

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CHURCHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV 89406

December 2, 2021

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 AM on December 2, 2021.

PRESENT:

Commissioner H. Peter Olsen, Jr.
Commissioner Gregory Koenig
Commissioner Justin Heath
County Manager Jim R. Barbee
Comptroller Sherry Wideman
Chief Deputy DA Benjamin Shawcroft
Clerk/Treasurer Linda Rothery
Deputy Clerk to the Board Pamela D. Moore
N/A

ABSENT:

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the board and public.

Public Comment:

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Social Services Director Shannon Ernst said I wanted to provide an update on our Health District development. It has been an exciting couple of weeks. We have worked out an MOU with Mineral County where we will launch next week in assisting with services there, not only in the community but also at the base there. Yesterday, we had 2 great presentations. One of them was in Lovelock and they have signed a Letter of Commitment to evaluate the Health District and partner with us on that project. Then we went on to Mineral County and they signed on also. Things are moving forward.

Geoff Knell said, I am back. I went through trials and tribulations, that is for sure. I wanted to mention 2 things. The first one is the shot. The incredible miracle people have studied the so-called treatments and found microbes, metals and all this stuff in the shot. We are killing human life and the government is pursuing it. The second one is in the book of Jeremiah; Jeremiah goes to the king and tells him to repent because what he is doing is worshiping false gods. Heaven and ideology that dishonors God our creator. All of you need to make a decision. Are you going to honor God or the beast system? The beast system is in the book of Revelation. We have the technology for the mark to put us under total control. Last night, our Congress passed a bill for funding of a database for our so-called vaccinated. A continuous program so they can watch every aspect of your life and you are following that system. You have to make a choice to honor God or the beast system. You are betraying our freedoms. You made it a global economic forum to decide our future and for the love of money. That is what you are doing. For the love of money. We are building construction and stuff and we are not even going to have anybody to

work or participate in our so-called fairgrounds. You have to make a choice to honor God or the beast system. You people claim to honor Jesus Christ but they are not being taught the word of God. The Agenda is to emphasize an intellectual maturity so it doesn't look like a religious crutch. Look it up. It is in the Communist goals on the House floor. I can send you a copy if you like but you have to do the research because I can't convince you. You have to convince yourself that you are not following the beast system. You need to wake up because you are accountable because what happened to Israel, Judah, they went to Babylon, they were taken out. You need to wake up. God or the beast system.

Verification of the Posting of the Agenda:

It was verified by Pamela D. Moore, Deputy Clerk to the Board, that the Agenda for this meeting was posted on the 23rd day of November, 2021, between the hours of 1:00 and 5:00 PM at all of the locations listed on the Agenda, in accordance with NRS 241.

Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Agenda as submitted or revised:

**Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted.
Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.**

Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on:

A- November 4, 2021.

The Minutes of the meeting held on November 4, 2021 are submitted for the board's consideration and approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on November 4, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Appointments:

A. - Consideration and possible action re: Churchill County Museum office remodel and update and relocation of CC Communications telephone system and lines in the amount of \$16,480.99

The Churchill County Museum is seeking \$16,480.99 from greater than anticipated revenues in the General Fund to consolidate the Museum staff office areas by the creation of three new offices, as well as updating and relocating telephone lines during this redesign. We propose starting this project in early January.

This remodel will place all of the museum staff in one central location, as well as free up much-needed space in the archives for consolidation of our manuscript record holdings where two of our staff currently work. The third office is designated for a staff member currently working out

of the breakroom. This request also includes an upgrade of the Museum's telephones to a Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) system.

In order to create the new office spaces, we propose a project in two phases. The first phase will remove the former quilt room, non-load bearing, three-quarter walls, existing carpet and glue residue from the concrete flooring, install rubber baseboards, relocate lighting fixtures and finally, paint the walls. Adding cubicle walls to this newly-opened space will provide two of the three offices.

The next phase will tackle the former school room exhibit next to a current staff member, providing a third office space. This involves removing a non-load bearing half wall, repainting, and adding new lighting and fixtures to complete the physical transformation of this space into an office.

