

AUGUST 2, 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: Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 29, 2023 special meeting and the July 5, 2023 regular meeting as submitted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

PUBLIC INPUT: There was no public input 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 asked about the item regarding the Boys and Girls Club affecting the Day Care Center. Mr. Shields didn't think it applied as it doesn't involve a tax or a fee.

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 AND LANDFILL – Dan Hill and Gerry Monroe were present.

Mr. Hill reported that they have been helping out at the Landfill. Mr. Monroe has been taking care of the commercial side of things. Mr. Hill has been spraying weeds. They are also mowing weeds were needed. Travis DelaVega was hired for the Imlay position, and he started yesterday. The crew fixed a washout on Herschell Road. They also cleaned up the lot by the Sheriff's office. The building was torn down and they removed all the stumps. Mr. Crim stated that he attended the Grass Valley Advisory Board meeting, and they did complain about weeds. He told them they are doing what they can as it is a busy time of year.

Mrs. Childs asked if Mr. Hill had mentioned the new water truck. Mr. Hill stated that the truck is finally ready. He did make a change, adding an engine break, at last minute that increased the cost by approximately \$3,000.00. Mrs. Childs asked about the overage and where the funding is coming from. The purchase was approved to be paid half from ARPA funds and half from the Road Department's budget, but in the last Fiscal Year. Mrs. Childs suggested taking \$100,000 out of the Option Tax Fund, which will lessen the Road Department's amount for other purchases for this year. It was noted that the additional \$3,000 could also come out of ARPA, since the generator line item came in under budget.

Salary Resolution, P. Fillon: Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the Salary Resolution for Paul Fillon moving him from a Landfill Operator I, Range 24, Step 3 to a Landfill Operator II, Range 27, Step 1. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS: YEARS OF SERVICE – Gerald Monroe was presented with a Certificate and pin for 30 years of service.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

RECYCLING CENTER – Mr. Crim stated that everything is going smoothly.

SENIOR CENTER/VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR – Christina Larsen was present.

Ms. Larsen reported her congregate and homebound numbers. She also stated that she is training Anna Hill for Homebound. Ms. Larsen spoke about the new hotshot truck being delayed. She did receive an extension for both the hotshot truck grant and the electrical upgrade grant, but she's not sure what the status of the electrical project is currently. Mr. Handka stated that the last he heard, NV Energy was working on a site plan. Mrs. Hudson suggested that Ms. Larsen call the State and let them know the delay is due to NV Energy.

Mrs. Childs asked if the State sent her an amended approval to extend the grants, as the auditors will need it.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS – John Handka was present.

Mr. Hankda reported that the tree trimming is complete. They are preparing for Frontier Days.

Mrs. Childs stated that there was only \$25,000 budgeted for tree trimming and the invoice is for \$30,000, so she will have to change the priority list for the Building Fund.

LIBRARY – Kathie Brinkerhoff was present.

Ms. Brinkerhoff reported that Ms. Springer finished up the Summer Reading Program and had fewer participants this year. She also reported that Ms. Springer is on vacation. The Story Hour program will begin in September. Ms. Brinkerhoff spoke about the Northern Nevada Library Co-op, which we are a part of. They will be having a Directors retreat in September, with all expenses paid by the Co-op. It will be September 13th and 14th in Ely. Ms. Brinkerhoff reported that she has completed this year's Collection Development Grant. The LSTA grant will be completed by the end of this month.

PERSHING CO FIRE/AMBULANCE – No reports.

Mrs. Hudson did state that there is a Chief's meeting on August 26th.

COMMUNITY CENTER – Diana Munden was present.

Ms. Munden reported that the oven was looked at yesterday and there is nothing wrong with it. Ms. Munden stated that people were using their own temperature gauges and they must have been off, as the oven heats properly. Ms. Munden also reported that Coeur Rochester has been using the Center quite a bit. There have also been several quinceaneras.

Ms. Munden spoke about events held on the weekend and how she needs to be there. If she puts in hours during the weekend, this limits the number of hours she is in the office during the week. It was found that when she is not in the office, calls are being forwarded to John Handka. Mr. Abbott has corrected this. Mr. Crim also asked about the answering machine. Mr. Abbott stated that after hours a call goes to a menu, which should lead to her voice mail. Ms. Munden asked if calls could be forwarded to her personal phone.

