



Humboldt County Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
Meeting Minutes

Those present were Chairman Ken Tipton, Commissioners Ron Cerri, Jesse Hill and Mark Evatz, Deputy District Attorney Wendy Maddox, County Manager Dave Mendiola and Clerk of the Board Tami Rae Spero. Commissioner Tom Hoss was not in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Tipton called the regular meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in the regular place of meeting at the County Meeting Room #201, Courthouse, Winnemucca, Nevada.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Tipton asked for public comment. Lorne Lyon appeared before the Commission and offered comment on the Lambert Drive and bridge request which was provided in December; he continued commenting on the status of the requests, his knowledge as to road maintenance, the signatures obtained from residents on Lambert Drive related to removing the mag chloride from the road noting issues he has had with the situation on the road due to the mag chloride as well as the road base/reject which is placed on the road; he continued commenting on he and his father's effort in putting in Lambert and what they had done with it until the County took it over; he continued discussing the number of signatures on the petition which wants to stop the use of mag chloride, the type of base used and the grade needed per the U.S. Department of Transportation; he stated that he would expect the Commission to adopt the U.S. Department of Transportation standards which they have not; he further noted his prior offer to train the blade operators which was not accepted and would not be offered again; he referred to photos included with the petition previously provided to the Commission and described what was shown in the photos and referenced an accident which occurred don the road; he again requested that mag chloride no longer be used and the proper gravel be placed on the road explaining how the issue affects blading on the road; he again noted the need to refer to the U.S. Department of Transportation standards and the lack of knowledge by the current county blade operators, the damage mag chloride does to vehicles and that it destroyed the bridge.

Debra Gay appeared before the Commission and asked for their help with the transfer station situation; she discussed a recent train derailment in Ohio and stated that this could happen here; that we need to push it out of the airport/county as it is too close to people; she commented on her concerns with chemical contaminants affecting water, air and ground; she is begging for help; that the City has been working for two years with the FFA; she commented on the concerns for the children/grandchildren; she commented on the chemicals being used and that the quality and amount will kill you but the representative said they are chemicals in your home; she asked for assistance including restricting access

to the roads accessing the location; she commented on the number of vehicles and trains that will be accessing the site; she continued voicing her concerns with the amount of product kept at the site, concerns with what occurs if it burns and how that would be addressed; she continued stating that this is deadly and should not be so close to people that there is BLM land available further out; that accidents will happen so please help them stop what is being done at the airport.

Eric Van Cleemput, Humboldt Conservation Camp Supervisor, offered comment on the closing of the Humboldt Conservation Camp and requested the Commission's support in keeping the camp open and detailed the impact the closure would have on the County; he indicated that he would hope to come with back before the Commission with more information once he has it.

Christine Kenison offered comment on her concerns with the transfer station being put at the airport including the response from the City and while, as county residents, they cannot vote for the council/mayor this directly affects their way of life so they need the Commission's help; that the city has been working with the FFA for two years but they have been working behind the scenes but they just had the first public meeting and commented on the apparent knowledge of the mayor and the council which seems to indicate a lot of behind the scenes communication; the issues with Lithium Nevada and how they keep increasing their plans, the other location options discussed by Lithium and the issues they identified with those sites; she continued detailing the issues with the proposed site at the airport including potential contaminates, dust, fire, access, danger to the public including the number of vehicles including trains and the danger that creates; the issues with the zoning of the area; she continued noting concern with the City doing this behind the scenes; the issues she will experience at her property; that they need the County's help; that this is very frustrating; that there needs to be more public notice perhaps as a community hall meeting; she commented on the inadequacy of the City's notice to the public; she again requested the Commission's help.

Tori Apperson, a Commissioner on the Planning Board in Pershing County, offered public comment about her concerns with the transfer station noting an issue in her past due to a contamination where she lived and how that impacted her; she continued commenting on her concerns including wind impact, odors, the need for a town meeting, concerns with bridge capacity and travel impact and the truck travel; she commented on a lithium explosion in Africa and the result of said explosion; she questioned who will be responsible for the land impact, health impact for her; her concern about the lack of understanding as to lithium as well as the long term impact if they walk away.

No further public comment offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Discussion and action on correction/approval of minutes for discussion and action on correction/approval of minutes for March 27, 2017 (Budget Hearing); April 3, 2017; May 1, 2017 (Joint); May 15, 2017; June 19, 2017; July 10, 2017; August 7, 2017 (Joint); August 21, 2017; December 11, 2017 (Joint); January 16, 2018; January 29, 2018 (Retreat); February 5, 2018; February 20, 2018; March 5, 2018; April 2, 2018 (Budget Hearing); April 9, 2018; August 6, 2018; August 20, 2018; September 17, 2018; October 1, 2018; October 15, 2018; March 18, 2019; March 25, 2019 (Budget Hearings); April 1, 2019; May 6, 2019; May 15, 2019 (Special); May 20, 2019; June 3, 2019; June 17, 2019; June 25, 2019 (Special); August 5, 2019; August 19, 2019; September 3, 2019; September 16, 2019; October 21, 2019; November 4, 2019; November 25, 2019 (Special); December 16, 2019; January 6, 2020; January 21, 2020 (Combined Regular and Retreat); February 3, 2020; March 2, 2020; March 19, 2020; April 6, 2020; April 14, 2020 (Special); April 20, 2020; May 4, 2020; June 15, 2020 (Joint); July 17, 2020 (Special Joint); July 20, 2020; August 17, 2020; August 20, 2020 (Special Meeting); September 8, 2020; September 21, 2020; September 30, 2020 (Special); October 5, 2020 (Special Joint Meeting); October 19, 2020; November 9, 2020; November 13, 2020 (Special Canvass); November 23, 2020; December 14, 2020; January 4, 2021; January 25, 2021 (Special Meeting); February 8, 2021; February 22, 2021 (Special Joint Meeting); February 22, 2021; March 22, 2021; March 29, 2021 (Budgets); April 8, 2021 (Special Meeting); June 21, 2021; July 19, 2021; August 9, 2021; August 12, 2021 (Special Meeting); August 23, 2021; September 20, 2021; November 8, 2021; and November 22, 2021; January 3, 2022; January 24, 2022 (Commission Retreat), March 7, 2022, March 21, 2022; May 2, 2022; May 16, 2022; September 19, 2022 (Regular Meeting); November 7, 2022; November 21, 2022; December 12, 2022; and February 6, 2023. Chairman Tipton asked for corrections for the minutes of February 6, 2023; none offered. Chairman Tipton noted a prior correction to the minutes of February 6, 2023 as presented. Clerk Spero explained that a correction had been offered by Commissioner Hill which had been approved by legal with the corrected minutes forwarded to the Board members for review and posted to the agenda as corrected for the public view. The following motion was made by Commissioner Hill and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the February 6, 2023 minutes as amended and resent out by the Clerk.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2023, THROUGH FEBRUARY 21, 2023: Commissioner Hill noted his abstention from action on the Rural Fire expenditure as he is one of the recipients of payment. The following motion was made by Commissioner Hill and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the expenditures for February 6, 2023 through February 21, 2023.

