

1 The Honorable Board of Lander County Commissioners met in
2 regular session at the Austin Courthouse in Austin, Nevada, 122
3 Main Street, Austin, Nevada, on September 22, 2016, at 10:00
4 a.m. Transcript produced by Tiffany Elkington, C.C.R., #930.
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6 **PRESENT: STEVEN STIENMETZ, COMMISSIONER**
7 **PATSY WAITS, COMMISSIONER**
8 **SEAN BAKKER, COMMISSIONER**
9 **ART CLARK III, COMMISSIONER**
10 **DOUG MILLS, COMMISSIONER**
11 **KEITH WESTENGARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
12 **SADIE SULLIVAN, COUNTY CLERK**
13 **THEODORE HERRERA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY**
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15 (Let the record reflect the presence of a quorum of five
16 commissioners. Let the record reflect the presence of Battle
17 Mountain via teleconference.)
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19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Call this meeting to order.
20 Lander County Commission meeting, Town Board of Battle Mountain,
21 and Austin Board of County Highway Commissioners, September,
22 22nd, 2016.

23 Steve, will you lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance?
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25 (Pledge of Allegiance)
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27 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Can I please have a moment of silence.
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29 (Moment of silence)
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31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Lander County Commissioners will break
32 for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.
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34 **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

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37 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Commissioner reports on meetings,
38 conferences, and seminars attended.

39 Steve?

40 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: All right. I had a Convention and

1 Tourism meeting Tuesday, September 20th. Main things we
2 talked about was the upcoming chukar tournament, which is coming
3 in November.

4 And then the past was the human-powered speed races. And
5 they had a very good turnout. They had a lot of people from
6 different countries there and a lot of -- they say they want to
7 come back next year.

8 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Cool.

9 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: That's all I've got.

10 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

11 Patsy?

12 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you. I did have a NACO meeting
13 on September 9th -- oh, excuse me -- it was a workshop, a public
14 lands workshop, which was excellent.

15 They also have a webinar coming up I want to share with you,
16 a leadership development series that we've been talking about.
17 And that will be on September 28th. It's called -- it's called
18 "Understanding Integrity and Civility."

19 On the 13th of September, I had a Division for Aging
20 meeting in Las Vegas. Biggest thing we're doing, of course, is
21 putting our bill drafts together that folks have been carrying
22 on for us regarding the senior citizens and the STAR program,
23 which is the senior tax abatement program for property taxes for
24 seniors 65 and older that we've talked about.

25 In fact, the Bugle picked it up and ran another -- another
26 article on it. Thank you.

27 That has been extended to October 31st. The deadline was
28 originally September. They had in the neighborhood of about
29 2600 applications that were requested. But they only have about
30 600 back.

31 So they have \$5 million. They're -- they're ready to give
32 the rebate. It's a one-time. And that's the money appropriated
33 by the last legislature.

34 So we want anybody that might -- might work in that -- that
35 age group and in that monetary amount that they earn, most
36 certainly, to apply.

37 On the 16th of September, I had a Central Nevada Regional
38 Water Authority meeting. Frank Whitman also attended with me.
39 And most of our -- our focus was really on, of course, the -- the
40 legislature subcommittee that's been meeting in the interim of our

1 legislature.

2 Pete Goicoechea is the chairman on that. And they had one of
3 their final meetings. And it was quite vocal.

4 There's just two areas that seem to be the real problem areas
5 that they're focusing on right now. One, of course, is -- is our
6 critical management area in Eureka. And the other one is the over
7 appropriation on the wells in Pahrump. But the whole state is --
8 is working on it.

9 And so the -- the folks really -- really showed up with
10 their concerns about what would happen in the order of priority
11 if this becomes a problem in more areas or even in their own
12 area.

13 And right now, the way the bills read, the state engineer has
14 the authority to basically cut off wells.

15 It goes by matter of priority with the time that they were
16 actually put in. And most of our wells -- 90 percent of our
17 domestic wells right now have a very low priority with the dates
18 where the water rights that are owned by the folks from way back,
19 up to a hundred years ago. So --

20 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Excuse me.

21 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- they're trying to really coordinate
22 that and work on that with the bills.

23 Five bills are coming forth on -- on that from -- from this
24 subcommittee legislature. But they had three more that were
25 extremely important. And so the other assembly members and
26 senators are going to take those forward to actually work with
27 that.

28 In fact, one of them that Assemblyman Oscar -- Oscarson is
29 bringing forward is the "use it or lose it." And that's been a
30 real concern with so many of us, including Lander County. We have
31 to keep showing that you're using all this water and yet we're
32 trying to conserve the water. So it doesn't make a lot of sense.
33 So they will be trying, I guess.

34 It will be eight bills altogether.

35 Frank and I spoke later. And he said that PLUAC, our --
36 our public committee -- our -- on public lands -- and he's
37 chairing that -- is going to actually do a -- an -- a sheet for
38 us with information on all of those -- those bill draft requests
39 as they're firmed up. So he'll bring that before us so we can
40 have all the highlights of what's being presented.

1 There was a Kingston Town Board meeting last night. I did
2 attend. Their focus right now is kind of finishing up the park.
3 And they're excited about our agenda item that we have on this
4 morning. But everything seems to be going rather well there.

5 On the 3rd of October, we will be having a site visit by
6 our cooperative extension folks that are actually vying for Rod
7 Davis' job. I have reported earlier that we were -- were
8 looking. There was a search committee. And they have been
9 interviewing for some time.

10 They have chosen one candidate to do an on-site visit. And
11 it's possible we might have two at that. But that's for the 3rd
12 of October. So we may still have somebody in that position by
13 the end of the year.

14 Couple things I wanted to highlight. We are having a -- a
15 visit by the Fallon Naval Air Station on October 5th. And we're
16 advertising that. That's the -- the Fallon Range Training Complex
17 wants to expand. They are the only one in the world like this.
18 But they have to modify their air space and -- and reconfigure
19 their existing air space. So they are having an open house in
20 Austin. It will be October 5th from 5:00 to 7:00. It's an
21 information session. And they want public in- -- input to
22 actually identify community concerns or any potential viable
23 alternatives on environmental issues. Because that's a really big
24 deal. They're asking for an additional 604,789 acres of public
25 land; 65,160 acres of nonfederal land.

26 So with this expansion, it -- it doesn't affect Lander quite
27 as much as it does some of the other areas. But we do have some
28 that are already -- told us they will be losing some of their AUMs
29 if the Navy starts flying over. So they've already been
30 contacted. So it's an extremely important meeting, if anybody can
31 make that.

32 And the other thing on community awareness is we will be
33 having flu shots in Austin on October 26th and in Kingston at
34 the clinic and at the ambulance barn. Thank you.

35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you, Patsy.
36 Art?

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38 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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40 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I have attended PLUAC meeting and a

1 planning commission meeting.

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3 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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5 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Not much going on in the planning
6 commission meeting.

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8 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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10 COMMISSIONER CLARK: The big issue for PLUAC, we're still
11 waiting on the sage grouse decision. And water is going to be a
12 burning issue when we get to the legislative session.

13 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.
14 Doug?

15 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Went to a rec center meeting. And
16 pool's coming along pretty good. The -- both pools are cemented
17 with the first layer of cement. And the steelwork has begun.
18 If the weather cooperates, we should have the whole steel
19 building complete by Monday, which is kind of exciting.

20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Good deal. Thank you.
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23 STAFF REPORTS

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25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Commission- -- staff reports on meetings,
26 conferences, and seminars attended.

27 KEITH WESTENGARD: All right. I handed out an invitation
28 there from Nye County.

29 Just want to remind the commissioners that the NACO
30 conference this year is in Nye County. It starts the 14th of
31 November. There's good -- good training available there.

32 So if anybody else -- Commissioner Bakker, Commissioner Waits
33 are signed up -- if any -- any of the other commissioners want to
34 go, let me know as soon as you can so that I can arrange rooms.

35 One other thing, I'd like the commissioners -- I'll have it
36 on the next agenda to discuss, if you want to do a holiday
37 schedule in November and/or December. So I'll have that on the
38 next schedule.

39 And the other things I have are on the agenda.
40 Thank you.

1 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thank you.
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4 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
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6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Public comment for non-agendized items
7 only.

8 Persons are invited to submit comments in writing and/or
9 attend and make comments on any non-agenda item at the board
10 meeting, if any, and discussion of those comments at the
11 discretion of the board. All public comment may be limited to
12 three minutes per person, again at the discretion of the board.
13 Reasonable restrictions may be placed on public comment based
14 upon time, place, and manner, but public comment based upon
15 viewpoint may not be restricted.

16 Any public comment?

17 BONNIE WELLS: Do I have to come up there?

18 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yes, ma'am.

19 BONNIE WELLS: Okay. My ducks are going to follow me.

20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: That's all right.
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22 (Child crying.)
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24 BONNIE WELLS: I just had a question regarding the medical
25 clinic. It hasn't been open in over a month. And I don't know
26 if that is --

27 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Will you state your name, please.

28 BONNIE WELLS: Oh. Bonnie Wells. Sorry.

29 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thank you.

30 BONNIE WELLS: I didn't know if that had to do with our
31 county or if it's affiliated with something else. But it's been
32 really inconvenient not having it open for over a month. And I
33 don't know if there's something you guys can do about it or --

34 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Keith? He will look into it.

35 BONNIE WELLS: Okay. Thank you.

36 KEITH WESTENGARD: I'll call you, Bonnie.

37 BONNIE WELLS: Okay. Thanks.

38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Any other public comment?

39 (No comment.)
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1 CONSENT AGENDA

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3 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

4 Consent agenda. All matters listed under the consent agenda
5 are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Board of
6 County Commissioners with one action, without extensive
7 discussion. Any member of the board or any citizen may request
8 that an item be taken from the consent agenda, discussed, and
9 acted upon separately during the meeting. Consent agenda
10 materials are available at the Lander County Clerk's Office for
11 viewing and copies are available for a nominal charge.

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13 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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15 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Consent agenda. One, approval of agenda
16 notice, September 22nd, 2016.

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18 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: And I need to make a note that it's
21 properly posted.

22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: (Indiscernible.)

23 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

24 Pull it out.

25 Two, approval of meeting minutes, August 25th, 2016; three,
26 approval of meeting minutes, September 8th, 2016; four, payment
27 of bills; five, payroll change requests.

28 Then with that, I need a motion pulling out one and three.

29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion we approve the
30 consent agenda minus one and three.

31 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll second.

32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Patsy made a motion. Doug seconded. Any
33 public comment?

34 (No comment.)

35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: All in favor?

36 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.

37 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Aye.

38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Aye.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

40 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.

1 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Motion carries.
2 Okay. On one, approval of agenda notice, it's supposed to be
3 September 22nd. So we'll make that correction.
4 It was properly posted in the paper and on the website.
5 So with that, I'm --
6 Okay. I'm going to need a motion to approve the agenda
7 notice?
8 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Yes.
9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yep.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion we approve the
11 corrected agenda notice.
12 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll second.
13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.
14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Patsy made a motion. Steve seconded.
15 Any public comment?
16 (No comment.)
17 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: All in favor?
18 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Aye.
19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Aye.
20 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ AND COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
21 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.
22 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
23 With that...