In conjunction with the consolidation of offices, the Museum also proposes updating the current CC Communications telephone hardware, dropping new lines for the offices, and upgrading the old system to a VOIP system. By incorporating the system upgrade with the proposed movement of offices, we will save the county money and align the Museum with the rest of the county system for future upgrades.

The telephone hardware upgrade is necessary since CC Communications states they can no longer support the hardware/handsets currently used by the Museum. The proposal from CC Communications also includes updating the entire Museum to two (2) VIOP SIP Trunks, repurposing current lines for our alarm systems with a backup line required by the fire department, upgrading our internet and eight (8) new SIP ePhone sets for staff offices, front desk, break room, and shop.

All proposed demolition will be completed by Churchill County Facilities. All painting of walls and trim will be completed by Churchill County Facilities or Museum Staff. All other labor, parts, and supplies are included as attachments to this request as well as the overall budget.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$16,480.99.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Funds will come from the greater than anticipated revenues from the General Fund.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Museum Director Teri Hedgpeth made the presentation as outlined above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Geoff Knell said this is a process that you are spending money wastefully. That is just what it is. I would like to say that all communications would be digitized. They should mention analog. That is the old copper system that is going away. By 2025, the government and greedy corporations will take control of all communication. You are limiting freedom of speech, the 1st Amendment and all of our rights and I shut you down because you are dissident. What you are doing is just making things a little

easier but you are giving up our liberties. Thank you.

Chairman Olsen said Teri gave a great tour the other day when we went through. It has been a while back that you said what you wanted to do and I don't have any argument with it. Just the funding part where I see it is coming out of unexpected revenues from the General Fund. Were there other choices, Sherry, or is this what we would normally do? Comptroller Wideman said yes, it is within the General Fund and there are excess revenues there and that is where the Museum Fund is located, so it would be a Capital Outlay out of that fund. It is easier to track it than throwing it into Building Reserve or something like that. It is a small amount.

Commissioner Koenig said I think you are doing a good job Teri. I think it would be beneficial for you. Director Hedgpeth said it is definitely needed. Right now, our archives are in 3 different areas in 2 different buildings and we have already consolidated our photograph collection and it makes a huge difference in the accessibility and preservation of these records.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$16,480.99 to relocate and remodel staff office spaces in the Churchill County Museum and to update and relocate telephone system and lines. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B. - Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a request from the Lahontan Valley Bird Dog Club to continue use of county-owned water, in the amount of 175 acre-feet, on their training grounds at Assessor's Parcel Number 006-092-01, with the stipulation that the club pays all associated fees for transferring and using the water, including the costs of the county water consultant to process the water transfer

Churchill County owns water collected during the development of permit approvals under Churchill County Code requirements. Most of this water is put into the TCID temporary transfer program, in which farmers that want to farm additional land can temporarily use it for a year. This allows the county-owned water to produce agricultural crops that contribute to the local economy. The farmer pays for the temporary transfer of the water and pays the TCID fees that would normally accrue to the county.

Since 2009, the county has agreed to let the Lahontan Valley Bird Dog Club (LVBDC) borrow county-owned water, at no charge, for use on their dog training grounds. The club pays the temporary transfer fees that the state charges and pays for the TCID charges. The county has been having our water consultant, Chris Mahannah, prepare the transfer Application but he has not charged the LVBDC for his billing costs. It is recommended that these fees be paid by the LVBDC. Below is a history of the past requests by LVBDC.

For reference, the different of acre-feet (af) numbers mentioned below can irrigate an approximate area of farmland as follows: 300 af – 85 acres; 200 af – 57 acres; 175 af – 50 acres; 150 af – 43 acres.

In 2009, the LVBDC requested to use 300 af of county water on APN 006-851-76 (south of Berney Rd./Harrigan Rd. intersection). Due to concerns of reducing productive farm ground and the products grown every year, the county approved a smaller amount of 150 af for 4-years. In

2012, in year-3, the LVBDC came back and requested to increase the amount of water to 200 af. At this point, it appears the training ground location changed to APN 006-093-01 (the SE corner of Berney Rd. and Pasture Rd.), which is a Navy-owned property. The board approved an increase to 175 af for the remainder of the agreement. In 2013, the first Agreement expired and the LVBDC requested to renew the Agreement. They again requested an increase of water to 200 af. The board approved the continuation of the previous 175 af. for 4-years. In 2017, the second Agreement expired and the LVBDC requested to renew the Agreement. They did not request an increase of water. The board approved the continuation of the previous 175 af for 4-years. The Agreement expires at the end of the 2021 water year.

