



Humboldt County Board of Commissioners
January 27, 2025 at 8:03 a.m.
Retreat Minutes

Those present were Chairman Mark Evatz, Commissioners Ron Cerri, Ken Tipton (arrived at 8:21 a.m.), Jesse Hill and Paige Brooks, Chief Deputy District Attorney Anthony Gordon (via Teams), County Manager Don Kalkoske and Clerk of the Board Tami Rae Spero.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Evatz called the special retreat meeting of the Commission to order at the regular place of meeting the Humboldt County Meeting Room, Courthouse, #201, Winnemucca, Nevada. Chairman Evatz called the meeting to Order noting confusion as to the start time and the absence of Commissioner Tipton. He recessed the meeting reconvening at 8:05 a.m.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Evatz asked for public comment; none offered.

NEVADA 95-80 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PRESENTATION: Presentation on the regional development authority and projects related to community and economic development. Economic Development Officer Michelle Hammond Allen appeared before the Commission. Officer Allen reviewed a power point presentation entitled Nevada 95-80 RDA Economic Crossroads of Northern Nevada for the Commission. Commissioner Brooks thanked Officer Allen for the presentation. Commissioner Cerri asked about Officer Allen's involvement with the rural communities such as Orovada, as to the impact of the lithium mine as well as whether the school impact is considered by these businesses coming in. Officer Allen responded. Discussion ensued including the impact on the community and the lack of tax dollars to address the situation and concerns with the State promoting this growth and expecting local governments to pick up the costs which shouldn't be occurring. Discussion ensued regarding the possible uses for some of the grant funding identified. Commissioner Hill noted concerns that some of the projects are using equipment and such from other states/communities which impacts the local tax revenue; discussion ensued.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT: Senior Planning Technician Betty Lawrence appeared before the Commission. **PRESENTATION REGARDING HOW THE MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT AND MAP AND ZONING DESIGNATIONS WORK:** Northern Nevada American Planning Association Vice President Ann Marie Lain will present information regarding how the Master Plan Document and Map and Zone Designations work. Ann Marie Lain appeared before the Commission and offered a power point presentation entitled What a Master Plan Means including – What is a Master Plan/Key Components of a Master Plan/The Master Planning Process/Why the Master Plan Matters/Challenges and Best Practices. A question and

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answer period ensued between Ms. Lain and the Commissioners and the County Manager. Mrs. Lawrence offered comment on the plan to update the County's Master Plan.

Chairman Evatz recessed the meeting at 10:01 a.m. reconvening at 10:07 a.m.

PRESENTATION BY POOL/PACT REGARDING OPEN MEETING LAWS AND ETHICS: Wayne Carlson from POOL/Pact will provide a presentation regarding Open Meeting Laws and Ethics. Mr. Carlson provided handouts to the Commission entitled Open Meeting Law – NRS Chapter 241 and Nevada Ethics in Government Law – NRS 281A – Rules to Live by as a Nevada Public Official and reviewed said handouts for the Commission. Discussion, questions and answers occurred during the presentation between the Commission, the County Manager and Mr. Carlson.

Chairman Evatz recessed the meeting at 11:51 a.m. reconvening at 11:56 a.m.

LUNCH BREAK FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 1:00 P.M. (IF NEEDED): The Commissioners will break for lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., if needed.

VECTOR DISEASE CONTROL INTERNATIONAL:

PRESENTATION ON THE 2025 MOSQUITO/BLACK FLY SEASON: Representatives from Vector Disease Control International (VDCI) will discuss the upcoming 2025 mosquito/black fly season. As the Vector Disease Control International representative was unable to attend, Chairman Evatz stated this item would be tabled to a future meeting.

COMPTROLLER AND TREASURER: Treasurer Rhona Lecumberry, Assessor Andy Heiser, Comptroller Gina Rackley and Deputy Comptroller Weston Noyes appeared before the Commission.

