

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CHURCHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV 89406

May 18, 2022

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order at 1:15 PM on May 18, 2022.

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
Deputy Clerk to the Board Pamela D. Moore
Deputy Clerk Renae Paholke

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Rothery

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 but there was none.

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 12th day of May, 2022, 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 Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

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

A- February 23, 2022 Budget Hearings.

The Minutes of the budget hearings held on February 23, 2022 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 meetings held on February 23, 2022, as presented. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- March 25, 2022 Budget Workshop.

The Minutes of the budget workshop held on March 25, 2022 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 meetings held on March 25, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C- April 7, 2022.

The Minutes of the meeting held on April 7, 2022 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 meetings held on April 7, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

D- April 20, 2022.

The Minutes of the meeting held on April 20, 2022 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 meetings held on April 20, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Appointments:

A. A- Presentation of the 2022 Jim Regan Memorial Scholarships as follows: Kyla Trotter & Wendy Bullock - \$1,500 each; Tayler Felton & Kaitlyn Hert - \$1,000 each; and Gabriela Loop - \$500

The Employee Management Committee (EMC) met to score the Applications for the 2022 Jim Regan Memorial Scholarships. This year, a total of five eligible Applications were received. After scoring, the EMC voted to award the following scholarships:

Kyla Trotter - \$1,500
Wendy Bullock - \$1,500
Tayler Felton - \$1,000
Kaitlyn Hert - \$1,000
Gabriana Loop - \$500

The board is asked to join EMC members in awarding these scholarships.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$5,500.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Over the years, since Jim Regan's passing, a golf tournament is held each year and the funds go into the Jim Regan Memorial Scholarship Fund. There are adequate funds in the scholarship fund to award these scholarships. The next fundraising golf tournament will be held on September 17, 2022.

FUNDING SOURCE: Jim Regan Memorial Scholarship Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Other

This item was done for recognition and presentation of the Jim Regan Memorial Scholarship awards. There was no action taken on this item.

B. B- Consideration and possible action re: Update of current activities, plans, or actions related to the Bureau of Land Management's Carson City District

Jake Vialpando, Acting Field Manager of the Stillwater Field Office, will provide an update of current activities, plans, or actions related to the Bureau of Land Management's Carson City District.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

Jake Vialpando, Field Manager of the Stillwater Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management, reported that the Dixie Meadows Geothermal Project is still under construction and we are working through the right-of-way process and all that paperwork. We are working with the Fish and Wildlife Service, Ormat, and the Navy.

We just started writing the biological assessment for the Dixie Valley Toad and are starting the consultation process for that. We have been having technical working group meetings with the same entities and also with NDOW and the USGS talking about the Dixie Valley Toad and conservation measures and additional monitoring. It still pretty early in the sense of meeting and

talking with everybody. The project is moving forward. Next month starts the next round of the initial hearing stages for the District Court case that involves the Center for Biological Control and Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe. The ninth circuit case was appealed to them, so now it starts getting complicated.

The Diamond Flat Geothermal Project is just south of the transfer station right off of Hwy 95. We are still working with the Walker River Paiute Tribe. They have significant concerns with that project. I think they have agreed to work with an independent contractor from Ormat to do an assessment. I formally requested a government-to-government consultation on that project last week. We only finished the scoping phase of that project for exploration drilling only. We are a long way from any utilization and authorization processes.

Regarding the Draw Fire (Camp Creek) Reseeding Project, which is close to the Cold Springs Station on the north side of Highway 50 where the Draw Fire occurred, I just signed the NEPA review of that and the decision yesterday, so that is super good news. It will be posted on ePlanning for a 30-day appeal period. I don't anticipate any challenges regarding that. As soon as we get money for that, we will continue the reseeded project.

The Geothermal Lease Sales will occur in August this year. We did a determination of NEPA adequacy and sent it to the state office, which is the project lead on those sales. They are trying to get an Environmental Assessment and FONSI out the door by July 1.

Regarding the Legacy Baja 600 Event, it is out for a 30-day public comment period. So far, there have not been a lot of comments. Most of the comments have been in support. I don't anticipate any challenges regarding that.

Regarding the Vegas to Reno Race, Tonopah is the lead office on that this year but we definitely have a part in completing the determination of the NEPA adequacy. We are working with them. I don't have any timelines for when they anticipate getting that on the street. That race will be held at its normal time in late August.

Chairman Olsen said how long ago was the Camp Draw Fire? Jake Vialpando said that was in 2017 and it was quite large. They did have some success with some rehabilitation efforts there but this is that lower elevation piece where none of the seed took, so it is either bare ground or cheatgrass or more invasive plants. There are no perennial grasses in there and it should be a good area for livestock. There are some wild horses in there. The first time they reseeded that with native seed and without adequate precipitation, it failed. We want to put seeding in there where there is almost guaranteed success, more along the lines of a crested wheatgrass hybrid for forages but also for soil stability.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment but there was none. This item was presented for informational purposes only and no action was taken.

Letters Received:

A- Bureau of Land Management's notification of its Final Decision for 3F, LLC Drought

Response Actions for the Willow Ranch Allotment.

This Final Decision is a result of an ongoing cooperative effort with 3F to alleviate livestock impacts to native habitat and riparian areas during the current ongoing drought. Under the BLM grazing regulations, this Final Decision will become effective upon issuance in accordance with 43 CFR §4110.3-3(b). This Grazing Decision temporarily modifies the current terms and conditions for 3F's Permit #2706080. In addition to modifying the terms and conditions, the permittee has voluntarily agreed to apply for 54% non-use for the duration of the decision, which equates to 1,961 Animal Unit Months (AUMs) of non-use. The permittee may take a larger amount of non-use and will discuss actual permitted use with the BLM on an annual basis. A Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA) has been completed, which tiers to the Battle Mountain Drought Management Environmental Assessment (EA #DOI-BLM-NV-B0000-2012-0005-EA).

