Nye Counties,

1 and other matters properly related thereto.
2 Please speak your -- state your name for the record.
3 JOHN SHERVE: My name is John Sherve. I am the Assistant
4 Field Manager for Minerals for the BLM.
5 And I'm here to answer questions.
6 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you. I do have a question.
7 JOHN SHERVE: Sure.
8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: John, is it?
9 JOHN SHERVE: Yes.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning. I know one of our
11 concerns when we actually read the information on this, for the
12 oil and gas lease in our county and Nye, was we don't have the
13 Nevada regulations for the hydraulic fracking yet in place. And
14 they won't be voted on until next session, although they are
15 being prepared.
16 And so one of my concerns was the water table along with
17 many others. And when I asked about test wells, they said the
18 BLM actually did have something in your regulations that if
19 someone was going do this, you had to have a test well, I
20 believe, every five miles is that -- my understanding is
21 correct?
22 JOHN SHERVE: If -- I'm not -- I don't believe so. If
23 there -- if any of these leases go to development -- and
24 hydraulic fracti -- fracking is a method to develop the
25 resource -- then there would be mitigation built into any
26 project. So there would be monitoring wells much closer than
27 five miles.
28 COMMISSIONER MASON: You mean if a permit is issued? Or if
29 requested.
30 JOHN SHERVE: Yeah. So this -- this EA, right now, that's
31 in front of you, is strictly for leasing. It's not giving any
32 approval for any sort of surface disturbance or development.
33 This is strictly to -- to convey a lease to an interested party.
34 If there's any development after that, then we'll be going
35 through this again with site specific disturbance and mitigation
36 built into each one of those projects.
37 So right now this is not conveying any approval for surface
38 disturbance or drilling. This is simply a lease sale on these
39 parcels that are identified.
40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I think it's the time frame. And I

1 know that Nevada has been identified as some very rich oil and
2 gas deposits so they're going to be looking to our state. And I
3 don't mean to impede any development, because I know that's
4 coming. And you don't want to stop growth necessarily. And we
5 certainly don't.

6 But because of the AB 227 and the idea that Nevada is
7 looking at taking back our public lands, again, for you all of a
8 sudden to come up and say, oh, my goodness, we're going to go
9 ahead and lease out this remaining 230,989 acres to somebody
10 right here in our county, I guess, we're looking at, golly, it
11 would be nice to maybe defer this an extra year and have the
12 regulations in place and have public lands handled to know where
13 we are.

14 So I'm not -- the one that particularly was against this,
15 but the civilians who asked us to put this on the agenda were
16 requiring a deferment of at least a year to look at everything a
17 little bit closer and the effect it may have on the wildlife and
18 our water and so forth. So --

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: Let's see how this is --

20 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- this is a comment period, I know.
21 And anybody who wanted to has made their comments, I believe.
22 So we appreciate your coming today. But I'm hoping that -- that
23 maybe you can take back some information to see -- report back
24 to us and let us know what the comments were and what your
25 decision was.

26 JOHN SHERVE: Absolutely. The -- when we compile all the
27 comments that we receive, there will be a final EA that's made
28 available to the public. And all the comment letters we do
29 receive will be evaluated and to see if any of these parcels
30 will be deferred. We already know that there are some deferred
31 based on resource issues, resource conflicts. And there could
32 be more.

33 So -- however, I don't -- I don't see that carte blanche
34 deferring everything. We're mandated by the laws that are in
35 place to process these.

36 COMMISSIONER MASON: Do you know of any -- do you know of
37 any gas deposits or oil deposits in our county? In Lander
38 County?

39 JOHN SHERVE: Lander has, I would say, a lower potential
40 than some of the more eastern counties. There are pockets that

1 do have some potential, mostly on the eastern -- eastern side of
2 the county. But as you -- if you have a chance to look at this,
3 most of the parcels that are being offered for sale are in Nye
4 County. And Nye County does have a -- Nevada's largest produc
5 -- oil-producing region. But there are -- there are certainly
6 some potential in Lander County, but it is a lot lower.

7 COMMISSIONER MASON: And -- and I don't know if this is
8 personal or policy, how does BLM look at that if -- if a permit
9 were to be requested for, say, I'm just using this as a gas --
10 let's say a natural gas deposit -- to extract it. What's your
11 official -- what's your official position? Are you against this
12 kind of thing? Are you for it? Are you -- do you see the
13 economic development here? What do you see?

14 JOHN SHERVE: The BLM would be mandated by FLPMA, Federal
15 Land Policy and Management Act to process the action that it's
16 got in front of it.

17 So it's not whether you're for or against it, it's you have
18 an action to -- to process and process it.

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay.

20 JOHN SHERVE: It's like it doesn't fall under the mining
21 law that the mining companies are operating under for locatable
22 minerals, for metals. It's got its own set of laws and
23 regulations. But certainly -- and those can be a little more
24 convoluted, I think, than the mining laws. But nevertheless,
25 we're there to process it.

26 COMMISSIONER MASON: How do you feel about it?

27 JOHN SHERVE: I -- I process what's in front of me.

28 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. Well, that's fair enough.

29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: John, would you be kind enough to
30 leave your business cards with us?

31 JOHN SHERVE: I didn't bring any today. But I can make
32 sure somebody gets one.

33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: We appreciate you coming today.

34 JOHN SHERVE: Sure.

35 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: We just had a whole presentation on
36 a CEDS document to bring businesses in. And I feel we wouldn't
37 want to discourage bringing businesses in. You know, I mean, if
38 BLM is -- I would -- I'm going to put this out here -- usually
39 is more -- sides more on being overcautious with protecting the
40 resources and the land. So, you know, I think, you know, with

1 the BLM keeping an eye on this, I don't see the issues here.
2 You know, we need to promote it and get it in here, use the
3 resources that we got.

4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Right.

5 JOHN SHERVE: And just so you are aware that the public
6 comment period on the EA did end yesterday.

7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Is tod --

8 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Mm-hm.

9 JOHN SHERVE: I believe yesterday.

10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: The 13th, I believe.

11 JOHN SHERVE: Is it today? Okay.

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: The 13th.

13 JOHN SHERVE: So, yes.

14 COMMISSIONER MASON: I think what Commissioner Waits said
15 that there are laws coming down on this through Nevada. We'd
16 like to compare. I'd like to see how it stacks up with what you
17 do and how to -- how to conform to that.

18 JOHN SHERVE: It's -- it's quite a pro -- when we're --
19 when we process any action in front of us, we work hand-in-hand
20 with sister agency, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection.
21 We have numerous MOUs with them already when it comes to mining
22 proposals. And I'm sure there'll be something similar when we
23 deal with oil and gas development. So they've got their own set
24 of regs. They will have their own set of regs. When it comes
25 to hydraulic fracking, we'll have something in place too. So --

26 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay.

27 RAY WILLIAMS: Can we make just a minor public comment?
28 Can I make a public comment?

29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yes.

30 RAY WILLIAMS: Ray Williams, chairman of your PLUAC board.
31 I guess one of our major concerns is -- was the timeline
32 for reviewing this. This document is dated February 15th. And
33 most of us didn't receive it until like the 20th or 25th. And
34 there's not enough timeline in a 30-day review period to -- to
35 do anything on a public agenda. It takes a certain amount of
36 time to set the agenda and discussion and reviewing of this
37 document, which I think is -- I'm not sure the total pages, but
38 I think around 600 pages. I -- I have a disk of it that we've
39 received from Tonopah. But the 30-day review just doesn't give
40 you very much time to review it and make some kind of a logical

1 comment.

2 That's all I have.

3 And I'd like to thank you for getting it on the agenda,
4 Commissioner Waits.

5 JOHN SHERVE: Yeah, we have -- the BLM usually has some
6 more control over the schedule on this. This schedule is not
7 set by us. It's set by our state office in Reno. So we're --
8 we're a little more constrained in meeting these -- the
9 scheduling.

10 However, if we do receive something past the comment
11 period, we won't be returning it. So --

12 RAY WILLIAMS: Why don't you just extend the comment period
13 for 30 days or 60 days to go out and adequately review?

14 JOHN SHERVE: That -- that's beyond our -- our control at
15 this level.

16 RAY WILLIAMS: That's -- that's really what I was trying to
17 get at, I guess.

18 COMMISSIONER MASON: But you can pass the comment on.

19 RAY WILLIAMS: It's a very short period of time to -- to
20 review something of such a magnitude, an impact on the -- on the
21 county.

22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Bill has a comment. Brian.

23 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Hm?

24 BILL SCHAEFFER: Bill Schaeffer, for the record.

25 I believe that you can put in a complaint on the record.
26 That is that can be one of the complaints against it, ask that
27 it not be approved on grounds that you haven't had enough time
28 to review it. And they will sometimes extend it.

29 Usually, when they get that type of complaint on the very
30 last day, it doesn't necessarily do good, but you never know.

31 So, you know, you can put that in, Ray, if you can hear me,
32 as part of your complaint.

33 But all of that goes by the normal comment system for the
34 Code of Federal Regulations when they're adopting regulations.
35 And they do extend frequently. But, you know, like I said, it's
36 the last minute. That could be a problem. But that would be a
37 reason for opposing it just by itself.

38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.

39 Any other public comment?

40 (No comment.)

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: There's no action on this then?
2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: No.
3 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you, John.
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
5 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thank you.
6

7 12) Discussion for possible action regarding the creation of an
8 Insurance Committee and appointment of the following
9 individuals to the committee: Commissioner Patsy Waits,
10 Finance Director Nan Ancho, Human Resources Director Joy
11 Sweeney, and Executive Director Jim Olson; and other matters
12 properly related thereto.
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14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Number 12, discussion for possible action
15 regarding the creation of an Insurance Committee and appointment
16 of the following individuals to the committee: Commissioner
17 Patsy Waits, Finance Director Nan Ancho, Human Resource Director
18 Joy Sweeney, Executive Director Jim Olson; and other matters
19 properly related thereto.

20 Come on up.

21 JOY SWEENEY: I'd just like to make a comment. On this
22 committee --

23 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Will you state your name, Joy, just
24 for the record.

25 JOY SWEENEY: Joy Sweeney.

26 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Thank you.

27 JOY SWEENEY: On this committee, we're trying to get
28 together to discuss health insurance and the cost and what we're
29 going through to try and keep our employees covered by it. But
30 on this committee, I feel that we should also have one of the
31 members from the hourly group. And we did not include that.

