



Board of Mineral County Commissioners

Hawthorne, Nevada
Monday, March 20, 2017

The Honorable Board of Mineral County Commissioners met this day in a recessed 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

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Tipton

Safety Message offered by Commissioner Tipton Spring is coming, be prepared for the wind.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Approval of Agenda/Necessary Changes

Public Comment: None

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

4. Financial Discussions

Honorable Christine Hoferer handed out the annual letter from Arrighi, Blake & Associates LLC. The letter discussed budgets, maximum tax rates, the general fund, contingency funds, and summarized the county's financial condition for the next year.

Ms. Hoferer reviewed the Final Tax Rate Worksheet prepared by Arrighi, Blake & Associates. She stated there were no significant changes from the prior year. The worksheet showed where taxes are distributed. Tax rate to general fund was 2.0573, the net proceeds projection was \$117,000.00. Net proceeds had not yet been added to the Revenue Projections.

The Final Worksheet showed where funds were distributed.

Projections for Mines net proceeds was \$5,730,000.00

The projections for net proceeds were discussed.

Calculating Net Revenue By Fund handout

Sources of expenses in the General Fund were Judicial, General Government, Contingency, Health, Culture & Recreation, Public Safety and Operation Transfers and Debt Services to be paid off during the current year.

Real Roll Valuation 5 year history 2018 showed a \$1.3 million dollar decrease from 2017. Ms. Hoferer stated questions regarding the valuation would need to be directed to the Assessor's Office.

Personal Property Valuation 5 year history showed a 3.2 million decrease for 2018, the projected shortfalls have impacted budgets. Ms. Fowler stated the State does whatever they want with the figures her office sends to them. She also stated SOC had not yet been billed for this year, she planned to bill SOC this week. The State was also responsible for assessments regarding Ormat. The Commissioner's asked for an estimate of what the bill for SOC would be so the amount could be added to the budget.

Possessory Use Projection 5 year history, Commissioner Tipton asked Ms. Fowler if SOC should be part of Possessory Use or Personal Property. Ms. Fowler stated she would give the Commissioners a copy of the Unsecured Personal Property and Possessory Use projections for SOC. Discussion ensued regarding the segregation report and projections.

Net Proceeds of Mines 5 year history, no funds were received for 2017.

Commissioner Tipton stated the by statue the county budget must have at least an 4% ending fund balance.

Discussion ensued regarding the Calculating Net Revenue By Fund report. Ms. Hoferer explained the abatement process was by state statute and tax increases were capped at 3% each year. Commissioner Tipton stated the abatements they were discussing were different than tax abatements for widows, veterans or geo-thermal.

Capital Outlay Request 2017-18 handout Ms. Hoferer stated not all departments included their capital outlay requests in their budgets. Commissioner Tipton asked if the new software for the county was included in the capital outlay request, Ms. Hoferer stated it was not. The Commissioner's would need to keep in mind the various department requests as they reviewed each department budget. Ms. Hoferer reviewed each department request.

Ms. Hoferer handed out a Bill Draft that was before the Legislature to pay Public Administrator. Currently the Public Administrator is an unpaid, volunteer position. Discussion ensued regarding the Public Administrator position. District Attorney Sean Rowe reviewed some statuses associated with the Public Administrator position.

Revenue projections were reviewed for 2017-18. The various revenue sources that the county receives were discussed. The Child Support division of the District Attorney's office was reimbursed 66% of their expenses from the State. Ms. Hoferer reviewed Charges and Services and stated this was important revenue and should be discussed with Justice Court during their budget review.

The project for General Fund Revenue for fiscal year 2017-18 was \$5.6 million dollars.

The General Fund shortfall was (-\$687,066.00)

Discussion ensued regarding budget expenditures. Ms. Hoferer advised the County was required to give the Cooperative Extension Office 1% of assessed value and was already in the budget. PILT (payment in lieu of taxes) and transfers for Town Funds were not in the budget at that time, the total request for all town funds was \$71,000.00. However other budgeted transfers had been accounted for within the presented budget. Discussion ensued on how Town Funds were expended. Ms. Hoferer explained four departments put in transfer requests from the General Fund. General Indigent Fund \$40,000.00, Cooperative Extension \$18,000.00, Hawthorne Industrial Airport \$15,000.00, and Park & Recreation \$156,000.00. The General Indigent and Hawthorne Industrial Airport were standard requests, Cooperative Extension Funds were figured by state statute, and Park & Recreation requested funds would be reviewed during their budget slot. The importance of CAHS services and funding was also discussed.