Ms. Munden also spoke about locking the doors between Cooperative Extension and the Community Center. It is locked from the Community Center side, but if you come from Cooperative Extension, you can go right into the Community Center. She has spoken to Ms. Haas, Safety Director, about a double locking door. Ms. Haas didn't think it would be an issue.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION/4-H – No report.

IT DEPARTMENT – Justin Abbott was present.

Mr. Abbott reported that he's been on his own with Mrs. Burrows being gone. Four new computers were delivered, and he has gotten two of them installed. The AT&T fiber activation orders have been completed. He's been testing the communication, and everything looks good so far. Mr. Abbott will coordinate with each building when they start cutting over to the fiber. Two of our previous contacts are no longer with AT&T, so we have a new project rep.

Approval for POOL/PACT and Independent Cyber Security Consultant Antonio A (Tony) Rucci to perform a Passive Network Assessment as part of the POOL/PACT PNA Program: Mr. Abbott explained the purpose of the assessment.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve POOL/PACT and Independent Cyber Security Consultant Tony Rucci to perform a Passive Network Assessment as part of the POOL/PACT PNA Program. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Heidi Lusby-Angvick was present.

Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that they had the kick-off for the Humboldt County Brownfields grant project. She will be gone next week, as she will be attending the National Brownfields Conference in Detroit. In September, Mrs. Lusby-Angvick has been invited to be a panelist at the Nevada Brownfield Workshop. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick also attended a meeting with GOED. They discussed Economic Development. The Governor is supposed to be through town in the middle of August, but she's not sure where he will be stopping at. Lt. Governor Anthony will be here on August 30th.

REVIEW AND AWARD OF BID FOR GRASS VALLEY ROAD RESURFACING

PROJECT: Three bids were received as follows and opened on August 1st:

Granite Construction Company	\$1,991,199.00
Road and Highway Builders, LLC	\$1,434,434.00
Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc.	\$1,164,007.00

It was noted that this will be a prevailing wage project. Mr. Hill stated that the pavement study came back Monday, and he is still going through it. It does say that we won't have to add concrete to the base, which is a good thing.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to award the Grass Valley Road Resurfacing Project bid to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,164,007.00, being the lowest, most responsive bidder. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

PUBLIC DEFENDER – Steve Cochran was present.

Mr. Cochran submitted his monthly report.

Contract with Precision Documents Imaging to scan over 100,000 pages of investigative and court records pertaining to a capital murder case pending before the 11th Judicial District Court in the amount of \$29,518.75: Mrs. Childs is aware of this project and funding was included in the budget.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the contract with Precision Documents Imaging to scan over 100,000 pages of investigative and court records pertaining to a capital murder case pending before the 11th Judicial District Court in the amount of \$29,518.75. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Mrs. Childs stated that this will come out of the General Government Fund.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Mrs. Machado submitted a written report.

ELECTED DEPARTMENTS:

LACEY DONALDSON, CLERK-TREASURER – Mrs. Donaldson reported that the office is busy.

Mr. Crim stated that he attended the last Grass Valley Advisory Board meeting, and they asked about in-person voting. Mrs. Donaldson stated that they will definitely have one day of in-person voting during Early Voting, but no decision has been made about Election Day.

MARCIE RYBA, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES, WILL PROVIDE A LEGISLATIVE UPDATE; CONSIDERATION TO INCREASE THE HOURLY ALLOWABLE RATE FOR DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENT DEFENSE CONFLICT COUNSEL FROM \$100.00 TO \$150.00 PER HOUR: Also present was Kelly Weaver, Appointed Counsel Administrator for Pershing County.

Ms. Ryba spoke about legislation that gave the Department of Indigent Defense Services \$7 million to reimburse counties. Pershing County's expense threshold is \$271,000, so anything above that can be submitted for reimbursement. Ms. Ryba spoke about our quarterly reports, fearing that we are missing out on billings. Ms. Ryba stated that she wants to make sure whoever is doing the reporting, knows what is needed. Ms. Weaver spoke about the rate increase. Last year there were only 7 cases that this would have applied to. They also mentioned increasing the hourly rate for death penalty cases as well.