32 And I see Marla here in the stands. And I'm hoping that
33 she'll be on the committee, if we could add her to it. Because
34 they should have a say also in -- in --

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: And you need a -- you need an odd.
36 You're on even here. You need an odd. You need at least one
37 more to make --

38 JOY SWEENEY: We can -- we can pick another hourly person.
39 But I think they should have some say in this. You know, we
40 just picked the -- the people from the office, basically, the

1 committee members that are very interested in the insurance.
2 And so if Marla -- and we can pick another one to put on
3 the committee. And we'll bring that one back at the next
4 meeting.
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.
6 JOY SWEENEY: We just think that they have quite a bit to
7 say also about --
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Sure.
9 JOY SWEENEY: You know.
10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So you want to table it for now and --
11
12 (Phone ringing followed by "If you'd like to make a call,
13 please --")
14
15 JOY SWEENEY: Yeah. I'll bring it back on the next agenda.
16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Make sure it's an odd number.
17 JOY SWEENEY: Yeah.
18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Doesn't the insurance committee meet
19 this -- prior to our next meeting though?
20 ROGENE HILL: Maybe put Marla on there and then leave an
21 open seat to be discussed at the next meeting.
22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: You don't need --
23 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: You don't need another one.
24 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: You don't need another one. That
25 makes you -- an even.
26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: That makes it odd.
27 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: That makes it an odd number.
28 JOY SWEENEY: One, two, three.
29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Is Marla interested?
30 MARLA SAM: I'll do it.
31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Marla, can you come up, please.
32 MARLA SAM: Oh, no. I'm in trouble now.
33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: State your name for the record.
34 MARLA SAM: Marla Sam.
35 JOY SWEENEY: We were in a hurry to get this on the agenda,
36 and we didn't consider all aspects of it. And I just think it's
37 important that they have a say.
38 And Marla would be a good candidate for that.
39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Wouldn't that be five with Marla?
40 ROGENE HILL: Yes, it would.

1 JOY SWEENEY: Yeah, so --
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So we're okay.
3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yes.
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Have a --
6 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I make a motion that we create an
7 insurance committee, appoint the following individuals to the
8 committee: Commissioner Patsy Waits, Nan Ancho, Joy Sweeney,
9 Jim Olson, and Marla Sam.
10 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.
11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
12 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Yes, I have some public comment.
13 Max Bunch for the record.
14 I guess my concern would be, why are you not including any
15 elected officials, other than your county commissioner? You
16 guys got a lot of people from the administration that's there.
17 So I think that potentially you should look at some potential
18 elected officials that could give some input into that too.
19 I -- I know I don't want to make this thing bigger than it
20 already is, but -- but you've got -- you've got HR. You've got
21 the executive director. You've got the finance director.
22 You've got, now, an employee and an elected county commissioner.
23 So I'm just wondering, potentially, if you have any other
24 elected officials that may be interested. I'm not saying that
25 I'm interested, but since the agenda's come out, I've been
26 approached by other elected officials.
27 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We put this out about three months ago
28 forming this. And to my knowledge, I haven't heard of anybody
29 wanting to, so that's -- this was put --
30 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I'm just asking the question.
31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah. To my knowledge there hasn't been
32 anybody to come forth.
33 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I was asked to ask the question, so I
34 did.
35 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Sadie Sullivan for the record.
36 Max and I had talked about it. I did touch base with Lura
37 and Grace and Idonna as well on this. And this was something we
38 spoke of and we felt that, you know, if there was somebody, you
39 know, on the committees that would be -- it would be nice to be
40 approached as elected officials to have -- have that opportunity

1 or what have you. So that's what's been discussed, like Max
2 said.

3 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I have my hands full with other things so
4 I'm not asking to be on the committee.

5 ROGENE HILL: You're not stepping up to the plate?

6 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: No, I'm not.

7 JOY SWEENEY: I don't have an issue with that. But if we
8 get an elected official, then we're going to have one more to
9 make it odd again.

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Mm-hm. They'll have to have two.

11 JOY SWEENEY: Yeah. Yeah.

12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'm okay for right now.

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'm okay with it. Yeah.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any other public comment?

15 BILL SCHAEFFER: Quick. Quick one. If you choose to --

16 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Will you speak louder, Bill,
17 please.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: State your name.

19 BILL SCHAEFFER: Yeah. If you choose -- Bill Schaeffer,
20 again, for the record.

21 If you choose to, you can probably add two at, say, the
22 next meeting or maybe further on down. So if there really isn't
23 any harm that I can see. Would there be, Max? Is there any
24 reason you couldn't add two later?

25 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I think you can add them as you need
26 them.

27 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: You can always change --

28 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: The thing is, it's going to be over
29 in a month.

30 ROGENE HILL: Yeah.

31 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

32 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: They're already having a meeting.
33 They're already meeting with the broker. I mean, before you get
34 that far, we're already done. So we have to have this --

35 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Done.

36 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- pretty much done by the end of
37 March.

38 BILL SCHAEFFER: Okay.

39 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Because you've got to have open
40 enrollment and everything. We've got to make a decision. So

1 there's not much time --

2 BILL SCHAEFFER: Okay.

3 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- to keep adding and changing and
4 everything else right now.

5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All these in favor?

6 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

7 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

9 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

11 JOY SWEENEY: Thank you.

12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Mm-hm.

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

14 MARLA SAM: Thank you.

15

16 **13) Discussion for possible action regarding the request of Jana**
17 **Moyes, Executive Director of the Battle Mountain Family**
18 **Resource Center, for the release of funds granted to the**
19 **Battle Mountain Family Resource Center for FY 2013-2014, and**
20 **other matters properly related thereto.**

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22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
23 the request for Jana Moyes, Executive Director of the Battle
24 Mountain Family Resource Center, for the release of funds
25 granted to the Battle Mountain Family Resource Center for FY
26 2013/'14, and other matters properly related thereto.

27 JANA MOYES: Hi, I'm Jana Moyes. I'm a volunteer executive
28 director for the Battle Mountain Family Resource Center.

29 BILL SCHAEFFER: I'm Bill Schaeffer. I'm tagging along as
30 the vice chairman of the board for the Battle Mountain Family
31 Resource Center.

32 JANA MOYES: We've requested this to be on the agenda to
33 find out what you guys are asking from us to clear up this
34 matter or what questions we can answer.

35 COMMISSIONER MASON: What's the address of the re -- of the
36 center?

37 JANA MOYES: It's 470 South Broad.

38 We're just --

39 COMMISSIONER MASON: Is this --

40 JANA MOYES: -- two blocks over.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay.

2

3 (Commissioners reviewing the item.)

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5 COMMISSIONER MASON: So let's start from the beginning.
6 Why are the funds held up?

7 JANA MOYES: The fun -- that's what -- okay. So when I
8 called, the information I got was that we needed to update our
9 incorpor -- or our Articles of Incorporation. They were turned
10 in. And they have been updated.

11 I -- then I called back, and it says that the funds were
12 not released due to the liens. These liens are from the IRS. I
13 attached a letter from Kelly, which is the actual IRS lady.

14 COMMISSIONER MASON: I read that.

15 JANA MOYES: Okay.

16 BILL SCHAEFFER: Kelly Gurney.

17 JANA MOYES: Kelly Gurney. She says you guys are more than
18 welcome to call her.

19 All the 941s are paid up. When we took over the Resource
20 Center, the 941s weren't being paid. So when we started paying
21 them, they got put to back pay. We were getting letters that we
22 overpaid and that we underpaid. So what we did was we went with
23 Steve Wilson, which is a tax lawyer out of Carson City, to try
24 and get all of this straightened up. Since then, everything's
25 straightened up.

26 The reason for the liens is they are penalties and
27 interest. Kelly has put us into a non-collectible status, which
28 that means that all of our 941s are paid. Everything's current.

29 The way the IRS and the statutes -- there has to be a
30 period for them to fall off. So they won't release the liens
31 until the penalties have reached their status years for them to
32 fall off. So --

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: Now, who holds title to the property?

34 JANA MOYES: No. It's not -- we just rent the building.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It's -- it's --

36 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. So you rent the building, but
37 the liens are telling us --

38 JANA MOYES: The lien is just on our name. That's it.

39 BILL SCHAEFFER: If -- the lien -- if I can explain a
40 little bit. You can put a lien -- just like you put a

1 mechanic's lien on vehicles -- you can put a lien on anything.
2 And in this case it's a lien that has been served to the county
3 in case some kind of property that the IRS might think is
4 valuable and makes sense for them to take.

5 But, you know, we don't need for the services that the
6 center provides, they can get it. Okay. They -- they're not
7 going to make an exception just for one organization, you know.
8 They've got all their regulations and so forth.

9 So -- and what she's talking about is the dropoff.

10 I've been in touch with Steve Wilson as well, by the way.
11 So I don't claim to be a tax lawyer, but he's filled me in a
12 little bit. But what happens is it -- they have a statute of
13 limitations on interest and penalties. They don't on the
14 underlying stuff. But we paid the underlying debt.

15 And the person that was responsible for not getting things
16 done in a timely manner we ceased using. They were a
17 contractor. And we -- we stopped using them. Actually, they
18 were doing mostly -- weren't they on a volunteer basis?

19 JANA MOYES: Yeah.

20 BILL SCHAEFFER: Yeah. So we're actually doing that
21 in-house now and been making those payments. And this dates
22 back -- what? -- 2004 to 2006, I believe.

23 JANA MOYES: Yeah. And a lot of them say 2009 because of
24 the way the IRS -- the way we sent our payments in, they were
25 going to back taxes. So she just put dates down from the
26 dates -- everything's paid for. Everything's caught up. These
27 are just penalties and interest. So she put us in
28 uncollectibles. So that they -- everything's fine as far as
29 this.

30 But they have to go so many years before these will drop
31 off. Does that make sense?

32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yes.

33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yes. It does make sense.

