



**Humboldt County Board of Commissioners**  
**April 15, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Those present were Chairman Jesse Hill, Commissioners Tom Hoss (joined the meeting via Teams at 8:48 a.m.), Ken Tipton and Mark Evatz, Legal Counsel Gabrielle Carr (via Teams), County Manager Don Kalkoske and Clerk of the Board Tami Rae Spero (via Teams). Commissioner Ron Cerri was not in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hill called the regular meeting to order at the regular place of meeting the Humboldt County Meeting Room, Courthouse, #201, Winnemucca, Nevada.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Hill asked for public comments; none offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Discussion and action on correction/approval of minutes for discussion and action on correction/approval of minutes for: September 20, 2021; November 22, 2021; January 3, 2022; January 24, 2022 (Commission Retreat), March 7, 2022, March 21, 2022; March 25, 2024; and April 1, 2024. Discussion ensued regarding the fact that, as some members of the current Board were not on the Board for the meetings submitted, approval, per prior direction of legal counsel, is approval as to form. The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioners Cerri and Hoss being absent:

*To approve these sets of minutes as presented for March 21, 2022, April 1, 2024, September 20, 2021, November 22, 2021, the budget meeting of March 25, 2024, January 3, 2022, January 24, 2022 and March 7, 2022.*

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY FOR APRIL 1, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 15, 2024:

The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioners Cerri and Hoss being absent:

*For approval of the expenditures for Humboldt County for April 1, 2024 through April 15, 2024 as presented.*

MORMON CRICKET AND MOSQUITO/BLACK FLY MITIGATION UPDATE: Representatives from the Nevada Department of Agriculture, Vector Disease Control International and local representatives will present updates on insect control within Humboldt County. Jeff Knight, State Entomologist with the Nevada Department of Agriculture and Jeff Schrempp from Ron's Seed and Supply Spray Service appeared before the Commission. Mr. Knight offered a report including the number of reports received, location of reports, what the State handles, the number of acres submitted for treatment this year, the competition for funding, how the State only treats a section once, how private land is impacted, staffing, the locations of the acreage identified and a proposed process to enter MOUs with the Counties for baiting and such

(Commissioner Hoss joined the meeting at this point). Discussion ensued regarding what is occurring currently, the plan to discuss when baiting will start, the importance of choosing the correct time given the restriction to treat only once and the plan to request two planes. Mr. Schrempp commented on the reports he has received, and treatment limitations based on weather. Discussion ensued regarding the methods for reporting of cricket locations and what type of follow-up occurs with those reporting cricket activities, how treatment is communicated to other providers, that we may be at the end of the cricket cycle and the importance of having a method for people to report cricket sightings.

Micah Mendiola of Vector Disease Control International appeared before the Commission and reported on black fly and mosquito treatments locally and plans for this year. Chairman Hill noted concerns with last year's shortfalls and concerns with fogging that he had heard from the public. Mr. Mendiola explained what is involved with fogging as well as what they can do via the media to notify and educate the public. Based on questions from Commissioner Tipton, Mr. Mendiola addressed chemical impacts of the fogging and spraying.

Chairman Hill stated that the Commission would be moving to item 16 on the agenda at this time.

**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT REQUEST TO SUPPORT THE 2024 NEVADA WILDFIRE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN PROCLAMATION:** Consideration, discussion and possible approval to support the BLM's Nevada Wildfire Awareness Campaign Proclamation for May 2024. A copy of the proposed proclamation was included on the on-line agenda for review. Legal counsel Carr offered suggested language for any motion to make sure that the requirements are met legally. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To approve and adopt the Resolution for wildfire proclamation as presented by the BLM.*

*(Resolution No. 04-15-24)*

**GREAT BASIN COLLEGE REQUEST FOR A COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT TO BE APPLIED TO FACILITY FEES:** Consideration, discussion and possible approval for a Community Support Grant to be used for fees at the Winnemucca Events Complex in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 for Great Basin College's 2024 Commencement Ceremony. Becky Coleman, Director for Great Basin College appeared before the Commission and spoke in support of the request. Commissioner Tipton asked about the status of the Commission Grant line-item as to available funding. Director Kalkoske responded that the line-item is over currently, but that the Fund has sufficient funds to cover the cost. Chairman Hill offered comment on his support for the request. The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To grant the \$1500.00 for the Great Basin College 2024 Commencement ceremony to cover the fees at the Winnemucca Events Complex.*

Chairman Hill recessed the meeting at 9:38 a.m. reconvening at 9:45 a.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Economic Development Officer Michelle Hammond Allen appeared before the Commission.