Mr. Shields recommended that the Board increase the fee. We need to be competitive to find representatives for defendants.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to increase the hourly allowable rate for Department of Indigent Defense Conflict Counsel from \$100.00 to \$150.00. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

ELECTED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

RENE CHILDS, RECORDER-AUDITOR – Mrs. Childs gave the Board the month end fund reports. Mrs. Childs stated that she just found out that the Sheriff's office received a POOL/PACT grant that she had no paperwork for. She did speak with them about the Grant policy. This grant never came before the Board for approval either. The amount of the grant is \$1350.00, and it was for some sort of training that was done in April.

SAM BURTON, BLM: UPDATE ON MATTERS RELATING TO PERSHING COUNTY – There were also some other representatives from the BLM present on Zoom.

Mr. Burton spoke about a horse gather in Elko. There are two other planned gathers scheduled for September and December.

Andy Boerigter stated that the Special Recreation Permit (SRP) has been issued for this year's Burning Man event. They are currently surveying the city and getting ready for set-up. The Temporary Closure Area is in effect for Phase I. The BLM has also issued about 50 SRPs for vendors. It was noted that the max population for this year is 80,000. Mrs. Hudson asked if the vendors are included in the overall count. Mr. Boerigter stated that they are not. Mr. Shields asked how many vendors aren't counted in that number. Mr. Boerigter stated that a vendor is anyone supporting or supplying services to the event. It was noted that they do check to make sure the vendors have a Pershing County business license.

Mr. Rackley thanked Mr. Burton for his help on the Toulon Peak permit.

ELECTED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE – Jennifer Hill was present.

Mrs. Hill stated that they have also been busy with taxes. They have started the five-year reappraisal cycle for the City. Commercial Business Personal Property statements were due the end of July, so they have started working on those as well.

Request to advertise/hire Appraiser I/II position: Mrs. Hill stated that the office currently has Mr. Dawley on contract as an Appraiser. This position actually replaces Ms. Root, who resigned several months ago. It was noted that Mr. Dawley would stay under contract.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the advertising and hiring to fill the vacant Appraiser I/II position. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

DERBY FIELD AIRPORT: APPROVAL TO PURCHASE NEW FRONT DOOR TO THE TERMINAL BUILDING – PILOT’S LOUNGE FOR \$3,085.00 – Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the purchase of a new front door to the Terminal Building – Pilot’s Lounge in the amount of \$3,085.00.

Mrs. Childs stated that this needs to go to Capital Outlay since it is over \$3,000. She also stated that it isn’t a budgeted item. Mr. Rackley stated that he was looking at the Buildings and Maintenance line item.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Mr. Rackley reported that the tenant has assured him they will be out today. The care-taker position has been posted on the website.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN PERSHING COUNTY AND PERSHING GENERAL HOSPITAL / PERSHING PHYSICIANS CENTER: Mr. Shields stated that he reviewed the agreement and didn’t see any issues. Mrs. Donaldson reported that a separate contract was received by various departments, so she will let the Hospital know that they all fall under one.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the Occupational Health Services Agreement between Pershing County and the Pershing General Hospital/Pershing Physicians Center as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

PLANNING & BUILDING / IMLAY WATER/ PERSHING ELECTRIC: James Evans was present.

Mr. Evans stated that July was particularly busy for him with Imlay Water. Since he reset the system on Saturday, it has been fine. Mrs. Stewart could be going out on leave any day now. Mr. Evans will be attending a training in mid-September and Mrs. Stewart has agreed to come back in while Mr. Evans is out. Mrs. Hudson wanted to make sure Mrs. Stewart knew how to take care of the sensor if needed. Mr. Evans stated that she has instructions, but that her husband will help as well (Mr. Stewart works for Lovelock Meadows Water District).

Mr. Evans also reported that there is a Planning Commission meeting tonight to approve a Special Use Permit.

REQUEST FOR HIGHER HOTEL ROOM RATE AT SUNSET STATION, HENDERSON, NV SEPTEMBER 17-23, 2023, TO ATTEND CONSTRUCTION EXAM CENTERS MECHANICAL INSPECTOR TRAINING – Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the higher hotel room rate at the Sunset Station in Henderson, NV for Mr. Evans to attend the Construction Exam Centers Mechanical Inspector training, September 17-23, 2023. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Mr. Rackley thanked Mr. Evans for his help getting maps for the airport.