34 And I think it's wonderful they're not going to collect it
35 from you. What kind of an amount are we talking?

36 JANA MOYES: Oh. Sixty-two thousand in penalties and
37 interest.

38 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah. I think --

39 JANA MOYES: Several --

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- that's what caught our attention --

1 JANA MOYES: Yeah.
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- to begin with.
3 JANA MOYES: Yeah. And that's -- but that's all in
4 penalties and interest.
5 Some of them are from years before we -- we now do our --
6 all of our payroll taxes are done with a CPA out of Las Vegas.
7 And he's made sure that we've gotten all -- everything's been
8 taken care of. He's worked with our -- the tax -- with Kelly
9 Gurney directly on a few things just to make sure everything was
10 taken care of.
11 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: So how much was the grants?
12 ROGENE HILL: There was a total of 34,500. And you denied
13 that in the commission meeting on --
14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Give me --
15 ROGENE HILL: -- August 27th.
16 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Give me a breakdown here.
17 ROGENE HILL: Okay. You had -- you had approved last year:
18 \$5,000 for the Lifeline; 22,000 for the Battle Mountain Resource
19 Center; Kids in Motion, \$5,000; and the Harvest Festival for
20 2500.
21 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: So five for Lifeline; twenty-two for
22 the Family Resource Center, and five for the Harvest Festival?
23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No.
24 JANA MOYES: Five thousand.
25 ROGENE HILL: No, 5,000 for Kids in Motion.
26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Kids in Motion.
27 JANA MOYES: And then 2500.
28 ROGENE HILL: Twenty-five hundred for the Harvest Festival.
29 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. The Harvest Festival did not
30 take place; correct?
31 JANA MOYES: We did not. And we didn't put in for the
32 money for it this year, because if it was released this year,
33 then we would go ahead and put it on for this next year.
34 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay, and the 5,000 Kids in Motion
35 was for utilities?
36 JANA MOYES: For utilities and some new playground
37 equipment -- supplies, stuff like that.
38 ROGENE HILL: And right now they have a thousand seven
39 dollars and 95-cents in arrears in utilities.
40 COMMISSIONER MASON: Did you say, Rogene, that we denied

1 this based on the lien?

2 ROGENE HILL: Uh-huh. Yes. On August 22nd you denied
3 releasing them any of the grant money.

4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion that we release the
5 32,000 to the Battle Mountain Family Resource Center.

6 COMMISSIONER MASON: We have the money?

7 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: It's in there.

8 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll second.

9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

10 MARLA SAM: Yes. I don't understand. Until those liens
11 are released, we as the public goes and looks at those
12 records -- and I don't care whether they're going to drop off or
13 not. They're there today. And you're giving \$35,000 to a debt
14 of 62,000 that may -- I mean, you're telling me it's going to
15 drop off, but really?

16 And why are we behind on our utilities? And I understand
17 that the playground equipment, there was money for that in a
18 fundraiser a few years ago for \$30,000. Why is that not
19 being -- I'm just -- I'm just confused here.

20 JANA MOYES: We never received \$30,000 for equipment.

21 MARLA SAM: What happened to the fundraiser for the
22 playground equipment?

23 JANA MOYES: We purchased the two -- we only raised about
24 1800 for the playground equipment.

25 MARLA SAM: Okay.

26 JANA MOYES: We do tons of fundraisers. The reason the --
27 the bills are behind, we actually have checks ready for them to
28 go out, but with --

29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Actually, we can't -- it's just public
30 comment. We can't.

31 MARLA SAM: But as the public, I -- I have an issue with --

32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: You can comment.

33 MARLA SAM: -- that happening.

34 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Tiffany, and it's Marla Sam for the
35 record.

36 MARLA SAM: Sorry.

37 COMMISSIONER MASON: How long --

38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: (Non-word utterance directing a stop in
39 discussion.)

40 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- before these --

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Public comment.
2 COMMISSIONER MASON: Oh.
3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any other public comment?
4 (No comment.)
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
6 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
11 JANA MOYES: Thank you, guys.
12 BILL SCHAEFFER: Thank you, very much.
13 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thank you.
14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Mm-hm.

15
16 **14) Discussion for possible action regarding Senate Bill 374**
17 **concerning medical marijuana establishments; options for**
18 **drafting an ordinance that would change Lander County Code**
19 **concerning opening a medical marijuana establishment in**
20 **Lander County; and other matters properly related thereto.**
21

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion -- fourteen, discussion for
23 possible action regarding Senate Bill 374 concerning medical
24 marijuana establishments; options for drafting an ordinance that
25 would change Lander County Code concerning opening a medical
26 marijuana establishment in Lander County; and other matters
27 properly related thereto.

28 The correspondence with this is the lawyer is still looking
29 at a draft.

30 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: I can give an update.

31 This is Angie Elquist, District Attorney.

32 On Tuesday, the 11th, the Board of Governors petitioned --
33 filed a petition with the Nevada Supreme Court to amend the
34 ethics law to remove any ethical implications that would limit a
35 Nevada lawyer from advising or assisting on this.

36 So -- it's -- the sup -- we're waiting for the supreme
37 court to decide if -- so that means that they're going to waive
38 any ethical violations. So it's in limbo right now for --

39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So can you represent us now then?

40 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: We're waiting for the --

1 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Doesn't know.
2 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: -- supreme court.
3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: They're still --
4 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: If the supreme court approves
5 this, then any lawyer can. Right now it's an ethical violation,
6 so --
7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Okay.
8 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I think we need to defer it.
9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We'll defer that.

10
11 15) Discussion for possible action regarding maintenance for the
12 Austin Loneliest Highway Visitors Center, and other matters
13 properly related thereto.
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15 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Fifteen, discussion for possible action
16 regarding maintenance for the Austin Loneliest Highway Visitors
17 Center, and other matters properly related thereto.

18 COMMISSIONER MASON: Jan Morrison, would you come forward?

19 JAN MORRISON: Jan Morrison, Community Services Officer.

20 I was asked to contact the Austin -- the janitor down in
21 Austin to see what would -- what she thought would be needed to
22 maintain the visitors center. And I just jotted this out. I'm
23 sorry, I just made one copy. But this is basically what she
24 said, she thought would be needed.

25 Clean the interior three times weekly: Monday, Wednesday,
26 and Friday. Check the interior Tuesday and Thursday. And clean
27 on weekends for special events. Wash windows as required. Wet
28 mop all floors and sanitize. Gather all waste, paper, garbage,
29 place for disposal in designated area. This includes the
30 receptacles, wallboards. Once monthly cleaning all the walls,
31 baseboards, light fixtures. Inventory for paper and supplies.

32 She feels that this would be approximately four to five
33 hours weekly. And that's -- obviously, that includes the
34 weekend special events. So but it averaged out to be four to
35 five hours weekly. The janitor currently works fifteen hours a
36 week. So to give you that basis.

37 The exterior there are a couple of issues to -- and most
38 likely I would think that would be under Skeath, Dessie Skeath,
39 because he maintains the pool. But it would simply be emptying
40 the public trash receptacles, maintaining the landscaping.

1 And this just an issue. I know it's probably -- other
2 people have spoken to it, but the -- locking the facility at
3 night, unlocking it in the morning, probably following the
4 daylight, so 8:00 in the morning to anywhere from 5:00 to 8:00
5 at night, depending on when it's used. Probably there would be
6 consideration for closing the center in the winter, winterizing
7 it. The tourism season, right now it starts in March. It
8 follows the weather, maybe March through October. But probably
9 have the interior closed during the winter months there. There
10 wouldn't be any use and any reason to keep it open.

11 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. Is this a visitors center or
12 a visitor center, slash, rest area?

13 JAN MORRISON: No, I think it's -- it's that. It's also
14 going to be utilized as a town center for gatherings.

15 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: But a rest area shouldn't be closed.
16 I don't care.

17 JAN MORRISON: Even in the winter?

18 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

19 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Even at night. I'm sorry. It's a
20 rest area. It is a stop. That's what the whole intention of
21 this of going with NDOT was that we had a rest area for
22 travelers.

23 JAN MORRISON: Okay.

24 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And some of those travelers are at
25 nighttime. And it's the middle of the night.

26 JAN MORRISON: That's true.

27 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I mean, really this facility should
28 be open 24/7.

29 JAN MORRISON: The bathrooms. The bathrooms. That's
30 right. The gas stations are closed. And I'm sorry I just --

31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And I understand --

32 JAN MORRISON: Yeah, I just --

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: Wait a minute. This is -- this whole
34 meeting on the agenda was just for discussion.

35 We're going to have to do a trial run.

36 I think out of this discussion, we can start with the fact
37 that we have a janitor who's willing to participate.

38 And we haven't decided whether or not it's open 24 hours a
39 day. And what's the best way to maintain a
40 three-quarter-of-a-million-dollar restroom?

1 It's all up in the air.

2 I asked Jan to get ahold of the local janitor in Austin to
3 see where we could start from and how we would proceed.

4 It's my thinking that we need to run this for four or five
5 weeks to see how it goes. And then refine the -- refine it, you
6 know, down to what's needed.

7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. So let me go back, making my
8 point here. It's an NDOT rest area.

9 JAN MORRISON: Yeah.

10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: NDOT is responsible to clean -- to
11 pay for contracts to clean rest areas.

12 COMMISSIONER MASON: Good.

13 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: So why have we not looked into NDOT
14 has the responsibility --

15 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Responsibility.

16 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- of maintaining and cleaning this
17 restrooms? You go to the one between -- out towards Antelope
18 Valley. NDOT is responsible for that contract to have it
19 cleaned. So why are we all of a sudden saying, we're okay.
20 We'll clean it, when it's an NDOT rest area.

21 COMMISSIONER MASON: I wasn't aware of that.

22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah, it is. They pay for it.

23 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: NDOT's the one that put up the money
24 and went to it.

25 ROGENE HILL: No, I think what happened is part of it was
26 we ponied up with them, but it's our responsibility to maintain
27 it. That's been from day one.

28 COMMISSIONER MASON: Is that written down somewhere?

29 ROGENE HILL: You'd have to go back and look when this
30 whole thing first started. Yeah.

31 COMMISSIONER MASON: Or does NDOT have a policy about all
32 of its properties?

33 ROGENE HILL: Well, I think that when you call it a rest
34 stop, absolutely. But I think this is a visitors center. We
35 call it a rest stop. So I don't know.

36 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Why would NDOT get involved if they
37 didn't want a rest area or a rest stop or whatever we want --
38 Porta-Potties? I don't even care what you want to call it.

39 ROGENE HILL: It was a grant.

40 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: They got involved --

1 ROGENE HILL: Exactly.

2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- because they wanted a rest for
3 travelers for safety, whatever. They wanted a place where they
4 could stop.

5 COMMISSIONER MASON: Oh, and it's also --

6 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: So they are more involved than --
7 you know, --

8 ROGENE HILL: This --

9 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- that's why they got involved.