The Willow Ranch Allotment is located primarily in Eureka County, Nevada, with a small portion located in Lander County which is administered by the Mount Lewis Field Office (MLFO). The Allotment is approximately 30 miles East of Austin, NV. US Highway 50 runs East-West through the allotment. There are 51,297 acres administered by the BLM in the Willow Ranch Allotment. 3F, LLC is the only permitted grazing operator on this allotment.

The Willow Ranch Allotment contains Greater Sage-Grouse Priority Habitat Management area (PHMA), General Habitat Management Area (GHMA), and Other Habitat Management Area (OHMA). The Willow Ranch Allotment contains portions of the North Monitor Herd Management Area and primarily overlaps the Jackrabbit pasture.

In March 2022, the MLFO was notified by Russell Fitzwater that drought conditions were being experienced throughout the pastures that 3F operates. Mr. Fitzwater brought to our attention that the allotment faced persistent drought conditions. The Warm Springs and Jackrabbit pastures have been severely affected by drought. Additionally, Jackrabbit Pasture continues to be heavily impacted by wild horses.

According to the U.S. Drought Monitor, 100% of the State of Nevada is experiencing severe drought or worse, with the southern end of Eureka County experiencing Extreme Drought (See map below). Also, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor, Lander and Eureka Counties experienced extreme and exceptional drought conditions throughout most of the summer last year.

To provide immediate protection for riparian areas, upland plant communities, wildlife habitat, and other natural resources that experienced extreme drought conditions in the 2021 grazing year and for the potential for similar conditions to persist into 2022, temporary changes to the grazing permit terms and conditions are necessary. The MLFO proposes to temporarily modify the proposed season of use within 3F's Use Areas on the Willow Ranch Allotment by resting Warm Springs and Jackrabbit pastures for two years, which have been severely affected by the drought. Additionally, the crested wheatgrass seedings (Grimes SDG and Lincoln SDG) will be grazed first from 5/1 - 6/10, which will allow for the native pastures to be grazed after the growing season. All pastures, including the crested wheatgrass dominated pastures, will be

grazed for slightly shorter durations and with significantly fewer AUMs compared to permitted use.

The proposed Drought Response Action (DRA) for Willow Ranch was developed in collaboration with 3F and the MLFO. As a result of this effort, management was proposed by 3F that will implement a drought response action to provide for resource protection and recovery, in conformance with BLM drought policy

The season of use associated with the proposed modifications are outside of the terms and conditions of 3F's Term Permit, therefore a grazing decision is required. A Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA) to the Battle Mountain District Drought Management Environmental Assessment (EA #DOI-BLM-NV-B0000-2012-0005-EA) will be completed prior to the issuance of a grazing decision.

This proposed drought response action implements utilization thresholds and responses. These utilization thresholds are developed to ensure a conservative level of utilization in the case the proposed management is not sufficient to protect natural resources. If utilization thresholds are met or exceeded, the permittee will be required to move to the next pasture in the schedule or move livestock to private lands. This proposed drought response action implements utilization thresholds and responses. These utilization thresholds are developed to ensure a conservative level of utilization in the case the proposed management is not sufficient to protect natural resources. If utilization thresholds are met or exceeded, the permittee will be required to move to the next pasture in the schedule or move livestock to private lands.

The current grazing rotation for the Willow Ranch allotment is setup on a 6-year rotation that provides all pastures grazing a full year of rest from livestock grazing once every 6 years. Additionally, pastures are rotated every year to ensure grazing does not occur during the same time every year. Under normal climatic conditions or mild drought conditions, the current rotation is not problematic due to sufficient water sources that allow for adequate cattle dispersal. However, given the severity of this drought, and, more importantly, the poor range conditions in the warm springs and jackrabbit pastures, it is prudent to give these pastures rest for two consecutive years. To accommodate rest from livestock grazing in these pastures, the other 7 pastures in this allotment need a season of use change. To ensure deviating from the rotation does not negatively impact the other 7 pastures, this DRA proposes pastures being grazed for shorter durations (3 months less total) and with fewer cattle (29% less) than currently authorized.

The Jackrabbit Pasture is heavily utilized by wild horses throughout the spring and in some instances during the summer. To avoid rangeland degradation that would likely occur if livestock and wild horses utilized the pasture throughout the summer during this severe drought, the permittee prefers to give the pasture rest from livestock.

The proposed DRA for the Willow Ranch allotment would not authorize grazing to occur outside of the grazing period that is currently permitted (511-1114). The proposed DRA stays within that window and shortens the end day by 3 months. Additionally, this allotment is setup

on a 6-year rotation where pastures are grazed at different time periods every year. This temporary season of use change does not authorize grazing for an individual pasture to occur outside of a time period that it is not already authorized for at some point during the 6-year rotation. This ensures that while the proposed rotation itself is not part of the current 6-year rotation, each of the pastures have been grazed during the proposed seasons of use at some point during their regular 6-year rotation.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 4.471 and 4160.3(c), an appellant may petition for a stay of the final decision pending appeal by filing a petition for stay along with the appeal within 30 days after receiving the final decision

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

B- Bureau of Land Management's public consultation for the Central Nevada Guzzler Project Proposed Range Improvements for the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW).

