

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 October 23, 2014, at
4 9:02 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 NICOLE TING, DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY
13 NAN ANCHO, 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 October 23, 2014, at 9:02 a.m.]
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25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Call the Lander County Commissioner
26 Meeting, Town Board of Battle Mountain, and Austin Board of
27 County Highway Commissioners to order.

28 Patsy, will you lead us in the pledge.

29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'd love to. Thank you. Please join
30 me.

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32 (Pledge of Allegiance.)
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35 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA NOTICE**
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37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
38 approval of agenda notice.

39 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll make a motion to approve the
40 agenda notice.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second that motion.

2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

3 (No comment.)

4 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

5 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

9 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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12 **APPROVAL & ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

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14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
15 approval and acceptance of minutes of September 25th, 2014.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion we approve the
17 minutes of the regular session, September 13th -- excuse me --
18 September 25th -- 23rd.

19 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's the 25th.

20 COMMISSIONER WAITS: It's the 25th?

21 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Twenty-fifth.

22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And I've just started.

23 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: And I'll second the motion.
24 Excuse me.

25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

26 (No comment.)

27 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

28 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

29 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

30 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Did we have ninth?

33 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Mm-hm.

34 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: No.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I didn't see them. Do we have them?

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I didn't see any for the ninth.

37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Never mind.

38 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Not unless they magically appeared.

39 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: No, I just have two copies of the
40 25th.

1 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Oh.
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Oh, okay.
3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We didn't get them.
4 Seeing none.

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7 **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

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9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Commissioner reports on meetings,
10 conferences, and seminars attended.

11 COMMISSIONER MASON: I have none.

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I did have a meeting yesterday with
13 the staff from Senator Heller's office.

14 Jeremy Heller, the legisla- -- legislative assistant from
15 Washington, D.C., and Donna Bath who is our new eastern central
16 Nevada representative who is actually taking over the Elko office
17 but does live in Ely. And they came in and met with one of the
18 ranchers and with our public lands. And it was an excellent
19 meeting, as they always are. He assured us that they would be
20 doing a new draft of the Reid/Heller Bill and that it will be out
21 before the end of the year.

22 Actually, we discussed several things that were coming up.
23 They made some changes on that one. And there's a couple more
24 that will be still probably done before the end of the year.
25 Since it's a lame duck session there's not a lot going on. So
26 most of it that we've been concerned about, like the U.S.
27 waterways definition and such, that was extended until
28 November 14th for our comments, which we still need to do. And
29 they asked us to get that in. And he thinks that they might be
30 able to do away with that, that it might not actually go with the
31 full intent of what they wanted it to do originally. And part of
32 that is because of the extensions. And apparently if you keep
33 extending things, it kind of gives them a reason with more
34 information to do away with it. So it's been a real concern.

35 The eastern part of the country seems to be okay with it.
36 But the west, of course, when you start defining the new U.S.
37 waterways and the problems that it would bring to the rural
38 areas and the counties and the expense, we need to identify that
39 to them so they can use it.

40 And that's all I have. Thank you.

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Steve?

2 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: See, I had the -- we had the
3 meeting with LEPC, attended that. And then we had a meeting
4 with the BLM. And I do not remember all the people that were
5 there.

6 We had Ely with the --

7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: (Indiscernible.)

8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: -- who's state?

9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Amy Leuders, Senator Heller, Congressman
10 Amodei, Goicoechea, Jeff --

11 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Uh.

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Jeff White with Newmont and
13 (indiscernible) --

14 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: And Steve. Steve. What was his
15 name?

16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Nells. Nellis. Nellis.

17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Something like that. Who's over
18 Amy in the BLM? We had -- basically, we talked about -- about
19 permitting and how they should try to get it more --

20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Streamlined.

21 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: -- streamlined and get the county
22 and other people involved in it sooner so that they -- we don't
23 have to wait till they approved it to give it to us and find out
24 it was not what we thought it was supposed to be. And that's
25 all I've got. And you can probably expand more on what went on.

26 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Went up -- October 10 , I
27 attended a Nevada Works board meeting. The main topic of the
28 meeting was Tesla. As you know, construction is going on it.
29 It's going to affect a lot of our western counties. And we have
30 a shortage of work force already.

31 We did have a representative or the head of the labor union
32 happened to be in the meeting too that was talking to us and gave
33 an example that here -- and in just a few months they're going to
34 need 600 plumbers and pipe fitters and there's only 150 in the
35 union in the Reno area.

36 So they're going to be looking to go elsewhere. The
37 problem of it is there's a big project in Tonopah which has
38 taken most of them from the Las Vegas area. So they're going to
39 have a hard time keeping it in state. They're going to have to
40 draw from a lot of out-of-state workers. But that's just --

1 they're looking for anybody. The applications for -- for grants
2 for dislocated workers and -- and other workers are being --
3 going to be assessed by the Nevada Works here the first of the
4 year. So they're looking for those applications of anybody that
5 wants to apply for them and help out with that.

6 So the work force is kind of looking bleak. It's a good
7 thing we got our projects started. Hopefully, we can get the
8 workers in here before, you know, they try to take them. And
9 so, um, yeah.

10 So work-wise a lot's going on within the state.

11 They wanted to know the benefits of our county from Tesla
12 plant. And I really couldn't see any. Humboldt County is kind of
13 in an advantage because they do have a lithium mine. So it looks
14 like it will boost them.

15 But otherwise, it's mainly just going to help Lyon, Washoe,
16 and Douglas counties right there, which is good. And it will
17 help their economies, but --

18 On October 15th, I attended the Kingston Town Board
19 meeting. It was packed. They did discuss the helipad. They're
20 looking for a grant for a beacon. And they're at the -- right
21 now with the mine. Otherwise, they'll look to go elsewhere to
22 see if they can't get it. Otherwise, it's ready to go. They
23 just need a beacon on the helipad.

24 They did fin- -- form a new fire authority. And that seems
25 to be going underway. And I'm sure Keith might enlighten us a
26 little more on that, so I'm not going to touch that much more.

27 On the 16th, I did attend the Pony Express ride in Austin
28 for the 150-year celebration. It was a pretty good attendance.
29 Of course, the school was let out to let all the kids come in
30 there. And they got to talk to the riders and stuff. And so
31 our proclamation that we had approved was sent on to Carson
32 City. And so it was -- it was a good event.

33 So that's all I have.

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Really appreciated you being there
35 too. Thank you, Commissioner.

36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: That's all I have.
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1 **STAFF REPORTS**

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3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Keith? Staff reports, meetings,
4 conferences, and seminars attended?

5 KEITH WESTENGARD: Good morning.

6 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning.

7 KEITH WESTENGARD: First thing is I've been in contact with
8 J.D. from J-U-B. One of the things, the Austin Airport
9 expansion is set to start work in May of 2015. So we'll be
10 going ahead with that.

11 I -- I explained to you guys last time; we had a change in
12 our FAA. We now are overseen by the Phoenix office. We've been
13 in contact with them several times to discuss different matters
14 including the -- their opinion on the contract in -- at the Austin
15 Airport. And I still haven't received any final opinion from them
16 yet.

17 Ninety-three point seven five percent of the pavement
18 maintenance costs will be covered in the FAA grant in 2015. So
19 that's a big -- big chunk of money, which would benefit us. And
20 we get that through the grant.

21 Currently, the FAA is considering whether it will fund future
22 projects to rehabilitate or reconstruct runway -- runway 12-30.
23 That's the one that is in the worst condition right now here in
24 Battle Mountain.

25 So as more of that stuff becomes available, I'll -- I'll get
26 it to you for -- for information.

27 I did attend the Kingston Town Board meeting. And they did
28 re-form their fire department. They're now called -- if I
29 remember correctly -- it's the Kingston Town Fire Company is what
30 they went with. They have nine current members. And they're
31 working toward completing the -- the formation of their fire
32 department.

33 On the 18th, Saturday, October 18th, they did have the fire
34 physicals in Austin. All except one member from Kingston was
35 there and I believe two from Austin fire departments were there.
36 And that was work related. They couldn't get off work. So they
37 have their physicals in place, and they are moving forward.

38 Joe Lindsey and I met with Ray Williams regarding the Austin
39 Airport pilot lounge, had a good conversation with him. Concerns
40 have come up about the C of O and the construction and so forth.

1 We met -- I believe we were down there for a little better than an
2 hour. Those concerns were resolved. And Joe will be issuing --
3 issuing the final C of O very shortly on that.

4 I did attend the Reno fire show for LEPC the last two days.
5 Attended some good training that had to do with railcar, tank car
6 derailments, and locomotives and so forth. We had three members
7 from LEPC attend. And two of them are still in attendance today
8 this afternoon.

9 One of the things, we did pick up the new ambulance Monday
10 and took the delivery of it. We accepted it. And it's going to
11 be out here in the parking lot after the meeting if anybody would
12 like to look through it.

13 And I think that's all I have.

14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I have a question on the fire
15 equipment in Kingston.

16 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Our new fire company, do they have all
18 of the gear and the equipment that they need then? Has that
19 been turned over? Or what are they doing?

20 KEITH WESTENGARD: My understanding is several years back
21 the safety committee for the county purchased their personal
22 protective equipment, their PPE. It was given to the fire comp-
23 -- or the fire department down there. They did turn that over
24 to the Town of Kingston with the exception of one set of gear.
25 And we're working on getting that turned back over to the new
26 Kingston Town Fire Company. So they do have everything except
27 one set of turnouts.

28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: How about the fire trucks and the
29 equipment?

30 KEITH WESTENGARD: They have -- everything is current with
31 the exception of they did -- they did receive two pieces of
32 equipment from, I believe, it was Smith Valley as a donation.
33 And there was -- there was some concerns over that. My
34 understanding that that equipment is going to be returned as
35 soon as valid, so -- but they do have -- they do have equipment
36 down there that's service -- in service and running.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

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39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
40 payroll change requests.

1 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Payment of bills.
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4 PAYMENT OF THE BILLS
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6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
7 payment of the bills.

8 VICKI PETERS: Okay.

9 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning, Vicki.

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Haven't said that for a while.

11 VICKI PETERS: Okay.

12 We have from check #49720 through 49840 for the amount of
13 \$1,283,400- -- or excuse me -- 745 dollars and 63 cents.