UPDATE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY: Project updates from NV Energy, SSR Marigold Mine, Solidus Resources and, Economic Development Officer overview of NV 95-80 RDA. Ryan Bellows Vice-President for Government and External Relations, Jeff Brigger, Director of Major Accounts and Economic Development, Chloe Chisholm, Government Relations Advisor and Billie Augustine, Business and Government Connections Advisor with NV Energy appeared before the Commission. Mr. Bellows commented on the company's partnership with local nonprofit organizations as well as work with Andy Rieber as to renewable energy policies, zoning, and other things along those lines. Mr. Brigger offered comments regarding the North Valmy generation station and the future of said location, the plan for the Nevada Green Link Project, the company's economic development efforts, rate analysis services for customers and energy efficiency programs available to customers. Discussion ensued regarding renewable energy projects on public lands and the impact of those projects as to multiple use on public lands, employment numbers for the North Valmy facility going forward, the exporting of power to other states and what would be involved for that to occur, rate increases proposed and payment programs available, the status of the Valmy Plant and how the power loss will be addressed when the closure occurs and the impact of the additional construction workers in the community as to housing and such.

Jennifer Jonas, Community Relations Specialist, Anton Krueger, General Manager and Jessie Barto Environmental Manager with SSR Marigold Mine appeared before the Commission. Mr. Krueger reviewed a power point presentation related to the mine with Mr. Barto providing an overview of the permitting and environmental side of things. Discussion ensued regarding the dewatering process, refractory targets, and the ongoing relationship with the Mackay Pit. Mrs. Jonas updated the Commission on Community Relation commitments. Discussion ensued regarding whether the facility is union or non-union, the production of silver by the facility, planned capital purchases to be received in Humboldt County and the location of the Buffalo project.

Chairman Hill stated that the Commission would return to this item following a public hearing, item 13 on the agenda.

Jack McFadden, President and Joseph Martini, Vice-President of Solidus Resources appeared before the

Commission. Mr. McFadden provided a power point presentation for the Commission. Discussion ensued regarding the capital for investment, when the project began with BLM, the gold price used for base economic scenario and the housing plan proposed.

Officer Hammond Allen and Pat Gray, President of the Humboldt Development Authority Board appeared before the Commission and provided a power point presentation reviewing an economic development organizational overview including where we are at currently and what the goals are and how they align. Mr. Gray commented on his involvement with the Authority and the opportunities for the community. Officer Hammond Allen continued reviewing the power point presentation related to the HDA and the Nevada 9580 Regional Development Authority. Discussion ensued regarding future development for the community, the need for orderly development for how things are staged, the need for updated master plans, the need to talk to the people as to their interest in these businesses coming to this community and the need to protect the quality of life for our community and concerns for these big projects being put right in the community and around the residences with discussion as to how to address these concerns. Commissioner Hoss requested that the Manager put copies of all the presentations in his box.

NOTICE OF TRAVEL: Officer Hammond Allen reported on the upcoming Main Street Conference in May that she will be attending.

Chairman Hill recessed the meeting at 11:28 a.m. reconvening at 11:37 a.m.

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 2024 (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024), including an update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other funding available to the County. Comptroller Rackley reviewed the quarterly report that was sent out on Friday, that centrally assessed taxes for the 4<sup>th</sup> installment which have been received, general fund expenditures and the status of budget submissions and noted that she is working on the ARPA report.

CLERK'S OFFICE:

REQUEST USE OF THE COUNTY MEETING ROOM FOR THE 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION AND TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING TO CANVASS AND CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS: Consideration, discussion and possible action to approve the Clerk's Office use of the County Meeting Room for the 2024 Primary Election activities for the period of May 21, 2024, through June 20, 2024, and for the Humboldt County Board of Commissioners to call a special meeting for Friday, June 21, 2024, for canvass and certification of the election. The following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To approve the Clerk's Office use of the county meeting room for the 2024 primary election and election activities as read into the record by the Chairman.*

Legal counsel Carr asked for confirmation that Commissioner Evatz's motion included the call for a special meeting. Commissioner Evatz stated that it did with the inclusion of election activities in the motion.

DESERT MOUNTAIN SURVEY: John H. Milton III of Desert Mountain Surveying representing Chris and Sonya Mitchell appeared before the Commission.