On March 10, 2022, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Tonopah Field Office (TFO) Consulted, Coordinated, and Cooperated (CCC) by means of a public consultation letter with the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) and the interested public on an Environmental Assessment (EA) that analyzes the impact of proposed wildlife habitat improvements in Central Nevada on lands management by TFO. This project consists of installation of 8 small volume and 16 large volume water developments (guzzlers). This letter serves as a Proposed Decision to authorize these guzzlers.

In accordance with 43 C.F.R. § 4160.3 (a), in the absence of a protest, the proposed decision will become the final decision of the authorized officer without further notice unless otherwise provided in the proposed decision. If the proposed decision were to become the final decision, it may be appealed. Any person named in the decision from which an appeal is taken (other than the appellant) who wishes to file a response to the petition for stay may file with the Hearings Division in Salt Lake City, Utah, a motion to intervene in the appeal, together with the response, within 10 days after receiving the petition. Within 15 days after filing the motion to intervene and response to the petition, the person must serve copies on the appellant, the Office of the Solicitor and any other person named in the decision (43 CFR 4.472(b)). Please see attached for more information.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

C- Bureau of Land Management's solicitation of Scoping Comments to the Environmental Assessment (EA) for Proposed Special Recreation Permits for Legacy Racing Association.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carson City District, Stillwater Field Office (SFO) and the Battle Mountain District, Tonopah Field Office (TFO) has completed a Preliminary

Environmental Assessment (PEA). The BLM is seeking public comment and input on this PEA. This includes seeking information and identifying historic properties in or near the project area. The PEA will be available for a 30-day public review and comment period from May 2, 2022 through June 1, 2022.

This PEA analyzes the proposal by Legacy Racing, LLC. and the potential impacts of the proposed action and the No Action Alternative. The Proposed Action is for a vehicle event race which would occur on the SFO and TFO BLM lands. The proposed Baja Race route would take place June 22-25, 2022. This is proposed to be a 650-mile point-to-point competitive race, with approximately 452 miles within the SFO boundaries, and 184 miles within the TFO boundaries. The event would have approximately 50-350 participants vehicles. The EA includes site specific analysis of pit stop locations with all but one identified pit located on BLM-managed lands. The event would include utility-terrain vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, motorbikes, cars and trucks. A project map is attached and is available on-line at <https://go.usa.gov/xteRN>.

BLM prefers comments to be submitted via the ePlanning website at: <https://go.usa.gov/xteRN>. Comments may also be submitted via mail to: 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701, via email blm_nv_ccdowebmail@blm.gov or fax at (775)-885-6147. Written comments must be postmarked or otherwise hand delivered by 4:30 PM on or before June 1, 2022.

Legacy Racing has submitted a race proposal, which would occur in locations under the Stillwater Field Office in the Carson City District, the Tonopah Field Office, and in the Battle Mountain District. The Proposed Action to be included in the EA will cover the Baja Race route proposed to take place in the summer (map provided). This is proposed to be a 600-mile point-to-point competitive race on BLM lands, with approximately 150-200 participants. The EA will include site specific analysis of pit stop locations with all but one identified pit located on BLM-managed lands. The event would include utility-terrain vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, motorbikes, cars, and trucks. A project map is provided and is available on-line at <https://go.usa.gov/xteRN>.

The Stillwater Field Manager encourages the public to participate during external scoping by submitting additional information and comments to better inform the NEPA and decision processes for this project. Comments will be accepted starting February 22, 2022 through March 24, 2022. Comments can be mailed to BLM, Attn: Stillwater Field Manager, 5665 Morgan Mill Rd, Carson City, Nevada 89701, emailed to blm_nv_ccdowebmail@blm.gov, or submitted on the project web page <https://go.usa.gov/xteRN>. Comments must be postmarked or received by 4:30 PM on or before March 20, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

D- Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's notification of its review of the Final Removal Action Completion Report for asbestos removal action at Installation Restoration Program Site 29, Naval Air Station Fallon, Nevada.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Corrective Actions,

Department of Defense Branch has reviewed the Final Removal Action Completion Report, Asbestos Removal Action at Installation Restoration Program Site 29, Naval Air Station, Fallon, Nevada (Final Site 29 RACR).

The Final Site 29 RACR was received by the NDEP on April 25, 2022 via electronic mail and was prepared by Cape Environmental Management Inc (CAPE) on behalf of Naval Facilities and Engineering Systems Command Southwest (NAYFAC SW). This letter provides a no further action determination for the Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) impacted soil at the above-referenced facility and applies to other places contaminants related to this release have come to be located (NAC 445A.3452). The objective of the removal action was to reduce the hazards to human health and environmental receptors from asbestos containing material (ACM) at Installation Restoration Program Site 29.

The Final Site 29 RACR details the steps taken to complete the removal action and mitigate the risks posed by the asbestos material. The April 25, 2022 Final Site 29 RACR contains a request for a no further action determination by the NDEP.

The NDEP has reviewed information contained in the Installation Restoration Program file that has been provided by CAPE and NA VFAC SW. Based on this review, no contaminants remain in soil above action levels or remediation standards; therefore, the NDEP has determined that no further assessment or remediation is required to be protective of human health and the environment .

NDEP may reevaluate this decision if conditions at the site change or if new or previously unidentified information becomes available that alters the results of the site evaluation or demonstrates a potential detrimental impact on human health or the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

E- Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's (NDEP) no further action determination for the April 27, 2022 Results of Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment for the Ray Ferguson Property, 24 E. Center Street, Fallon, Churchill County, Nevada.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) has reviewed the April 27, 2022 Results of Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment for the Ray Ferguson Property, 24 E. Center Street, Fallon, Churchill County, Nevada. This letter provides a no further action determination for the above-referenced facility and applies to other places where contaminants related to this release have come to be located.

