

JULY 19, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Joe Crim, Chairman. Those present were Larry Rackley and Shayla Hudson, Commissioners; Bryce Shields, District Attorney; Karen Wesner, Administrative Assistant; Lacey Donaldson, Clerk; and Justin Abbott, IT.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2023 meeting with the correction of two typos. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

PUBLIC INPUT: There was no public comment at this time.

REVIEW OF ALL AGENDA ITEMS TO DETERMINE IF ANY DO OR DO NOT IMPOSE A DIRECT AND SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC BURDEN ON A BUSINESS OR DIRECTLY RESTRICT THE FORMATION, OPERATION OR EXPANSION OF A BUSINESS: Mrs. Hudson made a motion that no agenda items impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or directly restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of a business. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS:

ROAD DEPARTMENT – Dan Hill was present.

Mr. Hill reported that they have been fixing washouts. They worked on some roads in Lower Valley that they didn't get to when they were prepping for Mag Chloride. They've been mowing weeds in Grass Valley. Mr. Hill also reported that they've been having some issues with the tractor, so they will be renting one to get through the summer. The crew has been working on the lot next to the Sheriff's office. They tore down the building and will be removing the tree stumps. Mr. Hill thanked the School District for letting them use an excavator that they had rented. The Road crew helped the school one day to finish a project and then were able to use the excavator the following day.

Approval to advertise/hire Road Maintenance Worker I/II based in Imlay, NV: It was noted that August 25th is Gery Monroe's last day.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the request to advertise and hire to fill the vacant Road Maintenance Worker I/II based in Imlay. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

LANDFILL – Dan Hill was present.

Mr. Hill reported that they burned the Imlay transfer site and cleaned up the area. The six-month NDEP (Nevada Division of Environmental Protection) report has been completed. We did go over our allotted amount this time, mostly due to demolition waste from Coeur's POA 11 project. Mr. Hill stated that he overlooked that and probably should have had them divert that material. He will address it now.

Salary Resolution, P. Fillon: This item was pulled from the agenda.

RECYCLING – Mr. Crim stated that things are going well.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS – John Handka was present.

Mr. Handka reported that the trees are being trimmed in the Park. They are trying to keep up with the weeds and regular maintenance work.

Approval to hire 2 seasonal, temporary employees to temporarily fill two vacancies (FMLA and open position, and an on-call position): Mr. Handka stated that he has two people working with him through the District Court. Mrs. Hudson asked if this expense is in Mr. Handka's budget. Mr. Handka stated that since he is down two people, he does. Mrs. Childs stated that the person on FMLA will still be drawing a paycheck, so he only has one vacancy, plus the on-call. Mr. Handka still feels his budget will cover it.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve hiring two seasonal, temporary employees to temporarily fill two vacancies and the on-call position. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Mr. Handka also stated that the Park has been being used quite regularly over the weekends. He feels if people are having events in the park, they should have to come before the Commission for approval.

PERSHING COUNTY FIRE/AMBULANCE –

AMBULANCE REPORT: Marti Nolan was present via Zoom.

Ms. Nolan reported that they've had 17 calls since the last meeting, with three of those having 4 or more patients.

Approval of down payment for ambulance re-mount in the amount of \$96,880.00 to Fire Trucks Unlimited: Chief Wilcox stated that they did budget for this. They will be taking the ambulance in at the end of August for the re-mount. Mr. Rackley asked how long it would take. Chief Wilcox stated that it would take approximately three months. Mr. Crim asked what the total cost is, and Mrs. Childs stated that we budgeted \$195,000.00. Chief Wilcox stated that he is taking the City's fire truck to Las Vegas for maintenance, and would like to deliver the check.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the down payment for the ambulance re-mount in the amount of \$96,880.00 to Fire Trucks Unlimited. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

LOVELOCK FIRE: Chief Rodney Wilcox was present.

Chief Wilcox reported that they have 20 members, with 4 being Firefighter I's. All their physicals are up to date. The new brush truck is in service. Four members attended the conference in Elko. Chief Wilcox stated that the conference will be held in Lovelock next year, which will also be the Department's 100 year anniversary. The Firefighter I class is still ongoing. Chief Wilcox also spoke about their equipment. The City has 2 engines, with one of those going out of service for about two weeks. The County's engine will serve as back-up. Once the City's engine comes back from being serviced, he would like to have the County's serviced as well. Chief Wilcox stated that the Board really needs to think about putting in 1-2 full-time employees at the fire department.