Current Request - The LVBDC is again requesting to renew the Agreement. They again request an increase of water to 200 af. See the club's letter for details of their request and their operations.

FISCAL IMPACT: None as the club will pay all of the fees.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The Lahontan Valley Bird Dog Club will pay all fees to the State Engineer, TCID, and the county water consultant to process the request.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Public Works Director Chris Spross made the presentation as outlined above.

Joe Rowan, Lahontan Valley Bird Dog Club, said I just want to reiterate what we have going on out there and what we bring into the economy. We bring in about \$60,000 a year into the economy. We support hunting and youth hunting; it is just a fun outfit. It is a place for anyone that has a dog or to even consider hunting, to go out and spend some free time with their family. There is a lot of stuff going on out there, which a lot of you know. Ted has kind of fallen out of it a little bit but he is still out there.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Geoff Knell said, Mr. Greg Koenig, I encourage you to vote yes on this.

I would like to say that the United Nations sustainable development has developed a program and this county fell for it to control the water and to control the food supply. This is known as ecologically corrupt. What you are doing is wrong and the control of it is unnecessary. Taking away our liberty freedoms because we are following the beast system. You need to read the word of God. You have too much control over property and everything else. We have to be regulated to build something on our property or do whatever. I can understand to stop the brothels because that is perversion, but the water supply, that is by design by the beast system to control us. They have the water and the food and will tell you what to do, so you need to wake up. You work for me. You work for the constituents of this county but you are allowing the United Nations global beast system to corrupt and control us. Enough is enough. Stop it.

Commissioner Koenig said tell us why you would need the 200 acre-feet (af) versus the 175 af? Joe Rowan said we are anticipating ripping up a couple more checks and planting them in

alfalfa, which helps us pay for the water when we sell the hay. Sustaining the growth out there also takes a little bit more water because it is so dry. It takes a lot to maintain that wheat we have out there. Commissioner Koenig said, so if this extra 25 af is not allocated to them, what happens to it? Does it just do nothing? Chairman Olsen said we have a lot of farmers that already lease that water from us. Commissioner Koenig said so, if we give that to him then we are taking away from somebody else? Chairman Olsen said that is correct.

Public Works Director Spross said 200 af gives you the ability to irrigate about 57 acres, so you would lose about 7 acres of irrigated land that could be farmed by someone else with those extra 25 af. Commissioner Koenig said are they all using 100% of their allocation? Director Spross said yes, I believe they are. Commissioner Heath said do you know where that extra 25 af is going to come from? Director Spross said I would not know where we would take that from. Chairman Olsen said if my memory serves, there is a list and there are at least 8 or 9 people that are leasing that from the county. Director Spross said, in previous years, that was the reason for the denial of the larger amount. There has been a concern about water and farmland. The 175 af just seemed to stay true even though there were requests for larger amounts. Commissioner Koenig said so this is just agenized for the 175 af and we could change that if we wanted to or if they wanted, would we have to come back and re-agenize that? Chief Deputy District Attorney Ben Shawcroft said I think we would have to come back to make sure the public understands it.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to authorize the Lahontan Valley Bird Dog Club to continue use of county-owned water, in the amount of 175 acre-feet, on their training grounds, for a period of 4 years, with the stipulation that the club pays all associated fees for transferring and using the water, including the costs of the county water consultant to process the water transfer. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C. - Consideration and possible action re: Approval for Shaw Engineering to prepare a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) for the construction of a water treatment plant at the county-owned property located at 1955 Rice Road, in the amount of \$295,000

The current water treatment plant will be at capacity with current water users, equivalent dwelling units held in reserve, and several projects in the pre-development phase, including the Coleman Road Multifamily Housing Project. Any additional future development could be halted until sufficient capacity to treat groundwater is available. Completing a PER for a treatment plant will put the county in a better position to solicit grant funding or other funding avenues.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$295,000.00.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The fiscal impact covers the cost of two (2) monitoring/exploration wells to determine a suitable location of production well(s), as well as the preparation of the Preliminary Engineering Report. The impact also covers the cost of the environmental review.