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APPROVAL OF ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR PUBLIC LANDS COUNTIES (THE CENTER): Consideration, discussion and possible approval to fund the National Center for Public Lands Counties (The Center) in an amount not to exceed \$79,818.73. This one-time contribution will fund the National Public Lands Center (“the Center”), housed within the National Association of Counties (NACo) & Western Interstate Region (W.I.R.). The suggested contribution is based on 1% of Humboldt County’s Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency fund (LATCF) award. Payment of this contribution can be made in two installments. The Center will conduct evidence-based research, compile county data, and weave together the narrative around public lands counties that will provide rural Nevada and other counties critical evidence-based data contribute to public lands management decisions with various agencies. Included on the on-line agenda for review was a copy of a letter from the Nevada Association of Counties reviewing the request and stating the organization’s support. Jim French appeared before the Commission and reviewed the background on this item including how it came about, the purpose of the action and what is to be gained by this. Chairman Tipton noted, for the record, that this amount will be done in two payments. Commissioner Hill asked how this would be different from what is already in place with WIR. Mr. French responded including that this will be a more proactive approach. Commissioner Hill asked how to confirm that this project will be self-sustaining and won’t be a continuous funding need for the Commission. Mr. French explained how the funding was determined for the long-term noting that, if it is not self-sustaining, he would expect it to fall apart but noted, if additional funding were requested, it would have to go before the WIR which Chairman Tipton is involved with. Commissioner Hill stated his support even with the cost. Commissioner Evatz asked about the funding available and other projects identified for this funding. Comptroller Rackley responded. Commissioner Evatz commented on a proactive approach and the power in numbers; that even with the amount of funding necessary, given the situation we have with public lands in our county, he would support this action. Commissioner Cerri stated that he believes this is a great idea and spoke to the benefit of the white papers for supporting our position; he continued noting that the County is 80% federal land so anything that happens on those lands impacts all its citizens; he asked Mr. French if he has a feel for other counties contributing. Mr. French responded noting discussion that had indicated buy-in including on the east coast. Discussion ensued as to how the funds will be collected and managed and by whom. Chairman Tipton asked if there will be buy-in from the counties associated with WIR. Mr. French responded stating that the momentum is definitely there and the majority of funding will come from those eleven states. Commissioner Evatz asked what would occur if the fifteen million amount is not reached. Mr. French responded that, if the funding is not obtained, it will be returned noting the period of time for fundraising. Commissioner Evatz asked if there

is a hardline on that fifteen million. Mr. French stated yes though the period of time for fundraising could be extended. Commissioner Cerri asked if the amount of contribution is based on the amount of public lands a county has. Mr. French responded explaining the formula for funding. Manager Mendiola offered comment on the benefit of this when addressing public lands issues and stated his support for the proposal. Chairman Tipton concurred. The following motion was made by Commissioner Cerri and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve a one-time funding for the National Center of Public Land Counties in the amount of \$79,818.73 to be divided into two installments, put into two installments.

Chairman Tipton recessed the meeting at 9:40 a.m. reconvening at 9:47 a.m.

WINNEMUCCA EVENTS COMPLEX: Winnemucca Convention and Visitors Authority Director Kim Petersen appeared before the Commission.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE DUMP TRUCK: Consideration, discussion and possible approval to purchase a used dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$28,500. Director Petersen reviewed the request for the Commission. Commissioner Cerri asked about a prior approval of a vacuum truck with a dump truck. Director Petersen responded explaining the use of that vehicle but noted the continued need for a dump truck. Commissioner Hill asked about the title. Director Petersen responded. Commissioner Hill noted that he had looked at the vehicle and offered comment including why this may be a good opportunity and the benefits of this purchase; he stated his support. Commissioner Evatz asked about the available funding. Director Petersen responded including that this is Ag 3 funding and that an expansion project at the Events Complex is not going forward. Commissioner Evatz asked about the possible availability of a dump truck through the public works department. Director Kalkoske offered comment noting that the vehicles that will be looked at for disposal are pretty shot and explained. Commissioner Evatz commented on his concerns with protecting the integrity of the budget and the use of funds planned for a capital item, which didn't go, to purchase unbudgeted items; he noted that we are coming into the dry season which may allow for the opportunity to share equipment with the public works department; that while this seems like a great deal he questioned if that is the case and noted that that if something is needed it should be budgeted for. Director Kalkoske offered comment that his department has had a dump truck/snow plow on their budget since last year and they have been looking but it is difficult to find anything suitable; he commended Director Petersen for finding this vehicle as it is a great find and, as noted, the mechanics had looked at the vehicle and found no issues. Director Petersen noted other funding available due to room tax revenues. Chairman Tipton noted that this will help out given the concerns about the loss of

assistance from the conservation camp so he supported the request. The following motion was made by Commissioner Hill and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the purchase of a used dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$28,500.00.

Director Petersen commented on his concern with the closure of the Honor Camp as they rely heavily on them at the facilities noting that the WCVA and Ag3 board have put a letter of support together and would ask the Commission to do anything they can as well.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT: Joaquin Padilla, Facilities Manager appeared before the Commission.

APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A BACK-UP GENERATOR FOR THE 911 DISPATCH BUILDING:

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to purchase a back-up generator from Cummins for the 911 Dispatch Building in an amount not to exceed \$72,309. Mr. Padilla reviewed the request for the Commission. Deputy District Attorney Maddox noted that the desire is to have the same provider for the generators. Mr. Padilla confirmed that the back-up generators are all Cummins. Deputy District Attorney Maddox noted the ability to use parts between the units. Commissioner Cerri asked about installation. Mr. Padilla responded noting the need for costs for the installation. Commissioner Cerri asked if this was in the budget. Manager Mendiola responded that it was but noted the increase in costs which has occurred. Commissioner Cerri stated that the cost would be \$100,000.00. Manager Mendiola confirmed that would cover everything; he further noted that delivery is a year out so they would like to obtain this to protect any further cost increases; he continued explaining the purpose of this generator. Discussion ensued regarding the process of use for the units. Comptroller Rackley noted that the funds were budgeted for this expenditure. Commissioner Evatz stated his support for having a proper back-up but he suggested that we not only approve the generator but the amount for the purchase of the generator, the installation and electrical. Deputy District Attorney Maddox noted her concern as only the purchase is agendaized. Commissioner Evatz stated his concerns with piecemealing this as the total cost is unknown for the installation. Mike Sheppard appeared before the Commission stating that currently the facility does not comply with the building code as it requires two generators and explained why the generator needs to be approved and put on order; he continued noting that the other components may exceed the budgeted amount and explained what needs to occur with those aspects; he explained why handling this as a package would have resulted in a higher cost; he encouraged the Commission to approve this purchase. Discussion ensued regarding the need to engineer the unit. Chairman Tipton asked how approving this cost now would impact the budget when we won't take delivery for a year. Mr. Sheppard

commented on discussion with the provider about that but that the response was unclear though he would expect there will be the need to pay at least something. Comptroller Rackley explained how it would work if the purchase went into the next year. Commissioner Evatz offered comment on the need to proceed with the installation including pursuing the RFPs but he is in support of the purchase at this time to set the price on the unit. The following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent: *To proceed with procurement of a backup generator set as outlined in the memo, a Cummins generator set for backup communication in the 9-1-1 system in the County at a price not to exceed \$72,309.00, with the notation that because with the lead time we will probably just be required to put a down payment and that we will carry the difference between the down payment and the total amount into next year's budget.* Commissioner Hill asked if a new generator was approved last year for installation. Comptroller Rackley indicated that was at the Juvenile facility.

PARADISE VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT: Paradise Valley Fire Department Board member Jason Deputy appeared before the Commission.

REQUEST TO CONTRACT WITH RECREATION TODAY TO REMOVE OLD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND INSTALL NEW EQUIPMENT: Consideration, discussion and possible approval for the Paradise Valley Fire Department to contract Recreation Today to remove old playground equipment and install new playground equipment at the Paradise Valley Park, in an amount not to exceed \$99,995. Mr. Deputy reviewed the request for the Commission. Commissioner Hill asked about any cost related to removal. Mr. Deputy responded that was an extra cost so the Department would do the removal. Comptroller Rackley offered comment on the use of the ARPA funds in the rural area with the money remaining local but noted that there was not a local provider; she commented on the quote received from the other company which was over \$200,000.00, that this information has been provided to other communities and that this company will be required to obtain the appropriate licenses for the State and County. The following motion was made by Commissioner Cerri and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the request by the Paradise Valley Fire Department to contract with Recreation Today to remove old playground equipment and install new playground equipment in an amount not to exceed \$99,995.00.

APPROVAL FOR WALMART SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION REGARDING THE ONGOING OPIOIDS LITIGATION: Consideration, discussion and possible approval to authorize County Manager, Dave Mendiola to sign the Walmart Settlement Participation Form through the One Nevada Agreement in

regards to the ongoing opioids litigation throughout the State of Nevada, as well as pending in the Sixth Judicial District Court of Humboldt County Nevada in CV 0022306 against various defendants such as; drug manufacturers, wholesale distributors, detailers, pharmacies, health care providers, and other unnamed defendants. Included on the on-line agenda was a copy of the proposed settlement agreement. Deputy District Attorney Maddox reviewed the request for the Commission and noted the amount to be received. Commissioner Evatz asked where the funding goes. Manager Mendiola and Deputy District Attorney Maddox responded. Commissioner Hill commented on the process currently being done by the Opioid Committee to determine how the funds should be used. The following motion was made by Commissioner Hill and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To authorize County Manager, Dave Mendiola to sign the Walmart Settlement Participation Form through the One Nevada Agreement in regards to the ongoing opioids litigation throughout the State of Nevada, as well as pending in the Sixth Judicial District Court of Humboldt County.

MOTO NOVO REQUEST FOR ONE TIME USE EASEMENT ON WINNEMUCCA MOUNTAIN: Consideration, discussion and possible approval of Moto Novo M/C (MRANN Racing club) request for one time use of easement on Winnemucca Mountain. The Club would like to use a portion of the paved summit access route to the towers on Winnemucca Mountain for Saturday, March 4, 2023, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, March 5, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Included on the on-line agenda for review was a copy of the request from Marvin Small on behalf of Moto Novo M/C (MRANN Racing Club) with a map of the area. Michael McKimble, the Treasurer for the Club, appeared before the Commission and spoke in support of the request explaining the route and how the event would be managed. Commissioner Hill asked whether it would just be crossing the asphalt or racing on it. Mr. McKimble responded. Commissioner Hill voiced concern about the impact on the asphalt. Mr. McKimble responded. Manager Mendiola noted that he had contacted Director Kalkoske and Director Grantham about access concerns and following that had requested that, if access is needed, it would be accommodated which they were fine with. The following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the Moto Novo request for a one-time use easement on Winnemucca Mountain on the paved section of the road as outlined for Saturday, March 4th and Sunday, March 5th with the appropriate caveats of escort for emergency services and other potential needs to get to the tower via escort as proposed.

COMPTROLLER: Comptroller Gina Rackley appeared before the Commission.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Humboldt County Comptroller Gina Rackley will provide an overview of current conditions with respect to Humboldt County revenues and expenditures for fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023), including an update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other funding available to the County. Comptroller Rackley stated that other than the audit report about to be provided she had no report.

2021-2022 AUDIT REPORT BY DRAKE, ROSE & ASSOCIATES: HUMBOLDT COUNTY AUDIT FINANCIAL REPORT: Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the Humboldt County Financial Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Andree Rose and Tara Larson with Drake, Rose & Associates appeared before the Commission. Copies of the Audit Report, financial graphs and the final communication letter from the Auditors (see attached) were provided to the Commission. Ms. Rose thanked everyone for their cooperation during this audit and reviewed the Audit Report for the Board noting that the County received an unmodified opinion. Ms. Larson reviewed the financial graphs provided including comparisons of ending cash balances-all funds and ending fund balance-all governmental fund types, revenue by source-all governmental fund types, general fund and special revenue funds, expenditures by function-all governmental fund types, general fund and special revenue funds, comparison of revenue by source- all governmental types, comparison of expenditures by function- all governmental types, general fund and special revenue funds, comparison of revenues vs expenditures – general fund and proprietary funds and comparison of ending fund balance – general fund. Ms. Rose continued reviewing the financial statement including the items identified as significant statutory constraints related to the Golconda Water District Fund, the Star City Water Fund and the lack of approval for all Commission meeting minutes and the significant deficiencies identified related to the timely remittance of restitution payments, grant administration/reporting and errors with the Child Support grant reimbursement requests. Ms. Rose summarized noting that Humboldt County is financially stable, concerns with the fund balance for capital projects and the impact of that on possible expansion, the challenge of the enterprise funds and the concern with the road fund. Discussion ensued between Commissioner Evatz and Ms. Rose regarding what the County needs to do to address the deficiencies and how to address the concerns with the enterprise funds. Commissioner Cerri noted his concern with the enterprise funds not carrying their weight and with the overall financial change for the County noting the need to keep an eye on the situation and not allow our reserves get too low where something drastic has to occur. Chairman Tipton concurred. Commissioner Hill agreed commenting that, as a Board, we need to continue to be fiscally responsible and really realize what is needed and cut out the overspending; he agreed with the need to put emphasis on the Capital Improvement Fund given the projects that may be done in the next few years. The Board