14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I will be abstaining from check #49834
15 for travel expenses.

16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I'll be abstaining from check 49729,
17 towing.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: And I'll be abstaining from check
19 #49735, travel expenses.

20 VICKI PETERS: Our ratified checks. First one is 49666,
21 Dakota Diesel Repair in the amount of 8,650.

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I have a big question. That's a big pile
23 of ratified checks. Why do we keep having this if we switched
24 all this around?

25 NAN ANCHO: We will have ratified checks too, but --

26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We usually have two or three. But we've
27 never had near the amount the last that we have.

28 NAN ANCHO: This is actually less than what you have had.

29 VICKI PETERS: Actually, there's only seven here.

30 NAN ANCHO: You were getting right around twenty. You were
31 getting to where you were going to have 20, 30. And we are now
32 getting to where we have less. But you will always have a few
33 ratified checks.

34 VICKI PETERS: And the next one is check #49687, Steve
35 Stienmetz for \$76.

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll have to be abstained from
37 that. That's travel expenses.

38 VICKI PETERS: Next one is 49689, Tufport, \$10,513.05.

39 Next one is check #49693, Wells Fargo Remittance for
40 \$3,232.20.

1 Next check is 49694, Business Card, \$1,113.33.
2 The next check is 49696, Lura Duvall for \$515.20.
3 Next check is 49703, NDEP for \$60.
4 And the last check 49704, Nevada Assessors Association for
5 \$200.

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7 (Commissioners reviewing payment of the bills.)
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9 **Dakota Diesel Repair**

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11 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I make a motion we ratify check
12 #49666 to Dakota Diesel Repair for the amount of \$8,650.

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

15 (No comment.)

16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
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23 **Steven Stienmetz**

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25 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to ratify check
26 #49687 to Steven Stienmetz in the amount of \$76.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second that motion.

28 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

29 (No comment.)

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

31 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

34 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Abstain.

35 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
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37 **Tufport**

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39 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to ratify check
40 #49689 to Tufport in the amount of \$10,513.05.

1 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.
2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
3 (No comment.)
4 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
5 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
9 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to ratify check
#49693 to Wells Fargo Remittance in the amount of \$3,232.20.
COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I have to abstain.
COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second that motion.
COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: (Indiscernible) mine.
CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
(No comment.)
CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to ratify check
#49694, Business Card, in the amount of \$1,113.33.
COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.
CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
(No comment.)
CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

1 **Lura Duvall**

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3 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make to motion to ratify check
4 #49696 to Lura Duvall in the amount of \$515.20.

5 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.

6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

7 (No comment.)

8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

12 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

13 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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15 **NDEP**

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17 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to ratify check
18 #49703 to NDEP in the amount of \$60.

19 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

21 (No comment.)

22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

23 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

26 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

27 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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29 **Nevada Assessors Association**

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31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion to ratify check
32 #49704 to Nevada's Assessors Association for \$200.

33 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.

34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

35 (No comment.)

36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

37 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

40 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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3 **Submitted Expenditures**

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5 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: If there's nothing further on the
6 submitted expenditures, I'll make a motion to approve submitted
7 expenditures in the amount of \$1,283,745.63 from check #49720
8 through check #49840.

9 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

11 (No comment.)

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

13 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

17 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

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20 **PAYROLL CHANGE REQUESTS**

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22 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
23 payroll change requests.

24 COMMISSIONER MASON: Spent a million, huh?

25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion that we approve the
26 payroll change requests for employee #1303, effective July 7th;
27 employee #1301, effective October 14th; and employee 1296,
28 effective July 7th.

29 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

31 (No comment.)

32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

33 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

1 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Public comment. It's for non-agendized
4 items only.

5 No public comment? Moving on to one.
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7 **FINANCE**

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9 1) **Discussion for possible action regarding budget review,**
10 **contracts, financial update, and other matters properly**
11 **related thereto.**
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13 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Finance. Discussion for possible action
14 regarding budget review, contracts, financial update, and other
15 matters properly related thereto.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Morning.

17 NAN ANCHO: Good morning.

18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning, Nan.

19 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Good morning, Nan.

20 NAN ANCHO: Nan Ancho, Finance.

21 I have Accounts Receivable for the month of September as
22 follows: Water is 12,966; Sewer is 9,527; Miscellaneous
23 Water/Sewer is \$21; Landfill, 16,194; Ambulance is at \$40; and
24 Active Accounts at Collections is \$587, for a total of 39,335.

25 I have completed the first quarter economic report. And it's
26 been sent to the Department of Taxation.

27 And I have two line items -- transfers that I need to read
28 into the minutes. The first one is \$3,000 from account
29 001-035-53971, emergency management to 001-001-53920; service and
30 supplies for the assessors' banquet that was approved August 8th
31 commission meeting.

32 The second line item transfer is 579,000 from
33 300-068-54010, tech fund fixed as- -- fixed assets to
34 300-068-53920, tech fund, service and supplies for Pictometry
35 International.

36 And yesterday, I received a call from Shannon Thiss in
37 regards to the \$84,000 grant funds that Lander County approved
38 for Kingston's water tank project. The funds was contingent
39 upon her getting an approval from the CDBG. She did not. She
40 was turned down three times. So she went to NDEP. And they

1 finally approved her with the contingent that Lander County
2 issue her the 84,000.

3 But we said contingent upon CDBG. So if you're okay with it,
4 I'll go ahead and transfer it. If not, we can put it on the
5 agenda for further discussion. It's the same terms. It's the
6 same everything. It's just not with CDBG. It's with NDEP.

7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'm okay with it.

8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'm okay with it if Nicole doesn't
9 have a problem.

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Nicole reviewed it?

11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Legally, are we okay on that?

12 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: You know, that's the first
13 I've heard of it. I can look into it more if you guys would
14 like to do that.

15 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Make sure there's nothing attached to it.

16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

17 NAN ANCHO: Okay.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Well, I make a motion we release the
19 funds pending the outcome of legal, making sure that it is okay
20 to --

21 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: -- do it.

22 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- to issue those funds to the
23 Kingston Town Board.

24 NAN ANCHO: Okay.

25 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.

26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

27 (No comment.)

28 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

29 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

33 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

34 NAN ANCHO: And that's all I have then.

35 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thanks, Nan.

36 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks, Nan.

1 ROAD AND BRIDGE SOUTH

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3 2) Discussion for possible action regarding operations and
4 projects for the Road and Bridge South department, and other
5 matters properly relating thereto.
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7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Two, discussion for possible action
8 regarding operations and projects for the Road and Bridge South
9 department, and other matters properly related thereto.

10 Bert? No Bert.
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13 ROAD AND BRIDGE NORTH

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15 3) Discussion for possible action regarding operations and
16 projects for the Road and Bridge North department, and other
17 matters properly related thereto.
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19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Three, discussion for possible action
20 regarding operations for the projects for the Road and Bridge
21 North department.

22 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Where's Donnie?

23 KEITH WESTENGARD: Donnie is -- he's doing a cla- -- or a
24 training for the schools here in town: the stop, drop, and
25 roll. He wanted me to pass on that everything is going
26 normally.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

28 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you, Keith.
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31 PUBLIC WORKS

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33 4) Discussion for possible action regarding operations and
34 projects for the Public Works department, and other matters
35 properly related thereto.
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37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Four, discussion for possible action
38 regarding operations and projects for the Public Works
39 department, and other matters properly related thereto.

40 JAKE EDGAR: Morning.

1 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Morning, Jake.

2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Morning.

3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Morning, Jake.

4 JAKE EDGAR: Start with -- I had a few complaints on the
5 parks. The rubber chips that are in the -- inside the boundary
6 need refilled. So we're handling that right now.

7 There's a ramp broke that we're fi- -- that we're working on.
8 And a bar on one of the fire trucks -- on one of the bouncy fire
9 trucks came lose. So they're working on that today.

10 We're trying to get the garbage disposal place to pick up
11 our cans that are up on Front Street and over here by Baker's
12 Brew, more than they are. For some reason, they're just
13 slacking off. And we pay them like \$60 a month to -- to do it.
14 So we're on discussions with them if they don't get them going,
15 I'll switch them.

16 Other than that, that's about it for the parks.

17 The pool is winterized. We're working on winterizing all
18 the bathrooms right now. We're going to try to leave the soccer
19 field one open a little longer due to soccer. But the rest of
20 them will be winterized here shortly. The flowers on -- on
21 the -- on the highway over here on the windy sidewalk, that's
22 all winterized. The cemetery's winterized. So we're pretty
23 good on all that stuff right now.

24 Water and sewer. We're working on getting all of our old
25 maps into some sort of -- I don't even know what you want to call
26 it -- better organization or whatever. They've been over in the
27 old building over here forever. And we're working on getting all
28 that put up and into our seed container.

29 And other than that, it's just been normal stuff. A few
30 water leaks here and there.

31 We got our auger in. Our auger's working awesome at the
32 sewer plant. Changing a few starters at the sewer plant. But
33 other than that, everything seems to be going good.

34 Well 9's going really good. Generator guy came out
35 yesterday, finished up his programming. So that's -- that is --
36 should be until the guy comes out and does his last little
37 check-off on the SCADA programming. It's all done. So it's
38 going really good.

39 Other than that, we're going to put the letter out stating
40 that, you know, you now have 70 pounds of pressure. That's --

1 that will be on the actual billing card itself with some
2 information stating that you can find a PRV at the local hardware
3 store, if they have any questions to call us.

4 Other than that, the project -- the alley project just
5 finished. They did the last alley just this last week. They
6 poured all the concrete collars yesterday.

7 The grinder's sitting on the ground North Second. They will
8 be here Tuesday, if -- if the guy will show up. They're doing
9 some project over by Denio somewhere and they were waiting for the
10 guy to get here to drive the grinder. And he never did show up
11 this week. And I think they probably fired him. I'm not sure
12 yet.

13 So hopefully, they'll have someone new here or him to start
14 grinding North Second and Prescott. And North First I don't
15 think we're going to grind. It has the -- the edges where you,
16 you know, where they dug out are good enough to patch too. So
17 they'll probably patch that on North First. And then the side
18 roads will get probably just a patch too, just a regular cold
19 patch down the -- down the ditch line. But the other three will
20 get grounded -- ground all the way out. They'll put a tack coat
21 over them for the winter until Donald can get his project out.