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26 **PUBLIC WORKS**
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- 28 1) **Discussion and possible action regarding the purchase of**
29 **Dodge Ram 5500 crew cab chassis cab 4 X 2 - 4 X 4 for the**
30 **Town of Kingston Volunteer Fire Department in an amount not**
31 **to exceed \$42,500, and all other matters properly related**
32 **thereto.**
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34 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Public works. One. Discussion and
35 possible action regarding the purchase of a Dodge Ram 5500 crew
36 cab chassis cab four-by-two, four-by-four for the Town of
37 Kingston volunteer fire department in an amount not to exceed
38 42,500, and all other matters properly related thereto.
39 Bert?
40 Keith?

1 KEITH WESTENGARD: So we -- we had met with the Town of
2 Kingston volunteer fire department. They did come before the
3 commission earlier this year to request a fire truck. We did go
4 down and meet with them. And we spoke with them and -- and
5 decided that we would go ahead and do what we could do to try to
6 get them a new fire truck.

7 So we're looking at purchasing them -- and we have worked
8 with the town as far as what they would like to get.

9 So we've come up with a plan to put together a Type 6 fire
10 truck. It will hold five people. We want to buy the cab and
11 chassis now. And then we're going to buy a -- a build-up for
12 it. We -- and also we can buy the -- the tank, the water tank as
13 well as the pump to go with it, get it -- get it all marked and
14 striped, get a lighting package put on it.

15 And we -- we're looking at about a total -- now this is
16 just the cab and chassis. And then we'll -- I'll come back to
17 you next meeting with the rest of the equipment. But we're
18 going to look at a total of about 110,000.

19 So right now, we're looking at the cab and chassis. It's
20 about a 90-day order time at the forty -- 42,5-.

21 Previously, Type 6s that were in -- in Austin and King- --
22 Battle Mountain -- I'm sorry -- were turnkey. And they ran in
23 excess of about 230,000.

24 We're going to put this together ourselves. And it's going
25 to save the county about a hundred thousand dollars --

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27 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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29 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- in costs.

30 So this will not be turnkey. But it'll be --

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32 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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34 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- on the same level as the other Type
35 6s within the county that sit in Battle Mountain and Austin.

36 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: We have money in the budget?

37 KEITH WESTENGARD: We do. We have money to -- to provide
38 for this. Yes, we do.

39 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

40 KEITH WESTENGARD: In our equipment fund.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: What -- what are the -- the dates on
2 this? If we approve this and we order it today -- and how long
3 does it take the truck to get in? And then how long does it
4 take to actually get it all?

5 KEITH WESTENGARD: We're looking at about a 90-day -- they
6 give us a 90-day order time, within 90 days. It could be 30
7 days; it could be the full 90.

8 Once we order it --

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10 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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12 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- and they actually put the order in,
13 I'll have a much --

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15 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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17 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- better idea. As far as the other
18 items, we -- that's the longest --

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20 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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22 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- out. The pump, the --

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24 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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26 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- the build-up for the back of it, the
27 tank, lighting package, all that is a matter of a month.

28 So once we get the truck, then we can start putting the rest
29 of it together.

30 Within --

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32 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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34 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- three months, once we get the cab
35 and --

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37 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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39 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- chassis. And it'll come in the red
40 that they requested.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. The -- the information that
2 you -- you put in here for the itemized option, --

3 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes.

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5 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- came to the --

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9 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- 47,605. And is that -- was that
12 just general information? You're going to --

13 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes.

14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- you're going to cut that down so we
15 meet the 42,5- on it? Right.

16 KEITH WESTENGARD: That -- that's correct. Yes. That
17 was -- that was with all the options, --

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19 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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21 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- all the bells and whistles, --

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23 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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25 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- so to speak. We -- we --

26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.

27 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- we tamed it back a little bit, as far
28 as the seats go, the rims. We did go (indiscernible) heavy on
29 the tires. And there was a few areas that we went a little over
30 on --

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32 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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34 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- and some areas that we -- we came
35 down on.

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37 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I saw that. Thousand dollars for
40 polished wheels, --

1 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- we're taking --
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5 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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7 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yeah.
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9 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- those off. That's good.
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13 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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15 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes. It'll be --
16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: That was --
17 KEITH WESTENGARD: (Indiscernible.)
18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- my only question because I saw the
19 47- --
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21 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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23 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- and I thought, we're still going to
24 do the 42,5-. So you're going to take that and --
25 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes.
26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- do the options and --
27 KEITH WESTENGARD: We're going to -- we are going to --
28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.
29 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- make it -- they'll be steel rims, not
30 going to be -- it's going to be a wildland fire truck rescue.
31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Keith? Commissioners? Any other --
33 Any public comment?
34 SHANNON THISS: Shannon, Kingston -- Town of Kingston Fire
35 Company.
36 That's the only -- I -- I -- sorry I didn't catch this
37 sooner, but the agenda item says Town of Kingston Volunteer Fire
38 Department. That's not us anymore. I don't know if that makes
39 a difference.
40 We're the Town of Kingston Fire Company now.

1 Sorry. I wish --
2 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: I don't think --
3 SHANNON THISS: -- I caught it sooner.
4 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: I don't think that's going to cause a
5 problem.
6 Because the county's still retaining ownership of the
7 vehicle.
8 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes, that's correct.
9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So -- and that's what -- Shannon, that's
10 what you're worried about? Ownership?
11 SHANNON THISS: Yeah.
12 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah. No, the county -- Lander County
13 will still retain ownership of the fire truck.
14 SHANNON THISS: Okay.
15 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So...
16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You know, we're still buying it for
17 the Town of Kingston and all your fire volunteers, so --
18 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: (Indiscernible) --
19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- we're okay.
20 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: -- point that out on the
21 record, what Shannon said.
22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yes.
23 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. What's it called, Shannon?
24 SHANNON THISS: Yeah. We're called the Town of Kingston
25 Fire Company now.
26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Town of Kingston Fire Company?
27 Okay, let the record reflect that instead of Town of
28 Kingston Volunteer Fire Department, it's actually the Town of
29 Kingston Fire Company.
30 Right, Shannon?
31 SHANNON THISS: Yes.
32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
33 And also, Lander County will still retain ownership of the
34 fire truck.
35 So with that...
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37 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'll make a motion --
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1 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- that we purchase the Dodge Ram 5500
4 crew cab chassis cab four-by-two, four-by-four for the Town of
5 Kingston in an amount not to exceed \$42,500.

6 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I will second the motion.

7 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Patsy --

8 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Are these --

9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- made a motion. Patsy made a motion.
10 Steve seconded.

11 Any public comment?

12 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Yeah. Well, I just have a question.

13 It would seem that a four-wheel drive would be better than a
14 two-wheel drive in this area. Is there that much --

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16 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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18 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- difference of a price?

19 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: It will be a four-wheel drive.

20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: It will be four-by-four.

21 KEITH WESTENGARD: It is a four- --

22 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.

23 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- -wheel drive.

24 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay. That's my only concern. I'd
25 spend a little more money for a four-by-four if we had to.

26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Any other public comment?

27 (No comment.)

28 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: All in favor?

29 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ AND COMMISSIONER MILLS: Aye.

30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Aye.

31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.

32 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.

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35 **UPDATES**

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37 2) **Update from the public works director on Road and Bridge**
38 **South Department and all other matters properly related**
39 **thereto.**
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1 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Two. Update from the public works
2 director on Road and Bridge South Department and all other
3 matters properly related thereto.

4 Bert and Rick? Or Rick?

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6 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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8 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Will you come up here, please?

9 RICK HARDEN: Yeah.

10 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: State your name.

11 RICK HARDEN: All right. Rick Harden, lead from Lander
12 County South.

13 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: How's it going?

14 RICK HARDEN: Well, we've been busy. That's for sure.
15 Done a lot of snow plowing last winter. Had a hard winter so
16 (indiscernible) had an impact on most of our roads,
17 moisture-wise. Had a lot of roads fall through. So we've been
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20 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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22 RICK HARDEN: -- doing blading and hauling. We've got a
23 screen plant running about 70 percent of the time.

24 We did have a good slurry seal job this summer, took care of
25 Kingston and Gilman's asphalt and got it sealed to extend the life
26 of it. That job went good.

27 And we screened out 400 yards of salt and sand getting
28 prepared for the winter coming up. Keep the roads clear, anyway.

29 We're in the process of putting the plows together right now
30 to try to get them going before December hits. So far, we're
31 working on them. Put it that way.

32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Right.

33 RICK HARDEN: And we moved to our lower shop. We're about,
34 probably, 75 percent moved into the new shop.

35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Are you guys happier?

36 RICK HARDEN: Yes. The building's great. Thank you very
37 much for that.

38 We have a bit more room. It's a lot more economical to deal
39 with and easier to heat. You know, all around just a better
40 place.

1 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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3 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Right.
4 RICK HARDEN: It's a lot more comfortable.
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good.
6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Good deal.
7 RICK HARDEN: And --
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9 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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11 RICK HARDEN: -- yeah, the building's good.
12 We're still working on the (indiscernible). But we've got
13 most of everything we need. So (indiscernible) in there from now
14 on.
15 We're setting up the (indiscernible).
16 Let's see. We've got a new guy --
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18 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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20 RICK HARDEN: -- a new employee starting up --
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22 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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24 RICK HARDEN: -- on the 3rd.
25 So we'll be back up a little bit more on our crew.
26 We were shorthanded (indiscernible).
27 Other than that, nothing else. Pretty much business as
28 usual.
29 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Good deal.
30 RICK HARDEN: You guys, any questions?
31 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Are you ready for the winter?
32 RICK HARDEN: We're getting there.
33 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Oh, good.
34 RICK HARDEN: (Indiscernible) --
35
36 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
37
38 RICK HARDEN: -- (indiscernible). We started working on
39 plows yesterday.
40 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Do you have any distinct needs?

