



Board of Mineral County Commissioners

Hawthorne, Nevada
Wednesday, April 19, 2017

The Honorable Board of Mineral County Commissioners met this day in a regular session with the following people present:

Honorable Garth D. Price	Chairman
Honorable Jerrie Tipton	Vice-Chairman
Honorable Chris Hegg	Member
Honorable Christopher Nepper	Clerk-Treasurer
Honorable Sean Rowe	District Attorney

Absent:

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance by Commissioner Hegg

Safety Message – Patrick Hughes, Mineral County Emergency Manager reviewed Hazardous Chemical precautions.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Approval of Agenda/Necessary Changes

Minutes to be approved at May 3rd meeting.

Item 9 Ken Collum will not be present today.

Item 13 Amber Torres, Chairman and Gina Wachsmuth Vice-Chairman, Walker River Paiute Tribe to be heard after Business License Applications.

Table Items 15 and 19 until May 3rd.

Patrick Hughes – Quarterly report tabled until May 3rd agenda.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the agenda changes as discussed.

4. Reports and Correspondence - None

5. Accounts Payable Vouchers, Credit Card Approval Form Requests, Capital Outlay Purchase Orders and Auditor's Cash Report by Fund presented for review, discussion and possible action.

Honorable Christine Hoferer and Deputy Teresa McNally presented accounts payable vouchers. Discussion ensued regarding cash report and PILT balances. The tentative budget was available for review in Ms. Hoferer's office.

6. Treasurer's Accounting Fund Summary Balance Report and Financial Horizon Credit Union Accounts Report – presented for review, discussion and possible action.

Honorable Chris Nepper distributed the Treasurer's Accounting Fund Summary Balance Report and Financial Horizon Credit Union Accounts Report.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve Treasurer's Accounting Fund Summary Balance Report and Financial Horizon Credit Union Accounts Report.

7. Minutes of March 20, 21, 22, 23, 27 and April 5, 2017 – for review and possible action.

Moved to May 3rd meeting.

Public Comment: None

8. Business License Applications – The following applications will be presented for discussion and possible action. (Public comment following each application)

Bret Whipple, Justice Law Center, PO BOX 1712 Hawthorne, NV 89415; New Applicant

Public Comment: Beth Cichowlaz asked if Bret Whipple would be setting up an office in Hawthorne.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the business license for Bret Whipple, Justice Law Center, as presented.

Brett Bergendahl, Commnet of Nevada, LLC dba Choice Wireless, 1585 S Perry St., Castle Rock, CO 80104; New Applicant

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the business license for Brett Bergendahl, Commnet of Nevada, LLC as presented.

Samuel Rubio, Rubio's Lawn Service & Handyman, 6 Scarsdale Dr., Yerington, NV 89447; New Applicant.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the business license for Samuel Rubio, Rubio's Lawn Service & Handyman as presented.

Timothy Howe, Coffee House, 655 Roark, Walker Lake, NV 89415; New Applicant

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the business license for Timothy Howe, Coffee House, continent on items listed on license application being completed within 30 days.

Liquor License Applications – The following applications will be presented for discussion and possible action. (Public comment following each application):

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to recess the Commissioners Meeting and call to the Liquor Board to order.

Commissioner Price asked District Attorney Sean Rowe if the license could be approved as written. District Attorney Rowe stated the license had to be issued for a place and time.

Cassie Dore, Barley's Sports Bar, Hawthorne Nevada; Special Event Various Armed Forces Day events.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the Liquor License for Barley's Sports Bar, as presented, between the dates of May 18 to 20, Special Event Various Armed Forces Day events, at the Convention Center.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to adjourn the Liquor Board and resume the Board of Commissioners.

9. **Kenneth Collum** – For consideration and possible action relative to the BLM program updates.

Not in attendance

10. **Honorable Commissioner Garth D. Price** – For consideration and possible action relative to the accounting for and submittal of leave taken by exempt personnel.
(All appointed Department Heads are requested to attend.)

Commissioner Price stated his concerns regarding leave for department heads. Discussion ensued regarding how leave is accounted for. It was discussed that Commissioner's could sign leave slips to allow Commissioner's to be aware of the Department Heads leave.

Mike Fontaine stated he advises the Clerk and Records office when he is off.

It was stated the administrative leave should be taken for training and evidence of attendance needed to be submitted with leave slips.

Mike James stated his position involved field work and asked what circumstances would require leave slips.