LANDFILL, CONT.D – Mr. Hill came back to the meeting to speak about the vacancies in his departments. He had a former Landfill employee reach out to him. He has agreed to help out until someone can be hired permanently.

SAFETY/CEMETERY – Cheryl Haas submitted a written report, which Mr. Crim read.

Ms. Haas reported that she is waiting on POOL/PACT to finish the Safety Manual. The yearly safety courses have been sent out. A new AED (Automated External Defibrillator) was placed at the Museum. Ms. Haas attended the LEPC meeting. She is also coordinating with Mr. Handka to have an automatic door installed at the Library.

In regard to the cemeteries, they have been doing weed control. There will be a funeral on Saturday. A few more plots were sold at Big Meadow. The trees that need to be removed have been marked. She also spoke with Terri Wilcox, City Clerk, about getting a permanent dumpster at both cemeteries.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS MANAGER/LEPC – Sean Burke was present via Zoom.

Request permission to apply for NV Division of Forestry (NDF) Volunteer Fire Assurance Grant (VFA) for each of the 4 Pershing County Fire Departments up to \$15,000.00 per department to purchase Wildland fire equipment: Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the request to apply for a NV Division of Forestry Volunteer Fire Assurance Grant for each of the four Pershing County Fire Departments, up to \$15,000.00 per department, to purchase Wildland fire equipment. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Request permission to apply for POOL/PACT grant for Imlay Volunteer Fire Department for SCBA compressor system up to \$60,000.00 with 25% match: Mr. Burke stated that they have been

trying to purchase a compressor for several years. Mr. Burke submitted a grant, which was unsuccessful.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the request to apply for a POOL/PACT grant for the Imlay Volunteer Fire Department for an SCBA compressor system up to \$60,000.00, with a 25% match. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Mr. Burke reported that there was a LEPC meeting a couple weeks ago, and they held a tabletop for earthquake preparedness.

IT DEPARTMENT – Justin Abbott was present.

Mr. Abbott reported that Mrs. Burrows has gone to part-time for the summer, so he is working on the day to day issues as they arise. He has finished the Kaseya upgrade and is waiting on them to finalize it. Mr. Abbott participated in a technical meeting with AT&T regarding that project. They have fixed the billing on the account we hadn't received a bill for. They are also working on giving us credits. All the services should be re-established by next week.

Approval to change requests to Star2Star accounts deleting unused lines and updating user features to reduce costs: Mr. Abbott explained that once the system was in place, we found items that were not needed. For example, not every user needs voice mail. There were also some extensions that were set up incorrectly.

Mr. Crim stated that before he signs the document, he wants to make sure that there are no surprises. Mr. Abbott stated that Mrs. Burrows did the legwork on this, and he is confident that these changes are what are needed.

Mr. Shields asked about the breaks in calls, and what is causing them. Mr. Abbott believes it is an internet issue. VOIP doesn't work well with wireless internet. Mr. Shields asked when we will be off the wireless. Mr. Abbott stated that he is hoping for the end of August. Mr. Shields also asked about billings for services that weren't provided. Mr. Abbott stated that the services were provided, but not being used. The Library issue has been resolved and we are being credited. It was noted that the contract with Star2Star expires in approximately 2 ½ years.

Mrs. Donaldson also let Mr. Abbott know that two extensions in her office are not working this morning. Mrs. Hill stated they are having the same issue in the Assessor's office.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the change requests to Star2Star accounts, deleting unused lines and updating user features to reduce costs. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Heidi Lusby-Angvick was present.

Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that they had a quick PCEDA meeting last week, and she sent the Board an update of what she'd been doing the past month. She also sent some information to a student in Gardnerville for his "County in a can" project. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick spoke about Morgan Root, who is a PCEDA member, and represents Economic Development on the Pershing Healthcare Foundation as well. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick is very proud to say that Ms. Root chairs the Healthcare Foundation and she is currently promoting their annual fundraiser dinner, which will be on August 12, 2023.