FUNDING SOURCE: Water Utility Enterprise Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Public Works Director Chris Spross made the presentation as outlined above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Geoff Knell said, Mr. Greg Koenig, I encourage you to vote yes on this. This is a useful tool and it will help contain our environment so we don't pollute our water, so go for it. Another thing is so much government control is just too much.

County Manager Barbee said we do have a \$300,000 grant request in play. We are not sure when or if that is going to move. It could be as late as the middle of the upcoming spring, so we are bringing this forward now because we would not qualify for any of the infrastructure grant funds, of which there are several billion dollars earmarked for water development, and we would not be eligible for those funds without the preliminary engineering being done. It is our plan that we would lean forward on the preliminary engineering and get everything set up for that side of things and then, if that additional money came through, keep our fingers crossed, we have a couple of other additional sides that we would go ahead and have the preliminary engineering done and set those, basically, on the shelf for the future and then that would also be an additional shovel-ready project to make this competitive for the federal funds that were put through the infrastructure funding bill that went through a few weeks ago. Commissioner Koenig said so even if this extra funding does not come through, we have the funding to cover it in our Water Enterprise Fund? Comptroller Wideman said that is correct.

Commissioner Koenig said I would like to, potentially, in the future, have a report done on that water treatment plant out at the golf course that is sitting there doing nothing. I don't know the history or how we ended up with something like that built that we can't use. I would like to know the history of that. I have had a couple of people ask and I am like, I golf all the time and I hit some balls into that thing but I am not really sure why it is there and why it is not in use. That would be good information for me to know. County Manager Barbee said we would be happy to do that.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve Shaw Engineering's preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report for the construction of a water treatment plant at the county-owned property at 1955 Rice Road in the amount of \$295,000.00. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

D. - Consideration and possible action re: Reclassification of the Senior Center Manager to Senior and Disabled Services Manager and assign it to Pay Grade 68, at a cost of \$18,000

An ongoing evaluation of services provided at Social Services and the Life Center leads staff to pursue the inclusion of more diverse duties into the class specification for the Senior Center Manager. Staff would like to see the class specification address duties that encompass the provision of services to disabled individuals within the community. To that end, some alterations have been made to the class specification, including the change of the position title to Senior and Disabled Services Manager. This position will essentially oversee a "Division" (or sub-department) within Social Services. As this position assumes a greater span of control, staff recommends a change in the Pay Grade to Pay Grade 68. The position would continue to be an at-will position, serving at the pleasure of the Social Services Director.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approximately \$18,000.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The fiscal impact considers the yearly impact of having

someone employed at Step 1 of Grade 60 versus Step 1 of Grade 68. The salary difference is approximately \$13,600. The difference in benefits is approximately \$4,400.

FUNDING SOURCE: Senior Services Tax Revenue and Grants.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Geof Stark made the presentation as outlined above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Geoff Knell said this is great to adapt what is going on with the aging population and the way the economy is going people have to make hard choices; pride because people don't like change. Having that additional responsibility is incredible. Mr. Greg Koenig, I encourage you to vote yes.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the reclassification of Senior Center Manager to Senior and Disabled Services Manager and to approve the assignment of the position to Pay Grade 68 effective December 13, 2021. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

E. - Consideration and possible action re: Approval to hire a 0.475 FTE Community Health Nurse and 1.0 FTE Resource Liaison for Public Health Services in Mineral County at a cost of approximately \$102,000

Churchill County continues to progress in forming a Public Health District. Social Services Director Shannon Ernst has been working with Mineral County (Hawthorne) to develop a plan for providing services to Mineral County. An Agreement has been reached whereby Churchill County will hire 1.475 FTEs (full-time equivalent employees) to perform public health services in Mineral County. Staff hopes to hire employees who reside in Mineral County. These employees would be Churchill County employees, covered under the policies and benefits of Churchill County employees. This would mirror the same set-up that has been put in place with Eureka County.