Ms. Hoferer stated there was a leave policy in place. District Attorney Sean Rowe stated a new policy would need to be drafted.

Courtney Oberhansli asked that the new policy clearly state when leave slips would be required.

Public Comment: Cherrie George stated it was important for County liability issues to document leave.

It was decided that the item would be revisited on May 17th agenda.

11. **Honorable Board of Commissioners** – For consideration and possible action relative to approval of leave buy-out for transferred employee.

Ms. Hoferer stated there was an employee that moved from the Fire Department to the Sheriff's Office. The Fire Department accrues leave at a different rate than the Sheriff's Office.

TC Knight stated this was not budgeted during the budget hearings.

The employee would be left with 100 hours of leave.

Ms. Hoferer stated later in the meeting she had given the incorrect figure for the leave buy-out. The amount should be \$3,864.00 instead of \$5,450.00.

Public Comment: None

MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg, seconded by Commissioner Tipton and unanimously carried by the Board to approval of leave buy-out for transferred employee in the amount of \$5450.00 coming from the Fire Department budget.

Amended MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Hegg, seconded by Commissioner Tipton and unanimously carried by the Board to approval of leave buy-out for transferred employee in the amount of \$3864.00 coming from the Fire Department budget.

12. **Patrick Hughes, Emergency Manager** – For consideration and possible action relative to discuss the duties, re-location, budget and salary of the Emergency Manager / Safety Officer / Fire Inspector for Mineral County.

Christine Hoferer gave the Commissioners a copy of job the description. Fire Inspector duties would return back to the Fire Chief. The Ordinance for the Emergency Manager Director was discussed regarding admending duties. Job descriptions for Emergency Manager / Safety Officer / Fire Inspector / Fire Chief for Mineral County were reviewed.

The Deputy Clerk read a letter from Staci Emm of the Cooperative Extension, stating there were many departments that utilize the EOC (Emergency Operations Center) building and was concerned about the office space that the Emergency Manager intended to occupy. TC Knight further clarified the letter sent out by LEPC was requesting county departments who were using the EOC office as storage space to please remove stored items from the building.

Discussion ensued regarding options for re-location of the Emergency Manager.

Discussion ensued regarding the effective date of the budget for the Emergency Manager. It was decided that the Emergency Manager Budget became effective immediately during budget hearings.

Public Comment: None

- 13. Amber Torres, Chairman and Gina Wachsmuth Vice-Chairman, Walker River Paiute Tribe –** For consideration and possible action relative to Resolution for Declaration of State of Emergency/Disaster for the Walker River Paiute Reservation.

Amber Torres stated the concerns for the Schurz community and that they were preparing for flooding. If the Fallon and Yerington Highway closed, Schurz would be coming to Hawthorne for services.

Elveda Martinez discussed the concerns for Schurz and the preparations they are taking to keep the community safe. Delivery of food and fuel was also a significant concern.

Discussion continued regarding expected highway closures, potential flood areas, possible reservoir failures, public notification, and evacuation plans.

Patrick Hughes stated he would like to brief the Commissioners during the recessed meeting next week. Mr. Hughes stated he would set up a Facebook account to notify the Community of highway closures.

Commissioner Tipton read Resolution 17-009 Resolution for Declaration of State of Emergency/Disaster for the Walker River Paiute Reservation.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve Resolution 17-009 Declaration of State of Emergency for the Walker River Paiute Reservation located in Mineral County.

- 14. Michael Stephens –** For consideration and possible action relative to putting on a fireworks show in July, and possible donation of funds towards fireworks display.

Discussion ensued, a date has not yet been set. Mr. Stephens stated he has spoken with the Fire Chief. TC Knight stated the fire department would support the event.

Eric Hamrey stated clean up needed to be coordinated to ensure there was not any leftover cardboard and trash left in the area.

Public Comment:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to donate \$1,000.00 from the Community Support line item to the Fireworks show in July and approve the fireworks show at the softball field.

- 15. Honorable Christine Hoferer, Recorder-Auditor –** For consideration and possible action relative to update the "Safety Sensitive" listing for Mineral County.

Public Comment: None

Item tabled until May 3rd Commissioners Meeting.

- 16.** For consideration and possible action relative to renewal/purchase and flyover costs for the Pictometry program used by some County departments. **(All departments utilizing this program please attend.)**

The following departments were present to discuss Pictometry: Kelly Rosemore - Deputy Assessor, Larry Grant - Hawthorne Utilities, Mike Fontaine - Building Inspector, and Mike James - Public Guardian.