DISCUSSION REGARDING CREATION OF A POLICY FOR THE COUNTY TO PAY FOR EMPLOYEE PERS BUYOUT: Mr. Rackley stated that the County shouldn’t do it. Mr. Crim stated that he felt the best way was not to have a policy, that way it can’t be done. Mrs. Hudson stated that we could have a policy to not do it. Mrs. Hudson asked Mrs. Wesner if POOL/PACT has a template. It was noted that the Policy can be drafted by the District Attorney. Mr. Shields stated that if we don’t have a policy, it leaves some ambiguity. A policy would provide certainty for employees. Mr. Shields will work with Mrs. Wesner to have something for the next agenda.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to have the District Attorney and HR work on a policy regarding the County paying for employee PERS buyout for consideration. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley 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 \$1,206,252.00: There were no changes discussed by the Board.

Mrs. Childs asked the Board to address the overage for the Road Department water truck and using the excess funds in the generator project to cover it. Mr. Rackley clarified that the County has a list of projects with a running balance.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve reallocating up to \$3,500 out of the ARPA funds line item for the generator project for the overage on the Road Department water truck. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

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 \$2,022,000.00: No discussion.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL: Mr. Shields spoke about Agenda Item #3 (Review of agenda items to determine if a burden is imposed on a business). Mrs. Hudson had a question this morning and he didn't give a very clear explanation. It only applies when the County is enacting a "Rule", which is defined as acting as a legislative body creating an ordinance, which imposes a tax or fee that is paid in part or in whole by a business.

MUSEUM BOARD: Bonnie Skoglie was present.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF DONATION MADE BY PAUL DAVIDSON FOR THE HANSON FAMILY, OF A CIVIL WAR GUN OWNED BY CHESTER EARL HANSON – This item will be moved to the next agenda.

APPROVAL FOR CREDIT CARD MACHINE FOR DONATIONS AND GIFT SHOP – Mrs. Donaldson stated that she hasn't looked into a credit card machine for the Museum as she thought the DA was reviewing implications of having a Gift Shop, i.e.: sales tax, etc. Mr. Shields stated that he has not had a chance to look into that yet.

APPROVAL OF CLAMPER EVENT FOR OCTOBER 19, 2023 – Mrs. Skoglie stated that she believes the date is actually October 14th, and it is a membership dance and dinner. They would like to open the Museum from 4-6 for photo opportunities. The Clampers would like to use the Firehouse and the Fire Department has agreed to move their items out for the night. The dinner would be catered by the Myers's. The Clampers would also like to park a few motorhomes out front. Mrs. Hudson asked about insurance. The Clamper's will have a policy listing the County as an additional insured. Mrs. Skoglie stated that they have done a lot of charitable things for our community. She also stated that Mr. Shields has drawn up some liability documents.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the Clamper event at the Museum on October 14, 2023. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

APPROVAL OF NIGHT TOUR AND LIABILITY WAIVER – Mrs. Skoglie stated that they get requests daily for night tours. They feel they could charge between \$100-\$150 per person, with groups limited to a few people. The tours will be directed by a staff member or volunteer. Mr. Shields did draft a liability waiver, but it didn't make it into the packet.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to approve the Museum holding night tours and the liability waiver prepared by the District Attorney. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

APPROVAL OF RELOCATION OF NATIVE AMERICAN DISPLAY TO MUSEUM FIREHOUSE – Mrs. Skoglie stated that a group from the BLM will be here on the August 11-13, 2023. Mrs. Hudson stated that there is already climate control in the Firehouse.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the relocation of the Native American Display to the Museum Firehouse. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

PERMISSION TO MOVE A BUILDING ONTO PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR LA BELLES – The Leonard Burrow’s family has a building they would donate.

Mr. Rackley made a motion to allow moving a building onto the Museum property to be used for La Belles. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT / HR REP: Mrs. Wesner stated everything is going fine. She would like an item on the next agenda to file water protests against the Granite Springs Ditch and Pipeline applications.

CHRISTOPHER TANNER, NEVADA IRON, LLC: DISCUSSION REGARDING NEVADA IRON, LLC, BUENA VISTA PROJECT; REQUEST FOR ROAD AGREEMENT FOR PORTION OF ROAD IN PERSHING COUNTY (COAL COANYON AND POLE LINE ROAD) – Mr. Tanner spoke about the project. He just recently rejoined Nevada Iron about six weeks ago. The original plan was for 10 million ton input and 4 or 5 million ton output. For funding, they have reduced the scope by about 1/5. The mine is in Churchill County. They will be building a railroad siding. Mrs. Hudson asked if Mr. Tanner was aware that the Naval Expansion affects this road. He stated that he is and has spoken with them. They don’t have a problem, and once the new road is built, Nevada Iron will ask again for permission again. Mrs. Hudson also asked if he had spoken with Mr. Hill, Road Superintendent. He has. Mr. Shields will work with Mr. Hill on a road agreement.