The new budget year started on July 1 and GOED (Governor's office of Economic Development) has increased the funding for the Nevada 95-80 Regional Development Authority to approximately \$60,000. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that she uses this funding to cover her travel, any project assessment fees, and the balance goes against her salary.

In regard to the Brownfields grant, Mrs. Lusby-Angvick will be attending a webinar today. Converse Consultants, the company that we used for the Pershing County Brownfields project, was also awarded the Humboldt County project. On July 26th they will be meeting in Humboldt to discuss the new grant cycle. On July 20th she will be meeting with CCLR (Center for Creative Land Recycling), an organization that provides training for grant writing and management. They are also sponsoring the Brownfields Conference in Carson City on September 13th. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick will also be attending the National Brownfields Conference August 7-11, 2023, in Detroit.

Mrs. Lusby-Angvick also reported that the WNDD (Western Nevada Development District) Executive meeting was held in Reno on June 22nd. They are currently planning their semi-annual meeting for August 21st at the Reno-Stead Wastewater Reclamation facility. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick was nominated to serve another term as vice-chair. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick also attended the USDA Rural Partners Network meeting in Genoa on June 7th and felt it was a beneficial meeting. She learned about a home repairs program.

In regard to tourism, Mrs. Lusby-Angvick has been working on the Pershing County Points of Interest for the Nevada Division of Tourism. She also met with Shari Davis, Director of Rural Economic and Community Development, regarding the Nevada Main Street program.

Mrs. Lusby-Angvick also stated that the Nevada 95-80 Futures Forum will take place on October 25th in Winnemucca. Director Burns with GOED will be here on July 27th to tour our community. Governor Lombardo is also planning a tour through our County and Lt. Governor Anthony will be here for lunch on August 30th. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick also informed the Board that she will be taking 2 ½ weeks of vacation; however, she will have her laptop if needed and can be reached by cell.

Leann Gallagher asked about the grant Mrs. Lusby-Angvick discussed, wanting to know how the balance is allowed to be applied to her salary. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that being a part of a regional development authority, we are eligible for State funding. The money is used for assessments, travel, publications, and the remainder subsidizes her County salary. Mrs. Gallagher didn't understand how grant money can be used for someone's salary. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that it isn't really grant money, she is technically a contract employee for the State. Mrs. Childs also explained that the County's Economic Development budget gets credited for the amount left, which is then charged against the State funding, so the grant is 100% full filled. Mrs. Gallagher asked if Mrs. Lusby-Angvick also gets an additional salary. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick only receives the salary that is set by the County. This money off-sets some of the County's expense.

Mrs. Gallagher also asked about the City's outdoor fitness facility, wondering if Mrs. Lusby-Angvick was still pursuing it. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that it is part of her job to pursue grants for the community. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that the community asked for upgrades to the park, so she is looking at all available opportunities. The decision to accept the grants is not hers.

PUBLIC DEFENDER – Steve Cochran was present.

Salary Resolution, E. Canchola: Mr. Cochran stated that Ms. Canchola has been here six months and is doing a great job. He also stated that retention is important. Mrs. Childs stated that the increase is not in the budget until December. It was also noted that all employees received a salary increase in July. Mrs. Wesner explained that within the Employee Classifications, an Admin Clerk I can be promoted to an Admin Clerk II within 18 months if they have a successful evaluation, and disagreed with Mrs. Childs, stating that the money is in the budget. Mrs. Childs reiterated that the budget was submitted with 6 months at the current classification and 6 months with the promotion increase. The money would only be there if Mr. Cochran chooses to cut his budget in other areas. The Board stated that they would address this in December.