1 RICK HARDEN: Well, we always need more --
2
3 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
4
5 RICK HARDEN: -- equipment, but --
6 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I -- I'm sorry, I --
7 RICK HARDEN: We always need more equipment or better
8 equipment, but --
9
10 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
11
12 RICK HARDEN: -- we are getting by. You know, in the
13 future, --
14
15 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
16
17 RICK HARDEN: -- put in for --
18
19 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
20
21 RICK HARDEN: -- different things.
22
23 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
24
25 RICK HARDEN: (Indiscernible) in an emergency --
26
27 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
28
29 RICK HARDEN: -- situation (indiscernible).
30
31 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
32
33 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.
34 RICK HARDEN: Other than just hopefully --
35
36 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
37
38 RICK HARDEN: -- we get a couple weeks here and --
39
40 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

1 RICK HARDEN: -- there to get our plows (indiscernible).
2
3 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
4
5 RICK HARDEN: Some of them are fairly old. And they always
6 need --
7 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
8 RICK HARDEN: -- repairs.
9 COMMISSIONER CLARK: If anything comes up, let us know.
10 RICK HARDEN: Okay. I'll do so.
11 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Any other questions?
12
13 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
14
15 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Public comment?
16
17 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
18
19 ROBIN YORK: I have.
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21 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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23 ROBIN YORK: Robin York.
24 I have some questions about Paul Street.
25
26 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
27
28 COMMISSIONER CLARK: About --
29 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: About --
30 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- what?
31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- Paul Street?
32
33 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
34
35 ROBIN YORK: Paul Street up here.
36 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
37 ROBIN YORK: It hasn't been --
38
39 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
40

1 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Bert, --
2
3 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
4
5 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- feel free to jump in here.
6 ROBIN YORK: -- even looked at or filled in or --
7
8 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
9
10 ROBIN YORK: -- anything for the last --
11
12 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
13
14 ROBIN YORK: -- three years.
15
16 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
17
18 ROBIN YORK: And every time I come --
19
20 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
21
22 ROBIN YORK: -- up here and they said, oh, we're going to
23 fix it. We're going to fix it.
24
25 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
26
27 ROBIN YORK: And it's the road to my grandma's house.
28 RICK HARDEN: I know.
29 ROBIN YORK: Okay?
30
31 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
32
33 RICK HARDEN: I'm not going to talk about it.
34 ROBIN YORK: Okay.
35
36 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
37
38 ROBIN YORK: You need to take a look at it.
39
40 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

1 RICK HARDEN: I'll look at it this morning.
2
3 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
4
5 ROBIN YORK: Yeah, it's --
6 RICK HARDEN: It's a mess.
7 ROBIN YORK: -- horrible.
8 BERT RAMOS: There's -- there's a few things
9 that (indiscernible) --
10 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hold -- Robin, --
11
12 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
13
14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- state your name.
15
16 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
17
18 ROBIN YORK: Huh?
19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Did you state your name?
20 COMMISSIONER CLARK: She --
21 ROBIN YORK: Yeah. Robin --
22
23 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
24
25 ROBIN YORK: -- York, again.
26
27 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
28
29 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: I'm making sure.
30 ROBIN YORK: Okay.
31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: She did.
32 RICK HARDEN: (Indiscernible.)
33 BERT RAMOS: Okay. Bert Ramos, --
34 ROBIN YORK: (Indiscernible.)
35 BERT RAMOS: -- for the record.
36 We -- so on -- on the street, there's a sewer line that's
37 actually exposed. You can see the sewer line. We covered it a
38 few times. It's -- it's right -- so it's pretty thin. There's
39 not a lot of room to work there.
40

1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
2
3 BERT RAMOS: And then it's also part of the mapping deal --
4
5 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
6
7 BERT RAMOS: -- that's on the agenda to come. So
8 there's -- there's some conflicts there. They're not saying --
9
10 (Children making noise in the public gallery.)
11
12 BERT RAMOS: -- that we can't (indiscernible) --
13
14 (Children making noise in the public gallery.)
15
16 BERT RAMOS: -- some potholes and do --
17
18 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
19
20 BERT RAMOS: -- (indiscernible) --
21
22 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
23
24 BERT RAMOS: But there's --
25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: You've got to wait and see.
26 BERT RAMOS: Whose --
27 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Right.
28 BERT RAMOS: Yeah.
29 I mean --
30
31 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
32
33 ROBIN YORK: I mean, --
34
35 (Child crying in the public gallery. Child speaking in the
36 public gallery.)
37
38 ROBIN YORK: -- what kind of time --
39
40 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

1 ROBIN YORK: -- frame are we --
2
3 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
4
5 ROBIN YORK: -- looking at on this sewer thing? Because
6 it's been going on for at least the last three months.
7 RICK HARDEN: Well, there's some (indiscernible) --
8
9 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
10
11 ROBIN YORK: Not here.
12 RICK HARDEN: True.
13
14 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
15
16 RICK HARDEN: (Indiscernible) true. Some --
17 (indiscernible).
18
19 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
20
21 ROBIN YORK: (Indiscernible.)
22 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Robin, after we do --
23
24 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
25
26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- the property lines, we'll know --
27 we'll probably --
28
29 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
30
31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- have a better idea.
32
33 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
34
35 ROBIN YORK: (Indiscernible.)
36
37 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
38
39 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah.
40

1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
2
3 BERT RAMOS: Well, another thing is --
4
5 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
6
7 BERT RAMOS: -- we aren't in control of --
8 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Well, does --
9 BERT RAMOS: -- the water and sewer up here.
10 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Right.
11 BERT RAMOS: Water and sewer's their own -- their own
12 separate deal.
13 So --
14
15 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
16
17 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Well, --
18 ROBIN YORK: Okay. So who do we talk to about that?
19 BERT RAMOS: Well, that's (indiscernible).
20
21 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
22
23 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Rick, will you get Robin in touch with
24 who she needs to be in touch with?
25 RICK HARDEN: Yeah. I can (indiscernible) get somewhere.
26 ROBIN YORK: Yeah. Because, I mean, it's --
27
28 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
29
30 ROBIN YORK: -- I mean, it -- I kept saying, oh, it'll be
31 fixed. It'll be fixed. And I came up today and --
32 RICK HARDEN: (Indiscernible.)
33 ROBIN YORK: -- I'm just disgusted.
34
35 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
36
37 RICK HARDEN: In the meantime, --
38 ROBIN YORK: I mean, it's like wag- -- a covered wagon
39 ground out.
40 And, you know, they pay their taxes just as well --

1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
2
3 ROBIN YORK: -- as the Battle Mountain people.
4
5 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
6
7 ROBIN YORK: So I think that, you know, --
8
9 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
10
11 ROBIN YORK: -- once this mapping thing (indiscernible), --
12
13 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
14
15 ROBIN YORK: -- whatever, --
16
17 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
18
19 ROBIN YORK: -- done or whatever, I'd like to see some
20 roads done. Not just that one. Some roads done. Because this
21 town's falling apart.
22
23 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
24
25 ROBIN YORK: Okay?
26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thank you, Robin.
27 Any other public comment?
28 WILLIAM BAUER: William Bauer.
29 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hi.
30 WILLIAM BAUER: That's my mother-in-law and father-in-law,
31 yeah, former commissioner for -- my father-in-law.
32 Anyway, Rick was fantastic.
33 I have been to the --
34
35 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
36
37 WILLIAM BAUER: -- walking up the street there and noticed
38 exposed pipe. And I thought it was abandoned. It was abandoned
39 two months ago -- or two years ago.
40

1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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3 WILLIAM BAUER: So I called John Gordon --
4
5 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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7 WILLIAM BAUER: -- and no answer.
8
9 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
10
11 WILLIAM BAUER: I called the road department and I said,
12 we've got an open sewer line there. And he immediately came up
13 with his crew, set up barricades, and had it right pretty
14 quickly.
15 Now, John Gordon --
16
17 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
18
19 WILLIAM BAUER: -- went in with a backhoe --
20
21 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
22
23 WILLIAM BAUER: -- and put a new pipe in and all that. But
24 I really questioned this gentleman here and his engineering
25 capability of saying it has to go up 300 feet to be safe.
26 That's not right.
27 BERT RAMOS: Sure it is.
28 WILLIAM BAUER: It doesn't have to go up 300 feet for it to
29 be safe for equipment that goes right --
30
31 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
32
33 WILLIAM BAUER: -- the wheels go over the top where the
34 sewer line is.
35 If you want more information, I've got photos of before and
36 after. But --
37
38 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
39
40 WILLIAM BAUER: -- another thing I wanted to know --

1 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
2
3 WILLIAM BAUER: -- is why the property --
4
5 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
6
7 WILLIAM BAUER: -- lines are in --
8
9 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
10
11 WILLIAM BAUER: -- question on Paul Street.
12
13 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
14
15 WILLIAM BAUER: Every single street? Because Bert got his
16 street paved right away.
17 And --
18
19 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
20
21 WILLIAM BAUER: -- the property line adjustments were in --
22 in place then.
23 So there's some questions that -- that really get me upset
24 that it's not --
25
26 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
27
28 WILLIAM BAUER: -- been done. And, you know, like three
29 years ago --
30
31 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
32
33 WILLIAM BAUER: -- one of the road crew members went up and
34 threw base material in some potholes. And every winter we get
35 it plowed.
36 Thank God for -- Jim Lucas looked up there in one of the
37 spaces. And that was (indiscernible) and nothing else ever
38 done. And I just really wonder why we're put -- kicked to the
39 side of the road.
40 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Well, that's why we're --

1 WILLIAM BAUER: Thanks for --
2 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- here.
3 WILLIAM BAUER: -- listening. Any other questions you have
4 of me?
5 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: No.
6 WILLIAM BAUER: Thank you.
7 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.
8 Bert?
9 Good?
10 Okay.
11 BERT RAMOS: We paved a lot of streets in Austin that go by
12 a lot of homes, is what it is. So we did the best we could when
13 we did it. We came up here and paved a lot of streets and I
14 caught a lot of hell for it too because a lot of these were with
15 this property line adjustments. And it is what it is so...
16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: I got you.
17 WILLIAM BAUER: The engineer's not here today?
18 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: He is. He's right behind you.
19 Okay. Any other public comment?
20 (No comment.)
21 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
22
23 3) Update from REACH regarding AirMedCare Services and all other
24 matters properly related thereto.
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26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Three. Update from Ranch [verbatim] --
27
28 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
29
30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- regarding AirMedCare Services --
31
32 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
33
34 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- and all other matters properly --
35
36 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
37
38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- related thereto.
39
40 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

1 KEITH WESTENGARD: Can we put that toward the end?
2
3 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
4
5 KEITH WESTENGARD: I don't see the REACH guys here. If
6 they don't make it, then I can give an update, but --
7 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
8 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- I believe they --
9
10 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
11
12 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- are coming.
13 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
14
15 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
16
17 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So...
18 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Sean.
19
20 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
21
22 GINA FASINETTI: I'm actually --
23
24 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
25
26 GINA FASINETTI: -- here in Lander.
27 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: We have a gal in lander.
28
29 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
30
31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: They're in Lander --
32 KEITH WESTENGARD: Oh.
33 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- County.
34 KEITH WESTENGARD: Okay. All right.
35
36 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
37
38 GINA FASINETTI: So just to give you an update on this
39 municipal site plan.
40 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Can you speak up a little bit,

1 please. And give me your name for the record.

2 GINA FASINETTI: Gina Fasinetti [phonetic]. I'm the
3 membership manager for REACH.

4 I'm here to give you an update on your mun- -- municipal site
5 plan and let you know that the flyer that Commissioner Clark
6 requested to go out to the (indiscernible) will be actually going
7 direct mail to all the residents by the end of this month.

8 To coincide with that, we're also going to be doing press
9 releases through your local newspaper, the Bugle; sending out
10 the membership cards with the tax bills. And we're looking for
11 a couple of locations here in town, --

12
13 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

14
15 GINA FASINETTI: -- setting some banners for big signs.

16
17 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

18
19 GINA FASINETTI: So if anyone has suggestions on that, --

20
21 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

22
23 GINA FASINETTI: -- that would be great.

24
25 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

26
27 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Any questions?

28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Gina, let me just clarify that. You
29 said --

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31 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- you will be sending --

34
35 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

36
37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- membership cards to all of our
38 residents in Lander County?