If the positions are approved, the county would begin immediate recruitment for the positions. Because of challenges staff anticipates may occur in finding employees, staff requests permission to hire at an advanced step, no higher than the third step of the ranges.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approximately \$102,000 annually.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The fiscal impact covers wages and benefits for employees hired at the third step of each range. The Community Health Nurse does not include PERS. The full-time Resource Liaison includes PERS and health insurance. If the positions are filled at a lower step, the fiscal impact will be reduced.

FUNDING SOURCE: Grant funding - CDC Workforce Development Grant.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Geof Stark made the presentation as outlined above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Geoff Knell said even though this is warranted, I just wanted to give a heads up. The government has too much control over the

health system, the pharmaceutical companies, doctors, and it is more about money and they become drug pimps. Eventually, I hope the government, county medical system will go away. Sherri Tenpenny is going to construct a different health care system because the one we have had pretty much failed and we are being controlled by the federal government and the state government with all these regulations, so patients do not get the proper care. I actually had a doctor tell my wife 'you do as I say or I don't want you'. Wow, that is incredible. No independent decision making whatsoever. It is all controlled by the government and that is socialism coming to communism. This may be warranted at this time but it will need to change when we change our health care system.

Commissioner Heath said are they going to be working with the services to go out to the homes? Director Ernst said, currently, they do not go out to the homes but we will coordinate with them and that has been a huge partnership we arranged yesterday. They will coordinate with EMS, also the base there is providing their EMS and some of their medical staff, so next week we will see how that rolls out. It is a coordination within the community just like we do here.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the recruitment and hiring of a 0.475 FTE (19 hours per week) Community Health Nurse (Hourly) and a 1.0 FTE Resource Liaison to provide public health services to Mineral County (Hawthorne) and to approve hiring at an advanced step for both positions, up to the third step of the range. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Letters Received:

A- Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's notification of the Kennametal Class III Landfill Solid Waste Permit.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's provides notice for the Kennametal Class III Landfill Solid Waste Permit and 2021 Updated Financial Assurance & Landfill Capacity Report. On November 1, 2021, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Sustainable Materials Management, (BSMM) received the annual Combined Financial Assurance and Capacity Report prepared by Geo-Logic Associates on behalf of Kennametal for the Kennametal Class III Landfill Permit SW287REVOO. The report identifies the projected landfill lifespan as 47.5 years. The report also identifies the estimated "Closure" and "Post-Closure" costs as \$4,792.45 for grading, \$7,843.04 per year for monitoring, and \$48,234.90 per year for maintenance. An updated Letter of Credit (LOC) was not included in the recent report.

Pursuant to Permit SW287 Section 6.1, the Permittee is required to provide annually updated cost estimates for the "Closure" and "Post-Closure" of the landfill. To ensure accurate data entry, the BSMM requests respective totals be specifically listed for the Closure Cost and Post-Closure cost estimates. Additionally, an acceptable financial assurance instrument, in at least the amount of the combined cost estimate, is necessary. Based upon the 2021 Financial Assurance Update completed by Geo-Logic, they must submit a letter identifying the respective cost estimates for both "Closure" and "Post-Closure" and include a copy of the current financial assurance instrument for the facility.

For reference, the Financial Assurance updates are due on or before August 15th of each year.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

B- Bureau of Land Management's notification of its Public Consultation for the Stone Cabin Allotment proposed Temporary Range Improvements.

The Bureau of Land Management provides notification of its Proposed Decision for the Range Improvement Permit to temporarily haul water in the Stone Cabin Allotment requested by Colvin & Sons, LLC.

This Proposed Action is to authorize Colvin & Sons, LLC to temporarily haul water for the purpose of improving distribution of livestock. The TFO has the authority to authorize Permittees, on a temporary basis, to haul water for the duration of the drought, plus one additional growing season. To date, the Permittee has taken voluntary actions in response to drought, including changing the season of use and reducing Animal Unit Months (AUM) in the allotment by 50%. The project area has received little to no use in previous years due to its distance from water. One of the four proposed sites, the McIntyre Summit haul, has received wild horse use recently. This haul would only be used for trailing livestock from summer allotments in October of each year. The haul was authorized and would only be used if BLM staff field-verified available forage. Drought indicators have been field-verified during visits to the Stone Cabin Allotment in April, June, July, and October 2021.