Appointment of Public Defender's office to complete and submit DIDS (Department of Indigent Defense Service) quarterly reports: Mr. Cochran stated that this was being done by the Court Administrator. Mr. Shields stated that when these reports first became a requirement, they had to delegate someone to handle them. The original assignment did not work out, so Mr. Shields' office has been handling them, with the help of Mrs. Childs. Mr. Shields doesn't feel this is appropriate and is suggesting moving it to the Public Defender's office.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve appointing the Public Defender's office to complete and submit the DIDS quarterly reports. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

ELECTED DEPARTMENTS:

LACEY DONALDSON, CLERK-TREASURER – Mrs. Donaldson reported that on July 6th she completed Tax Calculation. Early last week she proofed the bills, and they were all in the mail by that Friday. The office is already very busy taking calls and accepting payments. Mrs. Donaldson has also been busy approving Ministers to perform marriage ceremonies at this year’s Burning Man event, with approximately 10 applications already being approved. Mrs. Donaldson also reported that they still have a vacancy and haven’t received any new applicants.

Approval of corrections/changes to the Tax Roll – APN #001-131-07 and 001-131-02 (LH000004), Tax and Landfill Assessment: From Ms. Basso-Cerini’s notes: A leasehold account had to be created in order to bill an exempt status parcel. The account was created to tax the “Windmill” property, which is owned by Pershing County, but leased to Seven Troughs Distillery.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the corrections/changes to the Tax Roll for LH000004 (APN #001-131-07 and 001-131-02). Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

RENE CHILDS, RECORDER-AUDITOR – Mrs. Childs gave the Board the June Month End reports.

LAUREEN BASSO-CERINI, ASSESSOR – Mrs. Basso-Cerini stated that she didn’t have an update.

DOWL, ESRI (previously Farr West), ArcGIS Online Creator Annual Subscription and 4 ArcGIS Online Credits – Block of 1,000 for cost of \$1,030.00: Ms. Basso-Cerini stated that these expenses have a line item in her budget as well as the General Fund.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the DOWL, ESRI, ArcGIS Online Creator Annual Subscription and 4 ArcGIS Online credits, Block of 1,000 for cost of \$1,030.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Renewal Contract for GIS Services from DOWL for FY2024: Ms. Basso-Cerini stated that this contract wasn’t sent to her in a timely manner (an oversight by DOWL). Mrs. Donaldson also added that this is used by more than just the Assessor’s office.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the renewal contract for GIS Services from DOWL for FY2024, with a total not to exceed \$42,000.00. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

JERRY ALLEN, SHERIFF – Sheriff Allen reported that he will need an item on the next agenda to fill a Dispatcher position. They had two Search and Rescue missions over the weekend and all parties were found safe. Sheriff Allen stated that he tried to take a week off, but it ended up being 4 ½ days.

GRASS VALLEY ADVISORY BOARD: Linda Workman introduced Mike Evans, new board member. She also introduced Denis Savard, who has submitted a letter of interest for the Board.

Ms. Workman spoke about a Chili Cook-off event they are hosting on October 7th, stating that they need judges. She also asked how she applies for a Special Event Liquor License. She was instructed to contact Mr. Evans in the Planning Department.

Mrs. Workman stated that she had also informed the Board about two dead trees and wanted to know if they could remove them themselves. The Board did not have an issue with that.

Mr. Evans would also like the Building Department to assess the power at the Community Center to make sure they can use it during the event. Mr. Crim will have Mr. Handka look at it.

DERBY FIELD AIRPORT: Mr. Rackley stated that they had an Advisory Board meeting last week. They discussed cleaning up the home and advertising for a new caretaker. It was noted that the current tenant is still there. Mr. Rackley now has a chart so they can monitor fuel usage. Mr. Rackley also stated that NDOT (Nevada Department of Transportation) completed their annual inspection, and we were written up for weeds.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

GRASS VALLEY ADVISORY BOARD – A letter of interest was received from Denis Savard. Mrs. Hudson made a motion to appoint Denis Savard to the Grass Valley Advisory Board, representing Business. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Nathalie Antus submitted a letter asking to be reappointed to the Planning Commission.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to reappoint Nathalie Antus to the Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

VOLUNTEER ADVISORY BOARD – A letter of interest was received from Joseph Stacey.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to appoint Joseph Stacey to the Volunteer Advisory Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Mrs. Hudson stated that we have a lot of vacant positions on advisory boards.