The NDEP has reviewed information contained in the Corrective Action file that has been provided by Caitlin Jelle, CEM. Based on this review, no contaminants remain in soil or groundwater above action levels or remediation standards; therefore, the NDEP has determined that no further assessment or remediation is required to be protective of human health and the environment (NAC 445A.22725(1)).

NDEP may re-evaluate this decision if conditions at the site change or if new or previously unidentified information becomes available that alters the results of the site evaluation or demonstrates a potential detrimental impact on human health or the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

F- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Notice of Land Sale for two properties in Churchill County, Nevada.

The U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service provides its Notice of Land Sale for three properties on Fitz Lane in Churchill County, Nevada, as follows:

Tract No.	Acres ±	Address	APN(s)	Minimum Bid
A	221.21	14004 Cadet Road	007-071-16	\$575,000
B	581.65	Diversion Dam	009-071-01 007-071-24 007-071-26 007-071-42	\$785,000

Each property will be sold to the bidder making the highest cash bid at or above the minimum. Sealed bids will be accepted until noon on Friday, June 3, 2022, with a public bid opening at 1:00 PM the same day. Late or incomplete bids may be rejected. The land is sold "as-is", with no warranties, either express or implied, as to the exact size or boundaries, current allowable uses, or future development potential. No surface water rights are included in the sale.

For a description of the lands offered for sale, bidding instructions, and a mandatory bid form, contact the Nevada Realty Office, 1020 New River Parkway, Suite 305, Fallon, Nevada 89406 or by telephone at 775-423-5128 extension 225.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

G- Town hall meetings scheduled in Crescent Valley, Eureka, Mineral, and Churchill Counties to discuss the development of the Central Nevada Health District.

Town hall meetings are scheduled to discuss the development of the Central Nevada Health District and will be held as follows:

- Crescent Valley on May 18th at 10:00 AM at the Community Center. 5045 Tenabo.
- Eureka on May 18th at 5:30 PM at the Opera House, 31 S. Main Street.
- Hawthorne on June 7th at 5:30 PM at USO Building, 932 E. Street.

- Fallon on June 8th at 5:30 PM at the William N. Pennington Life Center, 952 S. Maine Street.

Discussion topics will include:

- What is public health?
- What can a local health department do for you?
- What services that a local health department performs do you want to see in your area?

Residents are asked to join in the discussion. Flyers are provided in both English and Spanish.

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 re: Approval of a proposal from John S. Wright & Associates, in the amount of \$1,500, to provide professional appraisal services for the purpose of evaluating a Conservation Easement on the Brown Family Trust Property (APN: 006-671-38; 39 & 41).

As part of Churchill County and the U.S. Navy's Conservation Easement Program, the U.S. Navy has engaged John S. Wright & Associates to prepare an appraisal of the unencumbered fee simple interest and an appraisal of the Restricted Use Easement for property under the ownership of the Brown Family Trust (APN: 006-671-38; 39 & 41). As part of the contract, John S. Wright & Associates agrees to prepare an appraisal of the Conservation Easement on this property for the county's review and consideration. The appraisal report will be used by the county in order to evaluate the potential purchase of a Conservation Easement, which is a requirement of this process. Ultimately, once an appraisal is obtained, if a Purchase Agreement is executed, following Churchill County Commission approval, the cost to purchase the easement will be divided with the Navy contributing 75% and the county contributing 25%, per the Encroachment Protection Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$1,500 in FY22

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Approving these expenditures will help support the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program for Churchill County, protect productive agricultural land, and reduce the ability for urban growth to encroach upon NAS Fallon. The reduction of encroachment upon NAS Fallon will protect one of our community's most important economic assets.

The county's cost is \$1,500 for this appraisal. There are funds available in the budget to pay for Conservation Easement appraisal reports.

FUNDING SOURCE: Water Resources/Contracted Services: 380-380-52400

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

County Manager Barbee made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the proposal from John S. Wright & Associates to perform a summary appraisal report on property under the ownership of the Brown Family Trust (APN: 006-671-38; 39 & 41) and to authorize the County Manager to sign the proposal. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a proposal from Johnson Perkins Griffin, in the amount of \$2,000, to provide professional appraisal services for the purpose of evaluating a Conservation Easement on the Eckert Property (APN: 006-111-25; 26 and 27).

As part of Churchill County and the U.S. Navy's Conservation Easement Program, the U.S. Navy has engaged Johnson Perkins Griffin Real Estate Appraisers and Consultants to prepare an appraisal of the unencumbered fee simple interest and an appraisal of the Restricted Use Easement for property under the ownership of the Eckert's (APN: 006-111-25; 26 and 27). As part of the contract, Johnson Perkins Griffin agrees to prepare an appraisal of the Conservation Easement on this property for the county's review and consideration. The appraisal report will be used by the county in order to evaluate the potential purchase of a Conservation Easement, which is a requirement of this process. Ultimately, once an appraisal is obtained, if a Purchase Agreement is executed, following Churchill County Commission approval, the cost to purchase the easement will be divided with the Navy contributing 75% and the county contributing 25%, per the Encroachment Protection Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$2,000 in FY22

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The county's cost is \$2,000 for this appraisal. There are funds available in the budget to pay for Conservation Easement appraisal reports.

FUNDING SOURCE: Water Resources/Contracted Services: 380-380-52400

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

County Manager Barbee made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the proposal from Johnson Perkins Griffin to perform a summary appraisal report on property under the ownership of the Eckert's (APN: 006-111-25; 26 and 27) and to authorize the County Manager to sign the proposal. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a proposal from Bruce M. Hahn Real Estate Appraiser & Analyst, in the amount of \$1,500, to provide professional appraisal services for the purpose of evaluating a Conservation Easement on property under the ownership of E&C Schank Properties, LLC (APN: 007-911-19).