REQUEST TO WAIVE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR MITCHELL: Consideration, discussion and possible approval of a request to waive the development standards pursuant to HCC 16.32.170 for Chris and Sonya Mitchell's Parcel Map, PH-23-04, specifically the requirement for paving, curb gutter and sidewalks on 300 feet of Ada Vista Drive. Currently Ada Vista Drive is a graveled road. Included on the on-line agenda for review were copies of the Parcel Map application submitted to and approved by the Regional Planning Commission with a map attached. Chairman Hill questioned at what point does the Commission stop waiving standards and hold developers to those standards. Mr. Milton responded that when these types of improvements are requested for the area, an assessment district will need to be put in place which would not be a cost to the County; he noted that the waiver process was put in place as, in areas like this, there are no sidewalks, paving or curbs/gutters to connect into. Discussion ensued regarding the accessibility of water/sewer and road maintenance. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To waive the development standards pursuant to HCC 16.32.170 for Chris and Sonya Mitchell, parcel map 23-04, specifically, the requirement for paving curb and gutter sidewalks on three hundred feet of Ada Vista Drive.*

PLANNING: Senior Planning Technician Betty Lawrence appeared before the Commission.

10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING:

A REZONE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON BEHALF OF DAVID AND SANDRA SCHIRRICK: Consideration, discussion and possible approval for RZ-24-04; A rezone application submitted by Regional Planning Commission on behalf of David and Sandra Schirrick to change the C (Commercial) zoning designation to GC (General Commercial) zoning designation on property located at 5705, 5725 and 5745 Rowan Way; assessor's parcel #'s 13-0043-33, 34 and 25. Included on the on-line agenda for review was a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing and a copy of the proposed Ordinance with map attached. Chairman Hill called the public hearing to order at 10:34 a.m. and read the title of the item set to public hearing. Technician Lawrence noted that this is further cleanup for the commercial zoning.

Chairman Hill asked for public comment; none offered. The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton and passed with Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To approve RZ-24-04 a rezone application submitted by the Regional Planning Commission on behalf of David and Sandra Schirrick to change the C zoning designation to GC designation for property located at 5705, 5725 and 5745 Rowan Way, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 13-0043-33, 34 and 25.*

*(Ordinance 04-15-24)*

Chairman Hill stated the Commission would return to item 9 on the agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: Public Works Director Dan Ferraro appeared before the Commission.

REQUEST TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH LARRY GRANT: Consideration, discussion and possible approval of an agreement with Larry Grant, Grant's H2O LLC, as the Contracted Certified Operator for Gold Country Water System. Director Ferraro reviewed the request for the Commission. Commissioner Hoss identified spelling corrections previously noted in the proposed agreement including under Compensation the word "hundred" is misspelled on the third line down and in paragraph twenty the word "authorization" is misspelled. After discussion with legal the following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To approve the agreement with Larry Grant, Grant's H2O LLC, as the contracted certified operator for Gold Country Water System with the noted edits to the document in terms of spelling and to allow the County Manager to sign the document as the authorizing rep.*

GENERAL ROAD PROJECTS: A presentation by Humboldt County Public Works Director Dan Ferraro 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 Ferraro reported on road grading, road work in various locations in the county, the road crew's attendance at BLM fire refresher training, that a new operator has started in the department today and the beginning of lead service line inspections for McDermitt and possible assistance with the other GIDs for their inspections. Discussion ensued regarding the requirement for the inspections and the involvement of homeowners in the process. Director Ferraro noted the upcoming schedule for mag chloride applications.

SHERIFF: Undersheriff Damon Kuskie appeared before the Commission.

LIQUOR BOARD: Undersheriff Damon Kuskie convened the Humboldt County Liquor Board at 12:05 p.m. Undersheriff Kuskie reviewed the request for the Winnemucca Trap Club for a special liquor license and

recommended approval. The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton, was seconded, and passed with Commissioners Hill, Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:  
*To allow for a special liquor license for the Winnemucca Trap Club for 2024.*

Undersheriff Kuskie adjourned the Liquor Board meeting at 12:06 p.m.

WINNEMUCCA EVENTS CENTER: WCVA Director Kim Petersen appeared before the Commission.

REQUEST TO WAIVE ATTRITION POLICY: Consideration, discussion and possible action to waive the attrition policy to hire for the position of Administrative Clerk II position. Director Petersen reviewed the request for the Commission. The following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:  
*To approve Kim's team to hire the position of admin clerk two.*

UPGRADE SECURITY CAMERAS: Consideration, discussion and possible action to approve the proposal from Desert Hills Fire & Security Systems in an amount not to exceed \$24,900 to upgrade and add additional security cameras at the Event Center and Pavilion. Director Petersen reviewed the request for the Commission. Discussion ensued regarding why the WCVA uses a different vendor than the County IT. Commissioner Evatz noted his concerns that internal sources are not being used which could result in a savings for the taxpayers. Chairman Hill commented on how he would like to see us move forward for a cohesive IT Department that becomes fully integrated for all County entities; he noted that at this point it would cost more to change the current system, but he would like to see this going forward. Commissioner Evatz asked the County Manager to have our IT Director get with Director Petersen in the near future and take a look at that system and see, on a go forward basis, if that is something that could be integrated under the County IT's oversight, to see if we can be more efficient with the use of our county resources before we pay premiums to third party contractors. Legal counsel Carr offered suggestions as to the language used by the Chairman when calling for a motion. The following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To approve the Desert Hills Fire and Security System Camera Project at the Event Center and Pavilion as presented here in an amount not to exceed \$24,900.00 and that Kim and Mike set up a meeting to engage IT from the County on a go forward basis, to see if there are some services they can provide to save the taxpayers some money.*

Chairman Hill stated that the Board would now return to item 7 on the agenda.