10 ROGENE HILL: This --

11 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's also a registered property, you
12 know, historic.

13 ROGENE HILL: This took place a long time ago. It was one
14 of those grants. And it was put in way back when. I want to
15 say probably in '99, maybe 2000. Never heard anything. And all
16 of a sudden, probably about three years ago, it surfaced. And
17 they gave us --

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: It was longer than three years ago.

19 ROGENE HILL: They were given the money. Yes, so it was a
20 long time. And so it was kind of one of those --

21 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I just -- that's just questions I
22 have. We're accepting responsibility where we may not have to.

23 COMMISSIONER MASON: Right.

24 But I think the people in Austin are really proud of this
25 whole thing.

26 ROGENE HILL: Oh, I'm sure they are. They should be.

27 COMMISSIONER MASON: And they want to main -- I think they
28 want a hand in maintaining it, if it's possible.

29 JAN MORRISON: Yes, we are.

30 COMMISSIONER MASON: Would you -- Jan, would you -- Jan,
31 would you check on NDOT and see what their policy is?

32 JAN MORRISON: Yeah. Yes. Can I --

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: We don't want to rub up against them,
34 you know.

35 JAN MORRISON: Yeah.

36 COMMISSIONER MASON: If we can maintain it, and they don't
37 care, or if they have to maintain it, we need to know that.

38 JAN MORRISON: Okay. Am I assuming that the grant was
39 originated out of this office? Or --

40 ROGENE HILL: Yes. Well, it -- like I said, it was one of

1 those that they asked if there was anything. He put in for it.
2 Didn't hear until probably three years ago.

3 JAN MORRISON: Okay. Well, I should be able to pull the
4 documents wherever they are, should be able to pull it and see.

5 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Patsy, we can help you with that in
6 my office.

7 JAN MORRISON: Okay.

8 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: As well, I'm sure we have something
9 in there.

10 JAN MORRISON: Thank you.

11 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Or -- sorry I called you Patsy,
12 Jan.

13 JAN MORRISON: It's a compliment. Thank you.

14 COMMISSIONER MASON: Can we put this back on the next
15 agenda? Or would you have information by then?

16 JAN MORRISON: Oh, I'm sure we'll have information.

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: The building's almost complete.

18 JAN MORRISON: Mm-hm.

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: So we've got to keep going.

20 JAN MORRISON: Sure.

21 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thank you.

22 JAN MORRISON: Okay. Thank you, Sadie.

23

24 16) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval
25 of the Agreement between Lander County and Scott Bullock, dba
26 Bullock Management Services, for professional management
27 services for the Mountain View Golf Course, and other matters
28 properly related thereto.
29

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31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Sixteen, discussion for possible action
32 regarding approval/disapproval of the Agreement between Lander
33 County and Scott Bullock, dba Bullock Management Services, for
34 professional management service for the Mountain View Golf
35 Course, and other matters properly related thereto.

36 And I'll recuse myself for legal matters.

37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And I'm going to recuse myself from
38 any comment and will abstain from the vote.

39 SCOTT BULLOCK: Scott Bullock with Bullock Management.

40 Have the contract at this time. This is just the legal contract
that we need signed to run the -- to continue business as usual

1 at the golf course.

2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I thought we already had this on the
3 agenda once. So we're bringing it back again?

4 SCOTT BULLOCK: This is just for the legal contract. It
5 was already approved. Right?

6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Yes.

7 SCOTT BULLOCK: We just need a signed contract.

8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So it's already been passed that we --
9 that we approved the contract though?

10 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Right, to allow the changes to
11 the contract. Right.

12 We made changes to the contract because it used to be a
13 two-year contract. And we changed it to our standard language
14 to have it be a one-year contract. So we put our standard legal
15 language from the original contract going forward. So we
16 make --

17 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. My question is this because I
18 was against the contract to begin with because I wanted it to go
19 out for bid. Now, we've already passed that as commissioners to
20 approve a contract.

21 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Right.

22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So therefore, even though I didn't
23 want the first one, if we've already approved it and that's
24 history, am I still able to vote against this?

25 I still don't approve of the contract. I don't like the
26 amount you're asking for with the 16,000 to collect the funds
27 for the county. That's a problem for me. So that's where it
28 stands. So I'm going -- so I still don't want the contract, but
29 yet, the whole county has approved it as a majority. So --

30 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Well, you place your vote and
31 put it on the record as to why you're declining it or not
32 approving it.

33 SCOTT BULLOCK: I'll happily donate the money. I'm doing
34 county work. I'm collecting your money, doing a service to you.
35 That's like me asking you to, you know, not ask for a paycheck
36 for being commissioner and while you're doing county work.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Not quite, because you're getting a
38 lot of things for this. We're paying all your utilities. We're
39 paying your rent. You're collecting the rest. So I don't feel
40 that, you're -- if you had everything else going, and were just

1 collecting some funds, I would understand that. But you're
2 asking \$16,000 to collect our money after we're giving you this
3 facility so that amount is -- is a problem for me. And I think
4 you should be able to run a business without that.

5 SCOTT BULLOCK: And realistically, it's 10,000 to collect
6 the monies. And I'm saving you \$2,000 worth of golf carts,
7 which is your extra \$6,000.

8 But, I mean, it's your own opinion.

9 COMMISSIONER WAITS: That's true.

10 SCOTT BULLOCK: Obviously.

11 COMMISSIONER MASON: Wait a minute. We approved the
12 contract, but we reduced it to a one-year rollover?

13 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Well, yeah, when we put the
14 terms in contract that you --

15 COMMISSIONER MASON: But we -- we did approve it?

16 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Well. Right. It was approved
17 before, but now this needs to be approved. The contract needs
18 to be approved to go forward.

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: So it's a regular county contract now?

20 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Yes.

21 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. And so how does that read?
22 What --

23 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: It has the terms.

24 COMMISSIONER MASON: We're reapproving a contract?

25 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Well, you're approving the
26 contract. If you want to go forward with this contract, approve
27 it. If you don't, state your reasons why and don't approve it.

28 COMMISSIONER MASON: I make a motion that we approve the
29 agreement between Lander County and Scott Bullock, dba, Bullock
30 Management Services for professional management services for the
31 Mountain View Golf Course.

32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

34 (No comment.)

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

37 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those opposed?

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Nay.

40 I still have a problem in the collection fee payments.

1 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. I abstain.
2 COMMISSIONER GARNER: I abstain.
3 Thank you, Scott.
4 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: The contract's not approved.
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Contract's approved.
6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Not approved.
7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Not?
8 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: No. You have to -- you're
9 elected officials so there has to be a majority. So three
10 people would have to vote to approve it.
11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: But if we abstain, --
12 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Right.
13 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- that leaves three.
14 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: So that means that it's these
15 three so all of them have to approve it.
16 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: She said no, so two --
17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Patsy said no. You just have two
18 yeses.
19 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Two yeses and one no.
20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Oh. I thought if we abstained it went to
21 a three.
22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Can't pass with two.
23 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Uh-uh.
24 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Can't pass with two.
25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Is there any public comment?
26 We already --
27 (Radio sound.)
28 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Can I make a public comment?
29 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Sure.
30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: We already did it.
31 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: What does he do? Does he --
32 SCOTT BULLOCK: So you want me to just pack up and get out
33 and you guys are on your own or what?
34 I mean, I don't have a legal contract. You want me to do
35 business as usual no legal contract.
36 You obviously don't want me to get paid for doing your
37 reports and collecting your money. So I can go pack my stuff.
38 And you guys are going to have a mess and resend it out to bid
39 and you're going to be three months down the road and have to
40 figure out someone to collect your money.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: Now, wait a minute. Wait a minute.
2 SCOTT BULLOCK: That's what you're looking at.
3 COMMISSIONER MASON: The -- I understand what you're
4 saying, but the Board approved the contract.
5 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: No, the board -- the board --
6 the board.
7 COMMISSIONER MASON: No, I mean, right now we have not.
8 But we did approve it. It should've rolled over. Why's it
9 coming back?
10 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Because they changed terms in it
11 from what we approved.
12 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Right. The old contract had
13 different terms. It was approved with these amounts, but it was
14 approved with a different board set up. So now -- now, we have
15 two people -- members abstaining. So now you have to revote on
16 it. And so you voted, and it didn't pass.
17 COMMISSIONER MASON: This is not good for us. This is not
18 good for the county right here to let this happen. We approved
19 it. We ought to just stay with what we approved.
20 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: That's the vote.
21 SCOTT BULLOCK: What am I supposed to do?
22 COMMISSIONER MASON: Just sit --
23 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I don't know.
24 SCOTT BULLOCK: Pack up or -- I need an answer. So --
25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Perhaps if you'd like to modify the
26 contract and come back with something else?
27 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: We already did that once.
28 COMMISSIONER MASON: Is it -- well, your -- your objection
29 is money.
30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: It's that 16,000.
31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: The 16,000. That was my objection the
32 first time and it still is.
33 COMMISSIONER MASON: What was it originally? How much was
34 it originally?
35 SCOTT BULLOCK: Originally, I got \$10,000 every year. And
36 the county provided five golf carts for \$8500 it cost them. So
37 instead of having the county provide five golf carts for 8500, I
38 now provide all -- I offered to provide ten golf carts for only
39 \$6,000 to save the county \$2500.
40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Scott, can we stop you? Do you want to

1 open this back up for discussion? We can't just keep
2 discussing. Do you want to open this back up? Does somebody --
3 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yes. Let's open it back up.

4
5 **16) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval**
6 **of the Agreement between Lander County and Scott Bullock, dba**
7 **Bullock Management Services, for professional management**
8 **services for the Mountain View Golf Course, and other matters**
9 **properly related thereto.**

10
11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Open back up for discussion. Sixteen,
12 discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval of
13 the Agreement between Lander County and Scott Bullock, dba
14 Bullock Management Services, for professional management
15 services for the Mountain View Golf Course, and other matters
16 properly related to -- for discussion.

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: My first thought is that this is not
18 good business for the county to at -- at this time of the year,
19 it's spring. I mean, we've got to have management there. And
20 if we can re-adjust, how about to your original contract? Can
21 we do that?

22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: No. Well, what -- what has to --

23 SCOTT BULLOCK: It's going to cost the county more money.
24 I mean, you can.

25 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Well, what it should have been is
26 I think it should have been stated that the collection for
27 collection of money was \$10,000 and then a separate item for
28 providing the golf carts was \$6,000. Because we were paying to
29 provide the golf carts. We were renting them -- right? --
30 before?