As part of Churchill County and the U.S. Navy's Conservation Easement Program, the U.S. Navy has engaged Bruce M. Hahn, Real Estate Appraiser & Analyst to prepare an appraisal of the unencumbered fee simple interest and an appraisal of the Restricted Use Easement for property under the ownership of E&C Schank Properties, LLC (APN: 007-911-19). As part of the contract, Bruce M. Hahn agrees to prepare an appraisal of the Conservation Easement on this property for the county's review and consideration. The appraisal report will be used by the county in order to evaluate the potential purchase of a Conservation Easement, which is a requirement of this process. Ultimately, once an appraisal is obtained, if a Purchase Agreement is executed, following Churchill County Commission approval, the cost to purchase the easement will be divided with the Navy contributing 75% and the county contributing 25%, per the Encroachment Protection Agreement.

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The county's cost is \$1,500 for this appraisal. There are funds available in the budget to pay for Conservation Easement appraisal reports.

FUNDING SOURCE: Water Resources/Contracted Services: 380-380-52400

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

County Manager Barbee presented this item as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the proposal from Bruce M. Hahn to perform a summary appraisal report on property under the ownership of E&C Schank Properties, LLC (APN: 007-911-19) and to authorize the County Manager to sign the proposal. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

New Business:

A- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a Dispatch Supervisor position for the Churchill County Sheriff's Office, including the eventual promotion of a current employee, at an estimated cost of \$4,008 annually.

Sheriff Richard Hickox is requesting that a Dispatch Supervisor position be reinstated at the Sheriff's Office. Under the previous Sheriff, the Sheriff's Office had a Dispatch Supervisor approved and filled. Eventually, that person no longer wanted to work in that position and

returned to working as a Dispatcher. The Sheriff, at the time, decided not to re-fill the supervisor position and it was eventually removed from the county's inventory of positions. Sheriff Hickox now feels the need to have the position reinstated.

This action will not add any personnel to the roster, however, it will designate one of the existing Dispatchers as a Supervisor - this designation will come with extra responsibilities and authority. This position will be responsible for drafting and maintaining a schedule, initiating correction and discipline for policy and procedural violations, as well as coordinating with field trainers to ensure training is being completed and the trainee is responding appropriately. They will also assist in policy and procedure development, implementation and adherence, and fill in as needed when staffing levels and call volume demand. They will be able to provide knowledgeable feedback to dispatchers and administrative staff regarding performance, needed updates, and training. This promotion will provide for a more consistent work atmosphere, as dispatchers will have a clear chain of command with a supervisor who knows exactly how to do the job.

Staff respectfully requests the board approve the class specification for a Dispatch Supervisor. Staff proposes a new pay range of D53. This would set the pay at the same range as the old Dispatch Supervisor position. Once approved, the position would be listed as a departmental promotional opening, which would be open to qualified employees of the Sheriff's Office. As a promotion, the selected employee would be placed on the first step that is a two-step (5%) increase in pay or be placed at the first step in the pay range.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approximately \$4,008 in a full fiscal year.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The impact covers the cost of wages and benefits if an employee at the top of the Dispatcher range were promoted into the Dispatch Supervisor position for a full year. The impact for FY 21-22 would be significantly less, since that FY is almost completed.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund. There is sufficient funding in the Sheriff's Office budget to offset the increase in the current fiscal year.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Stark presented this item as presented above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment. Sheriff Richard Hickox said this position would become effective July 1, 2022. I just wanted to make sure we were on the same page with this.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the classification specification (job description) for a Dispatch Supervisor, to assign it to Pay Grade D53, and to authorize the Sheriff to initiate the promotion process for a Dispatcher to promote into this position. Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of another Sergeant position in the Detention Center of the Churchill County Sheriff's Office, including the eventual promotion of a current employee, at an estimated cost of \$7,000 annually.

Sheriff Richard Hickox is requesting to be able to increase the number of Sergeants by one in the Detention Center. This would allow for an additional supervisor within the Detention Center - the filling of this position will be done from existing staff and no addition to overall staffing levels is requested.

The Sheriff is seeking this change for several reasons - the most pressing and encompassing reason is liability reduction. Currently, a large portion of the staff within the Detention Facility have less than a year on the job and, thus, limited experience. By creating leadership roles, those who have demonstrated leadership and have experience will be in a better position to mentor, guide, instruct, and correct as needed, thus reducing liability on the agency and, ultimately, on the county.

Another benefit to this move is the better distribution of extra assigned duties amongst the Sergeants, thus reducing the overwhelming burden born by having limited Sergeants. This move will provide greater supervision and, thus, more accurate and detailed evaluations, reducing the chances for negligent retention and employees feeling undervalued by not recognizing their hard work and knowledge base.

The Sheriff is requesting one Sergeant position at this time and anticipates that another one may be requested in the future.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approximately \$7,000 per year.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The fiscal impact is calculated based on Deputy paid at the 10th step of the range being promoted into a Sergeant position and being placed on the first step that is a two-step increase, for a full 12 months. It incorporates the base hourly wage and benefits. It does not include incremental increases in shift differential, overtime, etc. The impact for FY 21-22 would be significantly less, since that FY is almost completed.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund. There is sufficient funding in the Sheriff's Office budget to offset the increase in the current fiscal year. Additional funding would possibly need to be budgeted for FY 22-23 to cover the impact.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Stark and Sheriff Richard Hickox presented this item as stated above.