YVONNE (VONNI) HEMP, REQUEST FOR COUNTY TO PURCHASE (1) YEAR PERS BUYOUT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,470.67: Mrs. Hudson thanked Mrs. Hemp for all her years with the County. Mr. Rackley spoke about setting a precedent. Mr. Crim stated that he is unaware of the County doing this in the past. Mrs. Hemp stated that she is not asking for a buy-out, she is asking that the County recognize her first 7 years of service that PERS was not given and make her whole. It might set a precedent, but there isn't any other employee who currently has this circumstance.

Penny Higby asked if an employee can purchase their own PERS credit. It was noted that they can. Mrs. Hemp again reiterated that she is asking that the County purchase PERS for the time that she was an employee, but didn't receive credit. Leann Gallagher asked where the funding would come from. Mrs. Hemp stated that it was explained before that it would come out of the Map Fees in the Recorder's office. This is the fund that was used to pay Mrs. Hemp for those first 7 years. It can only be used for Recording services. Ms. Basso-Cerini asked for verification regarding the "buy-out" verbiage. Mrs. Hemp stated that it is technically a "buy-out", but she isn't asking for something that she hasn't earned.

Mrs. Hudson asked if legal council had any comments. Mr. Shields stated that he doesn't, but unfortunately the Board doesn't have the guidance of a policy.

It was noted that the School District's policy is if you buy two years for yourself, the School District will buy an additional one year. Mrs. Hudson stated that the Board needs to look at adopting a policy. Mrs. Hemp asked if the Board is seriously going to adopt a policy, as she sees current policies not being followed or made up as we go.

The Board did not take any action.

SCOT NICHOLS, ORMAT TECHNOLOGIES: There was no one present on behalf of Ormat.

TERMINATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN PERSHING COUNTY AND GREAT BASIN CO-OP TESTING LAB FOR APN #007-241-62: Mr. Rackley stated that the County owns two lots in the Industrial Park. One was leased to Great Basin Coop for a testing facility. Mr. Rackley isn't aware that they have ever followed through.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve terminating the lease agreement between Pershing County and Great Basin Co-Op Testing Lab for APN #007-241-62. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

CREATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN PERSHING COUNTY AND UPRISE FIBER, INC. FOR APN #007-241-62 AND/OR APN #007-241-81 FOR UPRISE FIBER TO LEASE ONE OR BOTH PARCELS ON YEARLY BASIS IN EXCHANGE FOR WAIVING ONE YEAR OF INTERNET/SERVICE CHARGES TO THE COUNTY (APPROXIMATELY \$24,000-\$30,000): Mr. Rackley stated that Uprise was interested in leasing a lot to store materials on. Mr. Rackley stated that Uprise is in discussions with another individual to purchase a lot. He would recommend making a proposal.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to propose a lease agreement between Pershing County and Uprise Fiber, Inc. for APN #007-241-62 and/or APN #007-241-81 for Uprise Fiber to lease one or both parcels on a yearly basis in exchange for them waiving one year of internet/service charges to the County. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Penny Higby asked for if the County would then be responsible for the \$24,000-\$30,000. Mr. Rackley stated that the County would have to pay the internet/service charges once the fiber is available.

REAPPOINTMENT OF BRYCE SHIELDS, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, TO THE NEVADA LOCAL JUSTICE REINVESTMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR THE 2023-2025 MEETING CYCLE: Mr. Rackley made a motion to reappoint Bryce Shields, District Attorney, to the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council for the 2023-2025 meeting cycle. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

DECLARATION OF VACANCY ON THE PERSHING COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES; START PROCESS TO FILL VACANCY: Ted Bendure, Hospital Board Trustee, was present.

Mr. Bendure stated that although vacancies are filled by the County Commission, they are an elected board. He also wanted to make sure that this vacancy is filled a little different than other appointments that the Commission makes. It is very important that the person appointed is interested in the Hospital and knows the work that is involved. Mrs. Donaldson stated that the vacancy will be advertised, and the Commission will accept letters of interest. Interviews will then be held during a regular Commission meeting.