PRESENTATION ON HISTORIC REVENUES VERSUS EXPENSES FOR THE COUNTY: The Comptroller and Treasurer's Office will present historic revenues versus expenses. Comptroller Rackley discussed the Mosquito Control Line Item from 2019 to current noting an audit violation related to this item and explained including the need for a budget augmentation for this fiscal year. Discussion ensued regarding the audit violation and the controls in place regarding the amount spent versus complaints received and situations addressed. Treasurer Lecumberry provided an overview of the main sources of tax revenue – CTX, Property Taxes and Net Proceeds since 2020 to 2024 including how they are looking and how they have behaved historically this included a graph reviewed; she reviewed the status of the county's investments. Discussion ensued regarding PILT which was not included in the graph and data presented by the Treasurer. Assessor Heiser discussed some of the top revenue properties and what these result in for the General Fund including comparison to what homes result in. Discussion ensued regarding the

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data provided, how properties are identified between secured and unsecured and the status of projects and when valuation begins and ends. Deputy Comptroller Noyes presented and reviewed a graph entitled General Fund Revenues versus Expenditures for the period of 2020 to 2024; General Fund Expenditures including Wages & Benefits, Services & Supplies, Debt Services and Capital Outlay for the period of 2020 to 2024; Indigent Services Revenues versus Expenses, Road Department Revenues versus Expenses, Sixth Judicial District Court Revenues versus Expenses, Library Revenues versus Expenses, Capital Projects Revenues versus Expenses, Building Reserve Revenues versus Expenses for the period of 2020 to 2024. Comptroller Rackley noted the agenda item coming up at the next meeting related to the determination by the Commission as to whether to increase the property rate; she discussed what an increase to the tax rate would provide to the County particularly as to Net Proceeds. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility as well as legislative actions pending that may impact how property taxes are collected and the amount currently in the General Fund and upcoming impacts to that Fund. Commissioner Cerri commented on the condition of the agricultural sector right now. Thanks were extended to those involved in the presentation by the Comptroller and the Commission.



PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Evatz asked for public comment. Christina Kenison appeared before the Commission and offered public comment reiterating information on the appeal she had previously filed and referring to Humboldt County Code related to the appeal as well as statutory language related to this appeal; she stated that she is still waiting for the appeal to move forward. No further public comment offered. Chairman Evatz offered thanks to the Chief Deputy District Attorney Gordon for his participation.

Chairman Evatz adjourned the meeting at the courthouse meeting room at 12:48 p.m. to reconvene at the Humboldt County Detention Center noting that he will not be in attendance so the Vice-Chairman will be handling the inspection. The Commission agreed to reconvene at the Dispatch Center at 1:30 p.m.

INSPECTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY DETENTION CENTER: Vice-Chairman Cerri reconvened the meeting at the Humboldt County Detention Center at 1:45 p.m. and the inspection ensued with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Vice-Chairman Cerri adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m. at the Humboldt County Detention Center.

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ATTEST:  _____ APPROVED:  _____
Clerk Chairman

(Minutes approved by the Commission and signed by the Chairman on 02-03-2025)

Notice of Public Meeting
HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ANNUAL RETREAT
Monday, January 27, 2025
8:00 AM

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

FOR TELECONFERENCE OR VIDEO CONFERENCE ACCESS

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. 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.

5. NEVADA 95-80 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PRESENTATION
(INFORMATION ONLY)

Presentation on the regional development authority and projects related to community and economic development. Information only.

6. PLANNING DEPARTMENT: PRESENTATION REGARDING HOW THE MASTER PLAN DOCUMENT AND MAP AND ZONING DESIGNATIONS WORK (INFORMATION ONLY)

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7. PRESENTATION BY POOL/PACT REGARDING OPEN MEETING LAWS AND ETHICS (INFORMATION ONLY)

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10. COMPTROLLER AND TREASURER'S OFFICE PRESENTATION ON HISTORIC REVENUES VERSUS EXPENSES FOR THE COUNTY (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Comptroller and Treasurer's Office will present historic revenues versus expenses. Information only.

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12. ADJOURNMENT

13. INSPECTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY DETENTION CENTER (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Commissioners will take a tour of the adult detention facility as part of their annual responsibilities to survey the condition and operations of the jail. There may be comments and discussion on the information presented, but the Humboldt County Board of

Commissioners will not take action at the gathering on any matter presented. Information only.

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.

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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.humboldtcountynev.gov> at _____, By: _____

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MEETING DATE: January 27, 2025
DATE POSTED: January 22, 2025 POSTED BY: MICHELLE COOK

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