22 And been working with Marty on the other three projects
23 that I have. Hoping to have those out to bid by December. It
24 will probably be the second week in December, I'll have all
25 three of those projects out to bid. The geo tech guy is here
26 today to do some underground survey for us next to the lift
27 station to make sure we don't have any groundwater issues.

28 But other than that, that's -- that's pretty much all I
29 have, if you guys have any questions.

30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Why haven't they fixed all the gutters
31 and stuff they tore out?

32 JAKE EDGAR: They're working on it. They just poured these
33 to- -- yest- -- or day before yesterday. Did you -- I don't
34 know if you've seen them.

35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Uh-uh. But nothing's happened on second.

36 JAKE EDGAR: They're going.

37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: And Prescott and --

38 JAKE EDGAR: It's coming.

39 Yeah. I'm -- I'm pretty sure, Brian, they were supposed to
40 be finished up with all the concrete by next week. But --

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: (Indiscernible.)
2 JAKE EDGAR: I seen them at McDonald's today, so --
3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: They got a lot to get done.
4 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Do we know what's going on there?
5 JAKE EDGAR: Huh?
6 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Do you know what's going on there?
7 JAKE EDGAR: At McDonald's?
8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah, they're --
9 JAKE EDGAR: They're remodeling the inside or something and
10 --
11 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Redoing the bathrooms.
12 ANNA PENOLA: -- the ADA.
13 JAKE EDGAR: Yeah.
14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Oh. Okay. I just didn't --
15 JAKE EDGAR: All right.
16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: So they had to tear out the -- a
17 whole bunch of the parking lot so they could put drain lines in.
18 JAKE EDGAR: (Indiscernible.)
19 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah, I saw -- I saw some utility
20 companies there, so that's what I was wondering.
21 JAKE EDGAR: Pretty much.
22 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah.
23 JAKE EDGAR: There was some stuff going on.
24 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay. All right.
25 JAKE EDGAR: Um.
26 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: But we don't have a problem?
27 JAKE EDGAR: No, no. That's not us.
28 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay.
29 JAKE EDGAR: I will -- I will call him this afternoon and
30 double check on the concrete. But Blue -- I'm pretty sure Louie
31 and those guys were supposed to have it done this week. But
32 like I said, I see them all at McDonald's, so --
33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I'm just really unimpressed with that
34 Second Street project all year long.
35 Nothing's got fixed. Nothing's got -- it's --
36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Jake, would you clarify for me? You
37 said we're doing some notices regarding the water pressure?
38 JAKE EDGAR: Yeah, we had a few complaints about too high
39 of water pressure, so we just --
40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah, I know we had. How -- how are

1 COMMISSIONERS

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- 3 5) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval
4 regarding a letter from the Lander County School
5 District/Lander County School District Superintendent
6 regarding an explanation of policy of the land swap between
7 the school district and Lander County for the new aquatic
8 center, and other matters properly related thereto.
9

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
11 approval/disapproval letter -- regarding a letter from Lander
12 County School District/Lander County School District
13 superintendent regarding an explanation of policy of the land
14 swap between the school district and Lander County for the new
15 aquatic center, and other matters properly related thereto.

16 KEITH WESTENGARD: At the -- at the previous meeting, there
17 was some concern brought up about the land swap and the -- the
18 ball fields and how they would be used for public.

19 And I apologize this didn't make it into your packets. But I
20 was not able to meet with Mr. Squibb until Monday of this week.

21 So I got a letter from him outlining how the parks would
22 be -- work in conjunction with the school to not limit access to
23 the public.

24 If it takes some -- some preseason-type get-togethers or
25 meetings with the school district, some of the local entities that
26 would be using those ball fields and the county to be sure that
27 they are not excluded or kicked out of these fields during use of
28 ball practices, either the little league or the high school,
29 that's what we'll do.

30 But Jim was very agreeable to not allowing the school
31 district to have exclusive use.

32 There will be times when they -- they'll have -- when they'll
33 need the fields, just as there'll be times when little league or
34 other -- other entities might need those fields.

35 Anna sat in on the meeting as well. And I think we came to a
36 very, very good solution to prevent this from happening.

37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I make a motion we approve the
38 letter from the Lander County School District/Lander County
39 District superintendent regarding an explanation of policy of
40 the land swap between the school district and Lander County for

1 you doing the notices? Are you sending them out with the bill?
2 JAKE EDGAR: It's on the bill.
3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Right on the actual bill?
4 JAKE EDGAR: It will be printed on the bill.
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Great. Thank you.
6 JAKE EDGAR: Would you -- would you like us to bring them
7 in here and sit them down?
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Well, it's all in the contract. It's
9 just --
10 JAKE EDGAR: Well, that's what I mean. At this point in
11 time, there's a couple of choices we have.
12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It's a war zone over there.
13 JAKE EDGAR: Yeah.
14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I mean, driving an 80,000-pound truck up
15 and down that road --
16 JAKE EDGAR: I can appreciate everything you're saying, so
17 --
18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It bounces you right out of the truck. I
19 mean, it's --
20 JAKE EDGAR: I mean, there's options we have. And if you
21 want -- if you guys want me to follow through on the options,
22 that's all -- we could do it.
23 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It's getting to that point. I mean,
24 we're -- we're to the point where something needs to happen.
25 Snow's going to hit the ground, and we're going to really have a
26 mess over there as you well know.
27 JAKE EDGAR: I'm perfectly aware of what's going on.
28 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah.
29 JAKE EDGAR: Anyway, that's -- that's pretty much all I
30 have.
31 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thanks, Jake.
32 JAKE EDGAR: Thank you, guys.
33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
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1 the new aquatic center.

2 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.

3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

4 KEITH WESTENGARD: I did want to say, Mr. Squibb did -- did
5 want to come, but he did have a previous engagement. So that's
6 why Anna was here.

7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks.

8 Any other public comment?

9 (No comment.)

10 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

11 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

12 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

15 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

16
17 **6) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval**
18 **of a letter from Lander County School District regarding a**
19 **proposed land swap of Parcel 02-190-01 for Parcel 02-190-02,**
20 **legal descriptions will be determined by the Lander County**
21 **surveyor after direction from Lander County Public Works,**
22 **Road & Bridge department, and Lander County School District**
23 **employees, and other matters properly related thereto.**
24

25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Six, discussion for possible action
26 regarding approval/disapproval of a letter from Lander County
27 School Di- -- District regarding a proposed land swap of Parcel
28 02-190-01 for Parcel 02-190-02; legal descriptions will be
29 determined by the Lander County surveyor after direction from
30 Lander County Public Works, Road & Bridge department, and Lander
31 County School District employees, and other matters properly
32 related thereto.

33 KEITH WESTENGARD: This is just from the previous meeting
34 where it was deferred. Everything stayed the same. And once we
35 had that letter in place, we'd like to get approval so we can
36 start moving forward on our aquatic center.

37 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion we approve the
38 letter from Lander County School District regarding -- regarding
39 a proposed land swap of Parcel 02-190-01 for Parcel 02-190-02;
40 pending the legal description which will be determined by the

1 Lander County surveyor under the direction of the Lander County
2 Public Works, Road & Bridge department, Lander County School
3 District employees.

4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion?

5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

6 JAN MORRISON: Yes. Jan Morrison. I'm also on the school
7 board.

8 It -- it should be a portion of one -- a portion of the
9 other -- it's not a straight swap between the other two
10 portions. I didn't know if that makes a difference in your
11 motion, but it's actually a portion.

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: We -- we have maps and stuff. That's --

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah, we've got maps.

14 JAN MORRISON: I just wanted to make sure.

15 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

16 JAN MORRISON: Thank you.

17 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any other public comment?

18 (No comment.)

19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

20 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

22 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

23 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

24 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

25
26 7) Discussion for possible action regarding request from the
27 Lander County Community Health Nurse to block off Palmer
28 Street (in front of the Community Health Clinic) for the
29 Point of Dispense (POD) immunization clinic scheduled October
30 28, 2014, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and other matters
31 properly related thereto.
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33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Seven, discussion for possible action
34 regarding request from the Lander County Community Health Nurse
35 to block off Palmer Street (in front of the Community Health
36 Clinic) for the Point of Dispense (POD) immunization clinic
37 scheduled October 28, 2014, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and
38 other matters that are properly related thereto.

39 KEITH WESTENGARD: Well, as you know, our -- our vaccine
40 was delayed. We did receive it.

1 This is the soonest we can get the POD -- I mean the absolute
2 soonest to the day -- we can get our Point of Dispense put in
3 place.

4 So we'll be having it on the 28th from 4:00 to 8:00 where
5 it's held every year. And we need to close those streets off.
6 So we're ready to go. And it will be advertised. And it has
7 been advertised.

8 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion that we block off
9 Palmer Street, the front of the community health clinic, for the
10 Point of Dispen- -- Dispense, the POD immunization clinic
11 scheduled October 28th, 2014, from 4:00 o'clock p.m. to
12 8:00 o'clock p.m.

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll second that motion.

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

15 (No comment.)

16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

20 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

22
23 8) Discussion for possible action regarding the Lander County
24 Commission meeting schedule for the months of November and
25 December 2014 to consider the dates of November 13, 2014,
26 December 4 and December 18, 2014, for the holiday meetings,
27 and other matter properly related thereto.
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29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Eight, discussion for possible action
30 regarding the Lander County Commission meeting schedules for the
31 months of November and December 2014 to consider the dates of
32 November 13, 2014, December 4 and December 18th -- 14th -- 2014,
33 for the holiday meetings, and other matter properly related
34 thereto.

35 KEITH WESTENGARD: With the holidays, everybody's aware
36 that we need to do some rescheduling.

37 November, that's really the only date that's available
38 between -- the third week is NACO. Then fourth week, of course,
39 will be Thanksgiving so we put that at the November 3rd. And
40 then the following dates, the 4th and the 18th, because of

1 Christmas.

2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I know sometimes we don't always have
3 to meet twice in that month where it gets closer to the
4 holidays. It depends on, of course, how much business we have.