Ms. Hoferer explained the how to navigate budget book the Commissioner's.

5. Honorable Clerk-Treasurer, Chris Nepper

Honorable Clerk-Treasurer, Chris Nepper was present for the Commissioners and Clerk-Treasurer budget discussion.

Commissioners

2016-17 100-001-53326 Commissioner Recognition Decrease (-\$1,300.00)
 2016-17 100-001-53331 Travel Decrease (-\$600.00)
 2016-17 100-001-51202 HSA Insurance Increase \$625.00
 2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$65,276.00

2017-18 100-001-51202 HSA Insurance Increase \$1250.00.00
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$136,592.00

Clerk-Treasurer

2016-17 100-002 54400 Service & Supply Decrease (-\$3,000.00)
 2016-17 100-002-53385 Printing Increase \$300.00
 2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget for \$143,401.00

2017-18 100-002-51100 Salary Decrease (-\$2,352.00)
 2017-18 100-002-51200 Benefits (-\$800.00)Decrease
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$280,803.00

General Misc.

2016-17 100-098-53340 General Misc Legal Advertising Decrease (-\$3,541.00)
 2016-17 100-098-53386 Insurance Decrease (-\$9,000.00)
 2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$306,263.00

2017-18 100-098-51200 Salary General Misc Benefit Increase \$14,750.00
 2017-18 100-098-53310 OPEB Decrease (-\$7,000.00)
 2017-18 100-098-53340 General Misc Legal Advertising Decrease (-\$1,500.00)
 2017-18 100-098-53386 Insurance Decrease (-\$5,000.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$613,672.00

Election No Changes to budget

Mr. Nepper explained the General Indigent Fund to the Commissioners.

General Indigent – To be reviewed later in budget week.

Medical Indigent – To be reviewed later in budget week.

6. Hawthorne Utilities, Larry Grant, Hawthorne Utilities Director and Ana Fitzgerald, Hawthorne Utilities Office Manager were present.

Ana Fitzgerald reviewed estimates for accounts for fiscal year 2017-18. There is a \$40,000.00 budget reduction from 2016-17 to 2017-18.

Landfill, Closure & Equipment – No change to budget.

Hawthorne Utilities – No change to budget.

Mina Water and Restricted – No change to budget.

Luning Water and Restricted – No change to budget.

Walker Lake *Proposed Budget* – A public hearing to create this fund is scheduled for April 5, 2017.

7. Building Inspector – Mike Fontaine

Mr. Fontaine spoke to the Commissioners in favor of merit increases.

2016-17 100-045-54421 Gas, Oil, Grease Decrease (-\$1,000.00)
 Estimated Remaining Budget \$47,450.00

2017-18 100-045-51100 Salaries Decrease (-\$9,595.00)
 2017-18 100-045-51200 Employee Benefits Decrease (-\$3,278.00)
 Estimated Budget \$86,450.00

8. Sheriff's Office – Randy Adams, Sheriff and Williams Ferguson, Undersheriff were present.

Sheriff Adams discussed his current year and next fiscal year budget.

Ms. Hoferer stated PACT-Board/Volunteer members who are not active should be removed.

Sheriff

2016-17 100-101-53372 Equipment & Services Increase \$7,046.00
 2016-17 100-101-51261 Physical Fitness Incentive Decrease (-\$2,000.00)
 2016-17 100-101-53386 Insurance Decrease (-\$2,800.00)
 2016-17 100-101-54400 Services & Supplies Decrease (-\$5,000.00)
 2016-17 100-101-54421 Gas/Oil Decrease (-\$2,000.00)
 2016-17 100-101-58855 Grant Match Increase \$50,000.00
 2016-17 Ending Remaining Budget \$1,018,145.00

2017-18 100-101-51221 PACT-Board/Volunteer Increase \$5,000.00
 2017-18 100-101-54421 Gas/Oil Decrease (-\$2,000.00)
 2017-18 100-101-53372 Equipment/Service Contract Decrease (-\$1,000.00)
 2017-18 100-101-58855 Grant Match Decrease (-\$10,000.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$1,974,332.00

Dispatch - No Change

Animal Control

2016-17 100-425-51100 Salary Expense Decrease (-\$5,000.00)
 2016-17 100-425-51200 Employee Benefits Decrease (-\$2,000.00)
 2016-17 100-425-53362 Auto/Equipment Maintenance Decrease (-\$1,000.00)

2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$34,062.00

Debt Service No Change

Sheriff Adams explained how Drug Forfeiture funds are acquired and how the funds can be used.