Chairman Hill stated that the Board would move to item 18 as the representative for item 17 is not in attendance yet.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Facilities Operations Manager Joaquin Padilla appeared before the Commission. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT RFP FOR THE OROVADA COMMUNITY HALL HVAC: Consideration, discussion and possible approval to accept the RFP packet for the Orovada Community Hall HVAC engineering plans. Manager Padilla noted that this item is in response to the Commission and Manager's request from the last meeting for an RFP for the Orovada HVAC project and that he has provided what the packet would look like but, that this is extremely too much for what is being looked for right now as what is being looked for at this point is a proposal of service for a design of the HVAC system for the community hall from CTA and Ainsworth; he explained what needed to be included. Chairman Hill offered comment on the selection of professional services and what is allowed under statute as well as the need for clear RFPs for projects. Discussion ensued regarding what was needed at this point, the authority of the Commission to put the people in place that can do the task, that the prior proposals were different with one being just for heating and the other for heating and cooling which is preferred by the community, what information is provided by the engineering services and how the request for proposal works, that once proposals are returned then it would come back to the Commission for approval, that time is of the essence on this project due to the prior issues which created delay, the need for the District Attorney's Office to be involved with the process, the difference between a RFP and a request for services, that the item as agendized would be for approving a document not to hire anybody, that professional services are exempt from the bidding process and that it would be up to the District Attorney's Office and Management to come up with processes that comply with the law and then the contracts come before the Commission to be potentially approved. Chairman Hill thanked the Buildings & Grounds staff for their efforts. Chairman Hill stated that there would be no action taken on this item.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Human Resources Director Kellie Kranovich appeared before the Commission. REQUEST TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A RECRUITING AGENCY TO FIND SUITABLE CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF COMPTROLLER: Consideration, discussion and possible action to enter into an agreement with a recruiting agency, per the attached staff report, to find suitable candidates to fill the position of Comptroller. Manager Kalkoske reviewed the request for the Commission with Director Kranovich offering comment. Barry Gaskins with Prothman, a recruiting company, appeared before the Commission via Teams and reviewed their proposal for the Commission. Discussion ensued regarding the proposals. Katie Weigel with Robert Half Talent Solutions appeared before the Commission via Teams and reviewed their proposal. Discussion ensued as to where the position has been advertised to this point and the number of applicants received to this point. Legal counsel Carr suggested that any motion include language to include review/approval of any contract by the District Attorney's Office. Discussion ensued

regarding the current candidates who have applied with Ms. Weigel stating that she would provide a carveout on the fee for any candidates who have currently applied. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton with an agreed to amendment offered by Commissioner Evatz and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To go with Katie Weigel with Robert Half to hire their services and subject to the DA's Office approval of any contract with incorporation of this generous concept that Katie alluded to about that initial handful carving out some kind of deal if that candidate comes out of the handful.*

2024-2025 WATER BUDGET APPROVALS FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY: Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the 2024-2025 Season Water Budgets as submitted by the State Engineer. Pursuant to NRS 533.280, each year the State Engineer is responsible for preparing budgets estimating the amount of money necessary to pay the expenses of various stream systems throughout the state. The budgets are then submitted to each Board of County Commissioners for certification as required by NRS 533.285. The levy must be charged against each water user who has a permit to appropriate water or a perfected water right, and the charge against each water user must be based upon the proportion which their water right bears to the aggregate water rights in the subject hydrographic basin. A copy of the staff report detailing the request (see attached) and the water budget letters were included on the online agenda for review. Dan Randalls, Colton Bronson, and Christy Yarboro with the Nevada Division of Water Resources appeared before the Commission. Mr. Randalls reviewed the request for the Commission with discussion ensuing. Mr. Randalls noted his thanks for Colleen Cox in the Assessor's Office and her work with the process. The following motion was made by Commissioner Tipton and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To approve the fiscal year 2024 2025 water assessments for water basins within Humboldt County in the amount not to exceed \$323,298.12.*

Chairman Hill recessed the meeting at 12:47 p.m. reconvening at 1:04 p.m.