39
40 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

1 GINA FASINETTI: Correct. Yes.
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So they will all hear about it. Okay.
3 Thank you.
4 GINA FASINETTI: The direct -- the --
5
6 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
7
8 GINA FASINETTI: -- the flyer that we did for the upgrade
9 --
10
11 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
12
13 GINA FASINETTI: -- as well, if they wanted to upgrade to
14 the full membership to be covered across --
15
16 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
17
18 GINA FASINETTI: -- the United States, --
19
20 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
21
22 GINA FASINETTI: -- that was sent to every --
23
24 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
25
26 GINA FASINETTI: -- that will be direct mailed out to
27 everyone as well.
28
29 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
30
31 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
32
33 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
34
35 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Is there --
36
37 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
38
39 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- anyone out there --
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1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
2
3 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- that doesn't understand what
4 we're --
5
6 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
7
8 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- talking about with this --
9
10 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
11
12 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- AirMedCare Services?
13 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: We can't hear what's going on
14 back here.
15 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)
16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
17 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)
18 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Keith, give an --
19 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Sean.
20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- update.
21 KEITH WESTENGARD: What -- what it is, is Lander County has
22 purchased a membership countywide.
23 So we have one through HGH. And then we also have one
24 through REACH Air.
25 HGH is out of Winnemucca. REACH Air is out of Elko.
26 So we have these two air ambulances that the county has paid
27 membership for, for the entire county.
28 So if you need an air ambulance, you're covered either out
29 of Winnemucca, through HGH, or you're covered out of Elko with
30 REACH Air.
31
32 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
33
34 KEITH WESTENGARD: We are sending out mass flyers to let
35 everybody know there's an option on there --
36
37 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
38
39 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- that can cover you through REACH
40 nationwide.

1 So it's an -- it's an upgrade for \$35. We bought the basic
2 membership for the -- every -- every member of Lander County,
3 every person in Lander County.

4 So you should be --

5
6 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

7
8 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- getting something in the mail from us
9 shortly, I would say within --

10
11 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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13 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- the next two to three --

14
15 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

16
17 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- weeks, that outlines the entire
18 program --

19
20 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

21
22 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- how it works, the service, as well as
23 if you want to upgrade to -- if you travel a lot out of state
24 or -- or -- or out of the area, it's a \$35 --

25
26 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

27
28 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- upgrade and that makes you eligible
29 nationwide with -- with REACH Air.

30 And they have like -- like 200-some bases throughout the
31 nation, I believe.

32 So there is something coming that will explain it more and
33 will give you the option to upgrade --

34
35 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

36
37 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- for \$35 a year --

38
39 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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1 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- for your -- for a family.
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Keith?
3 COMMISSIONER CLARK: And you also have the option to sign
4 up for as many as 25 years. I signed up today for five years.
5 It was \$300.
6 And I think it's really significant that -- that we're
7 doing this in Lander County. One time'd break most people.
8 But they will pick you up anywhere that you need to be picked
9 up if you sign -- sign up this -- for this extra coverage,
10 anywhere in the United States.
11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Let -- let me -- is Gina still on the
12 line? Gina, are you there?
13 GINA FASINETTI: I am here. Yes.
14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. Let me clarify that. Because
15 my understanding was you were only in 32 states.
16 GINA FASINETTI: Actually, no. We-- we just acquired our
17 tower. You're covered in all of the United States except for
18 Alaska and Hawaii.
19 Our bases are in 32 states. But our planes and helicopters
20 have a coverage area of all of the states.
21 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
22 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So 48 states.
23
24 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
25
26 ROBIN YORK: Robin York.
27 This is a really good thing to have.
28
29 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
30
31 ROBIN YORK: I've been flown out twice in the last six
32 months from Battle Mountain. And you're looking at 61- to
33 \$51,000 without this.
34 I just want people to be aware of -- that if they are not
35 available, you have to go with another company. And then you
36 will be charged. So you should purchase another kind of air
37 flight.
38 Because I have another different one than REACH. And then
39 you're covered all around. And it's a good thing to have.
40 Thank you.

1 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thanks, Robin.
2 Any other public comment?
3 (No comment.)
4 You guys have any other questions?
5 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I don't have any questions.
6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Moving on.
7

8 **4) Update from Summit Engineering regarding Austin property**
9 **realignment and all other matters properly related thereto.**
10

11 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Update from Summit Engineering regarding
12 Austin property realignment and all other matters properly
13 related thereto.

14 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Go ahead and sit down, Larry.

15 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah. It's probably going to take a
16 minute.

17 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah.

18 LARRY GRUBE: For the record, my name is Larry Grube. I am
19 the chief photogrammetrist and IT director for Summit
20 Engineering.

21 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Good morning.

22 LARRY GRUBE AND COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good morning.

23 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Good morning.
24

25 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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27 LARRY GRUBE: Okay. Where we're at right now, --
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29 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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31 LARRY GRUBE: -- due to a stretched and a thin summer, we
32 lost a couple of --
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34 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
35

36 LARRY GRUBE: -- field people.
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38 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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40 LARRY GRUBE: So just about anybody who could be out --

1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
2
3 LARRY GRUBE: -- in the field was out in the field,
4 including me.
5
6 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
7
8 LARRY GRUBE: And I just joined the Social Security club
9 this year.
10 We have the first parcel map, which is around the Austin
11 Baptist Church and includes the property of Jack and Andrea
12 Burton. And Bonnie Maestretti is pretty well nearing completion.
13 I have to turn in the deeds for --
14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hold on, Larry. I'm going to move you
15 right there so the people of Austin can see you.
16
17 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
18
19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.
20
21 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
22
23 LARRY GRUBE: Do you want me to repeat that? Did everybody
24 hear --
25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Did you guys hear him?
26 Okay. Yeah. Speak a little louder, please.
27 LARRY GRUBE: Okay. Anyway, what we've done so far is we
28 came up with a -- let me kind of back up a little bit here --
29 we've come up with a merger -- what's called a merger and
30 resubdivision parcel map scheme. In other words, an order of
31 maps.
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33 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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35 LARRY GRUBE: We have about eight -- we have about six to
36 eight of those that we basically came up with a plan on.
37
38 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
39
40 LARRY GRUBE: We have submitted the first one to the

1 planning commission.

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3 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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5 LARRY GRUBE: We also partially submitted the second, but
6 we've got some ownership issues on that.
7

8 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
9

10 LARRY GRUBE: The first parcel map is -- involves the
11 Austin Baptist Church and then the property --
12

13 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
14

15 LARRY GRUBE: -- of Jack and Andrea Burton, which is
16 directly across the street from the Baptist church. And then
17 the property of Bonnie Maestretti, which is also across from the
18 Baptist church where there's a lot of equipment being stored.

19 The second map is just westerly of that --
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21 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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23 LARRY GRUBE: -- and also includes property of Bonnie
24 Maestretti. But we were having some issues figuring out the
25 ownership, which we suspect is probably Robert Hughes, on one of
26 the parcels that's involved in that. That one.

27 The big one that we are working on --
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29 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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31 LARRY GRUBE: -- now that we have pretty well drafted as --
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33 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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35 LARRY GRUBE: Bert, am I correct? Where Reese Street comes
36 off of the --
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38 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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40 LARRY GRUBE: -- the street that comes off --

1 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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3 LARRY GRUBE: -- of 50.
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5 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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7 LARRY GRUBE: It goes between Brewer and your dad's
8 property. That's --
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10 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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12 LARRY GRUBE: -- signed as Reese; correct?
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14 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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16 LARRY GRUBE: Okay.
17 Reese comes up, turns westerly, and then also -- and then
18 crosses the --
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20 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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22 LARRY GRUBE: -- properties of -- of Bonnie Maestretti
23 and --
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25 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)
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27 LARRY GRUBE: -- Geraldine Mills.
28 Julie Mills, who is Geraldine's daughter, and I have been
29 kind of trying to get our schedules meshed together so that I
30 can get out here and basically sit down with her and get her on
31 board with -- with what we want to do.
32 Reese Street as it crosses Bonnie's and Geraldine Mills'
33 property is completely in the wrong place.
34 So Julie wants to get it fixed, but she needs -- both
35 Bonnie and Julie need me to come up here and basically sit down
36 with them and just kind of pencil it out and show them what's --
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38 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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40 LARRY GRUBE: -- going on. I had sent them -- I had sent

1 them diagrams. But Bonnie did ask me to make -- to -- to come
2 up here and meet with her personally and get that straightened
3 out.

4 This past week -- thanks to Jan Morrison and Dee Helming --
5 I finally got in touch with Alan Brewer. Alan was under the --

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7 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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9 LARRY GRUBE: -- impression that --

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11 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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13 LARRY GRUBE: -- the southerly of his property -- he's just
14 north of --

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16 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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18 LARRY GRUBE: -- the Gridley Store.

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20 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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22 LARRY GRUBE: He was under the impression that an
23 abandonment had resolved all the issues with his property,
24 which I was ye- -- yesterday, in the process of getting a
25 display ready for --

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27 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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29 LARRY GRUBE: -- him to basically show him that, no, you've
30 got some issues there.

31
32 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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34 LARRY GRUBE: His -- where Reese crosses his property is --
35 once --

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37 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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39 LARRY GRUBE: -- again, Reese is completely on private
40 property. So by fixing the problems he has -- in other words,

1 he's occupying more property to the south than he should be,
2 although he kind of believes he's not.

3 But I -- I'm pretty sure once I get the diagram to him that
4 we'll be able to arrange some kind of a swap for getting the
5 dedication --

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7 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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9 LARRY GRUBE: -- of Reese through his property. And then
10 getting him the property to the south that he's --

11
12 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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14 LARRY GRUBE: -- that he's encroaching on.

15
16 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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18 LARRY GRUBE: So that's pretty much where we are at.

19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Are you going to meet with these people
20 today, Larry?

21
22 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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24 LARRY GRUBE: I was hoping to meet with Julie today, but
25 she said she's out of town. So the --

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27 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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29 LARRY GRUBE: We have --

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31 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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33 LARRY GRUBE: -- tentatively scheduled to get together next
34 Friday. I haven't called Bonnie yet --

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36 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

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38 LARRY GRUBE: -- because this --

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40 (Child making noise in the public gallery.)

1 LARRY GRUBE: -- this third parcel map involves both Bonnie
2 Maestretti --

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4 (Child crying in the public gallery.)

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6 LARRY GRUBE: -- and Geraldine Mills, who are cousins to --

7
8 (Child crying in the public gallery.)

9
10 LARRY GRUBE: -- each other.
11 And it's just -- it's pretty much just a matter of --

12
13 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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15 LARRY GRUBE: -- there's a fence between --

16
17 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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19 LARRY GRUBE: -- Geraldine Mills' --

20
21 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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23 LARRY GRUBE: -- residence --

24
25 (Side conversation in the gallery.)

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27 LARRY GRUBE: -- and then the empty Maestretti property.

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29 (Child crying in the public gallery.)

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31 LARRY GRUBE: So it's pretty much just saying, hey, guys,
32 are we good with just establishing the -- the property line
33 where the fence is?