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

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve an additional Sergeant position for the Detention Center and to authorize the Sheriff to initiate the promotion process for an employee to promote into this position. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C- Consideration and possible action re: Assigning Brooke Morrison as a temporary supervisor of the Public Health Division of Social Services, including a temporary two-step increase at an estimated cost of \$4,700 per year.

Churchill County has received funding to support the functions of the Health Department. There

have been several changes in the hired staffing of the Health Department, including the Supervisor position. Based on the timeline for the Central Nevada Health District implementation of June 30, 2023 and the proposed structure of the overall District, the recommendation is to appoint an interim Supervisor for general day-to-day health functions rather than hire a new Supervisor. Brooke Morrison, the Epidemiologist, has been with the department since 2021 and understands the tasks and reporting necessary, and has been dedicated to working with the health team to ensure the responsibilities and support are provided.

Section 3.32.100 of Title 3 allows for special salary adjustments, whereby "an appointing authority may recommend a special step advancement for an employee in his/her department at any time for unusual or outstanding achievement or any other special circumstances". This would be categorized as a "special circumstance" for which the Social Services Director is requesting the two-step advancement. Pursuant to Title 3, the effective date for a special salary adjustment is "the first day of the pay period following approval of the County Board", which would be May 30, 2022. There is no change to the employee's anniversary date.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approximately \$4,700 for a full 12-month period. The impact for FY 21-22 will be considerably less, since the current FY is almost over.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The impact calculates a two-step increase for Ms. Morrison, and is based on wages and benefits for 12 months.

FUNDING SOURCE: Grant funding already allocated to the project through the CDC Workforce Development Grant, State ELC and Immunize Nevada Grant

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Stark presented this item as presented above.

Commissioner Koenig said define or explain temporary. So, we give Brooke this promotion and then say sorry, take the pay cut, we are taking this away from you. How temporary, explain the temporary part? Social Services Director Shannon Ernst said the goal is to have a supervisor in there as we are developing the Health District. One of the pieces will be doing a structure and hiring of additional staff. At this time, there is not really a need to hire a supervising nurse based on the services being provided, so this would probably go until March 2023. Brooke is aware of this. We have had this conversation. Commissioner Koenig said so she realizes that, at some point, she will be taking a pay cut and going back to where she is now? Director Ernst said she understands this is temporary. County Manager Barbee said all these positions are on short term soft money. Ultimately, depending on where the health district goes, none of these positions may exist beyond June 2023. That has not been decided and those positions were advertised as such.

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

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve a temporary two-step pay increase for Brooke Morrison for assuming temporary supervisory duties, effective May 30, 2022
Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

D- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a Laboratory Technician position for

Social Services at a cost of \$68,000.

As the development of the Central Nevada Health District continues to move forward, the State of Nevada is now providing additional funding to Churchill County to hire additional personnel to run the lab. The county does not currently have a position that would perform these duties. Based on the needs for the position, the county is drafting a job description (class specification) of Laboratory Technician. The job description was not yet complete at the deadline for submitting Agenda Reports but it will be distributed to the Commissioners once it is completed.

To determine the appropriate salary, the county is conducting a salary survey for the position. This position is a bit scarce among other Class 3 counties but staff has found comparable positions at Washoe County and the State of Nevada, along with a somewhat similar position at Carson City. Based on those comparables, staff recommends the position be placed at Pay Grade 42. Staff anticipates the recruitment for this position may be difficult and requests permission to offer the position at an advanced step placement upon hire, depending on the qualifications of the individual selected and the difficulty of recruitment. Staff requests the County Manager be given the authority to determine the appropriate advanced step placement.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approximately \$68,000/year.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The fiscal impact is calculated based on wages and benefits at Step 1 of Grade 42 for a full 12 months. If hired at an advanced step, the impact would be higher.

FUNDING SOURCE: Fully funded by the State of Nevada (grant funding).

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Stark reported this item as presented above. Director Ernst said the goal of this position is to ensure we have staffing in the lab 5 days a week once we start collecting those samples, which should be in the next 30 days. As we are working with UNR and also the Nevada State Public Health Lab, this is a goal to make sure there is that access. The state is also working on the funding to ensure these positions stay intact with the lab.

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

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the job description for a Laboratory Technician, assign it to Pay Grade 42, authorize the county to recruit and hire for the position, and authorize an advanced step placement as decided by the County Manager based on the individual's qualifications and potential difficulty in recruiting for the position. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

E- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of an Agreement for Professional Services with ADS, LLC to assist Churchill County with identifying and applying for grant opportunities retroactive to May 15, 2022, at a rate of \$4,000 per month.

The county previously had a contract for Merchant McIntyre & Associates to assist with the pursuit of federal funding opportunities, which expired on December 31, 2021. The county does not have an in-house grant writer, and identifying and preparing grant applications is a labor-intensive task that requires special knowledge and skill. Caleb Cage of ADS, LLC has extensive

grant writing experience and lives in northern Nevada. The proposed contract includes a scope of work which outlines that ADS, LLC will identify grant opportunities at the State and Federal level which are applicable to upcoming or ongoing projects and needs and will prepare and submit written applications and supporting materials as required by grantors or funding opportunities.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$4,000/month

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: FY22: May @ 50% = \$2,000 + June = \$6,000 total

FY23: \$4,000 X 12 = \$48,000

The contract has an annual renewal option, which may be declined by either party 15-days prior to the renewal date. Currently, the county does not have an in-house grant specialist and identifying and preparing grant application materials, especially for federal grants, is a labor-intensive undertaking which also requires the applicant to be familiar with and have skill in grant writing. The county previously used Merchant McIntyre & Associates in the DC area who helped us apply for several large federal grants, but the county's projects were not selected for funding. There are a lot of funding opportunities available, but we need someone with the expertise and time to identify and apply for appropriate grants.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Government / Contracted Services: 100-190-52400

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

County Manager Barbee presented this item as presented above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment but there was none. Commissioner Koenig said are we signing a 2-year contract or a month-to-month contract? How soon can we get out of this? County Manager Barbee said it is for 1 year. Chairman Olsen said I think there are a mountain of opportunities out there right now. This could pay handsomely back to the county and is something that we need. I have hopes that Caleb can make us star at doing this.

