



Board of Mineral County Commissioners

Hawthorne, Nevada

October 17, 2018

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

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

Absent: Honorable Chris Hegg Vice-Chairman

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge Allegiance was led by Commissioner Price

Safety Message was provided by Emergency Manager Patrick Hughes relative to preventative measures for the Flu season.

2. Public Comment - Hawthorne Utilities Director Larry Grant advised the Board they still did not know the location of the well failure; Carson Pump was there and they were flushing debris from the casing; they would be back for the first meeting in November with information to possibly proceed with a Federal Grant with USDA.

3. Approval of Agenda/Necessary Changes -

Commissioner Price would like to re-word agenda item #12 to read exhaust their leave.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price, seconded by Commissioner Tipton and unanimously carried by the Board to approve the change to agenda as presented.

Public Comment: None

4. 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.

Teresa McNally, Deputy Recorder-Auditor presented Capital Outlays and Credit Cards approvals from Computer Technician Bret Towe and Fire Chief Chris Lawrence.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Capital Outlay for a router from Computer Technician Bret Towe for \$1,839 to Amazon. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

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| Ayes: | Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstain: | None |
| Absent: | Commissioner Hegg |

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: Commissioner Price reminded Mr. Towe that credit card purchases needed to be approved by the Board prior to purchase.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Capital Outlay for software from Computer Technician Bret Towe for \$1,716 from Dell.

A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

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| Ayes: | Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstain: | None |
| Absent: | Commissioner Hegg |

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the credit card purchase of a wire pulling kit from Computer Technician Bret Towe for \$568.88 from Tech Tool Supply. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the credit card purchase of training records management software from Fire Chief Chris Lawrence for \$60.00 from certright.com. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the Capital Outlay for carpet from Fire Chief Chris Lawrence for \$4,540 from Hammond Furniture. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

Public Comment – Ana Fitzgerald advised that in the past when there was a question on a voucher she was called and that was not happening now.

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

Reports were presented for review.

6. Reports and Correspondence – None

7. Minutes of –October 3, 2018 for review and possible action.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the minutes of October 3, 2018 as presented. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

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

Mr. Collum provided the Board with updates on Grazing, Renewable Energy, Minerals and the Hawthorne Landfill; he advised they had been receiving calls on public roads being closed to the public; the recreation map was being completed; discussion ensued regarding the reorganization of the Department of Interiors with Colleen Dulin, District Manager in the Carson City BLM office.

9. Business License Applications – The following applications will be presented for discussion and possible action.

- A. **Justin & Steven Kalb**; Kalb Industries of Nevada, LTD; 5670 Wynn Road, Las Vegas, NV;
New Applicant

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the business license of Kalb Industries of Nevada. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

- B. **Josh Walker**; Walker Cellular, Inc.; 150 Flocchini Circle, Lincoln, CA; New Applicant

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to approve the business license of Walker Cellular, Inc. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

Ayes: Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Public Comment: None

10. Patrick Hughes, Emergency Manager – For consideration and possible action relative to a flood update.

Mr. Hughes advised the flood cleanup was still ongoing; he met with the state, they did not come down because the information provided by the different departments was sufficient; the information from each flash flood needed to be separated so it could be reported individually; you can only request reimbursement for 50% from the state.

11. Quarterly Status Reports for Mineral County Sponsored Grants – 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).

- **Cherrie George, Senior Services Director** advised they would need a transfer because the ADSD grants were on a monthly reimbursement basis; they had received \$276,875 this year; they are holding their 2nd Senior Resource day; they received the Fiscal Monitoring reports from ADSD, they monitored seven grants and they had findings on the Congregate and Meals on Wheels grants.
- **Debbie Lee from CAHS** advised they had one grant for \$10,226.80 used for helping with motel room rentals; she asked that everybody wear purple on October 25th; October was Domestic Violence awareness month.
- **District Attorney Sean Rowe** advised they had no grants
- **Emergency Manager Patrick Hughes** provided updates on his SERC Grant, United we Stand Grant; EMPG Grant; he was looking into mitigation grants; the Smart Boards were approved and the Fire Show was approved.
- **Fire Chief Chris Lawrence** provided update on their USDA Grant for turnouts and medical equipment.
- **Ana Fitzgerald, Hawthorne Utilities Office Manager** provided information on their USDA Sewer Loan, Water Loan, and the CDBG Grant for the Regional Water Master Plan and the Sewer Wetlands Project; they will be proposing the Emergency and Imminent Community Water Assistance Grant for the Mina well next month.