UPDATE RELATED TO INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES: Consideration, discussion and possible action to review options and to authorize the County Manager to move forward with obtaining indigent defense services. Manager Kalkoske provided an update noting the prior case load study provided which showed that Humboldt County is lacking in public defender services as well as informing the Commission that the alternate public defender position as well as staff for the office are currently vacant which leaves the county severely short; he noted that the Department of Indigent Defense (DIDS) has agreed to assist the county until we can decide how to address the shortfall; he commented on the two options offered in the

staff report but noted that the option of turning the services over to the State is probably not an option as they are also lacking in personnel which leaves contracting for the services and continuing to attempt to fill our vacancies. Tom Qualls with the Department of Indigent Defense Services appeared before the Commission and commented on the workload standard adopted by DIDS noting that the study basically requires the county to have five public defenders and as the county also has five positions within the District Attorney's Office that actually creates some kind of parity; he discussed the struggles across the State with filling positions, that the Department acts as the appointed counsel administrator and explained; he noted that, as indicated by the County Manager, DIDS is able to be part of the short-term solution but that a more sustainable option is needed and that he would advocate that part of that solution would be looking for salaried employees either to add to the public defender's office or to create an alternate public defender's office that handles the same type of cases; he discussed the option of contracting with qualified firms for services. Manager Kalkoske noted that a proposal had been provided by Mansfield & Mayo but he had not provided that to the Board yet and explained. Discussion ensued regarding how costs with indigent defense are handled. Massey Mayo appeared before the Commission on behalf of Mansfield & Mayo and provided commentary on the ability to improve the efficiency of the judicial resources that we have currently, including the benefits of a contract provider for these services noting the firm's ability to cover other areas, cost savings to the county, the costs borne by the contractor and the support of DIDS for the contractor. Commissioner Evatz offered comment on concerns on the impact of lack of coverage and the need to provide the rights services that are needed. Discussion ensued regarding the benefit of long term versus short term coverage by a contracted firm. Public Defender Matt Stermitz appeared before the Commission and requested that with the departure of the alternate public defender, he would like to take that position and move it to the public defender's office in the form of a deputy position and explained including how the contracted attorneys would mesh with the public defender's office. Discussion ensued. Based on a question from Deputy District Attorney, Anthony Gordon, Mr. Qualls explained what is involved with opting in to use the State Public Defenders Office for defense services but noting that would not be DIDS first recommendation for Humboldt County when we are trying to build something that is sustainable and available right now; that in his opinion the County would be better served to do some combination including having a second person in the County Public Defender's Office which creates not only stability but also a training ground and explained; he noted that the two proposals before the Commission today provides basically five full-time equivalents with two in the public defender's office and two to three full-time equivalents in a contract which meets the requirements identified. Chairman Hill commented on the opportunity before the Commission to address

the problem identified. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner Evatz including proffered amendments and passed with Chairman Hill and Commissioners Hoss, Tipton and Evatz voting aye and Commissioner Cerri being absent:

*To have County Manager work with Miss Mayo and the other appropriate parties to put together a comprehensive approach that has the joint relationship would be developed and put it in front of us for approval, including the financial obligation associated with such, with a focus on a long-term piece or a long-term concept with appropriate review approval by the District Attorney's Office and DIDS.*

Discussion ensued regarding the timeframe for bringing this agreement back before the Commission.

Chairman Hill stated that the Board would now return to item 17 on the agenda.

COUNTY MANAGER:

DISCUSSION RELATED TO COMMISSIONERS INPUT ON POTENTIAL BILL DRAFT REQUESTS FOR NEXT YEAR'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION: Consideration and discussion to gather the Commissioners' input regarding potential Bill Draft Requests for the 2025 Nevada Legislative Session. Commissioner Tipton noted that NACO has some open bill draft requests if the Commission would have any suggestions for proposed legislation. Discussion ensued Comptroller Rackley noted the need to know if the Commission intends to lobby any bills as the costs for that have not been included in the current budget. Discussion ensued including the possibility of putting forth a BDR related to the Smart from the Start Initiative and the legislative process including the ability to use the District Attorney's Office to assist with BDRs.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Other information and upcoming meetings: the following meeting were noted on the agenda - April 22, 2024 Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Special Meeting, April 23, 2024 Winnemucca City Council Meeting, May 6, 2023 Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Meeting, May 7, 2024 Winnemucca City Council Meeting, May 9, 2024 Regional Planning Commission Meeting, May 20, 2024 McDermitt General Improvement District Board Special Meeting, May 20, 2024 Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Meeting and May 21, 2024 Winnemucca City Council Meeting.