The Permittee will be responsible for providing water and will need to apply for any appropriate authorizations from the Nevada Division of Water Resources to include a change in place of use and/or a change in the manner of use prior to implementation.

This letter serves as the opportunity for the interested public, partners, and state, local, and tribal governments to provide comments on this Proposed Action within the Stone Cabin Allotments. Comments must be made in writing within 30 days of the date posted on the attached letter.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

C- Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's notification of an Application from Rawhide Mining, LLC for a Mercury Operating Permit.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Air Pollution Control, has reviewed and made a preliminary determination of a permit issuance for Rawhide Mining, LLC.

Rawhide Mining, LLC, has submitted an Application for revision to Mercury Operating Permit to Construct (MOPTC) API 041-2245 pursuant to NAC 4458.3663.1 to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Pollution Control (BAPC), for the carbon regeneration

kiln, electrowinning circuit, the refinery furnace and a retort.

The BAPC has reviewed the Application and has made a preliminary determination to issue the MOPTC. The draft MOPTC is for four systems, with an emission performance standard and control technologies determined to be NvMACT pursuant to NAC 4458.3677.3. Revisions to Systems 01, 02 and 04 include updating work practice standards to be more representative of actual operations. The NvMACT mercury emission limits are unchanged.

The proposed project will not cause or contribute to a violation of any applicable federal or state air quality standards. After review of the Application and independent BAPC analysis, the agency has determined that a permit for Rawhide Mining, LLC, MOPTC may be issued and operated. The proposed sources must comply with all state and federal air quality requirements and all conditions established within the draft MOPTC.

Written comments or objections will be retained and considered prior to final action on the MOPTC. Comments or objections must be received by December 17, 2021. Upon a valid written request received prior to the end of the comment period, the Administrator may schedule a public hearing on the application and proposed action.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

D- Churchill County School District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021.

The Churchill County School District provides its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021 for the board and the public's information.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

E- William N. Pennington Life Center's Activity Calendar for December 2021.

The William N. Pennington Life Center's Activity Calendar is provided for the month of December 2021 for the information of the board and the public.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

Old Business:

A- Consideration and possible action regarding: Award of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Dr. Tedd McDonald to fill the position of Churchill County Health Officer.

Dr. Tedd McDonald presently serves as the Churchill County Health Officer and has for a

number of years. Dr. McDonald has provided amazing service to the county in this role, chairing the County Board of Health and helping to establish the County Board of Health as an important resource for the community.

As Churchill County transitions to a Health District, expanding the services provided by county personnel and contractors in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the health needs of our community, the role of County Health Officer has expanded and is expected to expand further into the future. The Request for Qualifications sought Applicants to take a leading role in health within the County as the new Health Department and associated personnel begin directly providing preventive and active treatment to Churchill County citizens, as well as citizens of other counties requesting assistance within the health realm.

Dr. McDonald is the only bidder to have submitted his qualifications under this Request for Qualifications and is willing to continue his duties as the Health Officer. Prior to the finalization of the Contract, the parties will need to determine the appropriate level of insurance required for this position, whether the County will take the full obligation of that insurance and whether the POOL would be willing to offer coverage for this work or if private insurance is needed.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$24,000 annually, plus cost of medical malpractice insurance.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: \$2,000 monthly payments to the County Health Officer.

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Chief Deputy DA Benjamin Shawcroft made the presentation as outlined above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to award a Request for Qualifications to appoint Dr. Tedd McDonald as the Churchill County Health Officer with an annual salary of \$24,000.00 and to direct the County Manager to negotiate the insurance provisions of the Contract. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Consent Items:

A- Consideration and possible action re: Report of the condition of each fund in the treasury and the statements of receipts and expenditures pursuant to NRS 251.030 and NRS 354.290.