Drug Forfeiture No Change

Hawthorne Constable - Gary Schaff – No change.

Commissioner Tipton mentioned that the Constable could use a newer vehicle. Discussion ensued regarding departments that may have a car available for Mr. Schaff.

Board of Highway Commissioners – No business

Public Comment – Christine Hoferer stated she received a letter from the Parks & Recreation Director, Barbara Owens asking to resend her resignation.

Commissioner Recognition – None

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 8:00 AM.

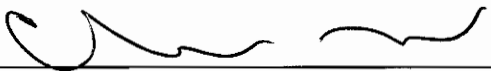
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Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Garth D. Price, Chairman

Date: 5.3.17

Attest:


Christopher Nepper, Clerk of the Board

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Tuesday, March 21, 2017

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Honorable Jerrie Tipton	Vice-Chairman
Honorable Chris Hegg	Member
Honorable Christopher Nepper	Clerk-Treasurer Absent
Honorable Sean Rowe	District Attorney Absent after 12:30 break

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Tipton

Safety Message – No message offered

2. Public Comment – None

3. Approval of Agenda/Necessary Changes

Public Comment: None

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

4. Public Works

Eric Hamrey, Public Works Director and Donna Oberhansli Office Manager were present.

Buildings & Grounds

2016-17 100-040-53350 Utilities Decrease (-\$10,000.00)

2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$127,376.00

2017-18 100-040-53350 Utilities Decrease (-\$15,000.00)

2017-18 100-040-54400 Services & Supplies Decrease (-\$14,000.00)

2017-18 100-040-54421 Gas, Oil Grease Decrease (-\$2,000.00)

2017-18 100-040-55500 Capital Outlay Decrease (-\$123,000.00)

2017-18 Estimated Budget \$315,997.00

Discussion ensued regarding the increase to services and supplies. Mr. Hamrey asked to have all fire related services to be moved to fire or safety personnel.

Maintenance – No Change

Cemetery – No Change

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) – No Change

Commissioner Tipton stated she would like to see the RTC Board reorganized.

Road – No Change

Airport – No Change

5. Public Health Nurse/County Health Officer

Wanda Nixon, Public Health Nurse/County Health Officer and Karen Boyles Administrative Assistant were present.

Public Health Nurse

2017-18 100-410-53321 Phone Increase \$720.00

2017-18 Estimated Budget \$71,437.00

Other Health Services – No Changes

6. Fire Department

Fire Chief Knight was present for the Mineral County Fire Department.

The Commissioners addressed the \$14,000.00 removed from the Buildings & Grounds Budget and moved to the Town Fire Budget for fire system contracts.

County Fire

2017-18 100-115-51100 Salary Decrease (\$5,342.00)
 2017-18 100-115-51200 Benefits Decrease (\$3,056.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$110,378.00

Emergency Service/LEPC

2016-17 100-119-53375 Safety Decrease (-\$8,000.00)
 2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$35,523.00

2017-18 100-119-53375 Safety Decrease (-\$8,000.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$68,300.00

Town Fire

2017-18 310-118-51200 Benefits Increase \$6,000.00
 2017-18 310-118-54400 Services & Supplies Increase \$14,000.00
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$269,050.00

Mina Fire

2017-18 240-198-53386 Insurance Increase \$1,000.00
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$12,900.00

Luning Fire – No Change

Walker Lake Fire – No Change

Schurz Fire – No Change

Ambulance, Mina Ambulance

Mina Ambulance – No Change

Ambulance – No Change

7. Recorder-Auditor

Honorable Christine Hoferer was present.

Recorder-Auditor – No Change

Mining Map – No Change

Recorder Technology – No Change

General Expense – No Change

Jim Nugget with CC Communications addressed the Commissioners in regard to an IT position that would be able to support our communications system and computer needs.

Unemployment Compensation – No Change

8. Parks and Recreation

Barbara Owens, Park and Recreation Director and Melissa Isom Temporary Park and Recreation Coordinator were present.

2017-18 245-699-51100 Salary Decrease (-\$54,816.00)
 2017-18 245-699-51200 Benefit Decrease (-\$39,112.00)
 2017-18 245-699-53386 Insurance Increase \$200.00
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$173,992.00

9. Planning Commission

Mark Nixon was present.