5 But if you -- if you're all okay with the 13th the way it is,
6 I'm okay with that. Otherwise, we might consider maybe the 6th
7 and the 21st. NACO's over with the 20th if we -- if we needed
8 to meet just as a suggestion.

9 Because the 6th would be two weeks. We wouldn't be
10 (indiscernible) it.

11 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Friday the 21st or Thursday
12 the --

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Friday. NACO's over with the 20th.

14 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Right.

15 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So if we needed to, then -- then the
16 6th falls two weeks after our commissioners' meeting. We could
17 move it up and go the 6th and the 21st as just an alternate or
18 if we're okay with the 13th?

19 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'm okay with the 13th.

20 COMMISSIONER MASON: I'm okay.

21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I'm good.

22 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'm good with just the 13th.

23 You're going to be exhausted after NACO anyway, so --

24 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So do we have to take any action if we
25 just have one?

26 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: You have to make a motion so I can
27 put it the paper and have it published.

28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Have it only the 13th?

29 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Correct.

30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

31 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: And then we have to do also
32 (indiscernible) --

33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. Got it.

34 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: And then the 4th and the 18th.

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.

36 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Which is the first and the third
37 Thursdays.

38 KEITH WESTENGARD: Correct. Yes.

39 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I don't have a problem with that
40 either.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion that we have one
2 commissioners' meeting in November, which is the 13th, and move
3 our commission dates to the first Thursday and third Thursday,
4 the 4th of December and the 18th of December.

5 COMMISSIONER MASON: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

7 (No comment.)

8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

10 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

13
14 9) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval
15 of the request from Sady Tingey, Battle Mountain Chamber of
16 Commerce Executive Director, for approval of the temporary
17 closure of portions of Front and Broad Streets on December 6,
18 2014, at 6 p.m. for the annual Parade of Lights;
19 authorization for the Chairman to sign the Nevada Department
20 of Transportation (NDOT) Application and Permit for Temporary
21 Occupancy of the NDOT Right-of-Way paperwork; and other
22 matters properly related thereto.
23

24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for -- nine, discussion for
25 possible action regarding approval/disapproval of the request
26 from Sady Tingey -- Ting- -- help me out --

27 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Tingey.

28 SADY TINGEY: That's it.

29 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- Tingey, --

30 SADY TINGEY: Tingey. Yep.

31 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- Battle Mountain Chamber of Commerce
32 executive director for approval of the temporary closure of
33 portions of Front and Broad Streets on December 6, 2014, at 6:00
34 p.m. for the annual Parade of Lights; authorization for the
35 chairman to sign the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT)
36 application and permit for temporary occupancy of the NDOT
37 right-of-way paperwork; and other matters properly related
38 thereto.

39 SADY TINGEY: Good morning.

40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Good morning.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning, Sady.
2 SADY TINGEY: This is just the annual parade of lights that
3 do. It's, like, going on three or four years now. All the
4 other signatures have been signed and everything. I just need
5 you to approve the fence so we can roll on with this spectacular
6 Christmas event. Who's ready?
7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion we approve the
8 temporary closure of portions of Front and Broad Street on
9 December 6, 2014, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. for the annual parade of
10 lights and authorize the chairman to sign the Nevada Department
11 of Transportation application and permit for temporary occupancy
12 of the NDOT right-of-way.
13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.
14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
15 (No comment.)
16 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.
19 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
20 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
21 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Sady.
23 SADY TINGEY: Thank you.
24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks, Sady.
25 SADY TINGEY: Come enjoy.
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27 **10) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval**
28 **of Cooperative Extension update on Economic Development,**
29 **Youth/4-H and Bootstraps, and other matters properly related**
30 **thereto.**
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32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Ten, discussion for possible action
33 regarding approval/disapproval of the cooperative extension
34 update on Economic Development, Youth/4-H and the Bootstraps,
35 and other matters properly related thereto.

36 ROD DAVIS: Morning.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Morning, --

38 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Morning.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- Rod.

40 ROD DAVIS: Probably should have got this to you a while

1 back. But it's -- it's just a printed PowerPoint deal. Didn't
2 see any sense in breaking out the technology for a -- for a
3 presentation.

4 I don't know who all needs these. Come get one.

5 This is a relatively informal kind of update on what's
6 going on in the -- in the extension office.

7 I was visiting with Commissioner Waits a month or so ago,
8 and she said, you know, it probably wouldn't hurt. And I had to
9 agree to kind of bring you folks up to date on what's going on
10 next door. And so that is just a -- a short deal here.

11 Of course, our -- our major programming is, of course, 4-H.
12 And then I stole the -- the LEDA logo here to -- to represent
13 some of the community economic development work and -- and, of
14 course, Bootstraps.

15 Bootstraps is probably the most visible program. And I'm
16 sure you've all seen my crew out your -- your windows on Mondays
17 and Thursdays. We've just wrapped up that program.

18 And I have to say that it's probably one of the flagship
19 programs for the university cooperative extension. And we've
20 received a significant amount of -- of acclaim, both nationally
21 and statewide, for the program.

22 And in a nutshell we take -- I guess what are generically
23 called at-risk young adults. And I'm not sure that every kid in
24 the country is not at risk anymore.

25 And by the way, if you have any questions as we go through
26 this, just push this (indiscernible) about this stuff.

27 Anyway, we take those young men and women and do a
28 little -- do a little curriculum, a little classroom work on
29 Mondays. And it's pretty straightforward that if you've got a
30 problem with the boss, you probably don't hit him. You know,
31 there's other -- there's other ways or cuss him or walk away.

32 It's a good idea to call in if you're going to be sick, you
33 know, kind of better to be there ten minutes early than 30
34 minutes late. And it's not that these young men and women don't
35 want to obey those rules, they just didn't know there was such a
36 thing.

37 They've all grown up pretty tough. About a half to
38 two-thirds come off the reservation off in Owyhee as well as the
39 Battle Mountain band, and the remainder from Battle Mountain,
40 local guys.

1 The -- probably the Secretary of Interior Award was a --
2 was a great big deal. That was -- we were just one of a handful
3 of countries that were recognized for -- for the work.

4 Now there are a lot of conservation-corps-type programs out
5 there. But if you look at them, most of them are targeted at --
6 -- at college freshman or juniors or what not. And it's pretty
7 much upper-middle-class people that have got working on degrees
8 in natural resources. To the best of my knowledge, this is the
9 only program that gives work to the guys that really need work.
10 And so there's an economic impact there.

11 A few years ago, we were recognized nationally by the USDA
12 as a program of distinction. That's reserved for a very few
13 programs. There's a lot of evaluation, a lot of scholarly stuff
14 that you've got to do as being part of the university committee.
15 So all that had to be substantiated. MetLife gave us a
16 citizenship award, and that was -- that was good to see.

17 I guess one of the things that -- that you should know is
18 that it's all grant funded. And we've put about \$3 million in
19 grant money through my office since the program's inception,
20 which is a lot of money for a little guy out in the -- in the
21 sage brush in term of the university. And -- and we have been
22 able to benefit our county office because of those dollars, both
23 in trucks. And I'm able to run a lot of transportation back and
24 forth to Reno to campus on the Bootstraps budget because I can
25 always find something to talk to somebody about while I'm there,
26 computer support and a lot of software that I can -- I can put
27 through that grant.

28 And I have to tell you, as well, that I've got to speak
29 well of Shannon because she's getting -- she's getting pretty
30 good.

31 Now a lot of the university grants, maybe it's -- it's one
32 trip to Antarctica, you know, and they're spending a million.
33 Well, our budget goes one tankful of gas at a time. And so
34 there is a lot of work in -- in keeping those accounts balanced
35 with the university and the credit cards and -- and all of that
36 kind of stuff.

37 We -- we do, I think, probably -- every year when you look
38 at the BLM list of projects on sage grouse or -- or some of the
39 other sage grouse initiatives that I'm involved in, Bootstraps
40 is probably the only one that's actually getting anything done

1 on -- on the ground, which is surprising.

2 But I know when we put the program together, Mike Stom, the
3 wildlife biologist at the time with the BLM said, you know,
4 we're not going to be able to renovate the sage grouse habitat
5 over the Great Basin, but we can do a little. Well, if you do a
6 little year after year after year, pretty soon you -- you do a
7 lot. So we've treated somewhere around 14- or 15,000-acres
8 since then, most all of it in Lander County. We did a little
9 work down on Roberts Mountain for a year or two in Eureka. But
10 it's primarily in Battle Mountain.

11 This year we really had an extraordinary crew, really some
12 hard working guys. And we managed to -- to put 2800 acres
13 together. Now, normally 12- to 1500 acres is -- is about the
14 best we can do.

15 Anyway, Bootstraps is a -- is a great big part of our
16 program. And -- and it does bring -- it does bring a lot of
17 money.

18 And -- and incidentally, you know, that -- there's \$500
19 goes to, you know, the grocery store every week for groceries
20 and gas. And we try and -- I try to spend as much of that money
21 locally as I possibly can.

22 I think they ought to have a plaque with my name on it over
23 at Tire Factory. But that said, we do try and spread the money
24 around as -- as best question be

25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: A couple of quick questions, Rod, --

26 ROD DAVIS: Sure.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- before you go on. Number one: How
28 many did you actually have that were in your group this year?

29 ROD DAVIS: About twelve.

30 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Twelve? All of this.

31 ROD DAVIS: Twelve -- twelve to eighteen seems to work
32 pretty good. If you get less than that, you don't have kind of
33 critical mass to -- to really have some good discussions in the
34 classroom portion. You get more than that and it's pretty hard
35 for a job coach to ride herd on them out in field. You just get
36 too --

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: My --

38 ROD DAVIS: And there's too many mouths to feed.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you. My other question is --
40 and we followed Bootstraps, I think, ever since it started,

1 which is excellent. In fact, there were even some comments made
2 with our meeting with Senator Heller yesterday --

3 ROD DAVIS: Really?

4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- regarding removing the -- the
5 pinion and the juniper and --

6 ROD DAVIS: Is that right?

7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- all they were doing. Yes. Because
8 that is one of their goals is -- is for the sage grouse habitat
9 and how are we going to do this all over?

10 My question is: Is Lander County the only one here? Is
11 there Bootstraps in other counties that are doing this?

12 ROD DAVIS: I'm -- no. And I've done any best to export
13 it. But it's -- it's a meat grinder. You get 12 or 15 young
14 men full of testosterone that all weigh in at about 220 a
15 hundred miles away from town and one girl.