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thanked the auditors, the comptroller and others in the organization that assisted with the audit. Ms. Rose reviewed the required communication (see attached) between the Auditor and the Commission. The following motion was made by Commissioner Cerri and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the Financial Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Chairman Tipton recessed the meeting at 11:34 a.m. reconvening at 11:39 a.m.

TREASURER: Treasurer Rhona Lecumberry appeared before the Commission.

TAX ROLL ADJUSTMENT: Consideration, discussion and possible approval pursuant to NRS 361.768 to direct the Treasurer to adjust the Real Property Tax Rolls for John Milton Guthrie Mitchell for a credit of \$2.74 for APN: 14-0262-07 for FY2022-2023. Treasurer Lecumberry reviewed the request for the Commission. The following motion was made by Commissioner Hill and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To direct the Treasurer to adjust the Real Property Tax Rolls for John Milton Guthrie Mitchell for a credit of \$2.74.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: Public Works Director Don Kalkoske appeared before the Commission.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE WATER PUMP: Consideration, discussion and possible approval of a request to purchase a water pump in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 from Cate Equipment. Director Kalkoske reviewed the request for the Commission noting that this item is included in the budget. Discussion ensued regarding the number of years we would get out of a used pump, if there is a rebuild program and the funding identified for the purchase. The following motion was made by Commissioner Hill and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve the request to purchase a water pump in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 from Cate Equipment.

LAMBERT DRIVE MAG CHLORIDE UPDATE: Humboldt County Public Works Director Don Kalkoske will provide an update regarding a petition to request to discontinue using Magnesium Chloride to control dust on Lambert Drive. Director Kalkoske reviewed this item for the Commission explaining the plan to proceed with this road including putting new material on, not applying mag chloride and what will be done to keep the dust down including the use of a water truck. Discussion ensued regarding the time frame for the project. Commissioner Cerri noted concern with the non-application of mag chloride and EPA concerns due to dust as well as the impact on the road and managing the road by the department as it includes additional work on the road; he asked if this will be done for all roads. Director Kalkoske

indicated that this will be on a case by case, year by year basis. Discussion ensued regarding the amount of maintenance required with and without mag application and the cost for mag as compared to maintenance. Director Kalkoske stated that he would like to get the bridge done before the road reconstruction. Discussion ensued with Lorne Lyon about the need to provide comments during the established public comment periods. Commissioner Evatz asked about the road maintenance program and questioned if this is applied across all county roads. Director Kalkoske responded that was correct. Commissioner Evatz questioned if that includes making sure that the bases and crowns are up to county standards as well as the application of mag on county roads, commenting his thanks for that on his road as it keeps the dust down, but stating that he wants to make sure that we are not making exceptions to the overall rules that govern the county road maintenance programs. Director Kalkoske stated for this road, no, as he is aware that the road has been in pretty bad shape. Commissioner Evatz noted his concern that there is a frame of reference that this road is being treated differently but, it appears that what is being said is that this road needs some improvements the same improvement that would apply to any road in the same situation. Director Kalkoske concurred. Discussion ensued regarding other roads in the area and their conditions and that Lambert will be the only one not treated with mag chloride. Commissioner Hill stated his concern that the road be safe so he wants it to be clear to all the people who signed the petition this will now be a dusty road; he cautioned that the county will not fix that and will not be out there everyday watering it; he stated that it is a give/take with the mag chloride but that he does understand the issues with it as it is corrosive and such but it also helps the citizens with the dust; he continued offering caution without undermining Director Kalkoske or his professionalism, that the Director is doing what he thinks is best for this situation as the Commission trusts that he is making the right decision for this area.

GENERAL ROAD PROJECTS: A presentation by Humboldt County Public Works Director Don Kalkoske to update the Board on Road projects within Humboldt County, however, no action may be taken on a matter raised until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Director Kalkoske offered comment on the issue with the Honor Camp closing and explained what his department utilizes the facility for and how that will impact his department. Director Kalkoske continued reporting on grader training what has occurred and what is planned, road work on Jungo Road as well as in the Grass Valley, Paradise Valley, Golconda, Orovada and Denio areas.

SHERIFF: Sheriff Angel Cardenas appeared before the Commission.

DETENTION CENTER - APPROVAL TO INCREASE FOOD BUDGET: Consideration, discussion and possible approval to increase the Detention Center Grocery Budget an additional \$150,000 due to increased food

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costs and an increase in inmate population. Included on the on-line agenda was a breakout of the food costs for the detention center for the period of July through January. Sheriff Cardenas, Undersheriff Damon Kuskie and Captain Jeremy Peters appeared before the Commission. Captain Peters reviewed the request for the Commission. Chairman Tipton asked about jail population. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Cerri asked about the meal requirements. Captain Peters responded. Sheriff Cardenas noted that a dietician had checked the facility out and they are up to par. Comptroller Rackley explained that no action needs to be taken at this time as budget augmentation is in June so she would work with the Sheriff's Office to determine the amount. Commissioner Hill suggested looking at suppliers and such. Deputy District Attorney Maddox commented that this item can be looked at as an informational item only with no action needed.