34 But the key thing is getting --

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36 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

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38 LARRY GRUBE: -- consent to get the dedication of Reese
39 Street --

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1 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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3 LARRY GRUBE: -- across -- across their property.
4 Now --
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6 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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8 LARRY GRUBE: -- if -- for those of you that are familiar
9 with Reese Street, --
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11 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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13 LARRY GRUBE: -- as you're going --
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15 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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17 LARRY GRUBE: -- east to west by Geraldine Mills'
18 property, there's a large barn there right next to the road. So
19 what --
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21 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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23 LARRY GRUBE: -- we're trying to do is push the
24 right-of-way as far north as --
25
26 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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28 LARRY GRUBE: -- we can, but still keep all of the county's
29 improvements within the right-of-way.
30 The idea being that, you know, normally you want to center on
31 the improvements. But the idea of being that -- that over the
32 decades, the improvements can kind of migrate to the -- migrate
33 into the -- into the -- the right-of-way.
34 The issue is, is --
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36 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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38 LARRY GRUBE: -- there's quite a bit of a slope down --
39
40 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)

1 LARRY GRUBE: -- to the -- down to the --
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3 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
4
5 LARRY GRUBE: -- to the barn. So we really don't want to
6 -- we really don't want to --
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8 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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10 LARRY GRUBE: -- have the right-of-way --
11
12 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
13
14 LARRY GRUBE: -- right up to the barn. We want to try to
15 kind of keep it away --
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17 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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19 LARRY GRUBE: -- from the barn. So...
20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Larry, what kind of timeline are we
21 looking at?
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23 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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25 LARRY GRUBE: Well, what I'm hoping for now is, is since I
26 haven't had anybody in the office to really --
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28 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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30 LARRY GRUBE: -- help me with doing the mapping, --
31
32 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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34 LARRY GRUBE: -- my mapping guy's --
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36 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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38 LARRY GRUBE: -- been out in the field for the entire
39 summer. But now that we're getting into the winter, we're --
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1 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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3 LARRY GRUBE: -- we're starting to slow --
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5 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
6
7 LARRY GRUBE: -- down again.
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9 (Child crying in the public gallery.)
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11 LARRY GRUBE: And I'm going to be able to get my -- my
12 talent back into the --
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14 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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16 LARRY GRUBE: -- into the office. So what I'm really
17 hoping for is, is the maps --
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19 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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21 LARRY GRUBE: -- these progression --
22
23 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
24
25 LARRY GRUBE: -- maps that we sent you --
26
27 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
28
29 LARRY GRUBE: -- last spring, I'm hoping --
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31 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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33 LARRY GRUBE: -- we can have that all achieved --
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35 (Child crying in the public gallery.)
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37 LARRY GRUBE: -- um, by --
38
39 (Child crying in the public gallery.)
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1 LARRY GRUBE: -- by next week.
2 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Larry, --
3
4 (Child crying in the public gallery.)
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6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- hold on. Hold on, Larry.
7 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Just -- just one moment.
8 Can you --
9 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Let's take --
10 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- earlier --
11 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- a break for a couple --
12 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Anybody that --
13 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- minutes and --
14 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- was --
15 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- let those kids settle down.
16 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- came in after the fact, if
17 there's any noise, we need to have you step out, please.
18 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: I -- I -- I'm working on it.
19 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Okay. Thank you.
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21 (Child speaking in the public gallery.)
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23 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hey, Sadie, Art needs a five-minute break
24 real quick.
25 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Okay.
26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Will you pause that?
27 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Yep.
28
29 (Child crying in the public gallery.)
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31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: You can leave them on.
32 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: (To Battle Mountain) Okay, we're
33 going to go ahead and just leave you on in Battle Mountain.
34 Okay. But we are going to take a five-minute break.
35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Larry, don't run off.
36
37 (Break taken from 10:41 a.m. to 10:52 a.m.)
38
39 LARRY GRUBE: -- a little bit behind for the tax date of
40 July 1st this past year. So what our hopes are is to have all

1 of the ones we had scheduled pretty much ready to be recorded
2 sometime in March or April so that we have a couple of months in
3 case property owners still have to resolve tax issues.

4 The one parcel map that we were talking about where Reese
5 first comes off, we do have tax issues. We have a -- a property
6 there that's in -- that's in default.

7 So -- and my understanding from Jan Morrison is that the
8 county has started the pa- -- whatever the paperwork is.

9 But I'm hoping we can negotiate -- in other words, seizure
10 for nonpayment of taxes -- I'm hoping maybe we can get things
11 resolved with the property owner since it's in their best interest
12 to -- to let us go through with this process.

13 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. So explain to me, though, you'll
14 do this process. And if a property owner wants to object, what
15 -- what's -- what's the process like that look like?

16 LARRY GRUBE: That's more on the Lander County side. In
17 other words, what I asked Jan --

18 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Molly.

19 LARRY GRUBE: -- was -- the -- was basically, hey, can you
20 guys take the property so we can divide it and then just give it
21 right back to them?

22 And that -- I mean, that's a possibly.

23 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So pretty much you'll do the map and then
24 the county will have to sit down and have a town hall meeting
25 and visit with the property owners.

26 LARRY GRUBE: Correct.

27 But right at the moment, I just started negotiating with
28 that property owner. I'm trying to get him to understand that
29 there are issues on his property that it is more to his
30 advantage to, you know, get things straightened out so that we
31 can fix everything, both for him and for the county.

32 Right now he's under the impression that he doesn't have
33 encroachments when he -- when in reality he does.

34 So for those of you that aren't familiar, I'd like to kind of
35 drop back to the ways.

36 The town -- the -- Lander County had a surveyor named Mike
37 Donovan establish where the record lines were for the town. Now,
38 Mike Donovan, who passed away about four or five years ago, was a
39 very good friend of mine, probably got a lot of bad PR for this
40 survey because what people confuse is you have what are called

1 occupation lines -- that's where your fences are. That's where
2 the streets are -- versus record lines. Record lines are
3 basically in the court documents, in the deeds, in other words,
4 the description that says, hey, the line is here.

5 So when Mike Donovan finished his survey, the lines of record
6 did not match the lines of occupation.

7 And this was recognized within the court decree that, hey,
8 the lines don't necessarily match the lines of occupation.

9 So the process we're trying to do is to get lines of record
10 to match lines of occupation.

11 So the survey that Mike Donovan did was strictly a survey
12 to determine where the lines were by record.

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. Thank you, Larry.
14 Commissioners?

15 Questions?

16 Public comment?

17 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)

18 WILLIAM BAUER: William Bauer. We're rough at the end of
19 Paul Street.

20 We go back a little ways there, Larry. I met with Larry
21 March 27th of '14 with the encouragement of Pancho that they
22 were going to re- -- resurvey and all that, plot line adjustment,
23 to get involved and find out what's going on with the -- that may
24 involve us.

25 That's (indiscernible) develop at the time. (Indiscernible.)

26 So I met with Larry at his office. I did get one of the
27 nice big, colorful maps. I asked him if I could have a
28 photocopy of the map. It wasn't as pretty. We wrote a lot of
29 information on that that day.

30 LARRY GRUBE: That I still have.

31 WILLIAM BAUER: And Larry was saying that one of the lot
32 lines, I guess, on an abandoned over the street came through an
33 adjoining property owner's stable. So that was a concern.

34 He said, as a suggestion, would you be interested in having
35 diagonal but leave the old stable alone for our -- those owners,
36 ourselves, or future buyers.

37 And then on the other question was: Bert and Lillian had a
38 trailer park built and outlets and all that when lots of gold
39 ventures were booming. We had the new school built and
40 everything was going good. And they benefited by that quite a

1 bit.

2 But Bert really didn't want to encroach by pushing dirt
3 over on his own property because there was a building there, a
4 house and back of a trailer on that particular lot.

5 So he asked the property owner: Would you like to buy
6 that -- that one lot?

7 And he raised Cain with him, obscenities and (indiscernible)
8 else. So Bert backed off of that.

9 Well, Larry asked me about that again. And basically
10 Roberta and I said, no, we're not interested in -- in -- in
11 evolving that. In fact, there's -- in one of the commission
12 meetings that Larry indicated to me, but no name on it, that I
13 even called them back a year or so later saying, hey, when you
14 come up again, maybe do another job and put a couple stakes down
15 on that questionable encroachment. That really was really our
16 property, according to the survey. It was on the survey,
17 apparently. But that kind of ended that.

18 So then the big issue with the letter that I sent you and
19 the map --

20 LARRY GRUBE: Right.

21 WILLIAM BAUER: -- all the commissioners should have gotten
22 a copy of that, a cover letter, which copied my letter to
23 Larry --

24
25 (Recorded telephone message indicating telephone connection
26 with Battle Mountain ended.)

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28 WILLIAM BAUER: -- and to the county commissioners --

29
30 (Recorded telephone message indicating telephone connection
31 with Battle Mountain ended.)

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33 WILLIAM BAUER: -- and Patsy Waits --

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35 (Recorded telephone message indicating telephone connection
36 with Battle Mountain ended.)

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38 WILLIAM BAUER: -- describing what happened, what our
39 issues were. He's indicating that we don't want to cooperate
40 or --

1 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I think --
2 WILLIAM BAUER: -- we're bad people --
3 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- your phone call didn't work.
4 WILLIAM BAUER: -- but never mentions our name. We're
5 really not bad people, Roberta and I, --
6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Um.
7 WILLIAM BAUER: -- nor our mom.
8 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hold on.
9 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Let me try real quick.
10 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Sorry.
11 Technical --
12 ROBIN YORK: (Indiscernible.) Maybe if you take the phone
13 away from the speaker.
14
15 (Side conversation in the public gallery.)
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17 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Sean, do you have your phone on
18 you?
19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: I don't.
20 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Tonya, would you -- will, like --
21 will you text her and tell her to try calling back to the 2447?
22 Sorry.
23 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you, Ann.
24 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Yes. Thank you very much. Mine's
25 dead. Thank you. And then tell her to quit blowing her nose --
26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hey, Keith, --
27 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- or whatever it is --
28 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- by the time --
29 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- going on.
30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- we do this next time, we need to have
31 a little better --
32 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Just teasing.
33 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- setup.
34 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: But I don't know if it's the --
35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
36 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- phone connection or if
37 somebody's clicking something or problem.
38 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: She just texted me and said
39 she'd be (indiscernible).
40 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

1 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Okay.
2 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: She said okay.
3 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: It cut off or something.
4 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Okay.
5 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah, just turn that phone off and leave
6 that speaker on.
7 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: And go back to this one?
8 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah.
9 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: I know it's just something we have
10 to work on --
11 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Uh-huh.
12 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- for future meetings.
13 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)
14
15 (Indiscernible conversation from the public gallery.)
16
17 (Telephone ringing.)
18
19 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Austin.
20 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Hello.
21 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Okay. We'll try it back to the
22 Polycom instead of the cordless.
23 Okay. Thank you.
24 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Sorry. Go ahead.
25 WILLIAM BAUER: So anyway, the letter that I sent to the
26 commissioners was basically this survey is saying, hey, wait a
27 minute, Paul Street really may be affected. So therefore, we
28 can't put down asphalt or do any repair at all, I guess.
29 Doesn't sound right, we can't throw dirt in the potholes or
30 repair what John Gordon did three, four years ago of running
31 a -- a new water line under the road.
32 But we want to know from Mr. Grube that -- is Paul Street
33 really going to -- going to be affected? Will it have to be moved
34 north or south in that area or not?
35 LARRY GRUBE: Okay, Mr. Bauer, when I -- basically I
36 received the letter from you that said, you know, pretty much --
37 WILLIAM BAUER: Right, I just (indiscernible) --
38 LARRY GRUBE: And then you called me and we said -- we both
39 agreed, yeah, let's -- let's revisit this. And we will -- we
40 will get it fixed.