- **Juvenile Probation Office** – Absent
- **Courtney Oberhansli, Library Director** provided a report to the Board
- **Museum** - Absent
- **Christina Boyles Parks & Recreation Coordinator** advised they had no grants.
- **Eric Hamrey, Public Works/Road/Airport** provided updates on the Forest Service Grant; the Airport Wildlife Fencing Grant starts construction in February 2019; he is working on the FAA supplemental appropriations money it is 2.75 million; discussion ensued regarding the sidewalks at the school. Ms. George advised that paper work was done for a CDBG grant but was not submitted.
- **Sheriff's Office** – Absent
- **Cooperative Extension** – Absent

12. Honorable Garth Price, Commissioner – For consideration and possible action relative to discussion regarding employees that are requesting leave donation to exert all personal leave before requesting leave donations.

Commissioner Price stated that he thought it was only fair for an employee to use their leave before asking for donations; he believes this would also help to prevent some of the large payouts when an employee leaves.

Chris Hoferer provided the Board with the leave policy; she would like to see the policy changed to where the employee was not eligible for sick leave donation until they have been with the county for a year and are eligible for FMLA.

The Board would like to continue this item for two weeks.

13. Honorable Board of County Commissioners – For consideration and possible action relative to Nuisance Complaint for 372 C Street, Parcel #001-253-14.

Building Inspector Mike Fontaine provided updated photos; he stated the trash had increased and the house was boarded up but has deteriorated.

Clerk-Treasurer Chris Nepper advised that he had talked with the daughter about cleaning up the property.

Mr. Fontaine advised giving the property owner fourteen days to clean up the property and then have it inspected.

Wanda Nixon advised that it had become worse in the last two months; she had talked to family members about purchasing the property.

Public Comment: Wanda Nixon advised that it had become worse in the last two months; she had talked to family members about purchasing the property. They don't have the money to clean up so they would not have the money to pay a fine.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Price and seconded by Commissioner Tipton to give the property owner fourteen days to clean the property up and have it inspected. A vote of the Board disclosed the following:

- Ayes:** Commissioner Price
Commissioner Tipton
- Nays:** None
- Abstain:** None
- Absent:** Commissioner Hegg

Motion carried and so ordered

Commissioner Price advised that the District Attorney said as long as they had been given thirty days notice and there was no response the county could move forward.

Commissioner Price amended his motion to give the property owner fourteen days to clean up the property and then the county will abate the nuisance and the cost would be added to the taxes.

Discussion ensued regarding the clean-up of the property; Commissioner Tipton advised that they were going to lay it on the Building Inspector to get the clean-up done.

Ms. Hoferer advised not to charge to contingency, she thought there was a line item in the budget.

14. Closed Session – Pursuant to NRS 288.220 to discuss/review all labor/bargaining unit contracts, grievances and negotiations. – Not needed

15. **Open Session – Discussion and possible action relative to all labor/bargaining unit contracts, grievances and negotiations.** Not needed

Board of Highway Commissioners

Public Comment – Building Inspector Mike Fontaine advised he was going to a Flood Plain Management meeting so he would be out of the office the 29th - 31st of October.

Commissioner Recognition – Commissioner Price advised not to forget the car seat checkpoint and pancake breakfast at the Firehouse.

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

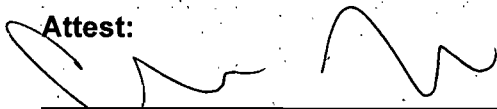
A verbatim recording of this meeting has been prepared and by reference becomes a part thereof.

Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Jerrie Tipton, Chairman

Date: 11.7.18

Attest:


Christopher Nepper, Clerk of the Board

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