31 ROGENE HILL: Yes. Yes. Absolutely. Yes, we were. That
32 was a savings to the county. We were paying 8500 from an
33 outfit, Cart Barn, I believe, --

34 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

35 ROGENE HILL: -- out of Reno. And this was cheaper.
36 You're absolutely right. In -- what happened -- and I think
37 that where it has gone awry -- in the beginning, the \$10,000 was
38 set up for seed money, basically, for them to get their license,
39 get them set up. It was for one year only. Along with way, it
40 had -- in return, they get the building. And the county pays

1 the utilities. That's in return for collecting the fees. Now,
2 it has changed along the way. And you have been paying \$10,000
3 every year.

4 SCOTT BULLOCK: What -- what was it -- what was the amount
5 paid when you used to pay a pro?

6 ROGENE HILL: That was totally --

7 SCOTT BULLOCK: Before the \$10,000.

8 ROGENE HILL: That was -- that was a contract totally --

9 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Different.

10 ROGENE HILL: -- where they ran the whole operation. And
11 they got all the fees. There was no fees exchanged there. It
12 was a whole different bailiwick, totally different.

13 COMMISSIONER MASON: Let's -- let's start ag --

14 ROGENE HILL: And I think that that's where this has all,
15 you know, where it's coming from.

16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Because it was the people who
17 managed it before Scott that requested. We agreed to give them
18 10,000 a year.

19 ROGENE HILL: It -- all the ones that have ran it before it
20 has been 10,000 the first year. If they came back the second
21 and third year, they did not get the \$10,000. Okay.

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I'll --

23 ROGENE HILL: They --

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I'll pull my recuse.

25 Do you want to make a new motion?

26 COMMISSIONER MASON: I make a motion that the County
27 approve the agreement between Lander County and Scott Bullock,
28 dba, Bullock Management Services, for professional management
29 services for the Mountain View Golf Course.

30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: And I will second that motion.

31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: And authorize the chair to sign.

32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: Say what?

34 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: And authorize the chair to sign.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Authorize the chair to sign needs to be
36 --

37 COMMISSIONER MASON: And authorize the chair to sign as
38 amended.

39 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: And I'll amend my second.

40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

1 MARLA SAM: Yes. I'm glad that you did that. I've seen a
2 lot of -- of other things that's happened in these meetings.
3 And I think that kudos. Congratulations. You did it right.

4 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor? Aye.

5 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

6 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I abstain.

8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: All those opposed?

9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All --

10 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's an --

11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- opposed?

12 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- attitude adjustment, Scott. Thank
13 you.

14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Nay. I still have a problem with the
15 \$16,000 collection fee for Lander County.

16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thank you.

17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you, Scott.

18 SCOTT BULLOCK: Thank you.

19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Scott.

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21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Item 18, discussion for possible action
22 regarding the proposal from Washoe --

23 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Seventeen.

24 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Seventeen.

25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Oh.

26

27 17) Discussion for possible action regarding continuation of the
28 2012-2013 Mosquito Abatement Agreement between Lander County
29 and Robin Gray, recorded March 12, 2012, for one more year,
30 while going out for a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the 2015
31 contract year; discussion concerning the hourly rate
32 increases proposed by Mr. Gray in his February 18, 2014
33 letter to the Lander County Board of Commissioners, and other
34 matters properly related thereto.

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36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Seventeen, discussion for possible action
37 regarding continuation of the 2012-2013 Mosquito Abatement
38 Agreement between Lander County and Robin Gray, recorded March
39 12th, 2012, for one more year, while going out for a Request for
40 Proposal (RFP) for the 2015 year -- 2015 contract year,

1 discussion concerning the hourly rate increase proposed by Mr.
2 Gray in his February 18th, 2014, letter to the Lander County
3 Board of Commissioners, and other matters properly related
4 thereto.

5 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay, the reason this is back on --
6 how you doing Robin?

7 ROBIN GRAY: Good.

8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Hi, Robin.

9 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- is this contract renewed in
10 January. And it has a 60-day's notification if we are going to
11 do anything different. So if we give a 60-day's notification,
12 we're going to be dropped right in the middle of mosquito
13 season.

14 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Right.

15 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And you know, so my proposal is we
16 just leave the contract as is. You want to look out for
17 something for next year, that's fine. We can go back out. But
18 this is automatically renewed. And with the 60 days, you know,
19 I think we need to stay with the contract at hand.

20 ROGENE HILL: And this --

21 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: That's why I said come up.

22 ROGENE HILL: Well, I was.

23 Rogene Hill, for the record.

24 Basically, you had discussed it at the last meeting. And
25 you wanted to -- there was discussion that you wanted to go out
26 and get bids.

27 You're absolutely right. You -- you need to roll this this
28 year. We did put an advertisement in the paper for the next
29 year's contract. So we should be -- it -- I believe, it runs
30 for two -- two runs in the paper, which ends this way. Robin
31 would put in at that time. This is for next year along with any
32 other interested parties at that time. But totally, for next
33 year.

34 Because you're right. You're right in the middle. It's
35 not smart business and to abort midstream.

36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I know we went out for bids on this.
37 But I don't believe we said anything to terminate the current
38 one; did we?

39 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Uh-uh.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So we're just --

1 ROGENE HILL: No, you weren't going --
2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: No, we just clarify --
3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- clarifying it.
4 ROGENE HILL: You just wanted to open it up.
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And clarify it.
6 ROGENE HILL: So you could.
7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: But it was asked for an increase in
8 the last agenda item.
9 ROGENE HILL: And basically, --
10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And that's why -- that's why it had
11 to come back on for the existing contract.
12 ROGENE HILL: And basically every year Robin submits, you
13 know, basically, a quote of what he figures -- it just depends.
14 It's based on the year. He has never, ever -- we've never paid
15 out whatever he gives us. It's based on the time that he is
16 spending. And in all the years that I've been here, we budget
17 for 175,000 is what we budget for every year. And we have never
18 went over that, ever.
19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: But we do -- we include the truck?
20 You have the truck full time; is that correct? Or just when you
21 come up and --
22 ROGENE HILL: Just when he comes up.
23 ROBIN GRAY: It's when I --
24 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You come here and pick up a county
25 vehicle?
26 ROGENE HILL: Yes. Yes.
27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Is that what happens?
28 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.
29 ROGENE HILL: Yes.
30 ROBIN GRAY: Yeah.
31 ROGENE HILL: Yes.
32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: So we don't need any --
33 ROGENE HILL: So he -- he's --
34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We don't need any action.
35 COMMISSIONER MASON: What do we do?
36 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Well, only on the rate increases --
37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.
38 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- there was proposed and I wish the
39 rate increases would have been on here.
40 ROBIN GRAY: The increases I asked for was for a dollar an

1 hour for -- for me and for my employees. That's --
2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: For all the classifications?
3 ROBIN GRAY: Yeah. And that's -- that's mainly to -- so I
4 can give my employees a raise, which I do every year and so that
5 I can keep up with the increase in the cost of liability
6 insurance and workman's comp. That's -- that's what the dollar
7 an hour is for.
8 ROGENE HILL: And with your question with the -- a county
9 vehicle, we buy all the supplies as well.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yes, I saw that the chemicals --
11 ROGENE HILL: Yes. Yes.
12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- and the gas and all that.
13 ROGENE HILL: Mm-hm. So --
14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: But I wondered if he had the vehicle
15 full time or picked it up.
16 ROGENE HILL: No, he picked it up.
17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: No, he just picks it up when he
18 needs it.
19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: That was my clarification.
20 ROBIN GRAY: Yeah. No. It's -- it's parked over here in
21 the yard.
22 ROGENE HILL: Yes.
23 ROBIN GRAY: And when I come over here, I use it then. And
24 when we get done, I put it back there.
25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Can you put this back on, Robin, then so
26 we can do a pay increase.
27 ROBIN GRAY: Where will I need to --
28 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We'll have put it back on.
29 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: No, it's on here.
30 ROGENE HILL: No.
31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It is?
32 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: It just says what the rate increase
33 is --
34 ROGENE HILL: Yes.
35 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- proposed. So --
36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yes.
37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'd like to make a motion that we
38 continue with the contract with Robin Gray for the mosquito
39 abatement and approve the hourly increases of a dollar for each
40 classification.

1 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.
2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
3 (No comment.)
4 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: All those in favor?
5 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
7 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
9 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
10 ROGENE HILL: You do a great job.
11 ROBIN GRAY: Thank you.
12 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you, Robin.
13 ROBIN GRAY: Thank you.
14 JOY SWEENEY: Keep up the good work, Robin. I don't like
15 those mosquitoes.

16
17 18) Discussion for possible action regarding the proposal from
18 Washoe Legal Services to provide free legal services to
19 abused/neglected children, needy senior citizens (age 60 and
20 older), and any other specialized need in Churchill,
21 Pershing, Humboldt and Lander Counties; the request for
22 yearly funding, the cost to be split between the counties;
23 and other matters properly related thereto.
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25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Now on to eighteen, discussion for
26 possible action regarding the proposal from Washoe Legal
27 Services to provide free legal services to abused/neglected
28 children, needy senior citizens (age 60 and older), and any
29 other specialized need in Churchill, Pershing, Humboldt and
30 Lander Counties; the request for yearly funding, the cost to be
31 split between the counties; and other matters properly related
32 thereto.

33 And I have a recommendation from two legals to defer this
34 item until --

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Until our county meeting?

36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: No, local -- local attorneys could review
37 this.

38 COMMISSIONER MASON: To defer it?

39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We can hear it -- we can hear a
40 presentation.

1 PAUL ELCANO: I think that's all we expected because it has
2 to be a tri-county matter anyway.

3 To give you a little history, I'm Paul Elcano from Washoe
4 Legal Services in Reno, Nevada. And hist -- I've been there --
5 I'm the executive director. I've been there for 11 years, born
6 and raised in Reno. Started as a small town, and now it's a big
7 one.

8 But there's historically in Northern Nevada and actually in
9 Southern Nevada, too, there's been a real difficult time
10 providing legal services in the rural counties. And so our
11 board made a policy decision a couple of years ago to go ahead
12 and try and provide services in the rural counties.

13 And in the State of Nevada, legal services are governed and
14 overseen by our supreme court. And our supreme court has a
15 commission that is called the Access to Justice Commission. And
16 that is directly supervised by the court. And all the legal
17 service providers sit on that commission.