1 But the thing I indicated is we're getting -- we've gotten
2 a lot more agreement going on the east side of the town. So,
3 basically, we decided, okay, let's -- let's concentrate on
4 getting the east side of the town fixed and then start working
5 to the west.

6 Now, ad- -- admittedly, you're the furthest -- just about
7 the furthest to the west in the town.

8 So it's not a case of -- I'm -- I'm not ignoring you. I
9 appreciate the fact that -- that you've come back to the table
10 and we -- and we want to get things fixed.

11 Now, if there are issues, which it sounds like there is, we
12 can get that moved up in the -- in the priority.

13 But the critical issue is, I need all adjoiners to be in
14 agreement on where we -- on where we put the lines.

15 Now if we have to, we can drop back to a -- just an
16 abandonment and right-of-way acquisition, if that's what it takes
17 to -- to do a quick fix.

18 The problem is, when you do that, when you do right-of-way
19 abandonment, it does not automatically get absorbed into the
20 adjoining property. You still have to do another document after
21 that.

22 That's why we're proceeding with the merger and
23 resubdivision because what we get are clean parcels that are
24 just a single parcel.

25 So --

26 But, as I say, if -- if we need to move you up in the, --
27 if -- if -- if it's deemed by the commission that we should
28 get -- get on it, we'll get on it.

29 WILLIAM BAUER: The --

30 LARRY GRUBE: And I appreci- --

31 WILLIAM BAUER: -- commissioner pointed out, two and half
32 years ago, after I did some due diligence, some research, those
33 streets all mentioned in your map were all abandoned and deeded
34 to --

35 LARRY GRUBE: Correct.

36 WILLIAM BAUER: -- the adjoining property owner. So that's
37 not a question at all. That's all done.

38 Now the issue is -- the property owner that has property line
39 going through his stable, that's an issue between two property
40 owners, I suppose.

1 The other one is a fence line that ended where Bert and
2 Lillian decided to stop, not push the dirt over into buildings
3 that were actually on a deed. So that -- that could be resolved,
4 possibly. But I don't know how that would work, you know. Why
5 should we give up a lot when we don't need to?

6 You know, the building could be moved. It's just a -- a wall
7 standing there is about all it is.

8 So that, you know, could be talked about later.

9 LARRY GRUBE: Yeah. It --

10 WILLIAM BAUER: At any rate, I'd really like to have you
11 guys push it a little bit with Summit.

12 The \$200,000 that was initially allocated for this lot line
13 survey is a huge amount of money, has been dragging on four
14 years or better.

15 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Uh-huh.

16 WILLIAM BAUER: Not too much progress.

17 Mr. Gallagher came up last meeting -- or a couple of meetings
18 ago. He talked very briefly. Didn't know really anything about
19 the lot line adjustments because it's Larry's job. And then went
20 on to another issue about water meter charges and all that.

21 LARRY GRUBE: Yeah, we've also --

22 WILLIAM BAUER: So I'd really appreciate the commission to
23 take a good look at it and -- so we can move on, maybe be able
24 to drive our vehicle over there a few times without having the
25 wheels fall off. Thank you very much.

26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.

27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: So if I'm understanding it right,
28 then, the -- the main question right now is if you could take a
29 look at that and see, not go through all the -- the paperwork,
30 necessarily, but just take a quick look with the information
31 that Mr. Bauer's giving with the deeded property. Is Paul
32 Street really okay?

33 And if it is okay, we can get on it and do something. If
34 it's going to be affected, then it may have to wait its turn
35 coming through. And we'll have to do fixes until then.

36 LARRY GRUBE: Yeah. I mean, you have to understand,
37 Mr. Bauer, I'm -- it's actually, I'm not trying to ignore you.
38 It's just that doing the maps is kind of a case of taking the
39 path of the least -- of least resistance.

40 One of the first things I was asked to do was to try to get

1 Reese Street -- Reese Street resolved. So that's kind of high
2 on the priority list. And that's the area we're working on now.
3 So it's, like I say, when -- when you called up here, I guess,
4 last winter, late winter, and said, hey, you know, we need to
5 get -- we need to get something done, I -- it's as I told you
6 then, it's, like, okay, I'm glad you're on board with this and
7 we'll get looking at it.

8 So -- and I admit I have not at this point. But I will be
9 happy to take a look at it and send -- send out a display to you
10 to show you what -- we -- we changed quite a bit of what we said
11 we were going to do, based on the comments we got a year ago
12 last February at that meeting.

13 I kind of dropped back to the handbook we got from the
14 committee, the town committee, that basically came up with some
15 suggestions for what they wanted to do a few years back.

16 So I've tried to kind of combine that.

17 But right -- you know, for right now, it's like I say,
18 we're trying to pretty much get Reese Street resolved.

19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Larry, is Summit -- they're moving full
20 --

21 LARRY GRUBE: I'm sorry?

22 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- full -- Summit's moving on this,
23 though; aren't they?

24 LARRY GRUBE: It's -- it is pretty much me right now.
25 And it's like I say, as we go into the fall --

26
27 (Side conversation in the public gallery.)
28

29 LARRY GRUBE: -- I'm going to get -- the guy that's
30 supposed to be assisting me with mapping is going to be back in
31 the office.

32 Right now, I pretty much been -- between managing the IT
33 for the company plus working on some of -- some other Lander
34 County projects, including B- -- the Battle Mountain levee,
35 I'm -- I'm -- we're -- I'm stretched kind of thin.

36 But as the outdoor stuff starts to slow down, then we
37 get -- we get our mapping resources back inside.

38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So this fall you'll be full steam ahead?

39 LARRY GRUBE: Yes, sir.

40 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thank you.

1 ROBIN YORK: Robin York.
2 What we're -- basically want to know, though, is: Can that
3 road be fixed? Is the property line going through it? That's
4 what we want you to look at. Because that road's going to be
5 deteriorated in ten years when you guys get done, unless you guys
6 can get some more --
7 LARRY GRUBE: Okay. Now --
8 ROBIN YORK: -- people on board and help you.
9 LARRY GRUBE: Okay, I will -- I will -- I will take a look
10 at that.
11 I'm scheduled to be back up here --
12
13 (Side conversation in the public gallery.)
14
15 LARRY GRUBE: -- next week to meet with Bonnie and -- and
16 Julie Mills.
17 So --
18 ROBIN YORK: Okay.
19 LARRY GRUBE: -- if necessary -- well, actually, Bert and I
20 were talking about getting together after -- after this meeting.
21 Bert, we could just go up there and take a look at it?
22 BERT RAMOS: Sure.
23 ROBIN YORK: Yeah.
24 LARRY GRUBE: So --
25 ROBIN YORK: I'd appreciate it --
26 LARRY GRUBE: Okay.
27 ROBIN YORK: At least -- and it is -- it is in the near
28 future, is there any chance of you getting more people to help
29 you so that this can get done?
30 LARRY GRUBE: I -- I hope so. We've -- with the -- it
31 feels like this is the first summer where the recession really
32 ended for us.
33 ROBIN YORK: Because for us, it feels like a million years.
34 LARRY GRUBE: Yeah.
35 Well -- and we've just -- we've just been -- we lost two of
36 our field guys, which means that we've had to shift office guys
37 like me to -- to doing fieldwork.
38 So it's just been -- just been a lot of work.
39 ROBIN YORK: Okay.
40 LARRY GRUBE: But we'll --

1 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: It is a priority, though, Robin.
2 ROBIN YORK: Thank you.
3 LARRY GRUBE: One thing I will say, which is one thing we
4 said from the very get-go on this, that -- this, you know, this
5 isn't something that can happen overnight. Just to give you an
6 example, which -- in one of the newspaper articles somebody
7 said, I have no understanding of how this works.
8 The town of Austin, as I said earlier, is a court-ordered
9 subdivision.
10 Just so happens, I live in a court-ordered subdivision. It's
11 about 30 to 40 parcels. It was -- it had no engineering review.
12 Roads are in the wrong place. It took -- took us over a decade,
13 but we got everything fixed.
14 We got -- we either moved the -- we either moved the property
15 lines or we moved the roads. But we got it done. So --
16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Larry, I'm looking at, like, two years
17 here. But okay. Yeah. Just so you --
18 ROBIN YORK: We just -- we just want to get it done.
19 It's been --
20 LARRY GRUBE: Well, --
21 ROBIN YORK: -- on and on and on.
22 LARRY GRUBE: Yeah, the --
23 ROBIN YORK: I mean, my grandma was alive. And now she's
24 dead. You know -- and that's --
25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: But --
26 ROBIN YORK: -- something that we wanted --
27 LARRY GRUBE: The --
28 ROBIN YORK: -- to have done before she passed.
29 LARRY GRUBE: The advantage we have in Austin is we have
30 the county commission behind us on this.
31 Our subdivision was -- the county -- our county basically got
32 run over on the -- on the division.
33 So they -- they basically said, no, we don't want to have
34 anything to do with it. You have to fix it yourselves, which we
35 did. And that's what took a lot -- lot of time is we just didn't
36 have the funding.
37 So it probably could have happened faster if we'd had, you
38 know, like a -- if we'd had a special assessment district or
39 something like that.
40 But that costs additional money. So we got -- basically

1 the neighbors got together and said, we don't want to pay for a
2 special assess- -- assessment district.

3 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you, Larry.

4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Larry, we do appreciate you coming
6 today. And I understand, you know, some of the problems that
7 have gone on. Hopefully that's all behind us and we can really
8 make up some time here.

9 LARRY GRUBE: Yes, ma'am.

10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: And we, again, appreciate you coming
11 out to address --

12 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Any --

13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- everything.

14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hold on.

15 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Hold on.

17 Any other public comment?

18 (No comment.)

19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thank you, Larry.

20 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you, Larry.

21
22 **5) Update regarding Austin EMS and all other matters properly**
23 **related thereto.**
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25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Five. Update regarding Austin EMS
26 and all other matters properly related thereto.

27 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: (Indiscernible) here?

28 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah, or --

29 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Can I sit down?

30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: If you want, yeah. Take Larry's seat.

31 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Kim Schacht, Lander County EMS, South
32 EMS coordinator.

33 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Good morning.

34 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: We currently have on staff two EMTs and
35 now two drivers. We have Patsy Waits. And we have Deborah
36 Cardoza from Kingston.

37 However, now we're back down to one EMT running -- one of
38 our EMTs got in an accident and she's unavailable until further
39 notice.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: For quite a few months.