The meeting recessed at 10:37 a.m. and reconvened at 10:43 a.m.

TINA GALLAGHER AND MARK JACOBY, REQUEST TO RECEIVE FUNDING PASSED BY RECREATION BOARD FOR STARTUP COSTS FOR A BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00: Mike Wurm was also present on behalf of the Boys and Girls Club.

Mike Wurm stated that they gave a presentation to the Pershing County Recreation Board and are here today to answer any questions the Commission might have.

Mr. Crim asked what they think it will cost yearly to run a program in Lovelock. Mr. Wurm stated that they build all of their programs with an initial budget of \$100,000. Once they have the space and furnishings, etc. worked out they will focus on hiring two staff members. After that, they would increase staffing on a 1 to 21 ratio. They have found that using school sites, their operating budgets are usually between \$75,000 and \$100,000. There are additional costs that go along with running a program, but those will be absorbed by their board. Once the program is in place, they will evaluate actual expenditures and revenue from those that can afford to pay and subsidies. The membership fee is \$50 a week, plus an annual fee of \$20.

Mr. Crim asked if they have a signed agreement for a location. Mr. Wurm stated that they do not, but will be meeting with Superintendent Fecht today regarding a classroom space.

Mrs. Hudson stated that she thinks this is a great program, but she is concerned about sustainability. A lot of the funding in Lyon County comes from Night in the Country and Humboldt and Elko counties have mining money. The City and County cannot afford to sustain this program. These are taxpayer dollars and Mrs. Hudson is willing to help, but she wants to know it will be sustained. Mrs. Gallagher stated that they don’t need sustainable funding, they just need start-up funds.

Mr. Rackley asked how they have done with community donations. Mrs. Gallagher stated that they have received \$7,000. The Frontier Community Coalition also received a \$100,000 grant from the State. Mrs. Hudson asked if the Frontier Community Coalition has earmarked those funds for the Boys and Girls Club. She also stated that those funds, plus the funds from the Rec Board would cover two years of operation. Mr. Wurm stated that is their standard procedure, but he doesn't want to make promises before they are in the community. Once established, they have other opportunities for funding.

Mr. Abbott read questions from the Zoom chat. Barrie Medeiros asked how many employees they would be hiring and where are they getting them from. Mr. Wurm stated that they are looking at a job training program for 14-18 year olds.

Mrs. Hudson stated that when this came before the Rec Board it was stated that a local board would be formed. She asked what the status of that board is. Mrs. Gallagher said she has reached out to certain people, but they don't have a club yet, so there is no board.

Diana Munden asked for further clarification regarding Mr. Shields statement that this agenda item doesn't impact local businesses, as the Boys and Girls Club will be charging a fee. Mr. Shields stated that it only applies if the fee is imposed by the County.

Heidi Lusby-Angvick, as a private community member, read a prepared statement. To say that the children of the community are following through the cracks is not true. No one in our community would deny an opportunity for our children to thrive. She is opposed to the way this group has been running through the community with pitch forks, spouting half-truths. She also stated that they have presented no evidence of sustainability or of fulfilling the requirement from the Rec Board of \$50,000 in matching funds.

Mr. Rackley read a letter submitted by Kristy Berge. Ms. Berge stated that there was supposed to be a community assessment, of which she has not seen. She has called numerous times with no calls returned. She hasn't seen a committee organized. Without these things being made public, she strongly encourages no funding to be given to the Boys and Girls Club. She also asked if this moves forward are they going to come back and ask for more money in the future?

The Commission also received an email from Dave Skelton, stating that he had called the FCC asking for a budget, but never received it. Mr. Skelton is opposed to funding a Boys and Girls Club.

Mr. Rackley stated that he is in favor of a Boys and Girls Club, but he doesn't appreciate the bullying that has been perpetrated by a lot of people in this group. Mrs. Gallagher disagreed that any bullying has taken place.

Leann Gallagher, Shea Murphy, Peggy Jones, Karlee Meyers, and Wendy Nelsen all spoke in support of the Boys and Girls Club. Mrs. Nelsen also addressed Mr. Skelton's statements saying that he did come in, but she wasn't available at the time. She also clarified that the Frontier Community Coalition will not be running the Boys and Girls Club.