Discussion ensued, Kelly Rosemore stated the Assessor's office recently paid the \$3,300.00 that was due by June 2017. There is an additional \$25,000.00 due in the future for a flyover. Ms. Rosemore stated she uses the program every day.

Mike Fontaine stated Pictometry used a LiDAR measurement system which was the only measurement system accepted by the US Government in cases of measuring elevation, FEMA would accept LiDAR for mapping. He also suggested a drone would be another way to view property for the building department and assessors' office.

Discussion ensued regarding Pictometry costs.

Mike James stated his office was interested in using the Pictometry program.

Public Comment: None

17. For consideration and possible action relative to the upcoming retirement of Advanced Data Systems and the direction Mineral County will be taking in preparation for acquiring new computer software for the various County functions.

Ms. Hoferer stated this was put on the agenda hoping to get everyone one on the same page. Advanced Data Systems would be closing December 2019.

Commissioner Tipton stated some departments have decided which systems they were interested in using. She felt that most departments would have a good idea of what system they would choose by January 2018.

Ms. Hoferer stated the Assessor's Association has chosen a vendor. The Recorder's office has two more demonstrations to view next week. She stressed the need for the Recorder, Assessor and Treasurer's office systems be compatible. She also felt software support was an important aspect to keep in mind.

Honorable Christopher Nepper stated there were additional meetings scheduled for April 20th in Fallon.

18. **Mike McNeill, Mineral County Convention and Tourism Authority** – For consideration and possible action relative to review of applicant letters, selection and appointment of MCCTA Board member to remaining term of "Commercial Interest Representative".

Mike McNeill was present for the Mineral County Convention and Tourism Authority. A letter of interest from Michal Thyne was presented.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to appoint Michal Thyne as a Commercial Interest Representative for the MCCTA Board remaining term to expire December 31, 2018.

19. **Honorable Commissioner Chris Hegg** – For consideration and possible action relative to removal of County exempt labor status for Manager/Department Heads and Supervisors in part or in whole as determined by the Board. Designation of new position title changes from exempt position to hourly position status and determination of new department assignments, if any. All wage adjustments considered for change to hourly status to be set or corrected during upcoming budget meetings.

Public Comment: None

Item tabled until May 3rd Commissioners Meeting.

20. For consideration and possible action relative to allowing the Armed Forces Day Committee to conduct tours of the lower floor of the Old Courthouse during Armed Forces Day and provide cleanup time of the facility.

Commissioner Hegg stated that Search & Rescue was interested in providing tours of the Old Courthouse. Kathy Kachelries stated she walked the building and it would require a significant amount of clean up. Mr. Hegg stated Eric Hamrey would supervise the clean-up effort by Search & Rescue. Mr. Hegg also stated he was advised by Mr. Hamrey that the proper insurance was in place to conduct public tours.

The building does not have power turned on. Suggestions were made for power options and lights.

Public Comment: None

- 21. Honorable Commissioner Jerrie Tipton** – For consideration and possible action relative to sending a letter to Assemblyman Hansen and Senator Gustafsen on estimated expenses of the County's Road Maintenance Department, Search & Rescue, Sheriff's Office, etc., in proposed state park location.

Commissioner Tipton stated there were concerns about the State Park cost impact to counties. Current road maintenance. It was estimated that cost of maintaining the road from Mineral County to the proposed parks was an average of \$235,000.00 per year. The average for ambulance service was estimated at \$6,500.00 per year. Commissioner Tipton was waiting for estimated costs from the Sheriff's Office and Search and Rescue. Undersheriff Ferguson stated he could give the number of calls in the park area for the prior 16 months.

Commissioner Tipton stated she wanted the State Government to understand the expense involved with the proposed parks.

Public Comment: None

- 22. Honorable Commissioner Jerrie Tipton and Mike Fontaine, Building Inspector** – For consideration and possible action relative to revising the nuisance ordinance 8.40 to review and amend the appeals process and code enforcement.

Mr. Fontaine stated he would like to streamline the nuisance complaint process. Mr. Fontaine reviewed the current nuisance complaint process. He said would email a draft of the ordinance to the Commissioners for review.

Ms. Hoferer stated she was aware that community members were frustrated with the complaint process.

Assessment of fines to be approved by Commissioners.