18 And part of the funding for that commission is trust-fund
19 interest on lawyer trust accounts. And we call that Interest on
20 Lawyer Trust Accounts or IOLTA as an acronym.

21 And so due to this need in the rural counties and our
22 policy decision to try and go forward, we pioneered the
23 representation of children in what we call NRS 432B proceedings.
24 And these are children that are abused and neglected and taken
25 out of their homes because their parent can no longer take care
26 of them.

27 And we pioneered that advocacy and actually raised a lot of
28 money to pursue representation of those children. And that was
29 leveraged in Las Vegas and inroads were made down there.

30 And we determined it was -- at the time, we thought to go
31 ahead and provide those services into the rural counties along
32 with needs for seniors because of the huge growth in the senior
33 population and the needy senior population.

34 You have a two-pronged demographic there. We're getting
35 lots more seniors, like me, and we're getting lots more poor
36 seniors. I don't qualify yet, but I probably will before I die.

37 So we applied for, in a competitive process, applied for
38 funding from the foundation that administers this interest on
39 lawyer trust accounts. And they gave us a grant to begin
40 providing legal services for seniors and abused children and

1 anything else the counties might want along the I-80 corridor.
2 And that grant came through in January. And we've been working
3 to implement it this year.

4 To get that grant, we had discussions with all the local
5 judges in the various areas. And in this particular judicial
6 district, as you know, your judges are Judge Wagner and Judge
7 Montero. And they were thoroughly supportive of our project --
8 and I've attached their letters of support -- and wanted Washoe
9 Legal Services to implement this project. And with their
10 support and with the proper grant application, we were given
11 \$62,500 as seed money to start this project along the I-80
12 corridor.

13 We have just about brought it to fruition in Lyon and Elko
14 counties. The difficult part right now is the judicial district
15 which contains Pershing, Humboldt, and Lander counties because
16 of part of cooperation and they're three different counties,
17 three different commissions and so forth.

18 So as an informational item, we went before the Pershing
19 County Commission a couple of weeks ago. And we're here today
20 to explain the project to you.

21 The way we would like to implement it would be to provide a
22 full-time lawyer. And there are a couple of changes in the
23 proposal summary that I gave you. But we'd like to provide a
24 full-time lawyer, ultimately, that would handle Humboldt,
25 Pershing, and Lander counties. If we add Churchill, I think it
26 puts a little too much mileage in the position. There are
27 funding issues that would mean the three counties would -- in
28 the district -- would have to fund a little bit more one way or
29 the other. But it would be critical, I think, to the ultimate
30 provision of service to have the lawyer handle just those three
31 counties.

32 We envision a lawyer probably being based in Winnemucca --
33 I'm aware of your 60/20/20 general split -- that would provide
34 basically three days a week in Winnemucca, one day a week in
35 Lander County, and one day a week in Pershing County.

36 A lawyer would be trained by us in child advocacy in Reno.
37 You don't know this, but we probably have the finest child
38 advocacy program in the country in Reno, counting the district
39 attorney's office, and the quality of the social workers, and
40 the quality of the representation that we give children. So we

1 train the lawyer in those aspects, work very closely, I think,
2 with the communities.

3 I really believe this is a community-oriented position.
4 It's not something we're trying to do from afar and tell the
5 rural communities how to do it. This lawyer has to be
6 responsible to the needs in the community. And we have to build
7 our relationships with that community.

8 And the funding can come from several sources. I believe
9 that the grant we got this year will grow. I believe that. I
10 cannot promise it.

11 And I can tell you that I have committed, for sure, at
12 least \$5,000 and as much as \$20,000 in foundational funds that
13 will come in by the end of year that can be spread along the
14 project.

15 Right now it looks like Elko and Lyon County will not need
16 that money, so that we can probably use the foundational money
17 in the center of the I-80 corridor. I can't promise it yet,
18 because I haven't gotten it. But I've gotten the commitments
19 from the foundations for those amounts by the end of the year.
20 And to date, those foundations have been as good as their word.

21 The project, once we obtained it, went to the Access to
22 Justice Committee, in which all the legal service agencies sit
23 as members. It was put to a vote as to whether we could go
24 forward with it. And everyone on the Access to Justice
25 Committee voted unanimously for us to go forward, which is what
26 gave me the license to come up here and talk with you folks.

27 So it's been sanctioned by our supreme court, by all the
28 legal service agencies in terms of a vote before the Access to
29 Justice Committee. And that's why we're here.

30 I think that there's some nuts and bolts you probably want
31 to go through. How do you fund it? I know money is tight.
32 There's several ways you can fund this project. I believe we
33 can grow our end of the funding. We'll commit at least \$20,000
34 to the project budget, which if you leave it to the three
35 counties would leave a hundred thousand for a full-time
36 position. That full-time position does include a half-time
37 administrative person and some amounts for office space and the
38 like. If we can cut administration and a few things, that
39 number could come down a little bit. If you use your 60/20/20
40 split, your county would be responsible for 20,000. Pershing

1 would be responsible for 20,000. Humboldt would be responsible
2 for 60,000. You would get the service in proportion to the
3 amounts in which you contributed. So if somebody thought they
4 needed more of the lawyer than somebody else and you worked that
5 out amongst you, we would arrange so that could be done.

6 The funding can come from general funds. It can come from
7 an add-on at a legislat -- at the legislature, which by county
8 commission ordinance -- county ordinance, you can pass putting a
9 three-dollar fee on all recorded documents. That number -- I
10 can't tell you what it is because I don't have access to your
11 recorded documents. The statute, in case you want to write it
12 down -- I'd be happy to e-mail it to you when we're done -- is
13 NRS 247.305. We've implemented it in Clark and Washoe counties.

14 Looking at the numbers in the county, if your census data
15 is accurate -- and after your discussion earlier, I'm not so
16 sure if it is -- but I'm told there's about 30,000 people in the
17 three counties.

18 If you have the same type of activity we have in Washoe
19 County for filings with the -- at the recorder's office, that
20 would probably bring it somewhere around 20- or \$25,000 a year.
21 We have drafts of the ordinance. You can just take the
22 ordinance, pass it, and that would be implemented and that would
23 help to ease the funding burden amongst the three counties.

24 And the other possibility is that you can look at other
25 contracts and possibly merge them in. And I'm not familiar with
26 enough with whether or not those are in the court's budget, your
27 budget, and which contracts you have that might fit. And that's
28 something you would have to discuss at your tri-county meeting
29 and figure out if there's any poten -- potential sources there.

30 So I think that's pretty much covers the project. I just
31 want to emphasize that this -- the way we view this, this would be
32 your lawyer, responsive to your community needs to handle the
33 things you need done. To the extent that Justice League of Nevada
34 money goes to it, it's constrained by the grant requirement. So
35 some of the money would have to go to the child advocacy and
36 seniors depending on the proportion.

37 I also think that you probably should know about our
38 organization that we are not grant fulfillers. We do not apply
39 for grants and when they run out fire the people we hire. We
40 are much more entrepreneurial. We try to look at long-term need

1 and finding mechanism to fund and fill that need over the long
2 term.

3 The need for helping children and the need for helping
4 seniors is not going away. And so it's our desire to use these
5 jail-end funds, leverage them with county money, and provide
6 service along these lines over the long haul. It's also our
7 desire to hire somebody who has really good, strong local ties
8 and will be responsible to the community and to the judiciary.
9 That's the way we look at this.

10 This is not a one-time deal where we're going to come in
11 and get out if the going gets tough. This is something we're
12 going to look at to try to grow and meet community needs over
13 the long term.

14 As to the financial aspect, and you may have heard this
15 before, but there are monies you can spend to deal with
16 immediate problems. And there are monies you can spend to save
17 money in future. And when you do help these kids who have
18 serious needs -- medical, educational, mental health,
19 residential needs -- when you do help them, you do have the
20 chance of turning them into productive citizens, which saves you
21 a lot more money in the long haul if they end up becoming 18 and
22 are not productive in adjunct services. So that's why we're so
23 committed --

24 COMMISSIONER MASON: I have some questions.

25 PAUL ELCANO: I'm happy to answer any. I was just going to
26 get there. I'm happy to answer any questions you might have.

27 COMMISSIONER MASON: I understand the legal aspect pretty
28 much.

29 PAUL ELCANO: Okay.

30 COMMISSIONER MASON: That you're going -- your
31 organization, our organization is going to have an attorney
32 available to the needs of county residents.

33 PAUL ELCANO: Right.

34 COMMISSIONER MASON: It first of all has to be established
35 that it is a county resident? Yes?

36 PAUL ELCANO: Yes. Although we've never really had that
37 problem.

38 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. I'm just looking at basics.
39 But --

40 PAUL ELCANO: Yes. And you have to meet certain income

1 requirements too. It's not just going to be for --
2 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay.
3 PAUL ELCANO: -- anybody it's for --
4 COMMISSIONER MASON: What department in this county do you
5 go through? Our legal department? Or our hospital? How -- how
6 does this work?
7 PAUL ELCANO: In terms of getting the clients --
8 COMMISSIONER MASON: Well --
9 PAUL ELCANO: -- or in terms of --
10 COMMISSIONER MASON: Let's say we already have the clients,
11 but how do we coordinate with the legal aspect that you're
12 presenting?
13 PAUL ELCANO: In -- in terms of financial? By contract,
14 you mean?
15 COMMISSIONER MASON: Well, who represents our client in the
16 fact --
17 PAUL ELCANO: Well --
18 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- of the county? What department do
19 we go through? The hospital? Or legal aid? Or how --
20 PAUL ELCANO: Well, we're a legal service organization,
21 what you call Legal Aid. The lawyer would represent the client
22 and would tell the client what they need in their case and
23 provide them a legal service just like when you go to your
24 lawyer.
25 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. So we have a person living here
26 in Battle Mountain that -- where does he go to get help?
27 PAUL ELCANO: He would go -- he would meet with a lawyer
28 here. The lawyer would spend a --
29 COMMISSIONER MASON: So this --
30 PAUL ELCANO: -- portion of his time in Battle Mountain and
31 Austin.
32 COMMISSIONER MASON: Your lawyer or our lawyer?
33 PAUL ELCANO: It would be Washoe Legal Services' lawyer who
34 is stationed, probably in Winnemucca, who would cover the three
35 areas and would travel and would spend days or a week.
36 COMMISSIONER MASON: I guess what I'm saying for is how
37 does the -- how does the individual know where to go?
38 PAUL ELCANO: Well, that -- that's a function of letting --
39 of getting the information out. So we would -- we would go
40 ahead to different resource centers and -- and -- and agencies