LIQUOR BOARD: Sheriff Cardenas called the meeting of the Liquor Board to order at 12:06 p.m. Undersheriff Kuskie reviewed the following second quarter liquor license renewals with a current expiration date of March 31, 2023: Denio Junction - Denio Junction; Mateo Brambila - Valmy Chevron; Giovanni & Shannon Giordano - Sawtooth Station; Joginder Lal - McDermitt Gas Lean Motel; Jeffrey Siegel - Diamond Bar Inn; Manjinder Singh & Kirandeep Kaur - A-1 Fuel Stop; Norman Calhoun & Barry Wilkinson - Quinn River Merc, LLC; Juanita Kennedy or Dennis Acorda - Paradise Valley Bar & Grill; Micaela Fregoso, General Manager - Pilot Travel Centers, LLC; Ted Rookstool - Windspur Supply; Jurjot Singh - BJ's Market; Chloe Dufurrena - Say When, Inc. and William Firth - Water Hole #1. Undersheriff Kuskie noted the removal of the liquor license for Nola Thomson – Club 40. Sheriff Cardenas recommended approval as presented. Commissioner Tipton asked about the inclusion of the Waterhole as it was handled previously. Sheriff Cardenas explained. Commissioner Tipton asked about the removal of Club 40. Sheriff Cardenas explained. Sheriff Cardenas called for a motion. The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton, was seconded and passed with Commissioners Tipton, Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

To approve all thirteen liquor licenses as presented and the removal of Club 40.

Sheriff Cardenas adjourned the Liquor Board meeting at 12:08 p.m.

REQUEST APPROVAL TO PURSUE GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE NEVADA LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND GRANT: Consideration, discussion and possible approval to pursue grant funds through the Nevada Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for projects in Humboldt County. Funding of development proposals may cover construction, renovation, site planning, demolition, site preparation, and architectural/ engineering services for outdoor recreation areas. Melany Aten, Nevada Conservation Districts Program Manager, appeared before the Commission and reviewed the request. Manager

Mendiola noted prior discussion by the Commission as to upgrading the facilities at Chimney Reservoir. Discussion ensued as to what action is needed today. Chairman Tipton asked who would be in charge of the grant. Manager Mendiola stated it would be the County's grant; he further noted that the Nevada Outdoor School has agreed to maintain the site. Commissioner Cerri asked about NDOW funding. Ms. Aten responded. Discussion ensued regarding that this will not be only about maintaining but improving, funding availability, the need to involve other partners and how to maintain the site going forward to prevent damage/vandalism. The following motion was made by Commissioner Cerri and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent: *To direct the County Manager to pursue grant funding through the Nevada Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for projects in Humboldt County.*

APPROVAL OF THE MILITARY SITES AND OPERATIONS CHAPTER OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY PUBLIC LAND USE PLANS: Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the Military Sites and Operations Chapter of the Humboldt County Public Land Use Plan. A copy of the proposed chapter was included on the on-line agenda for review. Manager Mendiola reviewed the request for the Commission. The following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Tipton and Commissioners Hill, Cerri and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Hoss being absent:

That the Military Sites and Operations Chapter of the Humboldt County Public Land Use Plans be adopted and approved to be included in the overall plan structure.

REVIEW OF LEGISLATIVE BILLS AND BILL DRAFT REQUESTS (BDR) THAT WILL BE TAKEN UP IN THE 2023 NEVADA LEGISLATURE: Updates regarding Senate and House Bills as well as Bill Draft Requests (BDR's) that could impact Humboldt County financially or otherwise that the County would like to be involved and heard on during the legislative session. Comptroller Rackley commented on the number of Bill Draft Requests received that would have fiscal impact and discussed some of those presented so far. Chairman Tipton commented on bills that he is watching and suggested that some will need to come before the Commission for response. Commissioner Evatz asked about adding an action item on a future agenda related to response by the Commission to those bill draft requests that impact the county. Deputy District Attorney Maddox agreed that could occur. Comptroller Rackley commented on the current process. Commissioner Cerri commented on the closing of the Conservation Camp and the possible impact of proposed legislation on that process. Melany Aten offered comment on the work with the Conservation Camp by the Nevada Conservation Districts Program and the Division of Forestry over the years completing natural resource and conservation projects through the county and the surrounding counties

and commented on their support for that relationship going forward and her worries as to the impact on those projects going forward without the conservation camp's assistance.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Other information and upcoming meetings – Chairman Tipton noted the following meetings - February 28, 2023 Humboldt General Hospital Meeting, March 6, 2023 Humboldt County Commissioner Meeting, March 7, Winnemucca City Council Meeting, March 9, 2023 Regional Planning Commission Meeting and March 13, 2023 Winnemucca Regional Airport Meeting.

2. Reports from Commissioners regarding other Boards and Committees on which they serve: Commissioner Cerri offered no report. Commissioner Evatz offered no report. Commissioner Hill noted his attendance at a Humboldt Development Authority meeting, an Opioid Litigation meeting and a Debt Management Commission meeting. Chairman Tipton reported on a meeting related the military plan as discussed earlier, a meeting related to the annual MOU with the BLM, a NACO Legislative Bill Draft Meeting, a phone call with Assemblywoman Hansen related to the Conservation Camp closing, a phone call with Manager Mendiola regarding the solar PUC about a proposed solar facility locally and a meeting with staff about the how to go forward with planning.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Whether an item will be placed on a future agenda will be subject to the chairman and/or legal counsel's determination. Manager Mendiola noted support letters for AB 240, AB 68, and AB 102 . Chairman Tipton asked legal, if an item can be placed on the agenda to allow the Commission to take an action on any legislative bills that come forward. Deputy District Attorney Maddox responded that an action item could be put on the agenda and that it would not need to identify the specific bill number. Commissioner Evatz asked about the discussion at the last meeting related to security cameras and storage as to why that has not yet come back before the Board. Manager Mendiola responded that they are still trying to gather the necessary information. Commissioner Cerri stated that he had spoken to TJ out at Kings River whom he believes was provided maps of the actual 2477 roads and he still isn't happy that people can go through his yard. Manager Mendiola commented that he did not have an email address to send the maps to but that he knows that Director Kalkoske has spoken to him and that he does have some no trespassing signs up but we are not worried about that as the worry is people who are not familiar with the area just driving through there all the time and causing havoc to the road but everything is unlocked. Commissioner Cerri commented that TJ is aware that it is a 2477 road and, while he is not happy, he is not going to lock any gates but that he may put a gate across the cattle guard when he weans the cattle but it is not to prevent people from going through. Commissioner Hill suggested that the letter for the Honor Camp include the State in that as they use their services quite

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frequently; he further asked that the off-loading site be on the agenda where we send a letter of interest or something and we probably need to look at master planning to see what happens out there. Manager Mendiola responded that he had reached out to Lithium Nevada and they are willing to have public meetings and explained what is being discussed. Commissioner Hill stated that his main concern is to work together with the City, as we have always done, to do what is best for all citizens. Commissioner Evatz noted that he had reached out to Mr. Crowley and the indication was that a town hall had been scheduled. Commissioner Cerri noted a meeting for the Orovada community in March related to these topics.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Tipton asked for public comment. Chairman Tipton thanked Deputy District Attorney Maddox for assistance over the years as she moves on to her new position. Lorne Lyon offered comment on his maintenance of Kearns Way and the turning easement and he questioned if the County is going to take that on. No further public comment.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Tipton adjourned the meeting at 12:49 p.m.