16 And their whole history of resolving conflict was: Who's the
17 biggest and the baddest? They don't understand about sitting down
18 and talking.

19 And so the liability, I think. And I'm the only guy
20 willing to put his head in the meat grinder. But I will tell
21 you, I -- it is the most rewarding thing I've done in my
22 40-year -- 40-year career.

23 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And do they feel that way when they
24 finish, that it was a rewarding summer?

25 ROD DAVIS: Yeah.

26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You think.

27 ROD DAVIS: Yeah. I'm in the process of producing a
28 documentary. And -- and we'll have a lot of that down.

29 Now you can only open the door. And about half or two-thirds
30 of them step through. Some of them don't.

31 But what I have learned is that if you just hire, you're
32 going to get a top end, a middle end, and a bottom end in any --
33 in any industry. And if that's the case, out there in the sage
34 brush, the middle gravitate to the bottom. It's always easier to
35 kind of follow the devil, I suppose. But if I eliminate the
36 bottom end, as best I can, then the middle gravitate to the top.
37 And -- and -- and it's a lesson hard learned.

38 Now I can always take one or two hard core guys and they
39 don't have anybody to talk to or plot, you know. They just have
40 to join in because of peer pressure.

1 But it is amazing that they don't just grow a little in that
2 six months. They grow a lot.

3 And -- now, I will tell you they're in the program because
4 they want to be in the program. They are there because whatever
5 they happen to be doing just ain't working. And so I don't go in
6 and solicit somebody to come into the program that I think needs
7 the program. They have to come to me. And our -- our reputation
8 on the street is such that it is a prestigious program to be
9 selected.

10 I -- for those ten or twelve or fifteen positions, I
11 generally have 70 and 80 applications every year to -- to go
12 through.. And it's tough calling them. There -- there are guys
13 that your heart goes out to them. But it is just beyond my
14 capacity to -- to do them any good. And that was a hard lesson to
15 learn. You can't save everybody, Patsy.

16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

17 ROD DAVIS: It is what it is.

18 The other thing is, is I always bring back a couple, three
19 veterans from the year before that know the drill. And they --
20 and they are leaders in their -- at Owyhee or Battle Mountain
21 community anyway. And so they -- they set the bar. And when you
22 get out in the sage brush, you don't have to reteach everything.

23 You know, they -- they -- they know how to set up the wall
24 tent. They know how to buy groceries. They know how to cook.
25 They know how to wash dishes. And they know the importance of
26 getting a night's sleep. They know how to keep their saw tuned
27 up. All -- all of those things are -- are important, so --

28 Anyway, right now I'm operating on a 225,000-dollar grant
29 from NDOW. That's the result of mitigation money on the
30 McGinness Hills project, you know, the -- the geothermal plant
31 in Grass Valley. And because they plopped it down in the middle
32 of some critical sage grouse habitat, they negotiated some money
33 to -- for restoration. So we did a better part of the work
34 there this summer removing PJ.

35 Incidentally, we -- we've selected PJ because it's one
36 skill to teach to the guys -- and that's how to be safe and cut
37 trees. And they can stay in one camp for the entire summer, for
38 the most part.

39 The other thing was it's one of the few win-win projects
40 that you can put together that's going to be make the permittees

1 happy. And it's going to make the BLM happy. It's going to
2 make NDOW happy. It's going to make the environmental groups
3 happy. And so it's just an easy program to get through the
4 administrative hurdles, you know, try to get the EAs done for
5 the BLM. And then you've always got Western Watersheds looking
6 over your shoulder, which is a pretty hard core environmental
7 group. But we do have a letter of endorsement from -- from
8 Katie Fite and -- and Western Watersheds for the work we do.
9 So -- so that's good. But that's just a piece of our program.
10 That runs six months.

11 And another great big piece that I'm really focusing on
12 right now is our youth program. And for a lot of years, there
13 was not much happening here in Lander County. And we finally --
14 we finally hired just a dynamite coordinator, Tonya McKenzie.
15 And I'll talk about her a little bit. But my philosophy has
16 been that -- that we're -- we're starting all over. We're
17 starting from scratch. And I -- I firmly believe that if you
18 build a program from the bottom up and build it right, that it's
19 going to be sustainable.

20 And -- and so while our numbers have been growing very
21 rapidly, we haven't put a great emphasis on recruiting. I'm
22 wanting to get our infrastructure right. I'm wanting to get our
23 leaders trained right. I want them to buy into the philosophy
24 that I have relative to youth development.

25 And there's three little things there. You see it's
26 collaborative, family centered, and life skills based. And I
27 really feel strongly that you can't do anything by yourself.

28 And so you'll see that our Legos, our robotics program was
29 a collaboration with the local school district, that we
30 incorporated classroom work and the vocational skills, both in
31 Battle Mountain and in Austin. And -- and that is important
32 that we find partners wherever -- wherever we can. And so
33 that's -- that's kind of what's going on.

34 We have begun to slowly grow our livestock projects. And I
35 feel pretty good about that because we were always kind of the --
36 the stepchild at the tri-county fair. And it was -- it was more
37 that, oh, there's some kids from Lander County showing a pig, you
38 know. Now, you go in -- I don't know if any of you were there
39 this year, but there was a Lander County section at the livestock
40 mart. And -- and we were very, very collaborative with the

1 Humboldt office and the -- and the show-and-tell committee there.
2 So felt really, really good about growing that one. We're going
3 continue to grow it.

4 One of the things that -- that you might have noticed that
5 we'll talk about in a bit is the livestock center there and the
6 BLM corrals adjacent to our property there at the office. And so
7 our volunteer leaders went in and we renovated that facility, put
8 in some electricity and some water.

9 And -- and so I -- I feel really good. We had six young
10 people were able to raise -- raise show pigs there this summer
11 from town. And this was kind of a pilot. Are the kids going to
12 show up? Are the -- are the coyotes going to eat my pigs? You
13 know, there was a lot of just seeing what happens. Is the wind
14 going to blow north to south? You know. And thankfully it blew
15 south to north. And so we did -- we didn't have the pig barns
16 doing all of those things. And we're going to be talking about
17 that a little bit later.

18 And we got rabbits and guinea pigs and all that stuff in the
19 small animal barn. Feel -- feel pretty good about the track that
20 we're taking with our livestock program. We have real good
21 support from our local businesses. And we're going to have to
22 work on that a little bit in the future.

23 Our shooting sport's program has always been very strong.
24 And we continue to feel good about that. And so yeah, that's
25 a -- that's a fun thing.

26 We've got a bunch of folks that enjoy crochet. And they
27 kind of expand into some crafty things as well.

28 Our clover buds are the little kids that are not old enough
29 to be full-fledged members. Clover buds do a little bit of
30 everything. And so I feel good about -- about our youngins.
31 Here are just some things that kind of show you the size and
32 scope. There's a laundry list.

33 Again, it's -- you can see it's a little heavy on
34 leadership development. But I'm not sure it does anybody any
35 good to round up twenty kids and dump them on a mama that
36 doesn't know what she's doing. I think they have to buy into
37 the mission. And just because you're a good mama or a good
38 daddy or a good grandpa is not necessarily going to make you a
39 good 4-H leader.

40 And -- and of course, the end game with 4-H is life skills.

1 It's not that you're going to raise a good -- a good steer or
2 that you're going to be able to -- to, you know, be good in
3 whatever project area. It's responsibility. It's -- it's
4 encouraging interaction with -- with families. And I feel
5 really strongly that -- that -- I know with my boys, you got to
6 have something to talk about when they're fourteen and that
7 ain't easy. And -- and so if it's a horse or a rabbit or a pig,
8 then that's all good.

9 We -- we're particularly proud of our STEM projects --
10 Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math -- that we've
11 incorporated through the robotics program.

12 We built a working mine site last year. And we had a
13 tremendous amount of help from the vocational people at the
14 Battle Mountain High School and Austin High School coordinating
15 those projects with -- with the technology and the robotics. It
16 was supported very well by the mines.

17 And then the little kids were building the structures. You
18 know, you give them a box of Legos and you don't have a problem.

19 So that one was -- was real good.

20 I'm not sure what major project they've settled on for this
21 year. I've been kind of pushing a -- a wild land fire
22 demonstration, you know, the trucks and the helicopters. But
23 that's their decision, not mine.

24 We also do a number of community service projects.

25 We're going to be redoing the front of our building. You'll
26 notice some of the kids got in there and cleaned out the weeds and
27 stuff out front. And we'll be landscaping that again with some
28 more perennials and bringing it back to where it should be. So a
29 lot of things like that.

30 Here's some of our kids. Just miscellaneous, we had some
31 steers from out on the 25 and at Hilltop, some Tomera lambs, and
32 a whole variety of -- of kids with the pigs. So that was a -- I
33 think we had eight -- eight pigs, three or four steers, two
34 lambs. Tomeras had the lambs in there. I -- if we continue to
35 renovate the livestock center there, we did the pigs this year.
36 I'd like to do lambs -- lambs next year.

37 We'll see how that goes. It depends on where our office is
38 come this time next year. But we can talk about that.

39 This -- the center picture on the youth is the robotics
40 kids.

1 That pig there happens to be in my freezer right now. And he
2 is tasty.

3 Then some of the -- well, it's the way it is, you know. It's
4 the project.

5 The other thing that I'd like to talk to you a little bit
6 about is what we've done in community economic development. And
7 that's probably -- my philosophy has always been that the
8 university ought to be -- ought to be the number two or three
9 person up front and that we've worked real hard to support the
10 Sustainable Development Committee and LEDA and some of the other
11 work. So you may not have seen the university's headlines out
12 front, but I can tell you that we worked real hard with the
13 Sustainable Development Committee. And that was the committee
14 that kind of did the groundwork that has allowed us to be able to
15 moving forward with the LEDA marketing plan that they are working
16 on. It was instrumental in helping us put together the
17 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that you've seen that
18 was approved by the -- by the feds so that we can get grant money.

19 I can draw some direct linkages between the housing study
20 that I was involved in and the new housing developments that
21 you've seen going forward.