Deputy District Attorney Joe Sanford said it is set as a one-year agreement but there is a 2-month provision to terminate at any time if for some reason either of us feel that it is not working out.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the Agreement for Professional Services with ADS, LLC retroactively to May 15, 2022 for a period of one year.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

F- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Job Description for an Alternate Public Defender.

As part of the budget approval process, the Board has included approval of an Alternate Public Defender's Office. This office is established to ensure conflict counsel is available for indigent defense. The county is beginning the recruitment process for the position, with the person expected to be hired in the new fiscal year (after July 1, 2022). Staff seeks formal approval of the job description and pay grade assignment so the recruitment and selection can be fully completed. The job description is based on the job description for Public Defender since, essentially, the position performs the same functions. The recommended pay grade is grade 83 (\$103,900 to \$147,400 annually), the same grade as the Public Defender.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$0

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The position is already included in the budget for FY 22-23.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Human Resources Director Stark presented this item as listed above.

Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment but there was none. He said I should know this but it is a little confusing to me. So, we have right now, basically one and an alternate Deputy and this is going to take the Deputy position and create the alternate? Director Stark said this will create an alternate, like a Department Head. Chairman Olsen said so, it is a second person. Director Stark said it depends on who applies because it could be open to other people. Chairman Olsen said I understand that; it is taking the place of the Deputy? County Manager Barbee said, we come out the other side with the same number of positions, just reclassifying the position to the appropriate level. Chairman Olsen said we had to make them fully autonomous and independent in order to meet the standards that the Supreme told us we had to do. Commissioner Heath said but, if he doesn't apply for this, then the Deputy position is eliminated. Director Stark said we are also adding a secretary but we don't need a job description approved for that one. Commissioner Koenig said will we have a contract with him for a certain amount of time? Director Stark said his position is an at-will position. If there is no longer a position, he is aware of this, as well. County Manager Barbee said we met early on when we were giving this guidance to make him aware that this action was coming to meet the requirements of the state. Chairman Olsen said this is not at our instigation at the county. We were plum happy with the way it was. We are trying to get everything with this new indigent defense. County Manager Barbee said, specifically, this deals with conflict between lawyers in the same office and the number of conflict cases that arise and the cost that it has on the county because you have to have separation between each one of the lawyers to not have conflict. If one of the 2 lawyers conflicted, then they both conflicted. This way, it will be the primary and then it can go to the alternate and then if both of those individually conflict it would go to a third-tier conflict contract. Chairman Olsen said I was making sure that we were not talking about entertaining a position for the third tier, that we were going to continue to use our contractor. County Manager Barbee said we are working on a contract to pick up those third tier and, based on looking at the cases previously, this will reduce our conflict cases roughly by half, maybe more. This number that will be flowing to that third tier will be minimal and will be almost unheard of to go beyond that. Chairman Olsen said this should be a net savings to the county. County Manager Barbee said it should be. Chairman Olsen said yeah, we thought that last time too. You never know until we get there.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to approve the class specification for Alternate Public Defender and assign it to Pay Grade 83. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Recess to Conduct the Liquor Board Meeting and Closed Personnel Session:

The regular meeting was recessed at 2:10 PM.

Commissioner Gregory Koenig made a motion to recess the regular meeting to conduct the Liquor Board meeting and closed session. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 2:14 PM.

Closed Session:

8:45 AM A- Closed Personnel Session Pursuant to NRS 288.220 re: Discussion of negotiations with the Churchill County Sheriff's Deputies Association (CCSDA), Deputies' and Sergeants' Units, and with Operating Engineers Local No. 3 (representing Dispatchers)

A closed session will be held to discuss the progress of negotiations with the Churchill County Sheriff's Deputies Association (CCSDA), Deputies' and Sergeants' Unit, and with Operating Engineers Local No. 3 (representing the Dispatchers). No action will be taken as this is for informational purposes only.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

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: Building Permit Activity Report for April 2022.

Provided for the board's review is the report showing 36 permits issued in the month of January 2021. Included in the 36 permits is 1 single-family-dwelling, 1 commercial permit, 1 industrial permit, 4 manufactured home permits and 8 septic permits.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

C- Consideration and possible action re: Building Department's Revenue Report for April 2022 totaling \$14,414.70.

The Building Department provides its Revenue Report for April 2022 for the board's consideration and acceptance. A total of \$14,414.70 was received for the month.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$14,414.70

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees collected to help offset services provided.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

D- Consideration and possible action re: Recorder's Monthly Apportionment Report for April 2022 totaling \$20,823.40 in revenue for the month.

Churchill County Recorder, Tasha Hessey, provides her Recorder's Monthly Apportionment Report for April 2022 totaling \$20,823.40 in revenue for the month.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$20,823.40 in revenue.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees help to off-set services provided.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

E- Consideration and possible action re: Public Works, Planning & Zoning Department's Revenue Report for April 2022 showing a total of \$321,255.01 in revenue for the month.