ATTEST:  Clerk APPROVED:  Chairman

(Minutes approved by the Commission and signed by the Chairman on 4-17-23)



DRAKE ROSE & ASSOCIATES, LLC
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

January 30, 2023

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners
of Humboldt County, Nevada

We have audited the financial statements of Humboldt County as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated January 30, 2023. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

Our Responsibility in Relation to the Financial Statement Audit

As communicated in our engagement letter dated March 21, 2022, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express an opinion(s) about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your respective responsibilities.

Our responsibility, as prescribed by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit of financial statements includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, as part of our audit, we considered the internal control of Humboldt County solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

We are also responsible for communicating significant matters related to the audit that are, in our professional judgment, relevant to your responsibilities in overseeing the financial reporting process. However, we are not required to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to communicate to you.

We have provided our findings regarding significant control deficiencies over financial reporting and material noncompliance, and other matters noted during our audit within the financial audit of Humboldt County on page 157 and 158, *Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards* and within the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs, page 166 - 169.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, and our firm have complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence. Internal review procedures have been conducted to ensure that the risks related to management participation and familiarity threats related to our assistance with drafting the County's financial statements to ensure that the risks have been reduced to an acceptable level.

Qualitative Aspects of the Entity's Significant Accounting Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by Humboldt County is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 16 to the financial statements, during the year, the County changed its method of accounting for leases by adopting Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, Leases. Accordingly, the cumulative effect of the accounting change as of the beginning of the year has been reported in the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position and Balance Sheet. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments.

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements are depreciation; other postemployment benefits and related deferred inflows and outflows; and pension liability and related deferred inflows and outflows.

Management's estimate of depreciation of property and equipment is based on estimated useful lives as set by industry standards. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the useful lives and determined that it is reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole and in relation to the applicable opinion units.

Management's estimates of other postemployment benefits (OPEB) and related deferred inflows and outflows are based on information calculated by an actuary. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates and determined that they are reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole and in relation to the applicable opinion units.

Management's estimates of pension liability and related deferred inflows and outflows are based on information calculated by an actuary. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates and determined that they are reasonable in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole and in relation to the applicable opinion units.

Financial Statement Disclosures

Certain financial statement disclosures involve significant judgment and are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting Humboldt County's financial statements relate to OPEB and Pension liabilities and related deferred inflows and outflows.

Identified or Suspected Fraud

We did not identify or obtain information that indicates fraud may have occurred.

Significant Difficulties Encountered during the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Further, professional standards require us to also communicate the effect of uncorrected misstatements related to prior periods on the relevant classes of transactions, account balances or disclosures, and the financial statements as a whole and each applicable opinion unit. Uncorrected misstatements or matters underlying those uncorrected misstatements could potentially cause future-period financial statements to be materially misstated, even though the uncorrected misstatements are immaterial to the financial statements currently under audit. The attached schedule summarizes uncorrected financial statement misstatements whose effects in the current and prior periods, as determined by management, are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financials statements taken as a whole and each applicable opinion unit.

In addition, professional standards require us to communicate to you all material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures. None of the misstatements identified by us as a result of our audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole or applicable opinion units.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfactions, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to Humboldt County's financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated January 30, 2023.

Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

Other Significant Matters, Findings, or Issues

In the normal course of our professional association with Humboldt County, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, operating and regulatory conditions affecting the entity, and operational plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as Humboldt County's auditors.

Noncompliance with Laws and Regulations, Violations of Contract Provisions or Grant Agreements

We have identified the following matters involving noncompliance with laws and regulations, violations of contract provisions or grant agreements that came to our attention during the course of the audit. See Note 2 to the financial statements for a description of apparent NRS violations.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of County Commissioners and management of Humboldt County and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

Blake Ross : Associates, LLC

Client: *Humboldt County*
 Engagement: *Humboldt County*
 Period Ending: *6/30/2022*
 Workpaper: *Passed Journal Entries Report*

Account	Description	W/P Ref	Debit	Credit
Passed Journal Entries JE # 15		5001.1		
Medicare tax not recorded on accrued paid time off.				
100-001-51106-000	MEDICARE		12,055.57	
201-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		90.37	
202-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		1,497.69	
203-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		289.90	
205-034-51106-000	MEDICARE		1,836.63	
207-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		639.00	
208-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		35.35	
212-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		450.89	
220-000-51106-000	MEDICARE		184.30	
100-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			12,055.57
201-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			90.37
202-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			1,497.69
203-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			289.90
205-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			1,836.63
207-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			639.00
208-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			35.35
212-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			450.89
220-000-20103-000	ACCRUED SALARY & BENEFIT			184.30
Total			<u><u>17,079.70</u></u>	<u><u>17,079.70</u></u>

Notice of Public Meeting
Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
8:30 AM

Humboldt County Courthouse Meeting Room 201
50 West Fifth Street, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445

Click here to join the meeting:
[JOIN](#)

Or by phone: +1 775-446-0241, ID: 597 561 906#

All times on this agenda are approximate. Consideration of items may require more or less time than is scheduled. Items on the agenda may be taken out of order; the public body may combine two or more agenda items for consideration; and the public body may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. Public comment is designated for discussion only. The public has the opportunity to address the Commission on any matter not appearing on the agenda; however, no action may be taken on Matter raised until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. Additionally, public comment may be heard on any item listed on the Agenda. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing and/or attend and make comments on any agenda item at the Commission meeting. All public comment may be limited to three (3) minutes per person, at the discretion of the Commission.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

General public comment is designated for discussion only. The public has the opportunity to address the Commission on any matter not appearing on this agenda; however, no action may be taken on a matter raised until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Discussion and action on correction/approval of minutes for discussion and action on correction/approval of minutes for March 27, 2017 (Budget Hearing); April 3, 2017; May 1, 2017 (Joint); May 15, 2017; June 19, 2017; July 10, 2017; August 7, 2017 (Joint); August 21, 2017; December 11, 2017 (Joint); January 16, 2018; January 29, 2018 (Retreat); February 5, 2018; February 20, 2018; March 5, 2018; April 2, 2018 (Budget Hearing); April 9, 2018; August 6, 2018; August 20, 2018; September 17, 2018; October 1, 2018; October 15, 2018; March 18, 2019; March 25, 2019 (Budget Hearings); April 1, 2019; May 6, 2019; May 15, 2019 (Special); May 20, 2019; June 3, 2019; June 17, 2019; June 25, 2019 (Special); August 5, 2019; August 19, 2019; September 3, 2019; September 16, 2019; October 21, 2019; November 4, 2019; November 25, 2019 (Special); December 16, 2019; January 6, 2020; January 21, 2020 (Combined Regular and Retreat); February 3, 2020; March 2, 2020; March 19, 2020; April 6, 2020; April 14, 2020 (Special); April 20, 2020; May 4, 2020;