Diana Munden, stated that it is her understanding that the Rec Board authorized the \$100,000 contingent on \$50,000 in community fundraising, wo why are we giving the cart before the horse? She also asked if the program is located in the school and damage occurs, who pays for that damage. Mr. Shields would think the Boys & Girls Club would be responsible. Ms. Munden stated that she can't support a group that has behaved in the manner they have; these are not attributes we should pass to our children.

Mrs. Rowe, former 1st grade teacher and Director of the swimming pool, stated that she has worked with kids forever and the Boys and Girls Club is greatly needed in our community.

Wendy Nelsen (on Zoom) stated that we are in dire need of these services. She also stated that she was on the Rec Board when this came before them, and she made the motion to approve. Here intent when making the funding contingent on community support included the community, businesses and grants.

Mr. Rackley asked Mr. Wurm how he feels about the buy-in from the community. Mr. Wurm stated they aren't starting a new business, they are expanding, and that's why they haven't presented a business plan. The \$100,000 is a marker until they can define the unknown. To him, the number is irrelevant, but understands it isn't to us. The County needs to see community buy-in and sustainability. The \$100,000 is what matters, if they have that they can develop a sustainability model.

Mr. Rackley reiterated that he is in favor of the Boys and Girls Club, but he is not seeing a lot of community interest, except for the derogatory comments being made on Facebook. He feels the contingency of \$50,000 is still viable, noting that the swimming pool received \$47,000 in community donations.

Ken Rackley, local teacher and deacon, stated that he would be dedicating his free time to helping the Boys and Girls Club. Victoria Moore, Jeff Kearns, and Corrine Nelsen also spoke in support.

Rene Childs, Pershing County Recorder-Auditor, stated that there are certain paperwork requirements that have to be followed, which start with submitting the backup to the Recreation Board's Secretary so a voucher can be presented for payment.

Steve Cerini stated that he has seen a lot of rubber stamping taking place and the City/County seems to only follow the law when it's convenient. Mrs. Childs took offense to his statement, stating that there is no rubber stamping happening in her office.

Chuck Sayles stated that the Board of Commissioners represent everyone in Pershing County. There is a huge constituency in Grass Valley and outlying areas that haven't been involved in these discussions.

Mia Gallagher, incoming Senior at Pershing County High School, stated that since only the adults are talking, she wanted to speak up. She stated that sports aren't an option until middle school, with the exception of youth football. That leaves a lot of younger kids with no options.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the Rec Board's funding of \$100,000.00 to the Boys and Girls Club, with the contingency that if the program doesn't materialize by December 31, 2023, the funding reverts back to the Rec Board. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

The meeting recessed at 12:12 p.m. for a Litigation meeting and reconvened at 12:18 p.m.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS: There were no items discussed for future agendas.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no additional correspondence.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS; BOARD LIAISON REPORTS: Mrs. Hudson participated in a Zoom meeting with the State Engineer and the Humboldt River working group. She attended a Central Nevada Water Authority emergency meeting last Friday. They have \$25 million to use to buy and retire water rights. Mr. Rackley will attend the IEC (Intergovernmental Executive Committee) meeting regarding the Naval Expansion on the August 8th, as Mrs. Hudson isn't available.

Mr. Rackley reported that the Southwest Gas lease has been signed and finalized. Mr. Sparke will be changing a lock on a building at Toulon Peak.

Mr. Crim attended the Grass Valley Advisory Board meeting. He missed the Museum Board meeting because he didn't receive any notification. He did attend the Senior Center meeting and everything seems to be doing ok.

Mr. Rackley stated that the next Grass Valley Advisory Board meeting is the night before NACO starts, so there probably won't be a Commissioner in attendance.

PUBLIC INPUT: Mr. Shields stated that any donation of public funds to a non-profit has to be done by a Resolution adopted by the Board. He will prepare one for the next meeting in regard to the funding for the 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; #556 and #681, Larry Rackley. Motion seconded by Mr. Rackley and passed.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the vouchers for Vendor #556 and #681, Larry Rackley. Motion seconded by Mr. Crim. Mr. Rackley abstained. Motion carried.

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

As there was nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

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

Attest: _____ /s/
Lacey Donaldson, Clerk