Reports from Commissioners regarding other Boards and Committees on which they serve: Chairman Hill offered no report. Commissioner Tipton discussed a meeting regarding BLM issues and proposed rules from Fish and Wildlife Services. Commissioner Evatz offered no report. It was noted that Commissioner Hoss left the meeting during item 21.

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. Commissioner Evatz asked about Mrs. Kenison's request to be on the agenda from a prior meeting. Manager Kalkoske responded noting that he had discussed it

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with legal counsel and the Commission has no say over the airport due to the agreement with the City other than the Commissioner who sits on the board. Commissioner Evatz commented on the need to inform Mrs. Kenison that the item is not within the Commission's jurisdiction so that it does not look like the Board just punted it out on her as she asked for something to be agendaized and it is important for her to know that the Commission took her input and consulted with legal counsel. Manager Kalkoske identified the need to bring back the public defender contracts. The date and time for the upcoming special meeting was noted. Discussion ensued regarding the plan for the hiring of the comptroller position and the need to place it on the agenda so the public will know how we are going about it. The need to keep the legislative/BDR item on the agenda was identified.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Hill asked for public comment. Michelle Hammond Allen offered public comment noting the BDR process utilized by the Comptroller and suggesting that process be reviewed for the Board and noting her involvement with solar BDRs and efforts to work on some kind of combined effort there which would be worthwhile. Chairman Hill stated his appreciation of the effort put forth by Joaquin and Rebecca in the Building and Grounds Department for agenda item 17. No further public comment was offered.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Hill adjourned the meeting at 2:23 p.m.

ATTEST:  Clerk APPROVED:  Chairman

(Minutes approved by the Commission and signed by the Chairman on 5/6/24)

Notice of Public Meeting  
Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting  
**Monday, April 15, 2024**  
**8:30 AM**

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50 West Fifth Street, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445

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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. Individual comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

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; March 25, 2024; and March 26, 2024. Discussion and possible action.

#### 4.A) Minutes

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5. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY FOR APRIL 1, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 15, 2024 (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)
6. MORMON CRICKET AND MOSQUITO/BLACK FLY MITIGATION UPDATE (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

Representatives from the Nevada Department of Agriculture, Vector Disease Control International and local representatives will present updates on insect control within Humboldt County.

#### 6.A) Mormon Cricket/Insect mitigation update

Agenda Request - Insect abatement update.pdf

7. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT REQUEST TO SUPPORT THE 2024 NEVADA WILDFIRE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN PROCLAMATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to support the BLM's Nevada Wildfire Awareness Campaign Proclamation for May 2024. Discussion and possible action.

#### 7.A) BLM -WF Proclamation 2024

Humboldt County Agenda Request BLM WF Proclamation\_2024.pdf

8. GREAT BASIN COLLEGE REQUEST FOR A COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT TO BE APPLIED TO FACILITY FEES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval for a Community Support Grant to be used for fees at the Winnemucca Events Complex in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 for Great Basin College's 2024 Commencement Ceremony. Discussion and possible action.

8.A) Great Basin College request

GBC Agenda Request.pdf

9. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: UPDATE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY AND NOTICE OF TRAVEL (INFORMATION ONLY)

Project updates from NV Energy, SSR Marigold Mine, Solidus Resources and, Economic Development Officer overview of NV 95-80 RDA and Notice of Travel. Information only.

9.A) Economic Development updates

24Apr15\_EconomicDevelopment\_Update\_Agenda Request.pdf

10. 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 2024 (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024), including an update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other funding available to the County. Information Only.

11. CLERK'S OFFICE: REQUEST USE OF THE COUNTY MEETING ROOM FOR THE 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION AND TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING TO CANVASS AND CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible action to approve the Clerk's Office use of the County Meeting Room for the 2024 Primary Election activities for the period of May 21, 2024, through June 20, 2024, and for the Humboldt County Board of Commissioners to call a special meeting for Friday, June 21, 2024, for canvass and certification of the election. Discussion and possible action.

11.A) Clerk's Request

Staff Agenda Report - Meeting Room P24.pdf

12. DESERT MOUNTAIN SURVEY: REQUEST TO WAIVE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR MITCHELL (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval of a request to waive the development standards pursuant to HCC 16.32.170 for Chris and Sonya Mitchell's Parcel Map, PH-23-04, specifically the requirement for paving, curb gutter and sidewalks on 300 feet of Ada Vista Drive. Currently Ada Vista Drive is a graveled road. Discussion and possible action.