Public Comment: None

- 23. TC Knight, Fire Chief** – For consideration and possible action relative to confirmation of appointment of officers for Mineral County Fire Department per Mineral County Code 2.32.060.

Mineral County Fire Chief TC Knight and Walker Lake Volunteer Fire Department Chief Adam Greenfield were present to discuss the Mineral County Fire Department per Mineral County Code 2.23.060. Fire Chief Knight explained "One Team, One Dream" for the County Fire Departments. He stated consolidating the departments into one.

Fire Chief Knight stated Mr. Greenfield would be instrumental in helping align county Fire Departments.

Commissioner Tipton stated it was up to the Chief and Assistant Chief to choose the proper staffing for the Fire Department.

Ms. Christine Hoferer questioned if the SAFER Grant had been awarded. She was advised the grant had not yet been awarded.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to appoint of Adam Greenfield as Assistant Fire Chief in Mineral County.

- 24. Quarterly Sponsored Grants Status and Departmental "Look Ahead" Projections/Reports for Mineral County** – For consideration and possible action relative to the status of current/open grant funded projects presented to the Board, by the following grant project managers (as applicable) and projects/reports presented to the Board by County Department heads as follows.

Honorable Dorothy Fowler, Assessor – absent

Honorable Christopher Nepper, Clerk-Treasurer – Blight Grant, walk through tomorrow. Auction 24 sold, 13 not sold, 22 redeemed. Election Equipment on the 26th demo. Tracking Bill Drafts at the legislature.

Honorable Sean Rowe, District Attorney – no grants at this time.

Honorable Jay Gunter, Justice of the Peace - absent

Honorable Christine Hoferer, Recorder Auditor – Tentative budget has been filed, the public hearing was set for Monday, May 15, 9am. Their office was still reviewing computer software demos. The Human Resources assessment from Pool Pact had been completed, over-all everything went very well. A few suggestions for updates were received by her office. Employment applications were being updated.

Honorable Randy Adams, Sheriff – Bill Ferguson was present for Randy Adams – USDA Grant 2 cars was set to close, OTS grant \$42,000.00 waiting to hear, traffic safety grant \$39,000.00, dumbwaiter grant in process, should be complete the end of April. Project still down 2 cars. Need to be ADA compliant for cells, need to have a padded room (safe room). Search & Rescue had 7 calls in the last 18 months to the proposed new park area and the Sheriff's Office responded to 3 calls in the proposed park area.

Craig Tippens, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer – absent

Mike Fontaine, Building Inspector –The Building Depart had issued permits for, new construction, re-roofing and other projects. Inspections of on-going project were performed at required. Mr. Fontaine stated he would be objecting to the FEMA re-mapping because he would like an on the ground remapping which was our right to receive.

Cherrie George, Care & Share – Ms. George stated Senior Services received \$207,341.00 in grant awards for this year. All grants are current. Program income continued to decline, meal income is lower than expected. One vacant position in Mina for assistant cook at the Mina Senior Center. Ms. George thanked Eric Hamrey for over-seeing the new flooring installation project at the Care & Share. Six week diabetes workshop was now over. Working on fund raising efforts.

Carla Hemmer, CAHS – April was Child Abuse Awareness Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month, participated in an outreach program at the school with the Sheriff's Office. Open House on 40th Anniversary on Friday April 21st from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Mike James, Public Guardian – 20 active cases, 1 case pending, 1 case pending Medicaid, 1 case pending transfer to another state. Concerned about current AB 130 and how it would affect the Public Guardian, discussion ensued. Commissioner Tipton stated Mike James should contact Jeff Fontaine at NACO for assistance on AB 130. This bill would be a large fiscal impact for the Public Guardian. Continued problems with the fax machine, Mr. Nepper stated a hardline could be installed to resolve the problem.

Beth Cichowlaz, Public Administrator – Ms. Cichowlaz stated she had (3) three active estates, (4) four closed estates, (3) three vehicles, (1) one motor home, and (1) one home. There is a bill in the legislation to pay Public Administrators. Beth read the bill to the Commissioners. She has paid the county back \$2,000.00 for indigent burials.

T.C. Knight, Fire Department – Chief Knight reviewed up-coming grants. \$25,000.00 for 30 Wildland Fire, 15 Wildland Fire shelters, no county match. Walker Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. Grant for radios, no county match, Fire Prevention Education Grant from FEMA, expendable items for school events and for non-consumable items 5% match. Fire Fighter Support Foundation \$7,000.00 (Private Grant) for Mina Volunteer Fire for thermal imaging camera, Support Foundation \$15,000.00 (Private Grant).