Planning Commission – No Change

10. Clerk- Treasurer

2017-18 100-020-54400 Election Equipment Increase \$25,000.00

Board of Highway Commissioners – No business

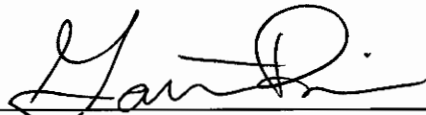
Public Comment – None

Commissioner Recognition – No business

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at 8:00 AM.


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Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Garth D. Price, Chairman

Date: 5.3.17

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Wednesday, March 22, 2017

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Tipton

Safety Message – Commissioner Tipton, we would have high winds by the end of the day.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Senior Services

Cherrie George was present for Senior Services. Ms. George asked for the County to take over paying the salary of the Director and Bookkeeper from the General Fund. It was decided that \$50,000.00 budget transfer into their revenue account as needed in lieu of paying salary positions.

2017-18 280-000-39001 Revenue Transfer Increase \$50,000.00 (as needed)
2017-18 Estimated Budget \$473,140.00

4. District Attorney

Honorable District Attorney Sean Rowe was present.

Discussion ensued regarding the proposed additional legal assistant and options to off-set the salary expense. A new office position was approved, and would cover the new traffic ticket program and civil matters.

District Attorney

2016-17 100-205-53360 Litigation Expense Decrease (-\$10,000.00)
2016-17 100-205-54425 Library Materials Decrease (-\$2,000.00)
2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$278,478.00

2017-18 100-205-53360 Litigation Expense Decrease (-\$3,690.00)
2017-18 Estimated Budget \$595,323.00

Drug Forfeiture – No Change

5. Cooperative Extension

Staci Emm was present for the Cooperative Extension. Ms. Emm stated the largest increase to their budget was telephones. To lower the phone expense Ms. Emm decided to remove a phone line from the Extension office.

Christine Hoferer stated when the county agreed to have a Cooperative Extension office in Mineral County, the County agreed to pay 1% of assessed taxes to support the Cooperative Extension.

2017-18 222-222-53321 Phone Decrease (-\$360.00)
2017-18 222-222-53372 Equipment Service & Contracts Decrease (-\$1,580.00)
2017-18 222-000-39001 Revenue Transfer Increase \$3,000.00
2017-18 Estimated Budget \$34,999.00

6. Justice Court

Honorable Justice of the Peace Jay Gunter and Ruby Hamrey Justice Court Officer Manager were present. It was agreed that an additional staff member was needed. Progress would be reviewed next budget year to ensure the back log of tickets was being managed and reduced.

Hawthorne Justice Court

2017-18 100-202 51100 Salary Decrease (-\$6,000.00)

2017-18 100-202-51200 Benefits Increase \$10,000.00
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$326,516.00

Hawthorne JP Assessment – No Change

**7. Commissioners
 Transfer to Funds**

2017-18 100-900-59902 Park & Recreation Decrease (-\$92,000.00)
 2017-18 Airport - No Change
 2017-18 Department of Energy (DOE) – No Change
 2017-18 100-900-59918 Care & Share Increase \$50,000.00
 2017-18 100-900-59929 General Indigent Increase \$2,000.00
 2017-18 100-900-59931 Cooperative Extension Increase \$3,000.00

2017-18 Estimated Transfers into **Budgets \$191,000.00**
Christine Hoferer explained the Contingency Fund requirements per NRS.

Grants to Town Funds

2017-18 100-717-58829 Hawthorne Town Decrease (-\$25,000.00)
 2017-18 Walker Lake Town - No Change
 2017-18 Mina Town - No Change
 2017-18 100-717-58837 Luning Town Decrease (-\$2,000.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Transfer to town funds \$46,000.00

Contingency – No Change

Discussion ensued regarding how and when PILT (Payment in lieu of taxes) funds were received by the county.

PILT Funds

Capital Projects

Obligated 2016-17

\$15,000.00 Fire Turnouts
 \$5,600.00 Pool Pact Grant Match
 \$6,300.00 Dumbwaiter Grant Match
 \$5,000.00 Museum Roof

Capital Projects

Obligated 2017-18

Carpet \$20,000.00
 5 Sets Turnouts \$15,000.00

Museum

2016-17 100-620-51100 Salary Decrease (-\$8,120.00)
 2016-17 100-620-51200 Benefits Increase \$3,553.00

2017-18 100-620-51100 Salary Increase \$30,160.00
 2017-18 100-620-51100 Benefits Increase \$20,154.00

Other financial sources

2017-18 100-900-59929 General Indigent Revenue Transfer Increase \$2,000.00

Board of Highway Commissioners – No business

Public Comment – None

Commissioner Recognition – None

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 8:00 AM.