1 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Yeah, it'll be -- it'll be a while.
2 We do have seven drivers pending. They're just waiting on
3 their approval from the state.
4 November 5th, we're set to start our EMT class. And
5 currently, we have ten people signed up for the class. We do
6 have a couple spots open. So we're looking to fill all those.
7 You know, we hope to push up through all ten. Class will be put
8 on by Lander County EMS instructors.
9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Here in Austin?
10 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Here in Austin. It'll be at the
11 firehouse. It will consist of online. It will be a hybrid
12 class. It'll be a part online, part bookwork. And then it'll
13 be two Saturdays a month for skills training.
14 So -- and everybody seems to be on board with that. They're
15 good with that. It works with everybody's schedules.
16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Good deal.
17 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Our flu POD date is set for October 26th
18 for Austin and Kingston. Abby will be coming from the health
19 department. And the Lander County EMS will come to assist.
20 Okay.
21 An extrication class, we're hoping to have one in Austin in
22 October. We don't have the dates yet. They're to be determined.
23 It will be a night class. So it'll be good practice for us.
24 We're encouraging all emergency personnel to attend: sheriff --
25 SHANNON THISS: Does that include Kingston?
26 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Oh, absolutely.
27 SHANNON THISS: Great.
28 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: I will let you know.
29 SHANNON THISS: Great.
30 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: For sure.
31 SHANNON THISS: Thank you.
32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: State your name for the record.
33 SHANNON THISS: Sorry. Shannon Thiss, Kingston.
34 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.
35 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Absolutely.
36 MICHAEL WELLS: Kim, which equipment will we be -- Michael
37 Wells.
38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Will you come up here, though, please.
39 Sorry.
40 MICHAEL WELLS: Are you going to be using your equipment or

1 the fire department's --
2 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: From what I --
3 MICHAEL WELLS: -- equipment?
4 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: -- understand, the new equipment --
5 COMMISSIONER CLARK: We need his --
6 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: -- is just --
7 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- name.
8 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: -- like ours.
9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: He said it.
10 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: So --
11 KEITH WESTENGARD: The new equipment -- I told you guys I
12 was going to get you an extrication tool because the other one
13 was --
14 MICHAEL WELLS: Damaged.
15 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- damaged.
16 I -- I have it in my office.
17 MICHAEL WELLS: Okay.
18 KEITH WESTENGARD: But until you go through the training,
19 --
20 MICHAEL WELLS: You're keeping it in your office?
21 KEITH WESTENGARD: I'm keeping it there.
22 MICHAEL WELLS: Okay.
23 KEITH WESTENGARD: There is a set of battery-operated
24 extrication tools on the ambulance.
25 And Kingston has a set of battery-operated -- a
26 battery-operated extrication tool.
27 MICHAEL WELLS: Okay.
28 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Did you get that --
29 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Yeah.
30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- name?
31 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Depending on how many cars we get,
32 depending on how many we'll use, I guess. I mean, how many --
33 what kind of scenario we have.
34 That's about it today.
35 I will be attending the 25th Annual EMS Conference in Elko
36 and representing southern Lander County.
37 Any questions?
38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you. Any questions? Public
39 comment?
40 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Thank you.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Not a -- not a question, but I do have
2 a -- a comment, actually.

3 And this is "The Salute to First Responders, a Tribute to Our
4 Emergency Volunteers" that Winnemucca Publishing put out last --
5 was it last? -- yeah, last week.

6 Unfortunately, it was included in the Bugle only in the
7 north. It was not included in our Bugle in the south.

8 So we did put some extra information in because the south
9 also is -- is extremely important to be able to recognize our
10 volunteers.

11 In this, they have everything: Pershing, Winnemucca, the
12 whole works. We do have the Lander County EMS crew. I wish
13 they'd take better pictures because they always want to take
14 pictures when half of the group isn't there. But at least they
15 were named on the EMS crew. And that was important.

16 However, they did not have our Austin Fire Department.
17 They did have the Town of Kingston fire department, contacted
18 them. And that was -- that was a thank-you.

19 But we're missing Austin. And we're also missing our
20 Lander County sheriff.

21 So we just want to take a minute to say thank you to everyone
22 and let -- let those in the south know that -- that it was at
23 least a tribute to all of the volunteers. And whether you're in
24 here or not, we're still so very thankful for everything that you
25 do and have done and continue to do.

26 So thank you, all.

27 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

28 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.

29 WILLIAM BAUER: I'd like to make a couple statements.

30 Because I worked with the county, --

31 ROBIN YORK: State your name.

32 WILLIAM BAUER: -- I'm a former --

33 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: State your name.

34 WILLIAM BAUER: -- EMT -- William Bauer --

35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.

36 WILLIAM BAUER: -- former EMT, licensed attendant with
37 Lander County and the Battle Mountain General Hospital.

38 There's a specific -- went to Stewart -- (indiscernible),
39 rather, to maintain my certification four years ago and then,
40 again, six years ago.

1 And I -- with the -- I was working with Patsy on the
2 ambulance run here.

3 I've been a member of the Austin EMS from late '60s, early
4 '70s, probably early '70s would be more accurate. The early '60s,
5 I was a (indiscernible) in town.

6 I've been very active over the years, teaching CPR here for
7 many, many years, going on ambulance runs when I was available.

8 And Patsy really wanted me to take another trip to get my
9 credentials back. But at '73, I'm losing my enthusiasm. But I
10 just wanted to say, I've -- I've done a lot for the town. I will
11 continue to do as much as possible.

12 Bert and Lilly built one of the nicest houses in town. You
13 want to see it, you can at least get to it. Thank you much.

14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.

15 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Any other public comment?

17 Okay.

18 Thank you.

19 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: All right.

20 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thank you.

21 KIMBERLY SCHACHT: Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, Kim.

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25 **COMMISSIONERS**

26
27 **6) Discussion for specific needs and wants of southern Lander**
28 **County and all other matters properly related thereto.**
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30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Number 6. Discussion for specific
31 needs and wants of southern Lander County and all other matters
32 properly related thereto.

33 I actually have a list.

34 Dee Helming.

35 Good morning, everyone. I apologize that I wasn't here for
36 today's meeting. We had a recreational video scheduled for a
37 couple of months in advance.

38 Here is my request for Austin on item -- requesting things
39 Austin wants: a bandstand up in the park where there is bathrooms
40 close and ease of access for seniors and handicapped, the new

1 tables and chairs for the town hall promised to us and already put
2 in this year's budget, and a new roof for the youth center. I
3 know they fixed it, but it's just a Band-Aid and the main issues
4 are still there.

5 Thank you. Dee Helming.

6 I need to give that to you, Keith, when we're done.

7 KEITH WESTENGARD: The tables and chairs are in the budget.
8 I just need to order them.

9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

10 KEITH WESTENGARD: That was approved in March.

11 The other items we can look at, I guess.

12 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thank you.

13 I'm going open it up.

14 Public comment?

15 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)

16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: You guys don't need anything?

17 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)

18 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Frank, come on up.

19 FRANK WHITMAN: There's two items that I want to ask or to
20 talk about.

21 And I know one is our school, obviously. And I know -- I
22 know that this board does not have any direct, you know, control
23 over what our school board --

24 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Frank, state your name.

25 FRANK WHITMAN: I'm sorry. Frank Whitman, for the record.

26 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.

27 FRANK WHITMAN: -- has no direct say for what our school
28 board does. But you, as leaders of our community, can certainly
29 bring moral pressure upon our lack of a teacher and just holding
30 the school board to the agreement that they had made two years
31 ago about -- about staffing in -- in our school.

32 That's what I'm asking for is maybe a phone call from time to
33 time. And just something to hold the -- hold their feet to the
34 fire to what they had said that they would do for us. And I do --
35 I do acknowledge -- we all acknowledge that the school board is a
36 -- is a different entity. But again, as our leaders, please help
37 us.

38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

39 FRANK WHITMAN: I want to thank you for everything you've
40 done for our airport and -- as we continue to develop it. I

1 mean, it's taken time. You know, three-phase, power, water, the
2 pilots' lounge and the fuel coming up. Thank you very much.

3 And lastly, there's a lot of talk about our water board being
4 superseded by Battle Mountain.

5 And I -- there's a million rumors floating one way or the
6 other way around that.

7 And I have a suggestion. The board as it currently is set
8 up will have to two people who are termed out in January 1st.
9 And -- and that will leave a -- a -- a gentleman who -- who will
10 become the chair.

11 And he will -- he has had background in construction and
12 water. He's been on the board for years. Instead of moving toward
13 the -- Battle Mountain taking that GID over, may I suggest you
14 check kick the can down the road for, oh, say, until sometime next
15 summer and revisit the issue. And see how the new board -- it'll
16 take a while to get some new members for the board. You know,
17 there are some -- there's a fellow out in the valley who's
18 thinking about getting on that board and maybe somebody else in
19 town.

20 But I think with the new board, you know, one loss instead of
21 three losses, maybe confusions in the -- the issues we've had in
22 the past, may just resolve themselves. I don't see anything
23 really critical. I mean, I know that Highway 50 may get torn up.
24 There's some a sewer issues and drainage issues with that. We'll
25 work through that. We -- we can do that. Put Bert and -- and/or
26 Rick, both who do a -- a very good job and are -- it's not that
27 they're unqualified. It's just we would like to keep local
28 control if it's at all possible for GID.

29 So in essence what I'm asking is let the -- let the nature
30 take its course. In January 1st, two people are turned off.
31 Let the new chairman -- see if -- if he's up to -- up to the job
32 and give it six to eight months and see where we're at. Thank
33 you.

34 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thanks, Rick.

35 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Thanks, Frank.

36 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Frank. Sorry, Frank.

37 Keith, do you want to contact (indiscernible)?

38 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yep. Got it.

39 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

40 Thank you.

1 Any other public comment?
2 Really?
3 Okay.
4 With that, correspondence.
5 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Oh. Excuse me.
6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Oh.
7 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: I (indiscernible). Can I come up
8 and --
9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Oh, yes. Yes.
10 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Hi. I am Virginia.
11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Go on and sit down.
12 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Thank you.
13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You can turn the chair sideways a
14 little bit, Sissie, and that --
15 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Okay.
16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- way they can hear you out there
17 too.
18 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: All right, guys. I am Virginia
19 "Sissie" Gallegos.
20 And in 1998, I started a program for Lander County of "Stay
21 Out - Stay Alive."
22 On March the 7th, I filed against the depart- -- state
23 highway department down here because the mines are opening up on
24 the highway.
25 By filing the law I did and -- and presented it to an Officer
26 Dennis Lowell on that day.
27 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Excuse me, Commissioners, --
28 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: (Indiscernible.)
29 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: -- I think you need to open up
30 six for this item.
31 I don't think you opened it up; have you?
32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah, I did.
33 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Yes.
34 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: You opened it up?
35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah, that's what we're discussing.
36 Did I not?
37 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: You did.
38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
39 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Yeah, you did.
40 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

1 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: (Indiscernible.)
2 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Sorry. Go ahead.
3 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: What -- what the law did is it turned
4 around and the commissioners become responsible for the road.
5 And when the state didn't respond or didn't do anything to --
6 to do, you guys must come forward and take care -- I was hoping
7 Mr. Ray Williams was here today.
8 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: No.
9 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: He's at an appointment out of town.
10 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: And it would really help me with this
11 because I'm here to find out what we've done since March when
12 this was supposed to be responded on.
13 There is a 35-, 40-foot drift opening up six feet above the
14 highway.
15 The state has dug it out so far. The overhang is going to
16 fall.
17 And as I see, that is the only way into Austin right now.
18 So when that collapses and it collapses in Jay Gandolfo's big
19 shaft up there, the whole road will then be shut down.
20 The last time it opened up, they took out half the timber
21 on a super-G turn going down the hill. So you've got half the
22 timber of a shaft you're driving on, and the other half on the
23 other side was filled with rock and paved over. You -- that --
24 no. No.
25 It's time we have to look at this road and, like I said, I
26 filed in March, and maybe it's been a lot of years since we've
27 pret- -- did this.
28 And I was told to do this under public comment and drop
29 this on you because you have to know your liability in this.
30 And your liability stands that, right now, you know, I would
31 like to say we are going to look at this.
32 You know, you will -- I did a copy. You were all supposed to
33 have the pictures, the copies, everything. I don't know if
34 anybody --
35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: This is the first we're hearing of it.
36 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: This is the first you're hearing of it?
37 Okay. So --
38 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay, let -- let me just clarify
39 something, Sissie. Because you did call to get on the agenda.
40 And you're going to be on the agenda next time. Right?