12.A) Desert Mtn. Survey-Mitchell Request

Staff Agenda Request for Mitchell\_PH-23-04.pdf

13. 10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING: A REZONE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON BEHALF OF DAVID AND SANDRA SCHIRRICK (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval for RZ-24-04; A rezone application submitted by Regional Planning Commission on behalf of David and Sandra Schirrick to change the C (Commercial) zoning designation to GC (General Commercial) zoning designation on property located at 5705, 5725 and 5745 Rowan Way; assessor's parcel #'s 13-0043-33, 34 and 25. Discussion and possible action.

13.A) Schirrick RZ-24-04\_Schirrick.pdf

14. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: REQUEST TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH LARRY GRANT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION); GENERAL ROAD PROJECTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

A. Consideration, discussion and possible approval of an agreement with Larry Grant, Grant's H2O LLC, as the Contracted Certified Operator for Gold Country Water System. Discussion and possible action.

B. A presentation by Humboldt County Public Works Director Dan Ferraro 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.

14.A) PW - Certified Operator Agreement

Staff Report -GCW change in Certified Operator 4-1-2024.pdf

15. SHERIFF: LIQUOR BOARD (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Undersheriff Damon Kuskie is requesting to convene the Humboldt County Liquor Board. Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the attached liquor license application. Discussion and possible action.

15.A) Liquor Board

Staff Report - Special Liquor License-Winnemucca Trap Club 2024.pdf

16. WINNEMUCCA EVENTS CENTER: REQUEST TO WAIVE ATTRITION POLICY AND TO UPGRADE SECURITY CAMERAS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

A. Consideration, discussion and possible action to waive the attrition policy to hire for the position of Administrative Clerk II position. Discussion and possible action.

B. Consideration, discussion and possible action to approve the proposal from Desert Hills Fire & Security Systems in an amount not to exceed \$24,900 to upgrade and add additional security cameras at the Event Center and Pavilion. Discussion and

possible action.

- 16.A) WCVA - Attrition and Camera requests  
WCVA - Agenda Request Waiver of Attrition.pdf  
Agenda Request WEC Security Camera System.pdf

17. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT RFP FOR THE OROVADA COMMUNITY HALL HVAC (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to accept the RFP packet for the Orovada Community Hall HVAC engineering plans. Discussion and possible action.

- 17.A) RFP - Orovada Community Hall HVAC  
Staff Report- Orovada Community Hall Center HVAC Engineering Plans RFP and supporting documents.pdf

18. HUMAN RESOURCES: REQUEST TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A RECRUITING AGENCY TO FIND SUITABLE CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF COMPTROLLER (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible action to enter into an agreement with a recruiting agency, per the attached staff report, to find suitable candidates to fill the position of Comptroller. Discussion and possible action.

- 18.A) HR - Recruiting for Comptroller  
Agenda Request - Recruiting Agencies for Comptroller Replacement.pdf

19. 2024-2025 WATER BUDGET APPROVALS FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the 2024-2025 Season Water Budgets as submitted by the State Engineer. Pursuant to NRS 533.280, each year the State Engineer is responsible for preparing budgets estimating the amount of money necessary to pay the expenses of various stream systems throughout the state. The budgets are then submitted to each Board of County Commissioners for certification as required by NRS 533.285. The levy must be charged against each water user who has a permit to appropriate water or a perfected water right, and the charge against each water user must be based upon the proportion which their water right bears to the aggregate water rights in the subject hydrographic basin. Discussion and possible action.

- 19.A) Water Budget - 2024-2025  
Staff Memo - Water Budget for 2024-2025 Season.pdf

20. COUNTY MANAGER: UPDATE RELATED TO INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Consideration, discussion and possible action to review options and to authorize the County Manager to move forward with obtaining indigent defense services. Discussion and possible action.

20.A) County Manager - Indigent Defense Services  
Staff Report - Indigent Defense 04152024.pdf

21. COUNTY MANAGER: DISCUSSION RELATED TO COMMISSIONERS INPUT ON POTENTIAL BILL DRAFT REQUESTS FOR NEXT YEAR'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION (INFORMATION ONLY)

Consideration and discussion to gather the Commissioners' input regarding potential Bill Draft Requests for the 2025 Nevada Legislative Session. Information only.

21.A) 2025 Legislative Session Discussion  
Agenda Request for BDR Suggestions.pdf

22. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Other information and upcoming meetings:

April 22, 2024 Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Special Meeting

April 23, 2024 Winnemucca City Council Meeting

May 6, 2023 Humboldt County Board of Commissioners Meeting

May 7, 2024 Winnemucca City Council Meeting

May 9, 2024 Regional Planning Commission Meeting

May 20, 2024 McDermitt General Improvement District Board Special Meeting

May 20, 2024 Humboldt County Board of Commissioners

Meeting May 21, 2024 Winnemucca City Council 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, Humboldt County Elk Planning Steering Committee, Paradise Conservation District and the State Land Use Planning Advisory Council (SLUPAC).