22 In fact, we've got a meeting next week where we'll be using
23 some of that housing study to -- to meet with your -- your deal
24 with the new housing going in over by -- potential housing going
25 in over by Etcheverry's. So that was an instrumental study.

26 The case history study was just a case history of the
27 eight-year history of the Sustainable Development Committee that
28 was required by BLM because they gave us some money. That has
29 ended up in a textbook that's being -- that's being published.
30 I've given presentations on that locally and nationally. It has
31 received quite a -- quite an amount of attention.

32 The leakage study and the retail business analysis are
33 things that I think I'd like to move forward with. But it's --
34 it's one of those things, we've got to find just the right
35 audience for those things.

36 I can tell you that if you want to get in -- into business,
37 the used car business is the one that you need to be in in
38 Battle Mountain. Throw out other pieces of low-hanging fruit.

39 But it does tell you -- the leakage study tells you what
40 potential economic activity in -- in any one business there is

1 for a town our size. And then it tells you what there is. And
2 then it tells you what the difference is and how many businesses
3 that would support.

4 And -- now, there are a lot of caveats. Just because it's --
5 the piece of paper shows it, statistics can sometimes be
6 misleading. But nonetheless it is a tremendous tool.

7 And so we've been very involved in that in the -- in the
8 past.

9 Currently, I've been working with Jan and LEDA, I know, Dean,
10 you usually see me kind of sitting in the background. And I try
11 and attend all of the LE- -- the LEDA meetings I can and support
12 them. But we're putting together a business visitation database.
13 I'm -- I always try and be at the LEDA meetings when I possibly
14 can.

15 I have a personal stake in the gateway project, the
16 entrances to -- to Battle Mountain off the interstate. I'm
17 doing some work with Jan on that, as well as the Front Street
18 visioning process.

19 And just to note, I am a member of the National Committee
20 of Development Extension people. I'm a member of the
21 National -- Nevada Chapter of Planners Association, just got
22 back where I did a presentation on our -- on our CEDS process.

23 You -- you should note -- and I didn't write this down --
24 that I'm putting together, along with some campus people, what's
25 called a citizens' institute. And we'll be offering that in
26 January for newly-elected and appointed officials.

27 It's a little bit more -- it's sort of like the NACO training
28 for new commissioners, although it's -- it's more locally
29 targeted. We look at our budget and our county situation. And so
30 I'm looking forward to that one.

31 I'm also working -- and you know that I'm an alternate on the
32 planning commission. And so I am working with the Planners
33 Association to update the planning commission handbook. Now
34 that's nothing that we're going to hand out and I expect every
35 commissioner to read a handbook that thick. But it is bringing
36 everything up to date and putting it in one -- in one folder. I
37 think that will be useful. And I would like to see some training
38 for our planning commission. And the American and Nevada Chapter
39 of the American Planners Association is the professional
40 association that is comprised of professional planners in Nevada,

1 people that are getting paid the big bucks in Reno and Vegas and
2 Tahoe. And we just don't have that luxury out here. And they
3 have a tremendous amount of wisdom that I would like to be able to
4 share with my fellow board members on the planning commission. So
5 that's kind of happening there.

6 The -- the last page it says other stuff. I -- and probably
7 what you've seen so far is about half my time. And then what's on
8 the other stuff is the other half of my time.

9 I am a board member on the conservation district. And we
10 put together a lot of projects through there, most recently the
11 Indian Creek Project, which you may be aware of. We put
12 together a coalition of -- of our county road and bridge folks,
13 NDOW, BLM, the university, a homeowner's association down there.
14 And we sprayed out Indian Creek to get rid of the hoary crest
15 down there. It was just out of hand. And so we put together a
16 coalition of folks. And we sprayed that last summer. NDOW has
17 volunteered to go in and reseed. But it's a mixture of public
18 and private. And it kind of depends on what happens in court
19 with the -- with the BLM and the Argenta allotment. So if the
20 cows are off, we'll seed. And if they're not, we'll look
21 another direction.

22 So we do -- I do a lot of work with conservation district.
23 I support Roger in the road and bridge every -- every chance I
24 get, whether it's a weed spreading project or --

25 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Roger.

26 ROD DAVIS: -- technical advice and get tremendous
27 assistance from Roger as well.

28 Consult with Marilyn from time to time in the -- in the golf
29 course, whether it's a weed or a fertilization issue.

30 Of course, homeowners and, you know, everybody's got
31 questions. You know, what's a -- got some powdery stuff on my
32 grass, a guy brought in this morning. And so we talked about
33 powdery mildew for a while.

34 And I'm also a hunter safety instructor for NDOW. And we
35 run that program through our office. And I feel real good about
36 that. And it dovetails with our -- our shooting sports program.

37 Again, my work on the planning commission. And I do a lot
38 of reporting to USDA on razed land conditions and what not that
39 you might see on the weather channel. You know, dry in Nevada.
40 Rod Davis was the guy who reported it for Lander County.

1 And of course, I have my university responsibilities. I'm
2 on a number of -- of university committees, policies and
3 procedures and things that you would expect a faculty member to
4 do.

5 And also I have my own writing. I'm held to the same
6 standards in terms of publication as the other faculty members on
7 campus. So I do have those things.

8 So anyway, we are alive and well next door anytime.

9 I'd like to talk to you maybe just a little bit about
10 the -- about the future and not spend a lot of time.

11 But I think that one of the things that many of my
12 colleagues in other counties have had a tendency to overlook
13 sometimes -- and that is the history of extension is rooted in
14 the counties and the farmers and the ranchers and the local
15 folks. And sometimes we can get so tied up in our publications
16 and our research that sometimes the local needs get overlooked.

17 And so I am really looking at -- at putting our house in
18 order and making sure the taxpayers of Lander County get their
19 money's worth out of the local extension office. And I think
20 that is -- that is real important.

21 Also, I would like to talk -- at least introduce my -- my
22 situation relative to facilities. And of course as we move
23 forward with the new -- with the new courthouse, I've not been in
24 any direct conversations with anybody about what's going to happen
25 to the extension office. Are we going to move to the existing
26 Lander County facility next door? Are we going to be moved down
27 yonder and exactly what's going to happen to us?

28 And so I'm kind of waiting for a new commission to really
29 talk to the folks that are going to be voting. But many of you
30 will be on that commission. And you should know that I do have a
31 vital interest in where we are. I do have the Bootstraps program
32 and the sheds and the facilities that -- that are needed. I put
33 several thousand dollars into half of the Quonset hut over there
34 so that my Legos -- when you build a mine, it's nothing you can
35 just do on your desk. You know, we had to have space so we
36 renovated that facility. I have put quite a bit of money into
37 the -- the livestock facility. And if we stay there, I can go
38 ahead and pour some concrete and make it something to be -- to be
39 proud of. But on the other hand, if I'm moved, then -- then we
40 have others.

1 There are issues. So don't forget about me when you decide
2 who's going to go where. Because I do -- I do have issues.

3 One other thing that I should bring up as I'm about to close
4 is Tonya McKenzie was our -- is our 4-H coordinator. She's
5 halftime. But last -- late May, early June she slipped. We were
6 loading some pigs to take them down and -- and weigh them out on a
7 local farm. And she fell and hit pretty hard. And there was a
8 railroad tie on the ground. And she hit her chin on the railroad
9 tie as she went down. And so she's sustained some pretty severe
10 injuries, concussion-type injuries, had some bleeding. And she's
11 been on workman's comp ever since. She has sometimes a hard time
12 talking. She stutters. Has some injuries. But we're hopeful.

13 And so right now I have a senior -- one of my senior 4-H
14 club members doing about ten hours a week in the office just
15 keeping -- keeping things going. And we are going to stay with
16 Tonya just as long as we possibly can.

17 It was really unfortunate because we were in such a
18 tremendous program-building mode. And I don't want to take any
19 steps back. I'm not sure I can go forward very far, but -- but
20 Tonya is -- is loved and appreciated by all of us. And so
21 that -- she is currently on workman's comp.

22 And we're going month to month as she is evaluated by
23 her -- by her physicians. And there was some neck injuries that
24 have affected her. She broke her -- her jaws and punched some
25 holes in her eardrums and also some internal bleeding. And
26 they've caused some speech problems and memory.

27 So we're -- we're -- but on some days you see her, man, she's
28 just ready to go. And then some days, not so much.

29 But -- but I did want to bring you up to date. So that's the
30 extension program of going on next door. We're alive and well
31 looking forward.

32 So -- Patsy, did we fill the bill? Is that what you wanted
33 to hear?

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Rod, thank you. We appreciate the
35 update on the extension office for sure. And I know many of the
36 counties have -- have overlooked that for a period of time of
37 what you do.

38 ROD DAVIS: Well, yeah, and I --

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And so we appreciate you taking the
40 time. We're anxious to know about your citizen's institute, --

1 ROD DAVIS: Yeah, --
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- so keep us --
3 ROD DAVIS: Do you --
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- keep us informed.
5 ROD DAVIS: Let me ask the commission: Every six months to
6 do an update? Every three months? Quarterly? What is your --
7 what is your appetite for finding out what's going on over
8 there?
9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Every six months probably.
10 ROD DAVIS: Every six months? I'll try and get that done.
11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I would like to say thank you,
12 personally. The Department of Interior director -- deputy
13 director of operations was here, Steve Nellis [sic], last week
14 at the BLM. And your program -- your Bootstraps program was
15 brought up in that meeting in that meeting?
16 ROD DAVIS: Really?
17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Mm-hm.
18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: In that -- in that meeting --
19 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yep.
20 ROD DAVIS: Wow.
21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- was a lot of brass. And it was -- it
22 was kind of mulled over. And it was -- it was brought up as
23 basically a -- something that has been forgotten but something
24 that should be bright and shining and something that basically
25 kind of gets kicked under the carpet, but --
26 ROD DAVIS: Yeah.
27 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- something we should be known for. And
28 your name and everything was brought up, and so --
29 ROD DAVIS: Well, that's good.
30 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- I commend you on that.
31 ROD DAVIS: Oh, thank you.
32 CHAIRMAN GARNER: It was nice to hear something from --
33 something good out of --
34 ROD DAVIS: Yeah.
35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: -- out of a meeting like that. So --
36 ROD DAVIS: Yeah. Well, like I said, fortunately we're
37 positioned so that nobody can fuss.
38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah.
39 ROD DAVIS: It is nice to be able to go out there and to
40 know that if we did a thousand acres, that rancher is going to

1 have a thousand acres of grass fifty years from now that he
2 wouldn't have.