1 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Yeah, --
2 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.
3 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: -- this has already been filed. And
4 the road is getting so bad, we need to know the --
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: No, I understand that. What I'm
6 saying is the backup information you sent in --
7 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Will be in the next packet.
8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- will be in the next one.
9 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: No, it was when I filed with
10 Mr. Lowell.
11 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Oh, no, we've never received --
12 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Officer Lowell.
13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- any of that.
14 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Yeah.
15 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Bert, do you know what road she's talking
16 about?
17 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: That's with the state.
18 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
19 ROBIN YORK: The end of town.
20 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: It's driving into town here.
21 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
22 Can we get with the state and see options?
23 BERT RAMOS: That's their right-of-way. I mean, we can
24 contact the state, but that -- yeah, the state -- we don't have
25 a real say in their right-of-way.
26 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay, legally?
27 BERT RAMOS: Legally it's the state.
28 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Legally?
29 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: And -- and the state and the
30 county can join forces in some instances and do something. But
31 it's a permissive situation where we have to get -- if it's a
32 state road, then -- then it -- then the state --
33 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. So we need to get it on the
34 next agenda so we can make a decision?
35 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: And we need to contact the state. Keith?
36 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Yes. Well, we can make --
37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah, we just --
38 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: -- a decision --
39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- still --
40 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: -- to contact the state.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You still can contact the state and
2 start or whatever to see what we need to do; right?

3 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Yes. So if we put it on the
4 agenda, you guy -- the commission can approve -- approve whether
5 or not we contact the state.

6 And at that point, we can ask the state what our options are.

7 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

8 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: Well, I can tell you what happened in
9 Douglas County on that in '92 when I -- when it -- it was
10 recorded the same way by using the provision that was allowed to
11 us. We changed Senate Bill 302. So when they recorded a mine
12 shaft, the commissioners said, we're going table this until the
13 next meeting. Robert French then fell in that hole and died.
14 And I worked with him and his estate and stuff. And the county
15 found out that it was its responsibility, and they settled for
16 \$3.7 million.

17 You need to look down below. I'll -- I'll get the papers
18 back to him again and -- and be on the agenda.

19 But --

20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Keith, you need to give her your contact
21 information.

22 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: And then I'll give him everything he
23 needs and -- to see. You don't have a lot of time. That hole,
24 they've dumped over that bank. And there are about two --
25 they're eight feet from crashing into Herschell Consolidated.

26 And if you want to close that road, the only road that's
27 going to get you into Austin is Morris, you know.

28 And I wanted to say, please don't table the liabilities
29 stake. We will work together. We're on this. And I'll get
30 this up to you guys and see you at the commissioner meeting.

31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Awesome. Thank you.

32 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Thank you.

33 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: We'll get on it.

34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I -- I do have a question. Because
35 for the commissioners to act, we do have to have an action item
36 on -- on the agenda. But in the interim, because of the county
37 liability, cannot you do the investigation for us and contact
38 the state and so forth so at least we're -- we're starting?

39 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Yeah, we can do that.

40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. Please.

1 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: But we'll do that as executive
2 director and district attorney, not as the County of Lander.
3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Absolutely.
4 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Right.
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yeah. No, I understand that.
6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
8 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Absolutely.
9 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
10 Any other public comment?
11 MICHAEL WELLS: I do have one question to address to the
12 commission.
13 And it's not my own concern, but -- Michael Wells, resident
14 of Austin.
15 The clinic across the street, I guess they haven't opened it
16 for a month, month and a half. When it was called -- when my wife
17 had called for appointments, they said they don't know when
18 they're going to have somebody here because they're short
19 staffed in Eureka. I don't know if this is a, you know, county
20 building, county paying the rent where they have some kind of --
21 the commission has an interest in this, --
22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.
23 MICHAEL WELLS: -- but just was trying to get an answer on
24 the status as far as the county's end is or any involvement.
25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Was your wife here earlier?
26 MICHAEL WELLS: She was here (indiscernible).
27 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Yes.
28 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Yeah.
29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: That was Bonnie.
30 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Keith's going to look into it.
31 MICHAEL WELLS: Oh, did she already speak about it?
32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yes.
33 MICHAEL WELLS: I didn't speak to her because I was --
34 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah.
35 COMMISSIONER WAITS: You've got the --
36 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: No, you're --
37 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- top and the --
38 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: -- good.
39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- bottom. Yeah.
40 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: So, obviously, it's of importance. So we

1 will look into it and see what we can do.
2 MICHAEL WELLS: Okay, sorry for --
3 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: No, you're good. You're good.
4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: It's all right.
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: It's okay, Michael.
6 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: All right. Thanks, Michael.
7 MICHAEL WELLS: No problem.
8 And with Austin Fire Department, we're in a limbo is the
9 best way we could put it. And I was going to speak to Keith
10 personally and maybe remove my involvement or see what he
11 advises. But that's really not important. That is the point.
12 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
13 MICHAEL WELLS: Thank you.
14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you, Michael.
15 Are you on that issue?
16 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yeah.
17 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.
18 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Thank you.
19 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Any other public comment?
20 BERT RAMOS: I have a public comment.
21 Bert Ramos, for the record.
22 One thing I want to say is that I'm -- I'm really proud of
23 the Road and Bridge up here. They are our park and rec, our
24 everything, our landfill, the whole nine -- they do everything
25 up here and they're shorthanded too.
26 So I don't think that they get shined on very much because
27 they're so far from everybody. But they do an outstanding job.
28 And Rick, since I've been gone, has done as good a job as I
29 ever did, if not better. So I'm really happy with that and I
30 just want to make that be known.
31 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.
32 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Thanks.
33 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Rick.
34 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
35 ROBIN YORK: Robin York.
36 I have -- I just wanted to you guys to go have a look at that
37 because that is -- because every time I drive in, I think, God,
38 when is that going to cave in? Because it is -- it's bad.
39 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Thanks, Robin.
40 Any other public comment?

1 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: There is one thing else I'd like to
2 say.

3 Bert here, two years ago, we had an ice shaft up on the hill
4 and brought in the Department of Minerals and worked with Lander
5 County and the bridge crew at that time.

6 And Bert went up on the hill and did a lot of mine shafts.
7 And he grew up here and didn't even know they were there. And
8 that was, at the time, you know, different. And we needed to say
9 thank you for the bridge. You guys did a awesome --

10 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you.

11 VIRGINIA GALLEGOS: -- awesome job on that hill.

12 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Any other public comment?

14 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Just wanted to say thanks for
15 coming on down.

16 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Yeah. Thank you for having us.

17 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you, all, for coming. We --

18 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)

19 COMMISSIONER WAITS: -- appreciate it.

20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. There's no other comments for that
21 agenda item.

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23 **7) Correspondence, reports, potential upcoming agenda items.**
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25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Correspondence, reports, potential
26 upcoming agenda items.

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28 (The following correspondence was received:

29 1. Monthly reports to Lander County Commissioners.
30 August 2016.

31 2. State of Nevada, Department of Conservation and
32 Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau
33 of Mining Regulation and Reclamation, Water Pollution Control
34 Permit, Au-Reka Gold Corporation, Permit Number NEV2010107
35 Draft.

36 3. State of Nevada, Department of Conservation and
37 Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau
38 of Mining Regulation and Reclamation, Water Pollution Control
39 Permit, Baker Hughes Drilling Fluids, Permit Number NEV0091045
40 Draft.

1 4. United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of
2 Land Management, Mount Lewis Field Office to Interested Public,
3 regarding a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the
4 Environmental Assessment for the Amendment to the Plan of
5 Operations titled "Amendment to the Horse Canyon/Cortez Unified
6 Exploration Project Plan of Operations (NVN-066621 [16-IA]) and
7 Reclamation Permit No. 0159 - Twin Declines for Underground
8 Exploration.

9 5. Department of Transportation, Board of Directors,
10 agenda notice of public meeting.

11 6. United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of
12 Land Management, Tonopah Field Office to Interested Public,
13 regarding Environmental Assessment analyzing the potential
14 impact of Makoil Inc. drilling an exploratory oil well at Soda
15 Spring 1-22, 22 miles south-southeast of Currant in Railroad
16 Valley, Nevada seeking possible public comment.

17 7. Barrick Cortez, Renewal Application for Pipeline
18 Project, Water Control Permit Number NEV0093109, to the Board.)
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20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: We have -- well, we obviously have a list
21 from here.

22 Okay. Anything else you guys would like to see?

23 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I'm hoping we -- on the next agenda we
24 certainly can have the footings. We --

25 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: They didn't have the -- did --
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27 (Simultaneous indiscernible conversations in the gallery.)
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29 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Should be getting a cost.
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31 (Simultaneous indiscernible conversations in the gallery.)
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33 KEITH WESTENGARD: Little update on footings for the Austin
34 Airport. J-U-B is working with L.A. Perks --
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36 (Simultaneous indiscernible conversations in the gallery.)
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38 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- to get a -- a cost on the -- on the
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1 (Simultaneous indiscernible conversations in the gallery.)
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3 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- get a cost on the footings.

4 The holdup right now is the power, the electrician that's
5 subcontracted through L.A. Perks.

6 So I hope to have it on.

7 I spoke with Tom at J-U-B yesterday about this. He will be
8 here next week. So I'm hoping it will be on the next agenda so
9 we can get going.

10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thanks, Keith.

12 Do you guys have any other agenda items?

13 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Nope.

14 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay.

15 Any public comment?
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18 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
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20 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. Public comment for non-agendized
21 items only.

22 Persons are invited to submit comments in writing and/or
23 attend and make comments on any non-agenda item at the board
24 meeting, if any, and discussion of those comments at the
25 discretion of the board. All public comment may be limited to
26 three minutes per person, again at the discretion of the board.
27 Reasonable restrictions may be placed on public comment based
28 upon time, place, and manner, but public comment based upon
29 viewpoint may not be restricted.

30 Any non-agendized item public comment?

31 (No comment.)

32 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Okay. With that, I'll entertain a
33 motion.
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36 **ADJOURNMENT**
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38 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Motion to adjourn.

39 ROBIN YORK: I want to thank you guys for coming out.

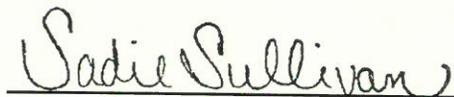
40 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Second.

1 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'll second --
2 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Thank you, Robin.
3 COMMISSIONER CLARK: -- that.
4 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: I'll second the motion.
5 CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Doug made a motion. Steve seconded.
6 Any other public comment?
7 All in favor?
8 COMMISSIONER STIENMETZ: Aye.
9 COMMISSIONER MILLS AND CHAIRMAN BAKKER: Aye.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS AND COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.
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