A fund balance report is attached indicating the beginning balance, receipts, disbursements, and the ending balance of each fund for Churchill County as required by NRS 251.030 and NRS 354.290.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

B- Consideration and possible action re: Court Services' First Quarter Revenue Report for the period of July to September 2021 reflecting \$4,835 in revenue for the quarter.

Court Services submits its First Quarter Revenue Report for the period of July through September 2021 reflecting the amount of \$4,835 in revenue for the quarter. This report is submitted for the board's consideration and approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

C- Consideration and possible action re: Treasurer's Report for October 2021 showing a total of \$52,988,878.36 in the bank.

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Rothery provides the Treasurer's Monthly Report for October 2021 showing a balance of \$52,988,878.36 in the account. The bank reconciliation was completed on November 17, 2021. This report is provided for the board's information and acceptance.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Consider Future Agenda Items:

There were no future Agenda items suggested.

Commissioner and Management Staff Reports:

Chairman Olsen reported on the following topics:

- CEDA Board meeting where things are moving along well.
- Jim and I met with Strategies 360 and they suggest we do more work with southern Legislatures to get ready for next session.
- CWSD Admin meeting where we looked at Ed's employment contract and staff salaries.
- Met with the Mayor and Bob Erickson to discuss city/county matters. We need to keep on our radar the FPST consideration of a recreational marijuana dispensary on the Reno Hwy but on reservation property.
- FRTC phone calls and Jeremy refined a response after the response we got from the Vice Admiral and the meeting we had with the Secretary of the Navy. That will probably be going out the door soon. It is an invitation from us to the Navy recognizing things in the letter we haven't settled yet to try to open the door for a meeting with them and others

involved to see if we can't continue to move towards resolution. The NDAA is going to get voted on this week and probably won't include any FRTC provisions. This thing will go but we just don't know when we will finally get some movement out of the Navy.

Commissioner Koenig reported on the following topics:

- It has been pretty quiet since Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Heath reported on the following topics:

- Coalition for Senior Citizens meeting where Jill Manha resigned and we have an opening that is being advertised.

County Manager Barbee reported on the following topics:

- We got an offer for an Extension Educator, so that is hopeful to get someone into that position.
- We interviewed on Microbiologists and hope to open or start to certify the lab after the first of year.
- Had a call yesterday with Senator Masto's staff and they walked through funding sources in the Infrastructure Bill and requested us to put forward some applications. There were also some things where we need to ask the Sheriff to take a look at, as well as TCID.

Sheriff Hickox reported on the following topics:

- We got some pushback from vendors where there has been no progress, which prompted a call with Logically in various areas where they listened to us. One gentleman asked if there had been any progress since the last conversation and he was very unhappy to hear there had not been. He said they will have a sidebar conversation to determine the problem. We very much need some connectivity with our Deputies to get the latest and greatest information. That is stagnant due to Logically and it is very frustrating for me and our other vendors.
- We have a meeting today on how to check the database of registered growers of hemp to handle calls from public. We will have members of our department and dispatchers.
- We are participating in the Convoy of Lights for Toys for Tots and food drive at Walmart.
- We have made progress of the switchover from TurnKey to Securus and believe we will have a better product.

Comptroller Wideman reported on the following topics:

- We emailed out sales tax and we are up 45.68% from the same period last year and 52% above the 6-year average. There is nothing that looks abnormal. Chairman Olsen asked her to dig at that but she said she has asked Department of Taxation and they are not allowed to release information. Chairman Olsen said can you take a swag at how much of the 45% would be in jeopardy? Comptroller Wideman said I have that and can send it out to you. If I recall, it was within 98%, so it appears we collected some sales tax on utilities. I analyze that every month and we are higher. If you look at utilities last year it was \$108,000 and this year it is \$2.1M. Durable goods were up 40% and restaurants are up almost 32% from last year. Those were the key areas I saw that were increasing it. Chairman Olsen said it seems that, from that \$2M, \$108,000 of that could be at risk. Comptroller Wideman said no I don't think so. Chairman Olsen said we have seen revenues come in and then disappear. Ms. Wideman said there was one year where we got a huge hit but, over the last 5 years, we have not. It was in about 2014-15. Chairman Olsen asked her to keep an eye on that and let the County Manager know so he can inform us.
- Our Audit was extended due to COVID, so that will be presented on December 15th.
- Staff is busy getting ready to input information from the job study.