Three LEPC Grants were currently open, change request from Drone to EOC office equipment, SERC Grant was denied. United We Stand FY 18, \$25,000.00 should be moving forward. The school is requesting smoke alarms for homes' Chief Knight said he was looking into the request. Change in rank and structure would be moving forward. There is a possibility of hosting State and Federal Training. In regard to EMS it was time to review protocols with Dr. Dees, it was expected that amended protocols would be finished by April 2018.

Patrick Hughes, Emergency Manager Tabled to May 3rd

Larry Grant, Hawthorne Utilities – Regional Water Plan, funded under CDBG Grant (\$43,000.00 match) is now complete. The SRF Grant of \$63,000.00 principal forgiveness with a match of \$7,000.00.

The LEPC Grant for well security was denied and move to the United We Stand Grant. State Revolving Funds (SRF) Wetlands \$1.5 M, we may not receive the projected forgiveness due to Administration changes in Washington DC. Working with Farr West reviewing wetland options for

Hawthorne. Walker Lake Trash, 100 people would be needed to begin service. Sign-ups for service were being held at the Walker Lake Fire Station. TC Knight stated the lack of refuse pick-up is creating problem for the fire department because people were burning trash. Landfill scales at the dump should be completed soon. Sewer pond clean up will be completed by the end of June. Three (3) job openings were expected.

Courtney Oberhansli, Library – Ms. Oberhansli discussed the entry of the library being funded by the Norma Joyce Grant. And planning for an open house. DIA grant overview. Pioneer Center youth Programs, Roundtable meetings for College ready preparation for mid-school students, working to identify community partners. Veteran's Outreach for available services.

Kathy Kachelries, Museum – Ms. Kachelries started her position at the Museum two weeks ago. She now had access to the computers, and began to review inventory. Signed the museum up for the association for state and local history, access to webinars, discounts on Passperfect software. Registered a new website address that is easier to access. Eighty-nine people have visited the museum in the last two weeks. She is collaborating with the ordinance museum. Working on Social Media access and updates. Looking for interactive exhibits for families. Tracking donations and sales. Needed to re-stock the gift store. Armed Forces Day event plans, Hawthorne history, gold panning for children.

Bud Gazaway, Parks & Recreation – Mr. Gazaway was completed his first week at Parks & Recreation. He stated last week's Easter Egg Hunt was successful. Saturday would be opening day for Little League. He would be completing his Pool Certification the 9th to 11th of May. He was reviewing programming. Commissioner Price thanked Eric Hamrey for partnering with Mr. Gazaway.

Wanda Nixon, Public Health Nurse - Absent

Eric Hamrey, Public Works/Road/Airport PAPI (precision approach path indicator) Lights and REIL (runway end identifier light) Systems were moving forward, Pool Pact Grant for bonding and grounding at the public pool was approved for \$29,250.00, no county match. 2016/17 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWC) grant was submitted by the prior Park & Recreation Director, there is a 50% in kind match of \$95,500.00. Mr. Hamrey stated this grant was not yet approved. He would need to research if there was a \$25,000.00 required for the (LWC) grant. The mold issue at Annex building is being abated. The project would require a subcontract work for a small retaining wall.

The Cemetery Fence project is in progress a total of 140' fencing would be installed.

Improvements at Lions park that needed to be addressed. Skate park flooding. Collaboration with new Park and Recreation administrator.

TIME SPECIFIC ITEMS:

- 10:15 Mark Nixon, Mineral County Regional Planning Commission** – For consideration and possible action relative to approval of Special Land Use Application for Phillip Lance Loucks, APN 003-032-15 880 Front St. Mina, NV 89422.

Commissioner Tipton read a letter from the Regional Planning Commission in favor of approval of Special Land Use Application for Phillip Lance Loucks, APN 003-032-15.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to accept the Planning Commissioners recommendation of the Land Use Application for Phillip Lance Loucks.

- Immediately Following** For consideration and possible action relative to approval of division of land into large parcels map application for Ellen Blair.

Rick Christian, County Surveyor was present, Commissioner Price stated he was present for the Regional Planning Commission meeting that recommended approval of division of land into large parcels map application for Ellen Blair.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the recommendation of the Planning Commission division of land into large parcels map application for Ellen Blair as presented. When the original map is received, for the Chairman to sign and record the map.