1 and so on and let them know we were providing the service.
2 So in Washoe County, for example, we have brochures at the
3 public health clinic, at Catholic Charities, stuff at the
4 courthouse. We're well known all over the community. And we do
5 -- we'd have to do the same thing here.
6 COMMISSIONER MASON: My other question is --
7 PAUL ELCANO: If you have a senior center, for example, we
8 put brochures there and interact with the people there.
9 COMMISSIONER MASON: I got it.
10 PAUL ELCANO: Okay.
11 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. My other question is this isn't
12 about giving money to an individual. This is about giving legal
13 aid to an individual.
14 PAUL ELCANO: Absolutely. And it's free to them.
15 COMMISSIONER MASON: So the money --
16 PAUL ELCANO: They pay nothing for it.
17 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- that this county would be obligated
18 to put up, if it chose to, would be going to the legal fund.
19 PAUL ELCANO: Yes. It would be going to a contract to pay
20 the lawyer to represent that proportionate share of people in
21 your county.
22 COMMISSIONER MASON: And then your attorney would swoop in
23 and have a meeting with the individual and see what's what.
24 PAUL ELCANO: Right. You would pay us. We'd pay the
25 attorney. We get nothing out of this. So you understand.
26 COMMISSIONER MASON: I understand.
27 PAUL ELCANO: Yeah, we just --
28 COMMISSIONER MASON: I just wanted to see how it worked.
29 PAUL ELCANO: Yeah. The way we do it in the other counties
30 that we've done, Washoe County, we have contract with the
31 county -- with the county. The county pays us so much a year.
32 And in the contract it says what services we will provide.
33 So we -- we would put in there that we have a lawyer. The
34 lawyer would spend this amount of time in your county,
35 representing your clients in these areas, and providing them
36 with legal services, not just advice, helping them. Going down
37 to the courthouse if they have to go down to the courthouse.
38 Filing a case with or against somebody. Getting -- filling out
39 a medical authorization, not just giving them one. Tailoring
40 that authorization to what they need.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: So if we had a person at our senior
2 center, --
3 PAUL ELCANO: Right.
4 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- then the senior center would get
5 ahold of your organization.
6 PAUL ELCANO: That --
7 COMMISSIONER MASON: Saying, this is our need. Do we
8 qualify? Blah blah blah.
9 PAUL ELCANO: That, or else refer us to a family member or
10 the person if they were competent. Yes.
11 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. Thank you.
12 PAUL ELCANO: Sure. And if the --
13 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Well, I have a couple --
14 PAUL ELCANO: In the 430B -- excuse me -- the 432B
15 proceedings, the kids, those all are routed through the court.
16 The court would appoint us to the children.
17 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. As far as abused and
18 neglected children, does not protective services -- child
19 protective services take care of their legal fees?
20 PAUL ELCANO: I don't think they take care of their legal
21 fees. And you have to understand the mechanism of the
22 situation, I think. You have a -- a -- a child who's taken out
23 of their home.
24 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I understand that.
25 PAUL ELCANO: Okay. They -- they're in some other
26 facility. They have these various issues: medical,
27 educational, residential, so on.
28 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Well, we're not worried about that.
29 We're talking strictly legal here.
30 PAUL ELCANO: Okay. All right. Okay. So the district
31 attorney's office represents the county and county welfare.
32 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Mm-hm.
33 PAUL ELCANO: That's their lawyer. In Washoe County -- I
34 don't know what you do specifically here -- the public defender
35 represents the parents.
36 Washoe Legal Services specifically represents the child.
37 Now, it's not an antagonistic -- necessarily -- necessarily
38 an antagonistic relationship. Everybody wants to do what's best
39 for the kid.
40 But there are determinations that are made by social

1 services that may or may not be in the best interest of the
2 child. There are determinations made by doctors and
3 psychologists, medical determinations that may not be in the
4 best interest of the child. And lastly, there's no mechanism
5 for the child to let the court know what they want or what they
6 think.

7 And so our experience has been, you know, you bring a child
8 into court all by themselves --

9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Not represented. Yeah.

10 PAUL ELCANO: -- not having seen them. Unrepresented. And
11 some of these kids are a year old, two years old, seven years
12 old. Some are drug babies. Some are fetal alcohol syndrome
13 babies. They need --

14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: You know. Yeah. I get your point.
15 I disagree. I just want to put that. I disagree with you. I
16 think they are represented.

17 PAUL ELCANO: Well, --

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. I don't think a district
19 attorney is going to let some child not be represented.

20 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: If I may, can I explain a
21 little bit of what happens in Lander County in these cases.
22 Yes, the district attorney, it represents the county. You have
23 the DCFS, the social worker representing -- they have to work
24 with the parents and the child. Then we -- the Court appoints a
25 local attorney -- right now in Lander County, it's Hy
26 Forgeron -- gets appointed as the child's attorney. And so that
27 would be replaced --

28 PAUL ELCANO: So they have --

29 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: If this goes through, it would
30 be Washoe Services instead of -- that's what happens --

31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay.

32 PAUL ELCANO: It might still be him --

33 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Right.

34 PAUL ELCANO: -- but we would have the contract.

35 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Right. And then there's also a
36 guardian ad litem, which is the juvenile probation.

37 So it's quite a -- these hearings have quite a few players
38 at the table. But that's what would happen is Washoe Legal
39 Services' attorney would replace that child --

40 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: If there was this contract.

1 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Yes.
2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah, but right now --
3 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: Yeah.
4 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I mean, we're not -- right now the
5 kids aren't out there without representation, --
6 PAUL ELCANO: No, I'm not saying --
7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- which is what you kind of led --
8 they walk in there without anybody --
9 PAUL ELCANO: No, you asked --
10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- and I disagree.
11 PAUL ELCANO: No, no, no.
12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: They are represented. So to me,
13 this contract for this part is not doing us any good, because
14 they're already represented. As far as the senior citizens,
15 yeah, maybe.
16 I'll be honest with you. But I have hard time with \$20,000
17 of this county going out of the county when we have local
18 attorneys.
19 So I, you know, I appreciate your presentation. I'm just
20 putting out my concerns. You know, if we're going to hire an
21 attorney, I want them to be local, not from Winnemucca, not from
22 Pershing. I want them to be from Lander County.
23 PAUL ELCANO: Okay.
24 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. And so that's -- I'm just
25 putting out my concerns. We're not making a decision today. I
26 just wanted to let you know how I felt on this. So --
27 PAUL ELCANO: And I -- you know, you can't do business
28 unless you know how people feel.
29 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Mm-hm.
30 PAUL ELCANO: So I have no quarrel with you telling me --
31 telling me how you feel.
32 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: So -- and I mean, we've got some
33 qualified attorneys in this -- in this county.
34 PAUL ELCANO: I don't argue that at all. I'd be the first
35 person that -- I would never argue about somebody's competence.
36 Okay.
37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: So --
38 COMMISSIONER MASON: Do --
39 PAUL ELCANO: It's your money. You get to spend it the way
40 you want. Okay.

1 And I wasn't trying to intimate they were unrepresented. I
2 was trying to intimate that it's critical that the child had a
3 lawyer.

4 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay.

5 PAUL ELCANO: And I say this -- my daughter works in the
6 district attorney's office in child advocacy. And I still want
7 our kids to have a lawyer, even though she's on their case.

8 So how your money is spent is your business. And that
9 contract can be tailored however you want. So when I say the
10 lawyer -- our vision is to have the lawyer based in Humboldt
11 County, that's a geographic issue. Because --

12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: They're going to give you the same
13 argument though. You don't put them in -- all I'm saying you
14 got three counties. Everybody's going to argue the same.

15 PAUL ELCANO: Well, not necessarily.

16 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah. Nec -- yeah --

17 PAUL ELCANO: Okay. All right.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'm just putting it out there. I
19 mean, that's where you're going to hit a little discrepancy, so
20 --

21 COMMISSIONER MASON: Well, I think it's a good thing that
22 you're doing. I have -- want to split hairs here a minute.

23 PAUL ELCANO: Okay. Split them. I'm ready.

24 COMMISSIONER MASON: We have our own attorney. We have our
25 attorney here in this -- okay, we want this -- let's say it's a
26 child -- needs representation. We have a legal department.

27 What you're saying -- and I -- this is the splitting of
28 hairs -- what you're saying is the child is represented by
29 county employees. The child in your case is represented
30 personally; is that true?

31 PAUL ELCANO: No, no, no, no, no. I'm not saying that.

32 The lawyer you appoint to represent the child is an
33 independent lawyer. The county is paying for it. It's an
34 independent lawyer. The child has their own lawyer in the way
35 you're doing it here.

36 ROGENE HILL: Yes.

37 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay.

38 PAUL ELCANO: That wouldn't change. The lawyer might not
39 change. It depends on how you implement the contract. But no,
40 that wouldn't change.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: All right.
2 PAUL ELCANO: You're doing --
3 COMMISSIONER MASON: So I see what --
4 PAUL ELCANO: -- doing that already.
5 And Commissioner Bullock's point is you're already spending
6 this money. You want to keep your local lawyer. He doesn't see
7 a big deal about expanding to seniors and other areas. And I
8 think I disagree with that.
9 There's a huge need for seniors and lots of it you probably
10 don't even know about because they can't get to lawyers. They
11 don't see anybody. They can't get to places. People cleaning
12 out their assets. There's just a -- there's a lot of problems
13 there.
14 COMMISSIONER MASON: This is -- this is your presentation
15 here is welcomed. I'm not saying -- you know -- we're not going
16 to vote on anything anyway.
17 PAUL ELCANO: No.
18 COMMISSIONER MASON: We're listening to reason here.
19 PAUL ELCANO: And I don't feel unwelcome.
20 COMMISSIONER MASON: Good.
21 PAUL ELCANO: Okay. I don't feel unwelcome. I have no
22 problem with somebody disagreeing with me.
23 COMMISSIONER MASON: No, I --
24 PAUL ELCANO: How are you going to find out?
25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Counselor, I just need a clarification
26 on --
27 PAUL ELCANO: Sure.
28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- on one item. And I understand
29 where you're coming from because we -- we originally many years
30 ago, and still do I understand, had some legal representation
31 for the seniors that was supposed to be in the rural areas.
32 The concern with that is that when people find that
33 representation, the attorney may be based in Carson City and
34 comes out to the senior center to work with them, that if they
35 walk in and say, we need a will, they do it and that's it.
36 And you're saying they're coming every single week.
37 They're going to take the time to say, maybe you don't need a
38 will, maybe you need a guardian after you're talking with them
39 and spend a bit more personal time is what I'm getting.
40 But my clarification is on the cost. And you're looking at

1 this \$60,000 grant that you received. So right now, we would be
2 looking at 20,000. So that means our attorney is 120,000 for
3 tri-state area and the office, right?