3 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Yeah.

4 ROD DAVIS: And in the short run, he's got water that he
5 has never had before because of the transpiration of the trees,
6 so thank you, --

7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Have you --

8 ROD DAVIS: -- very much.

9 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Hold on. Have you coordinated with
10 the new ag teacher from high school?

11 ROD DAVIS: I have reached out and am looking forward to --
12 to working with them. Yeah, I'm on their advisory board, but I
13 have not --

14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I just think --

15 ROD DAVIS: -- I have not --

16 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- if we could utilize, I mean, --

17 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- where we've got it in the high
19 school now, I think if we can utilize her, whether to help out
20 with the 4-H or -- or whatever.

21 ROD DAVIS: Well, I've actually gotten an okay from NDOW to
22 use the greenhouse facility there at -- at Sarah's old
23 greenhouse down there off 305. And I'm planning on some adult
24 and 4-H classes out there. And there's no reason we couldn't
25 roll FFA in -- into that same process.

26 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

27 ROD DAVIS: Steve Seldon has offered to buy anything we can
28 grow. So we're anxious to -- yeah --

29 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay.

30 ROD DAVIS: -- I need to just go down there and --

31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Okay.

32 ROD DAVIS: -- knock on the door.

33 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah. I --

34 ROD DAVIS: Well, actually I was going to be a vo ag
35 teacher myself until I did my student teaching. Cured me.

36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Rod.

37 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Thanks, Rod.

38 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Thanks, Rod.

39 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Instead you spend all summer with them.

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12 other matters properly related thereto.

13 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: This is the contract back
14 from the AT&T lawyers. As -- as you can see they are very
15 finicky about their language. All the prices are the same, the
16 ones that we had negotiated previously. And the terms aren't
17 materially changed that much. It really is kind of the verbiage
18 that they -- that they want in there.

19 They actually have changed their own contract in a couple of
20 places.

21 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah, updating.

22 Nicole, tell me, I -- I thought when we went back that we
23 were looking at a little bit more. A thousand dollars a month
24 was really on the low side. Did not we ask for more on the --

25 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: We did. And this was --
26 this was the most that they gave.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: What did they -- what did we ask for?

28 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: I think we -- I think we
29 asked for five?

30 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Five --

31 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: And I think the original
32 was -- Jan, do you have the original numbers?

33 JAN MORRISON: It was a thousand. And we asked for two
34 thousand.

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: We asked for two thousand. And they
36 came back at a thousand again.

37 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Oh, I thought they were
38 giving us five --

39 JAN MORRISON: They annualize their -- their numbers and
40 put -- and put them on quarterly basis. But on a monthly basis

1 it was asked for a thousand. And they offered -- they asked for
2 a thousand and we offered two thousand.

3 It could have changed in the meanwhile since I was involved.

4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I do think that's a little bit on the
5 low side. But I don't want to go back and -- and mess up the
6 whole contract. But if we did a little bit more, like if we
7 asked for 1200, 1300 with everything they have invested, I don't
8 think that will be a problem.

9 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: This is the maximum they'll
10 give.

11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: How do you know?

12 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Pardon me?

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: How do you know?

14 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: I've -- I've been
15 negotiating this with Mr. Thomas.

16 I --

17 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I do. I feel it's very much on the
18 low side and I --

19 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Oh, Oh. No. It's not that
20 I disagree with you.

21 COMMISSIONER WAITS: But when you say it's a maximum
22 amount, I'm going --

23 COMMISSIONER MASON: Well, we need the tower or we need the
24 money? What is it? Which way do we go here?

25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: They're pretty --

26 COMMISSIONER MASON: I think we need the tower more than we
27 need the money.

28 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: I -- I can ask again, if
29 you -- if you want. I mean, it's -- it's -- it doesn't matter
30 to me. I don't care.

31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Well, I know, of course, they'll --
32 they'll probably be renting out some of the spaces. And other
33 people are going to want to hook on, of course. And I know
34 that's regulated, so that's pretty set. But I just would be
35 more comfortable with 12- or 1300. That's all. I can't imagine
36 why they would refuse it at that point. And over a period of
37 time that pays for a yearly commissioner.

38 Totally up to you.

39 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: You're talking 2400, 3600 dollars --

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: For years.

1 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- a year.
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: For years. Not just --
3 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah, but --
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- a year.
5 CHAIRMAN GARNER: But it's a --
6 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Because your increase -- your --
7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: But it's like this much space you're
8 renting them.
9 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Your increase is only three percent.
10 So you're talking, you know, 30 bucks. So I mean -- and
11 that's -- that's okay. I'm happy with the, you know, inflation
12 rate on that. But totally up to you fellows, go ahead.
13 COMMISSIONER MASON: I think we ought to accept it and just
14 go on because they're going to maintain it. And we need the
15 tower.
16 That's just an opinion.
17 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Is that a motion?
18 COMMISSIONER MASON: No.
19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion that we approve the
20 modifications to the AT&T option lease agreement between Lander
21 County and the Cingular Wireless, PCS, LLC, for a cellular tower
22 at the Lander County sheriff's office with an increase of \$1200
23 per month.
24 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any seconds?
25 (No comment.)
26 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Motion dies.
27 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I'll make a motion we approve the
28 modification to the AT&T options and lease agreement. All
29 changes in the red between New Cingular Wireless, PCS, LLC, for
30 a cellular tower at the Lander County sheriff's office as
31 written.
32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second that motion.
33 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
34 (No comment.)
35 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?
36 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
37 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
38 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
40 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: Everybody has to experience that once.

2 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action --

3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: This is my first time you think?

- 4
- 5 12) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval
6 of Special-Use Permit for AT&T Mobility at 2 State Route 305,
7 Battle Mountain, Nevada, APN 002-320-07 between Lander County
8 and New Cingular Wireless, PCS, LLC, for a cell tower at the
9 Lander County sheriff's office, and other matters properly
10 related thereto.

11

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
13 approval/disapproval of special-use permit for AT&T Mobility at
14 2 State Route 305, Battle Mountain, Nevada, APN 002-320-07
15 between Lander County and New Cingular Wireless, PCS, LLC, for a
16 cell tower at the Lander County sheriff's office, and other
17 matters properly related thereto.

18 JAN MORRISON: Jan Morrison, community services officer.
19 So this -- the AT&T tower requires a special-use permit. The
20 planning commission met. And they've asked that you approve the
21 special-use permit subject to approving the -- the lease.

22 And the permit will only run concurrent with the lease. So
23 if for some reason there's some dispute, whatever, the lease
24 expires, you cancel the lease, the special-use permit will also
25 go away.

26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Now if we did not do this, they would
27 have to come back every year that we extended for the
28 special-use permit; is that correct?

29 JAN MORRISON: That's the practice of special-use permits.
30 I have to say, we're reviewing the special-use permit process
31 currently. And you're going to be seeing probably some -- I'm
32 working with Angie on some -- some revisions in the way that we
33 handle special-use permits.

34 So this one -- fortunately, we were able to get ahold of it
35 ahead of time and do it properly. So it will run concurrent
36 with the lease subject to commissions' continual approval of it.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: That sounds good.

38 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll make motion we approve the
39 special-use permit for AT&T Mobility at 2 State Route 305,
40 Battle Mountain, Nevada, APN 002-320-07, between Lander County

1 and New Cingular Wireless, PSC [sic], LLC, for a cell tower at
2 the Lander County sheriff's office.

3 COMMISSIONER MASON: I'll second it.

4 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?

5 (No comment.)

6 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

7 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

9 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

10 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

11 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

12 JAN MORRISON: Thank you.

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Jan.

14
15 **13) Discussion for possible action regarding approval/disapproval**
16 **of the temporary closure of Gold Creek Avenue to all vehicles**
17 **from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. October 31, 2014, because of safety**
18 **concerns, only allowing foot traffic, and other matters**
19 **properly related thereto.**
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21 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Discussion for possible action regarding
22 approval/disapproval of the temporary closure of Gold Creek
23 Avenue to all vehicles from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. October 31st, 2014,
24 because of safety concerns, only allowing foot traffic, and
25 other matters properly related thereto.

26 KEITH WESTENGARD: It was brought up that this closure
27 would provide a safe area for trick-or-treaters to conduct their
28 trick-or-treating and not risk being run over by or hit by
29 vehicle traffic.

30 So this is in the interest of public safety to allow the
31 kids to do their trick-or-treating. It's a short period of time
32 and --

33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: How long an area, Keith?

34 KEITH WESTENGARD: Pardon me?

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: How long? How --

36 COMMISSIONER MASON: Three hours.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: How long? No, no, no.

38 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Three blocks.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: The road. Three blocks?

40 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes. Three blocks.

1 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I think this is very much needed.
2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Yeah.
3 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll make a motion we approve --
4 For the approval of the temporary closure of Gold Creek Avenue
5 to all vehicles from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., October 31st, 2014,
6 because of safety concerns, only allowing foot traffic.
7 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Second.
8 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any public comment?
9 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yeah, how do you -- how are they doing
10 it?
11 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: What if somebody lives in there?
12 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: What's that?
13 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: What if somebody lives in there --
14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: People do live in there.
15 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- that don't get there till 6:00? They
16 get off work.
17 CHAIRMAN GARNER: I mean, they can walk.
18 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: It's those people that come and ask
19 for this.
20 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah. It's the people that live
21 there that ask for this.
22 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's for trick-or-treaters.
23 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I understand, but I'm just saying
24 somebody getting off work --
25 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Well, they can park their --
26 COMMISSIONER MASON: You can't go in --
27 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: -- cars.
28 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: They can walk.
29 COMMISSIONER MASON: No, it's not. It's three hours you're
30 restricted.
31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: They can walk.
32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.
33 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Just wanted to ask.
34 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Crane.
35 COMMISSIONER MASON: Oh, God.
36 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Every time -- every time they close
37 Front Street you have to make arrangements, you know. So it's
38 no different.
39 COMMISSIONER MASON: How's it en- -- how's it enforced?
40 That's what I want to know. They going to have a sheriff there

1 or what?