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Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Garth D. Price, Chairman

Date: 5.3.17

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Thursday, March 23, 2017

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Hegg.

Safety Message – None.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Assessor

Honorable Dorothy Fowler was present. Commissioner Price stated he would like to see the open position filled in the Assessor's office. Ms. Fowler said she would fill her open position at the beginning of the next fiscal year.

2016-17 100-004-51100 Salary Decrease (-\$10,000.00)
 2016-17 100-004-51200 Benefits Decrease (-\$5,000.00)
 2016-17 100-004-53331 Travel Decrease (-\$1,000.00)
 2016-17 100-004-53381 Training Decrease (-\$1,000.00)
 2016-17 100-004-54430 Tax Roll Decrease (-\$3,000.00)
 2016-17 Estimated Remaining Budget \$83,514.00

2017-18 100-004-54430 Tax Roll Decrease (-\$3,000.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$231,643.00

Commissioner Price asked for an explanation of the Assessor Technology Fund.

Commissioner Tipton asked Ms. Fowler to come back to the Commissioners with Pictometry

Assessor Technology Fund – No change to budgets.

4. Public Guardian

Mike James was present.

2017-18 100-206-51100 Salary Decrease (-\$1,655.00)
 2017-18 100-206-51200 Benefits Decrease (-\$1,700.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$111,132.00

5. Library

Present for the Library was Courtney Oberhansli, Hawthorne Town Librarian, and Board members Shyler Hegan and Keith Hughes. Ms. Oberhansli asked to combine two part time positions to a full time employee that would work in the Hawthorne and Mina Libraries. The new full time position was approved.

Hawthorne Library – No change to budgets.

Mina Library
 2017-18 100-650-51100 Salary (-\$12,001.00)
 2017-18 100-650-51200 Benefits (-\$1470.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$7,150.00

6. CAHS

Carla Hemmer and Karen Boyles were present for CAHS.

No change to requested budget.

7. Judge Shirley / Curtis Schlepp

Judge Shirley, District Attorney Rowe, Law Clerk - Frank Wilkerson, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer - Craig Tippens, Juvenile Probation - Curtis Schlepp, Kelly Lawrence Juvenile Probation Office Manager and Nicole Mathias Juvenile Probation Officer were present for 11th Judicial Court and Juvenile Probation. Judge Shirley gave the Commissioners an overview of the services the 11th Judicial Court and Juvenile Probation support in Mineral County. Additionally Judge Shirley discussed grants and programs utilized to support the community.

Judge Shirley gave an overview of the year. He stated there has been a dramatic increase in cases in Mineral County. He reviewed various grants and how the funds contribute to Mineral County.

He discussed the juvenile in the court system. Judge Shirley stated he was encouraged by the success of current programs and explained the services each one provided. He felt the juvenile probation officers in the Mineral County were invaluable to their clients, parents and community.

Judge advised Commissioners to be aware of bill AB207 regarding jury trials. It could impact small counties due to additional costs that could be involved with jury trials. He stated he had no position regarding the bill, but felt the Commissioners should take note of the bill.

An additional court day had been added to the schedule per month. Court Clerks would receive addition training during the next year.

District Court

2017-18 100-201-53316 Public Defender Decrease (-\$2,000.00)

2017-18 Estimated Budget \$352,209.00

Juvenile Probation

2017-18 100-111-54400 Services & Supplies Increase \$23,774.00

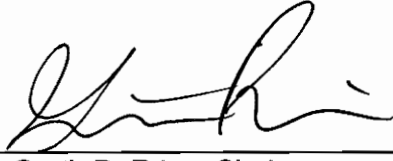
2017-18 Estimated Budget \$271,432.00

Juvenile Assessments – No Change**District Court Special Filing Fee – No Change****Board of Highway Commissioners – No business****Public Comment – None****Commissioner Recognition – None**

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Monday, March 27, 2017 at 8:00 AM.


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Approved: Board of County Commissioners

By: 
Garth D. Price, Chairman

Date: 3.23.17

Attest:


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Honorable Chris Hegg	Member
Honorable Christopher Nepper	Clerk-Treasurer
Honorable Sean Rowe	District Attorney

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Safety Message

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Tipton.