10:30 Brenda Jones, Mineral County Insurance Committee – For consideration and possible action relative to recommendation from the Mineral County Insurance Committee for the Group Insurance renewal and county funding for the Health Savings Account (HSA) for FY 2017-2018.

Brenda Jones was present for the Mineral County Insurance Committee. Kevin Monaghan of LP Insurance for Mineral County Group Insurance. Ms. Jones stated there was a decrease in the premium.

Mr. Monaghan addressed the Commissioners and explained his position as the insurance broker for the County. There was a 6% reduction in premiums from last year. The Insurance Committee recommended an increase in benefits. The cost of insurance would be very close to the same as last year, there was a -0.35 savings of approximately \$4,000.00 after benefits.

Mr. Monaghan stated SB 289 was being reviewed by the legislature, if it becomes law, there would be a 1%-8% increase to the county premiums.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the recommendation from the Mineral County Insurance Committee for the PPO Group Insurance renewal and county funding for the Health Savings Account (HSA) for FY 2017-2018 benefits.

Immediately Following Eric Hamrey, Public Works Director – For consideration and possible action relative to Mina Municipal Courthouse damage and future of building.

Eric Hamrey stated he had an engineering report for the Mina Municipal Courthouse damage. There is damage to the roof and interior. The suggested repairs were discussed. Commissioner Price stated his concern of the building being occupied in the current state of the building.

Commissioner Tipton stated there were 3 rooms of the building that were sub-leased to SMU (Southern Methodist University) that were located at the opposite end of building from the roof damage. Commissioner Tipton asked for an estimate for repair or replace the roof of the building and bring the item back to the Commissioners.

Discussion ensued regarding the structure history, repairs and usage.

Public Comment:

Jeff Barrow was present for SMU. He stated SMU would rather not move out of the building. He stated SMU would be willing to assist with repairs of the roof, however they had a limited budget. Mr. Barrow stated the Mina Town Council also utilizes the building.

Immediately Following For consideration and possible action relative to review, approval and signature for Professional Services Agreement with Armstrong Consultants for improvements at the Hawthorne Industrial Airport.

Discussion ensued about airport projects and installation of PAPI lights.

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve and have the Chairman sign the Professional Services Agreement with Armstrong Consultants for the improvements at the Hawthorne Industrial Airport for the appropriate year.

Immediately Following For consideration and possible action relative to damage of the Hawthorne Sign located at Lady Bird Park.

Discussion ensued regarding the damaged Hawthorne Sign. Eric Hamrey stated sign repairs would be covered by insurance and would be fully restored. He was asked to return to the May 17th Commissioner's meeting with an update on the progress of the sign repairs.

Public Comment: None

Immediately Following

Honorable Commissioner Garth D. Price and Eric Hamrey, Public Works Director – For consideration and possible action relative to installation of a four (4) way Stop signs at Pinyon Street and Fir Street.

Commissioner Price stated his concerns with the traffic at the Pinyon and Fir intersection. He felt the intersection posed a hazard to the Community and said he would like to see traffic signs posted.

Commissioner Tipton asked Eric Hamrey to bring a list and map to the Commissioner's for suggested intersections.

Mike Fontaine suggested a "Yield to Traffic" sign in lieu of stop signs.

Public Comment: Cherrie George asked how traffic signage placement was determined.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to have the Public Works Director install a four (4) way Stop sign at the intersection of Pinyon Street and Fir Street.

1:00 PM

Honorable Board of County Commissioners – For consideration and possible action relative to Nuisance complaint for 715 H Street, Hawthorne, NV. Parcel 001-112-16.

Mike Fontaine stated the owner is in the process of cleaning up the property and placing the items on the road for Community Clean-Up Day.

Public Comment:

Board of Highway Commissioners- None

Public Comment – Mike McNeill stated Ken Gram donated \$1,600.00 for sound panels at the Convention Center. The El Cap was also donating an additional 3 items.

Commissioner Recognition – Draft letter from Jerrie on State Parks.

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Tuesday April 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

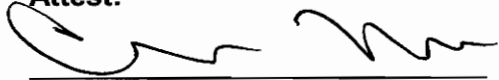
A verbatim recording of this meeting has been prepared and by reference becomes a part thereof.

Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Garth D. Price, Chairman

Date: 4.7.17

Attest:


Christopher Nepper, Clerk of the Board

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