2 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Put cones.

3 KEITH WESTENGARD: We'll just -- we'll just do some cones.

4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Put cones up.

5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Safety barricades?

6 KEITH WESTENGARD: We'll close it off with barricades.

7 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Any other public comment?

8 (No comment.)

9 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

10 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

11 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Aye.

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.

15
16 **14) Discussion for possible action regarding status of the Lander**
17 **County Courthouse/Administration Building Project, and other**
18 **matters properly related thereto.**
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20 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Fourteen, discussion for possible action
21 regarding status of the Lander County courthouse/administration
22 building, and other matters properly related thereto.

23 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Hey, Max.

24 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Hello. How's everybody?

25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning.

26 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: All right. First off, Max Bunch for the
27 record.

28 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I'm paying attention, you may
29 proceed.

30 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Okay. They are -- the scaffolding is
31 being relocated to the rear of the building. Block for the
32 building should be completed in about three weeks on that.

33 The exterior enclosure -- enclosures have been blocked and
34 they're ready for the pours. It looks like the transfer -- or the
35 transformer pad, the garbage area, the ramp, the walkways; those
36 are ready to be poured up to the building.

37 NV Energy will be on site next Tuesday to set up a
38 transformer. The electrical main switch gear has been set and
39 that will be ready to be energized after the transf- --
40 transformer is set.

1 We're ahead of schedule for the solar project. And we should
2 be completed in time for the grant after the transformer and the
3 MSB, the main switch gear, and all that. And they've got about a
4 week's left worth of work for the solar to connect it. And then
5 the county will be done in time for our grant that we applied for
6 a year ago that was \$99,990.

7 And the remainder of the first floor slab pours will be
8 broken up into three pours. The first of the three pours will
9 start next week, which is the -- basically, as you come in between
10 the two buildings that are sitting there -- there's a pour for the
11 main walkway and the hallway for the public. And then there's the
12 offices where the counters are all the way to the back of the
13 building, which includes the break room, and then all the way over
14 to the left, which includes the administration and county
15 commissioner offices. So that whole floor section is going to be
16 poured in three pours. So --

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: That -- that whole floor is a special
18 aggregate so they polish it, right?

19 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: It's not a special aggregate, no.

20 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's just a polish?

21 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: It is -- it is -- it is polished. In the
22 area where you come into the building and the hallway and the
23 employee back hallway is polished. Anywhere the public goes is
24 polished concrete. It's not a special aggregate.

25 COMMISSIONER MASON: And have you worked out how to put the
26 seal in the floor? Is that going to happen?

27 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Yeah, we're in the process of doing that.
28 We've -- we had some discussion on that yesterday.

29 I don't know that we're going to put the seal in the floor.
30 They're -- we've look at the different options.

31 We've talked to numerous people. Some people are unable to
32 do what we're asking. So we're thinking that we can put something
33 over the top of the polished concrete and seal it in when it gets
34 done that will last for many, many, many years.

35 So -- and then we're hoping to have structural top out by
36 mid-December, which is just the last iron beam.

37 So they're saying the 8th. I give them an extra week just in
38 case.

39 COMMISSIONER MASON: The steel girders and cross members
40 don't go until the floor -- downstairs floor is poured, right?

1 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: The columns and beams?
2 COMMISSIONER MASON: No.
3 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Is that what you're talking --
4 COMMISSIONER MASON: Right.
5 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- about?
6 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yeah, the steel portions that are
7 going to hold the second floor.
8 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: The -- everything's there. It's on -- on
9 the ground as far as the bolts to bring the steel in and set it
10 on there so that they can do that. So, I mean, they're already
11 in the ground.
12 COMMISSIONER MASON: No, I was just thinking of the upper
13 floor.
14 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: In the footings?
15 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yeah.
16 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: So --
17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Support beams.
18 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: The support beams. But the footings are
19 poured with the bolts.
20 COMMISSIONER MASON: Oh, they're already --
21 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: They're already pre done.
22 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yeah, I know that. I knew that.
23 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: They're there on -- in the ground and all
24 they're going to do is --
25 COMMISSIONER MASON: I was just looking at the order of how
26 they're going to do the order of it. They're pouring the floor.
27 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: They're going to pour the first floor.
28 COMMISSIONER MASON: Right.
29 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Then they're going to come in and fly in
30 the steel --
31 COMMISSIONER MASON: Yes.
32 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- with the crane. And they're ready to
33 go on top of the commissioners' chambers. And they're ready to
34 go on top of the community room. All of that is all ready to
35 go. It's got steel in there already, ready to accept all the
36 beams and columns.
37 So that's all -- that's all ready.
38 COMMISSIONER MASON: It's fun to watch. These guys are
39 really clean at their work. I mean, I get to watch it every
40 morning.

1 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: So any other questions?
2 We are -- I hate to jinx something. But we're 88 days
3 without a -- without an accident. So I just --

4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Fabulous.

5 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Not sure if -- oh, they're -- we are
6 going to have another site safety visit from AGC, which we -- I
7 told you two week ago that they did. So we're doing that.
8 We're having them come in once a month so we can make sure that
9 we're staying up with our site safety. So hopefully -- I --
10 evidently we'll never get to 100%, but we're 99.8, as I told you
11 at the last meeting. So --

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Judge.

13 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Okay.

14 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Thanks.

15 COMMISSIONER MASON: Thanks, Max.

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17 **15) Correspondence/reports/potential upcoming agenda items.**

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19 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Fifteen. Correspondence, reports,
20 potential upcoming agenda items.

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22 (The following correspondence was received:

23 1. State of Nevada, Commission of Mineral Resources,
24 Division of Minerals to all State of Nevada County Recorders,
25 clarification of fees for recording of mining documents. Nevada
26 Abandoned Mines Lands Report 2013 may be reviewed at the Lander
27 County Commission Office.

28 2. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources,
29 Division of Water Resources to Lander County Commissioners,
30 Final Notice for Permit 70418.

31 3. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources,
32 Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Mining
33 Regulation and Reclamation to Lander County Commissioners, a)
34 Water Pollution Control Permit Number NEV2014115 (New 2014,
35 Revision 00), M-I SWACO LLC., b) Fact Sheet -- Mountain Springs
36 Mine, and c) Notice of Proposed Action -- application for new
37 Water Pollution Control Permit NEV2014115 for the Mountain
38 Springs Mine was filed.

39 4. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources,
40 Division of Water Resources to Lander County Commissioners, a

1 letter regarding Kobeh Valley receiving a special assessment
2 starting Fiscal Year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

3 5. Robin Gray to Lander County Commissioners, Annual
4 Biting Fly, Mosquito, and Black Fly Reports for Battle Mountain
5 dated September 30, 2014.

6 6. E-mail correspondence forwarded from Ray Williams to
7 Lander County Commissioners from Steve Bradhurst, summary of
8 CNRWA September 12 meeting in Lovelock and information on
9 important CNRWA meeting in Reno at Sienna Hotel on December 12,
10 2014.

11 7. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources,
12 Division of Water Resources to Lander County Commissioners, a
13 letter regarding postponement of Whirlwind Valley Groundwater
14 Basin special assessment levy.

15 8. Nevada Department of Transportation to Commissioners,
16 NDOT Agenda for October 13, 2014, received October 14, 2014.

17 9. Federal Emergency Management Agency to Dean Bullock
18 and Lander County Commissioners, a letter regarding Case Number
19 14-09-4251A, regarding a portion of Section 18, Township 32
20 North, Range 45 East M.D.B. & M., as described in the Grant,
21 Bargain, Sale Deed recorded as Document No. 0255626, in Book
22 603, Page 0225, in the Office of the Recorder, Lander County,
23 Nevada.)

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25 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I have a question on the -- the
26 comment period that I mentioned earlier extended to
27 November 14th on the US waterways definition.

28 We had asked originally for Jim to write the letter on the
29 first comment period, I think which was July. And that didn't
30 happen and we extended it to October. And I don't know if we can
31 ask Keith to put it together and have it on our agenda for the
32 13th. We'd be right under, you know, really under the wire. So
33 this is --

34 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: And that's --

35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- yeah.

36 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: Oh, I'm sorry. I didn't
37 mean to interrupt.

38 COMMISSIONER WAITS: No.

39 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: And I spoke to Keith --
40 Keith also.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So do you want it -- do you want it on
2 the agenda to come before us again? Because we're just right at
3 -- and --

4 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: We already approved it; didn't we?

5 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah.

6 COMMISSIONER WAITS: We did. We asked --

7 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Just write it and --

8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- him to do it. So -- and you can
9 run it by any one of us if you want to do that first. Thank
10 you. Okay.

11 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TING: And I'll get with you or
12 (indiscernible).

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Do we want to put the public defender
14 on the agenda so we can discuss that?

15 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: We do have a letter that's been
16 submitted. And I let Vicki know that she can put that on the
17 next meeting.

18 CHAIRMAN GARNER: That's what we've been waiting on.

19 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: But ...

20 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I did notice in the correspondence
21 that there was a letter regarding our water extension that
22 apparently we hadn't filed. And I thought we had filed. So
23 would you check with Jay Fischer on that?

24 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: I think that was the check we just
25 wrote, but I may be wrong.

26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Because I remember in our
27 conversations we were told he --

28 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: But I think that one check we
29 ratified was --

30 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Was.

31 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: -- that payment.

32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Yeah. So then for \$60.

33 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: For NDEP.

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: If we had that, it would be a hundred;
35 wouldn't it? But anyway, just to be sure it's done.

36 KEITH WESTENGARD: Okay.

37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: That was in the correspondence that we
38 had not done it yet.

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1 PUBLIC COMMENT

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3 CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Public comment for non-agendized items
4 only.

5 (No comment.)
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8 ADJOURNMENT

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10 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Motion to adjourn.

11 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second it.

12 CHAIRMAN GARNER: Public comment?

13 (No comment.)

14 CHAIRMAN GARNER: All those in favor?

15 Aye.

16 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.

18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

19 COMMISSIONER BULLOCK: Aye.
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CHAIRMAN OR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE
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COMMISSIONERS AND THE LANDER
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34 ATTEST: 
35 LANDER COUNTY CLERK
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40 *Battle Mountain and Austin, Nevada.*