Civil Deputy DA Shawcroft had nothing to report.

Clerk/Treasurer Rothery reported on the following topics:

- I have nothing new but we are still busy. We have about 2,000 delinquent tax letters to send out.
- We are still working on our redistricting. It has to be done but we are waiting on the city to make the wards within 5%. We are working with them but anticipate it being done before the next election.
- The Assessor is working on personal property tax bills.
- The review of the code with Municode is at least 2/3 done and we hope to get that to publication soon.

Claims and Payroll Transmittals:

The Claims and Payroll Transmittals were submitted for the board's consideration and approval.

Public Comment:

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Geoff Knell said my son died and the Fallon Post wrote an article and bashed me. The publisher put my address in the article. As soon as the hard copies came out, my property was vandalized twice and I got it on the docket. Why would Sheriff Hickox, who is quoted, put my number of my house in an article? I want to be repaid \$200 in damage for something. I understand freedom of speech, but it's irresponsible of law enforcement. It is ridiculous. You know, my son made a foolish choice. He did what he did but to bash me and to make my wife cry and friends who know my son, he was a good man. He

was a combat veteran and he was messed up in the head and you used it to bash me and then come to my home in the early morning hours and damage it. You have control over the Sheriff's Department. I would appreciate that you change your policies to at least get general information. Not by giving a number of my house and let this happen. I am pissed. I want an apology and to have the sheriff to think. Think. Because we are in the last days and people are angry, bitter, and revengeful. What I do in my privilege is my business, but the law enforcement just went too far. I can go to small claims court or whatever. It is ridiculous. It made my family cry, which is worse than the emotions due to the grieving process.

I am going to read out of Jeremiah 16 & 17. I will pronounce my judgements against them for all the evil they did when they abandoned me. To burn incense to other gods and to worship the works of their own hands. Now get ready. Stand up and tell them everything that I have commanded you. Do not be intimidated by them or I will cause you to cower before them. Today I am the one who has made you a fortified city, your own pillar, and bronze walls against the whole land. Against the kings of Judah, the officials, its priests and the population. They will fight against you and never prevail over you, since I am with you to rescue you. This is the Lord's declaration. Heed to the words. I am a preacher and I represent the creator and I feel what you are doing is absolutely the beast system and you are falling for it. People say they believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. You don't get it. You are about to lose this nation, this great nation. The light in the city out of hell. Thank you.

Departmental Tours and Quarterly Jail Inspection:

A- The Churchill County Board of Commissioners will conduct Departmental Tours and the Quarterly Jail Inspection following the close of the meeting as follows:

Department

Building Department at 155 N. Taylor St., Suite 170, Fallon, NV

Public Works, Planning & Zoning at 155 N. Taylor St., Suite 194, Fallon, NV

Assessor's Office at 155 N. Taylor St., Suite 200, Fallon, NV

District Attorney's Office at 165 N. Ada St., Fallon, NV

Churchill County Adult Detention Center Jail Inspection at 180 W. A St., Fallon, NV

Juvenile Probation/Detention at 335 N. Broadway St., Fallon, NV

Facilities, Parks & Recreation, including Tour of the Civic Center, at 325 Sheckler Rd., Fallon, NV

Cooperative Extension, with lunch, at 111 Sheckler Rd., Fallon, NV

These Departmental Tours are for information-gathering purposes only and no action will be taken. The Quarterly Jail Inspection is conducted quarterly pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes.

The board will conduct departmental tours and jail inspection at the close of the regular meeting. No action will be taken as this tour is conducted for information-gathering purposes only and for the purpose of conducting the quarterly jail inspection pursuant to statutes.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Other

The tours were conducted as outlined following the close of the regular meeting.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 AM.

Approved:



H. Peter Olsen, Jr., Chairman

Approved:



Greg Koenig, Vice-Chairman

Approved:



Justin Heath, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Linda Rothery, Clerk/Treasurer



Renae Paholke, Deputy Clerk