Chuck Sayles asked if the requirements mentioned by Mr. Bendure would be included in the advertisement. Mr. Shields stated that Mr. Bendure didn't provide any requirements necessarily, just suggestions on how to handle the appointment.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to declare a vacancy on the Pershing County Hospital Board of Trustees and start the process to fill the vacancy. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

APPROVAL OF 2023-24 PERSHING COUNTY CONFLICTS CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH KYLE B. SWANSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,180.00: Leann Gallagher asked what this contract is for. Mr. Shields explained that Mr. Swanson serves if there is a conflict with our Public Defender.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the 2023-24 Pershing County Conflicts Contract renewal with Kyle B. Swanson, Attorney at Law, in the amount of \$62,180.00. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

LIST OF PROPOSED PROJECTS, PRIORITIZING AND CHANGING/AMENDING THE PROJECTS FOR ALLOCATION OF THE COVID-19 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING FOR PERSHING COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,306,252.00: There are no changes.

LIST OF PROPOSED PROJECTS, PRIORITIZING AND CHANGING/AMENDING THE PROJECTS FOR ALLOCATION OF THE LOCAL ASSISTANCE AND TRIBAL CONSISTENCY FUND (LATCF) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,200,000.00 (\$2,022,300.00 correct amount); APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICE FROM WEST COAST PUMP & WELL WORKS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,594.14 FOR REPAIR TO THE IMLAY WATER SYSTEM WELL: It

was noted that there is a typo on the agenda in regard to the amount. The correct amount is \$2,022,300.00. It was noted that the majority of this funding is earmarked for the Imlay Water System, with \$60,000 earmarked for SCBAs (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) for the fire departments.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve paying the invoice from West Coast Pump & Well Works in the amount of \$36,594.14 for the repair to the Imlay Water System Well out of the LATCF funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley.

Chief Wilcox asked where this funding came from. Mrs. Childs and Mr. Shields explained that these are Federal Funds provided to eligible Tribal governments and counties for general revenue enhancement.

The motion carried.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL: Mr. Shields did not have anything to report.

REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT / HR: Mrs. Wesner stated that all is fine. She is still working on the process for the salary study. She is also working with Pool/Pact to schedule this year's employee training.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS: Mr. Shields received an email from Marci Ryba regarding raising the compensation for Indigent Defense Conflict Counsel from \$100 to \$150. This refers to 3rd and 4th tier conflicts and counsel is appointed by DIDS (Department of Indigent Defense Services).

Rodney Wilcox spoke about ambulance calls to the jail, stating that they don't get paid for them. He asked if they should be getting paid from the Indigent Fund. Mr. Shields will speak to Mrs. Childs.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no correspondence discussed.

MATTERS OF THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION, BOARD MEMBER REPORTS, BOARD LIAISON REPORTS: Mrs. Hudson reported that she attended the Central Nevada Water Authority meeting last Friday, which was a special meeting for legislative updates. There is a Humboldt River Water Basin Authority meeting coming up. She also attended the Recreation Board meeting last Tuesday night and thought that the Boys and Girls Club item would have been on today's agenda.

Mr. Rackley stated that the Central Nevada Health District needs to be added to this agenda item. The CNHD is currently working to fill vacancies and currently have an interim administrator. Mr. Rackley went to Toulon peak yesterday. He stated that Southwest Gas was wondering if they needed to file an updated permit with the BLM since they have updated their equipment, but the BLM has said they do not need to. The keypad system on door up there isn't working, so Mr. Rackley has ordered a new one. Mr. Rackley also took more pictures of the battery banks and will be asking Mr. Shields for help writing bid specifications to have them removed. It was noted that there is money in the budget.

Mr. Crim had nothing to report.

PUBLIC INPUT: Leann Gallagher spoke as a representative of the Boys and Girls Club, stating that they are moving forward thanks to the Rec Board, the City Council, and the Lovelock Paiute Tribe. Penny Higby stated that not everyone in the community cares about a Boys and Girls Club.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the vouchers, with the exception of vouchers for Vendor #521, BSL Electric and Vendor #556, Larry Rackley. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the voucher for Vendor #521, BSL Electric. Motion seconded by Mr. Crim. Mrs. Hudson abstained. Motion carried.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the voucher for Vendor #556, Larry Rackley. Motion seconded by Mr. Crim. Mr. Rackley abstained. Motion carried.

As there was nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Approved 9/06/23: _____ /s/
Joe Crim, Chairman

Attest: _____ /s/
Lacey Donaldson, Clerk