23. 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.

24. 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. Individual comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

25. ADJOURNMENT

26. NOTICE:

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

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MEETING DATE: April 15, 2024  
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## AGENDA REQUEST FORM

**DATE:** March 27, 2024  
**TO:** County Commission  
**FROM:** County Manager's Office  
**SUBJECT:** Water Distribution Budgets for 2024-2025 Season  
**REQUESTED AGENDA DATE:** April 15, 2024

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### **SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND:**

Each fiscal year, the County must levy an assessment on the water users in the Groundwater Basins within Humboldt County, and must be based on the proportion which the water right of that water user bears to the aggregate water rights in the stream system, for the distribution of the waters of the Quinn River, Little Humboldt River, and the Humboldt River.

### **WHY ARE YOU BRINGING THIS BEFORE THE BOARD NOW:**

Nevada statute requires the State Engineer to submit budgets to each Board of County Commissioners for certification per NRS 533.280, 533.85 and 533.290. The amount of \$323,298.12 for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 will be required for the payment of necessary expenses incurred for supervision over distribution of the decreed water and include, but not limited to salaries of the water commissioners, special studies, water measurements, crop inventories, field investigations, associated data collection and management.

### **PREVIOUS ACTION:**

The Commissioners approved the Water Distribution Budgets for 2024-2025.

### **HAS DISTRICT ATTORNEY REVIEWED AGREEMENT/CONTRACT IF APPLICABLE:**

N/A

### **FISCAL IMPACT IF APPLICABLE:**

The amount of \$323,298.12 for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 will be required for the payment. The following budgets have been submitted for the 2024-2025 season:

<b><u>Black Rock Desert Valley Groundwater Basin #28 :</u></b>	<b>\$4,745.16</b>
\$36.00 increase from the 23-24 season	
<b><u>Buffalo Valley #131</u></b>	<b>\$ 524.00</b>
\$262.00 decrease from the 23-24 season	

<b><u>Clovers Area Groundwater Basin:</u></b> No change from the 23-24 season	<b>\$ 12,048.31</b>
<b><u>Desert Valley Groundwater Basin #31:</u></b> \$9.77 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$ 8,119.79</b>
<b><u>Grass Valley Groundwater Basin #71:</u></b> \$1.46 decrease from the 23-24 season	<b>\$ 9,691.03</b>
<b><u>Humboldt River Distribution:</u></b> \$4,661.98 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$34,965.29</b>
<b><u>Kelly Creek Area Groundwater Basin #66:</u></b> No change from the 23-24 season	<b>\$32,866.47</b>
<b><u>Kings River Valley Groundwater Basin #30 A &amp; 30B:</u></b> \$188.86 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$ 15,134.16</b>
<b><u>Little Humboldt River Distribution:</u></b> No change from the 23-24 season	<b>\$64,733.83</b>
<b><u>Little Humboldt Valley Groundwater Basin #67:</u></b> No change from the 23-24 season	<b>\$ 6,016.65</b>
<b><u>Paradise Valley Groundwater Basin #69:</u></b> \$7.15 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$55,281.06</b>
<b><u>Pine Forest Valley Groundwater Basin #29:</u></b> \$1,705 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$8,526.52</b>
<b><u>Pumpnickel Valley Groundwater Basin #65:</u></b> No change from the 23-24 season	<b>\$11,455.80</b>
<b><u>Quinn River Distribution:</u></b> \$356.56 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$4,341.13</b>
<b><u>Quinn River Valley Groundwater Basin Distribution #33A &amp; 33B:</u></b> \$8,466.76 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$26,380.72</b>
<b><u>Silver State Valley Groundwater Basin #32:</u></b> \$998.05 increase from the 23-24 season	<b>\$4,967.39</b>
<b><u>Winnemucca Segment Groundwater Basin #70:</u></b> \$1.00 decrease from the 23-24 season	<b>\$23,500.81</b>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Pursuant to NRS 533.285, "... the Board of County Commissioners shall certify the respective charges contained therein to the County Assessor. The County Assessor shall enter the amount of such charge or charges on the assessment roll against the claimants and the property or acreage served."

The Board is, therefore, requested to certify the charges and authorize the County Clerk to sign the certification attached to each budget. Copies of each budget will then be provided to the Assessor for inclusion on the assessment roll and to the State Division of Water Resources.

It is recommended that the Board approve the surface water assessment fees for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 in the amount not to exceed \$323,298.12.

**LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IF APPLICABLE:**

Division of Water Resources Documents

**POSSIBLE MOTION:**

Motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 water assessments for water basins within Humboldt County in an amount not to exceed \$323,298.12.