June 15, 2020 (Joint); July 17, 2020 (Special Joint); July 20, 2020; August 17, 2020; August 20, 2020 (Special Meeting); September 8, 2020; September 21, 2020; September 30, 2020 (Special); October 5, 2020 (Special Joint Meeting); October 19, 2020; November 9, 2020; November 13, 2020 (Special Canvass); November 23, 2020; December 14, 2020; January 4, 2021; January 25, 2021 (Special Meeting); February 8, 2021; February 22, 2021 (Special Joint Meeting); February 22, 2021; March 22, 2021; March 29, 2021 (Budgets); April 8, 2021 (Special Meeting); June 21, 2021; July 19, 2021; August 9, 2021; August 12, 2021 (Special Meeting); August 23, 2021; September 20, 2021; November 8, 2021; and November 22, 2021; January 3, 2022; January 24, 2022 (Commission Retreat), March 7, 2022, March 21, 2022; May 2, 2022; May 16, 2022; September 19, 2022 (Regular Meeting); November 7, 2022; November 21, 2022; December 12, 2022; and February 6, 2023. Discussion and possible action.

4.A) Minutes - 020623

[HCC020623unapprovedUNOFFICIAL.pdf](#)

5. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY FOR FEBRUARY 6, 2023, THROUGH FEBRUARY 21, 2023 (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)
6. APPROVAL OF ONE-TIME FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR PUBLIC LANDS COUNTIES (THE CENTER) (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to fund the National Center for Public Lands Counties (The Center) in an amount not to exceed \$79,818.73. This one-time contribution will fund the National Public Lands Center (“the Center”), housed within the National Association of Counties (NACo) & Western Interstate Region (W.I.R.). The suggested contribution is based on 1% of Humboldt Counties Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency fund (LATCF) award. Payment of this contribution can be made in two installments. The Center will conduct evidence-based research, compile county data, and weave together the narrative around public lands counties that will provide rural Nevada and other counties critical evidence based data contribute to public lands management decisions with various agencies. Discussion and possible action.

6.A) Staff Memo - NACO

[NACO Letter_Center for Public Lands Counties](#)

[2.2.23.pdf NPLC Invoice - Humboldt.pdf](#)

[NACo Public Lands Center Agenda Request.pdf](#)

7. WINNEMUCCA EVENTS COMPLEX REQUEST TO PURCHASE DUMP TRUCK (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to purchase a used dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$28,500. Discussion and possible action.

7.A) Staff Memo - WEC Dump Truck

[Staff Agenda Request Packet - WEC Dump Truck.pdf](#)

8. APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A BACK-UP GENERATOR FOR THE 911 DISPATCH BUILDING (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to purchase a back-up generator from Cummins for the 911 Dispatch Building in an amount not to exceed \$72,309. Discussion and possible action.

8.A) Staff Memo - Dispatch back-up generator

[Staff Report- Dispatch Secondary Back Up Generator and Proposal 2-10-23.pdf](#)

9. PARADISE VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUEST TO CONTRACT WITH RECREATION TODAY TO REMOVE OLD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND INSTALL NEW EQUIPMENT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval for the Paradise Valley Fire Department to contract Recreation Today to remove old playground equipment and install new playground equipment at the Paradise Valley Park, in an amount not to exceed \$99,995. Discussion and possible action.

9.A) Staff Memo - Paradise Valley Fire Dept. Request to Remove and Replace Playground Equipment

[Staff Report- Paradise Valley Park Equipment Upgrade and Proposals.pdf](#)

10. APPROVAL FOR WALMART SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION REGARDING THE ONGOING OPIOIDS LITIGATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to authorize County Manager, Dave Mendiola to sign the Walmart Settlement Participation Form through the One Nevada Agreement in regards to the ongoing opioids litigation throughout the State of Nevada, as well as pending in the Sixth Judicial District Court of Humboldt County Nevada in CV 0022306 against various defendants such as; drug manufacturers, wholesale distributors, detailers, pharmacies, health care providers, and other unnamed defendants. Discussion and possible action.

10.A) Staff Memo - Walmart Settlement

[Staff Memo - Walmart Settlement Participation.pdf](#) [Walmart Settlement Participation Form - Exhibit K_dm.pdf](#) [Walmart Settlement Agreement \(2022.12.02\)_FINAL.pdf](#)

11. MOTO NOVO REQUEST FOR ONE TIME USE EASEMENT ON WINNEMUCCA MOUNTAIN (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval of Moto Novo M/C (MRANN Racing

club) request for one time use of easement on Winnemucca Mountain. The Club would like to use a portion of the paved summit access route to the towers on Winnemucca Mountain for Saturday, March 4, 2023, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, March 5, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Discussion and possible action.

11.A) Staff Memo - Moto Novo Club

[Agenda Request - MotoNovo.pdf](#)

[Motocross Road Closure_Wmca Mtn_Map.pdf](#)

[Awakening Grand Prix Flyer.pdf](#)

12. COMPTROLLER: FINANCIAL REPORT (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)

Humboldt County Comptroller Gina Rackley will provide an overview of current conditions with respect to Humboldt County revenues and expenditures for fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023), including an update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other funding available to the County. Information Only.

13. 2021-2022 AUDIT REPORT BY DRAKE, ROSE & ASSOCIATES: HUMBOLDT COUNTY AUDIT FINANCIAL REPORT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the Humboldt County Financial Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. Discussion and possible action.

14. TREASURER'S OFFICE: TAX ROLL ADJUSTMENT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval pursuant to NRS 361.768 to direct the Treasurer to adjust the Real Property Tax Rolls for John Milton Guthrie Mitchell for a credit of \$2.74 for APN: 14-0262-07 for FY2022-2023. Discussion and possible action.