The Public Works, Planning & Zoning Department submits its Revenue Report for the month of April 2022, showing a total of \$321,255.01 in revenue. This report is provided for the Commissioners' review and acceptance.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$321,255.01 in revenue for the month.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees to off-set services provided by the department.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

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

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Gregory Koenig 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:

- We met and talked about this Public Defender meeting. We had all the participants from the court. We met up in the jury box in the courtroom. There was about 15 or so people in that meeting.
- We had a Department Head meeting and we met with the folks from Strategies 360. They brought all their staff up here and we all got to meet them. We were trying to give them a view of everything we have our hands in.

- We met with the TCID board and went over the canal lining in Fernley. It was the review with the USGS and the capture and the stuff that Chris Mahannah talks about all the time that the State Engineer doesn't currently have the laws written correctly for the science today about what happens when you put a well in a basin and how much draw that puts on the river and whether you have a right to use that or not and whether that is going to have an impact on the senior rights of the people on the river. With us being on the bottom end of the river, that is always very important to stay on top of. County Manager Barbee said he had USGS and multitudes and they basically created a map of sorts that you can identify a well and the depth of a well and the volume of the pumping of the well and then scale it over time and then be able to quasi-accurately reflect the drawdown in the aquifer over time. It was really interesting. Chairman Olsen said the part they are working on now is the mid-Carson, which is from Carson City and Dayton down through Churchill County, Fort Churchill, so Chris has been very adamant that some of what he has been preaching gets included in that.

Commissioner Koenig reported on the following topics:

- I had a Fallon Youth Club meeting.
- I had a Museum board meeting.
- I had a Health Board meeting.

Commissioner Heath reported on the following topics:

- A had a special meeting for the Coalition for Senior Citizens to discuss the agreement with the Museum to build an amphitheater in between.
- I had a Lahontan Conservation District meeting.
- I just got back from Oregon racing in the rain.

County Manager Barbee reported on the following topics:

- I have had lots and lots of meetings.
- We have made huge steps forward at the Rafter 3C. All of the dirt has been put in the building and conditioned and mixed and it really changes the appearance. They are finishing up the barn wood. They finished paving between the Dry Gulch and the Barrel House. They should be placing the antique farm equipment as we speak.

Sheriff Hickox reported on the following topics:

- We did the Memorial Run from Las Vegas to Carson City honoring the fallen officers.
- We attended the Fallen Officer's Memorial in Carson City.
- We attended the Fallen Officer's Memorial in Reno.
- We had the Human Exploitation and Trafficking team come down from Reno and hosted it at the Pennington Life Center.
- We hosted a vulnerable person's registry.

- We are still working with Logically on one of the new computers to try and figure out why it won't connect.
- We met with more people to try and figure out the ongoing need for a medical provider in the Detention Center.
- We were approved for 4 vehicles and ordered them as soon as Ford was able to accept our order. We were notified by Fallon Auto Mall that our order had been cancelled. They cancelled our order and Reno PD's order and a number of other orders. We were stuck without new vehicles, so we talked and worked with Fallon Auto Mall and they did a lot of leg work for us searching and we also stepped in on that and started looking at dealers all over, as were my Captains. We were scrambling as our cars were breaking down on the side of the road. We were desperate. We talked to Chris Henning and he said we have couple of pickups coming in that are not exactly what we wanted but they will work. They came through in a huge way for us and cut us a deal. We were able to get 3 pickups and they have another one coming in, so we had to transfer some money for them. We took possession of the 4th vehicle. The amount of money we had budgeted for them almost met but did not quite meet what we needed to purchase them. We have the light bars coming for them. We got blessed by the state's bad management maybe, they told us they had a warehouse full of supplies they're getting rid of and if we wanted to we could look at it. We picked up 6 brand new light bars. They have been installed. We also got some other equipment that we would have had to buy. We were very fortunate because they were going to get rid of it and it works on our stuff.
- We have been getting some training to meet the requirements from the state now that the COVID restrictions have been lifted.
- We have POST graduation tomorrow for one of our Deputies.
- We will be hosting a regional taser training at the Rafter 3C.
- We will be hosting an active shooter training at Numa.

Comptroller Wideman reported on the following topics:

- I put the bound Final Budget in your boxes.
- Taxation approved the Tentative Budget.

Deputy DA Joe Sanford reported on the following topics/had nothing to report:

- From this point forward, I will be covering these meetings.

Clerk/Treasurer Rothery was not present.

Claims and Payroll Transmittals:

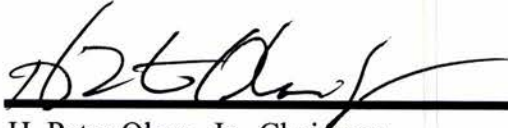
The Claims and Payroll Transmittals were submitted for the board's consideration and approval.

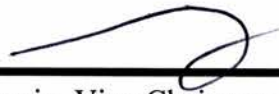
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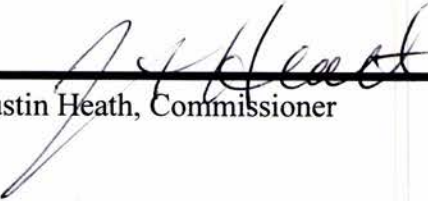
Chairman Olsen asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:28 PM.

Approved: 
H. Peter Olsen, Jr., Chairman

Approved: 
Greg Koenig, Vice-Chairman

Approved: 
Justin Heath, Commissioner

ATTEST:
Linda Rothery, Clerk/Treasurer


Renae Paholke, Deputy Clerk