4 PAUL ELCANO: With a half-time legal assistant.

5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Right. So the 20,000 is put towards
6 that. So we're looking at splitting the hundred. But is that a
7 one-time -- so therefore, next year it will cost the tri-county
8 120,000? Is that what we're saying?

9 PAUL ELCANO: Well, you're asking --

10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'm asking if the grant --

11 PAUL ELCANO: Yeah, --

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- is more than one year.

13 PAUL ELCANO: I'm not a person that promises unless I can
14 promise. I can tell you that traditionally these grants, absent
15 some kind of something unusual, are renewed.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. So it may be on and on. That
17 answers my question.

18 PAUL ELCANO: And I can tell you that probably foundational
19 money will grow. And I can tell you there is probably a
20 possibility that the grant money will grow. It shouldn't
21 shrink.

22 And that's one reason why I think with Commissioner Bullock
23 I have a fundamental disagreement. Because this gives you an
24 opportunity to leverage what little you're putting in now and
25 ultimately grow it through other resources.

26 So, for example, when we started child advocacy in Washoe
27 County, the county was furious because I got a bunch of federal
28 money and blackjacked them into having to start a contract for
29 \$400,000 a year. Now that contract is down to \$200,000 a year,
30 and our budget is up to 700,000 because we have supplemented it
31 with legislative changes, foundational money, and the like. So
32 now they're getting five lawyers for the price of one or two.
33 When it -- when it started, they were footing the whole bill.

34 And that's why I tell you we're entrepreneurial. We don't
35 just take the grants and stop. So the bang you'd be getting for
36 your buck here, I would hope is that your amount of contribution
37 would shrink or your amount of service for that contribution
38 would greatly grow.

39 I'm not here asking for \$20,000 one time, wasting my time.
40 I'm here trying to start a business relationship that will go on

1 for ten, fifteen years whereby you get more than your money's
2 worth, and you are really happy with us. And if you're not, I'd
3 be the first person to walk away.

4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Well, thank you. We appreciate your
5 consideration of the --

6 PAUL ELCANO: Okay.

7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- rurals and -- the opportunity --

8 PAUL ELCANO: And if you need anything else from me, I'm
9 happy to show up. Just let me know. It takes three hours and
10 three minutes to get here on cruise control.

11 All right.

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thank you.

13 PAUL ELCANO: I'll see you later.

14 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

15 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thank you, very much.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Counselor.

17 PAUL ELCANO: You're welcome.
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20 **COURTHOUSE/ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PROJECT**

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22 19) **Discussion for possible action regarding the status of the**
23 **Lander County Courthouse/Administration Building Project, and**
24 **other matters properly related thereto.**
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26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Nineteen, discussion for possible action
27 regarding the status of the Lander County Courthouse/
28 Administration Building Project, and other matters properly related
29 thereto.

30 Good morning.

31 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Good morning.

32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Good morning.

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: Good morning.

34 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Just to kind of give you an update of
35 where we're at. We have a -- we had a building committee
36 meeting.

37 Max Bunch, for the record. If I didn't get that, sorry.

38 We had a building committee meeting on Monday night.

39 Everything is -- is on -- on the move forward.

40 We had just a few changes that we did, little changes,

1 safety things.

2 And we're -- we're trying to move forward with the project
3 so that we can get to -- we expect 75% construction documents on
4 March 18th that will be sent to me to review.

5 We have a schedule, which I have not received yet. I'm
6 supposed to be getting that e-mail, but I haven't been back up
7 to the office to see if I received it.

8 Construction. We're looking at potentially June 12th as
9 the day to come to the commissioners to give you the guaranteed
10 maximum price on the building where CORE will come in. And we
11 have that.

12 I am currently working with the attorney out of Las Vegas
13 on the contract that we have to go over for CORE Construction to
14 be the construction manager at-risk. Right now we just have a
15 pre-con contract. And then you guys have assigned this other
16 gentleman in Las Vegas to me.

17 Is his name Bradley or Brady? What do we call him?

18 DISTRICT ATTORNEY ELQUIST: I don't remember. Brian?

19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I believe it's Brady.

20 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Brian Hardy.

21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Brian.

22 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Brian Hardy. Okay. So Brian Hardy is
23 his name. He's in the middle of reviewing that information
24 right now. I will be -- once I get that information back, there
25 will be some negotiations on that contract. We'll make sure
26 that the district attorney is -- is included in that
27 information.

28 He just kind of -- kind of reviewing it and going to let me
29 know the end of this week, probably tomorrow, where he's at with
30 that.

31 So does anybody have any questions?

32 COMMISSIONER MASON: I have a request.

33 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: You have a request.

34 COMMISSIONER MASON: Is that the latest map? Or not map --
35 is that the latest blueprint you've got?

36 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: It's not really a blueprint, but it's
37 kind of a sketch --

38 COMMISSIONER MASON: Well, a drawing. Yeah.

39 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Yes. It's the latest sketch.

40 I will tell you that we've -- we've increased the parking

1 lot. We're all staying within the budget here. And so we've
2 taken some things away. And we had to increase the employee
3 parking. We only had 47 spots. No, I take that back. We had
4 51 spots and 47 employees when I counted everything out. And we
5 had no room to park county vehicles in the back area. So we've
6 increased -- we've had to increase the parking in the back for
7 the employees. And there was no place for the commissioners to
8 park when you come to the commission meeting.

9 COMMISSIONER MASON: That's --

10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: We could have car pooled from the
11 civic center.

12 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

13 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Yeah. Well, I've taken care of that.

14 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: We could take the bus. We could
15 take the senior bus.

16 (Laughter.)

17 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I've taken care of that.

18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We could take the senior bus.

19 (Laughter.)

20 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: We've increased the parking area a little
21 bit. And I've also designed in there potential future parking
22 that's not paved but will be graded and ready to be paved for
23 the future, putting us to -- I think it was 89 parking spots
24 total in the end.

25 COMMISSIONER MASON: Is that still a gated area?

26 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: It is a gated, secured area. Yes.

27 COMMISSIONER MASON: Good. I just wanted a copy of the
28 latest edition that you have --

29 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: You --

30 COMMISSIONER MASON: -- so I can post it in our office.

31 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: You may come over to my office and review
32 it with me. But because it's not a final --

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: I know.

34 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- I would love to -- because there's
35 changes that happen all the time --

36 COMMISSIONER MASON: I understand that.

37 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- so I don't want to have you posting
38 something that may not be --

39 COMMISSIONER MASON: Okay. All right.

40 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- true. Somebody says, well, it looked

1 like this --

2 COMMISSIONER MASON: Wrong choice of words. I was going to
3 hang it on the wall.

4 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: If you want to come and look at it,
5 you're more than free --

6 COMMISSIONER MASON: All right.

7 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- willing to come and see me. And I'd
8 take it to anybody who wants to look at it and --

9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thank you.

10 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- hopefully I've been there.

11 So any other questions?

12 Okay. Thank you, very much.

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you, Max.

14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Judge.

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17 **COMMISSIONERS**

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19 **20) Correspondence/reports/upcoming agenda items.**

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21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Twenty, correspondence, reports, and
22 potential agen -- potential upcoming agenda items. Excuse me.

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24 (The following correspondence was received:

25 1. Douglas W. Furtado, BLM, to Permittees, letter
26 regarding BLM's intention to review the U.S. Drought Monitor and
27 VegDRI information in mid-May to determine if drought conditions
28 exist and whether or not associated drought management actions
29 will be required for the 2014-2015 grazing year.

30 2. Christopher J. Cook, LBLM, to Dean Bullock, Lander
31 County Commission, letter regarding status of Lander County's
32 January 31, 2014 Recreation and Public Purpose (R&PP) patent
33 application.

34 3. Lander County Public Land Use Advisory Commission
35 (PLUAC) to Bureau of Land Management (BLM), regarding Freedom of
36 Information Request - Privacy Act Request for Notification and
37 Access.

38 4. W. Todd Suessmith, Jr., Nevada Division of
39 Environmental Protection, to Kimberley Wolf, Barrick Gold of
40 North America, Inc., letter regarding the Bureau of Mining

1 Regulation and Reclamation's approval of the Revised 2011
2 Amendment for Barrick Cortez, Inc.'s Pipeline/Cortez Hills
3 Expansion Project Plan of Operations dated May 2013 for the
4 North Waste Rock Facility Realignment, Rangeland Fence Addition,
5 Stockpile Relocation, and Ancillary Addition, Revised
6 Reclamation Permit 0093, BLM Case Number NVN-067575.

7 5. Dagny Stapleton, NACO, to Lander County Commissioners,
8 e-mail regarding March 26, 2014 Medical Marijuana Workshop for
9 Rural Counties.

10 6. Roger Sutton, Public Works Supervisor - City of
11 Winnemucca, to Rogene Hill, Finance Department, e-mail regarding
12 irrigation system for the Winnemucca golf course, ball fields,
13 and city park.)
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15 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I don't have any other than --

16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I don't have anything.

17 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- what we've talked about.
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20 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Time for public comment. Do we have any
23 public comment?

24 (No comment.)
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27 **ADJOURNMENT**

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29 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Motion to adjourn.

30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Second.

31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment on that?

32 (No comment.)

33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

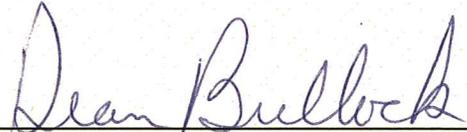
34 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

35 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

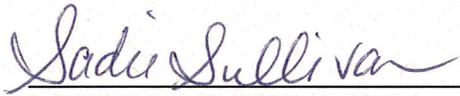
37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
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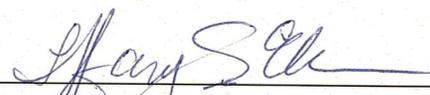
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