14.A) Treasurer - Tax Roll Adjustment

[Roll Adjustment 14-0262-07.pdf](#)

15. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: REQUEST TO PURCHASE WATER PUMP (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION) / LAMBERT DRIVE MAG CHLORIDE UPDATE AND GENERAL ROAD PROJECTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

- A. Consideration, discussion and possible approval of a request to purchase a water pump in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 from Cate Equipment. Discussion and possible action.
- B. Humboldt County Public Works Director Don Kalkoske will provide an update regarding a petition to request to discontinue using Magnesium Chloride to control dust on Lambert Drive. For information only.
- C. A presentation by Humboldt County Public Works Director Don Kalkoske to update the Board on Road projects within Humboldt County, however, no action may be taken on a matter raised until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.

15.A) Staff Memo - Water Pump Purchase & Update on Lambert Drive
Magnesium Chloride Petition

[Staff Report Water Pump 02082023.pdf](#)

[Staff Report Lambert mag application 02132023.pdf](#)

16. DETENTION CENTER: APPROVAL TO INCREASE FOOD BUDGET (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to increase the Detention Center Grocery Budget an additional \$150,000 due to increased food costs and an increase in inmate population. Discussion and possible action.

16.A) Detention Center Memo - Food Budget
increase [Agenda request grocery budget.pdf](#)
[Food cost Breakdown.pdf](#)

17. SHERIFF: LIQUOR BOARD

Sheriff Angel Cardenas is requesting that the Humboldt County Liquor Board be convened for consideration, discussion and possible approval of the following:

1. A) Sheriff Cardenas is requesting 2nd quarter approval for

Applicant	Business Name
1 Denio Junction	Denio Junction
2 Mateo Brambila	Valmy Chevron
3 Giovanni & Shannon Giordano	Sawtooth Station
4 Joginder Lal	McDermitt Gas Lean Motel
5 Jeffrey Siegel	Diamond Bar Inn
6 Manjinder Singh & Kirandeep Ka	A-1 Fuel Stop
7 Norman Calhoun & Barry Wilkinson	Quinn River Mere, LLC
8 Juanita Kennedy or Dennis Acorda	Paradise Valley Bar & Grill
9 Micaela Fregoso Gen Mgr	Pilot Travel Centers, LLC
10 Ted Rookstool	Windspur Supply
11 Jurjot Singh	BJ's Market
12 Chloe Dufurrena	Say When, Inc.

Note: All above licenses will expire 03/31/2023

Removed:

Nola Thomson

Club40

17.A) Sheriff's Office - Liquor Board

[Sheriff - 2nd Quarter Liquor License.pdf](#)

18. REQUEST APPROVAL TO PURSUE GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE NEVADA LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND GRANT (DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to pursue grant funds through the Nevada Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for projects in Humboldt County. Funding of development proposals may cover construction, renovation, site planning, demolition, site preparation, and architectural/ engineering services for outdoor recreation areas.

18.A) Staff Memo - LWCF Grant Fund Opportunity

[Staff Report - NVStateParks_Chimney.pdf](#)

[2023 Grant Announcement NV LWCR.pdf](#)

19. APPROVAL OF THE MILITARY SITES AND OPERATIONS CHAPTER OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY PUBLIC LAND USE PLANS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the Military Sites and Operations Chapter of the Humboldt County Public Land Use Plan. Discussion and possible action.

19.A) Staff Memo - Military Facilities & Operations Chapter - County Land Use Plan

[Staff Memo - Military Chpt.pdf](#)

[Final for Board Review - Military Sites & Ops - 20523.pdf](#)

20. REVIEW OF LEGISLATIVE BILLS AND BILL DRAFT REQUESTS (BDR) THAT WILL BE TAKEN UP IN THE 2023 NEVADA LEGISLATURE (INFORMATION ONLY)

Updates regarding Senate and House Bills as well as Bill Draft Requests (BDR's) that could impact Humboldt County financially or otherwise that the County would like to be involved and heard on during the legislative session. Information only.

21. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Other information and upcoming meetings

February 28, 2023 Humboldt General Hospital Meeting
March 6, 2023 Humboldt County Commissioner Meeting
March 7, Winnemucca City Council Meeting
March 9, 2023 Regional Planning Commission Meeting
March 13, 2023 Winnemucca Regional Airport Meeting

2. Reports from Commissioners regarding other Boards and Committees on which they serve, including POOL/PACT Board, National Wild Horse & Burro Advisory Board, Nevada Association of Counties (NACO), Regional Airport Board, Humboldt River Basin Water Authority (HRBWA), Western Interstate Region (WIR), Legislative Interim Land Council, Humboldt Development Authority (HDA), Winnemucca Visitors & Convention Authority (WCVA), Hospital Board, Humboldt Foundation, Northeastern Nevada Regional Development District (NNRDA), Humboldt County Elk Planning Steering Committee, Paradise Conservation District and the State Land Use Planning Advisory Council (SLUPAC).

22. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Whether an item will be placed on a future agenda will be subject to the chairman and/or legal counsel's determination.

23. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comments: General public comment is designated for discussion only. The public has the opportunity to address the Commission on any matter not appearing on this agenda; however, no action may be taken on a matter raised until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.

24. ADJOURNMENT

25. NOTICE:

The County Commission may close the meeting to receive information from legal counsel pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 241.015.

The public is welcome to attend the meeting electronically via Microsoft Teams or by appearing in person at the Humboldt County Courthouse Meeting Room 201 50 West Fifth Street, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445 at the time and date listed on the top of the agenda. There will be a physical location for the meeting; however, the meeting may be accessed electronically through an internet connection at Microsoft Teams link located on

the first page of this agenda.

Members of the public may make a public comment at the meeting without being physically present by emailing publiccomment@humboldtcountynv.gov prior to 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting and messages received will be transcribed for entry into the record and provided to the Board for review. Members of the public may also make a public comment at the meeting without being physically present by accessing the meeting through the internet connection at Microsoft Teams link above.

Staff reports and supporting material posted for the meeting are available on the Humboldt County website at <https://www.humboldtcountynv.gov/> (click on the "Government" link on the home page) if that information was available when the agenda was posted. If the supporting material/ staff report is not included in the agenda packet, it is available to the general public at the same time the materials are provided to the Board. The administrative assistant at the County Manager's Office located at 50 West 5th Street, Winnemucca, Nevada, telephone number 775- 623-6300 is the designated person from whom a member of the public may request the supporting material for this meeting and the County Manager's Office is the location where the supporting material is available to the public.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

PLACES POSTED: Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 50 W. 5th St.: Rooms 201, 205, & 207 at 9:00 A.M. By: MC

Humboldt County Website: <https://www.humboldtcountynv.gov/> at _____ A.M. By: _____

State of Nevada Website: www.notice.nv.gov. _____ A.M. By: _____

MEETING DATE: February 21, 2023 **POSTED BY:** MICHELLE COOK

DATE POSTED: February 15, 2023

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