No Safety Message offered.

2. Public Comment - None

3. Approval of Agenda/Necessary Changes

Public Comment: None

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

4. Review of FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 Budget Estimates – See attached Budget Review Schedule

Discussion ensued regarding budget items that the Board considered re-visiting.

It was decided to call back Honorable Dorothy Fowler, Assessor. Ms. Fowler was asked to attend the meeting, she stated she was not available to come to the Commissioners meeting, however she was agreeable with removing the funding for the Deputy Assessor position in the Assessor's Office. The Commissioners removed the funding from the 2017-18 Assessors budget for the Deputy Assessor position.

Assessor

2017-18 100-004-51100 Salary Decrease(-\$26,000.00)
 2017-18 100-004-51200 Benefits Decrease (-\$19, 250.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget 186,393.00

Discussion ensued regarding Museum funding adjustments including number of work hours for the new director and hourly pay.

Mineral County Museum

2017-18 100-620-51100 Salary Decrease (\$9,160.00)
 2017-18 100-620-51200 Benefits Decrease (\$3,454.00)
 2017-18 100-620-53331 Travel and training Increase \$900.00
 2017-18 100-620-54411 Safety and Security Decreased (-\$2,500.00)
 2017-18 Estimated Budget \$48,050.00

2017-18 255-901-51209 Increase \$20,000.00 PERS
 2017-18 255-901-55569 Increase \$25,000.00 Care & Share Expansion.
 Judge Shirley would be bringing "True Up" funds for District Court amount of \$35,674.00
 2017-18 Net Proceeds/Mines \$50,000.00
 2017-18 Excess Proceeds \$30,000.00
 2017-18 Transfer from PILT to General Fund \$350,000.00

Ms. Hoferer stated the tentative budget was due April 17, final budget was due June 1. June 29, 2017 end of fiscal year meeting.

5. Board of Commissioners - For consideration and possible action relative to approving acquisition pursuant to NRS 361.603 of the following parcels of property, held in trust for delinquent taxes, to be potentially used in the Mineral County Blight Abatement Program; 003-023-02, 003-043-02, 003-043-05, 003-043-07, 003-036-06, 003-113-13, 008-073-08, 002-027-01, 002-054-06, 002-045-09, 003-022-02, 003-112-04, 003-122-01.

District Attorney Sean Rowe explained that these steps were being taken to allow the CDGB

Grant process to move forward on the Mineral County Blight Abatement Program.
Public Comment: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Commissioner Tipton, seconded by Commissioner Hegg and unanimously carried by the Board to approve acquisition pursuant to NRS 361.603 of the following parcels of property, held in trust for delinquent taxes, to be potentially used in the Mineral County Blight Abatement Program; 003-023-02, 003-043-02, 003-043-05, 003-043-07, 003-036-06, 003-113-13, 008-073-08, 002-027-01, 002-054-06, 002-045-09, 003-022-02, 003-112-04, 003-122-01.

- 6. For consideration and possible action relative to selecting/hiring a Museum Director including setting an initial salary, start date, and negotiating related terms.

Discussion ensued regarding the selection of a Museum Director. The Commissioners set the position pay to be 30 hrs per week at \$12.75 per hour plus benefits.

The Commissioners offered the Museum Director position to Kathy Kachelries to start on April 3, 2017. Ms. Kachelries was contacted and invited to meet with Commissioners. Ms. Kachelries arrived and discussed her employment offer with the Commissioners.

District Attorney Rowe stated Ms. Kachelries employment offer letter would be at the Records office and available for signature on March 28, 2017.

- 7. **Barbara Owens, Park & Recreation Director** - For consideration and possible action relative to rescinding of letter of resignation for Barbara Owens. Mineral County Park & Recreation Director.

Public Comment: None

No action taken.

Board of Highway Commissioners – No business

Public Comment – None

Commissioner Recognition – Commissioner Tipton discussed a NACO meeting she attended on Friday. At the meeting the change in computer systems for counties was discussed. Also discussed at the NACO meeting were tax on abatements, drinking water at schools, and parking for commercial trucks. She said NACO would be holding a meeting April 3 that one of the Commissioners should attend.

Chris Nepper asked to review the discussion from last week regarding a new IT position since he was out of town that day.

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting of the Board adjourned until Wednesday, April 5, 2017 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: 
Garth D. Price, Chairman

Date: 5.3.17

Attest:


Christopher Nepper, Clerk of the Board

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