

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF CHURCHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV 89406

August 3, 2023

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order at 8:16 AM on August 3, 2023.

PRESENT:

Commissioner Harry Scharmann
Commissioner Justin Heath
Commissioner Myles Getto
County Manager Jim R. Barbee
Comptroller Sherry Wideman
Deputy District Attorney Joseph Sanford
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 Scharmann 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 28th day of July, 2022, between the hours of 12:00 and 4:00 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 Myles Getto 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- June 21, 2023.

The Minutes of the meeting held on June 21, 2023 are presented 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 June 21, 2023 as presented. Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Appointments:

A- Presentation and discussion from the Nevada State Board on Geographic Names relative to their processes, updates, and state/federal actions regarding naming of places on the Nevada landscape.

The Nevada State Board on Geographic Names (NSBGN) will make a presentation and discuss their processes, updates, and state/federal actions regarding naming of places on the Nevada landscape. The NSBGN is required to perform outreach to counties, tribes, and the general public. The NSBGN will share their purpose, progress, and will seek input regarding naming issues in Churchill County.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

Christine Johnson said we have been a state mandated board since 1985. We manage the place names here in our state. We do research and we communicate with the public and our tribes and all kinds of other local governments and agencies. The federal government created the U.S. Board on Geographic Names in 1890 as a way to manage our federal maps. We are technically all volunteers appointed by our agencies. There are 12 total agencies on the board. There are 9 at the state level and 3 at the federal level. The 3 at the federal level are the Park Service, the Forest Service, and the BLM. The Fish and Wildlife was not added this year as we had hoped it would be. Hopefully, next time they will be added. With 87% of our land being federally owned in Nevada, it is important that those federal agencies have a voice. When people want to know why something is named what it is, they can email us. Our website is being redeveloped and will be housed at UNR. A lot of the agencies at our state level include the Nevada Indian Commission, the Intertribal Council, NDOT, both universities in Reno and in Vegas, the Bureau of Mines and so on and so forth. We have really good representation and that is where it becomes really important after that to know that you are also a part of this. If somebody wants to name a peak or valley for something in your county, part of our process is to reach out to you. That doesn't happen often. At most, we probably deal with 3 sites a year in Nevada. The process is to reach out to the tribes and county commissions to see what they think about this name. Historically, we don't have a whole lot that we deal with but it is important to know that we exist and we want to know what you think about it. We take what we gather and come to a decision at the state level and then pass that information on to the federal government for their process.

Some bills passed recently were to remove 640 derogatory names from the nation's landscapes, like the word squaw. There were none of those words in Churchill County. There were 34 names impacted throughout the state. Those names were replaced with tribal submissions and we now have tribal names on the lands. The ones that did not receive tribal submissions were given automatic replacements by the closest non-derogatory feature. It may have come from like an Eagle Valley or Cottonwood Peak, that closest named feature on the land in its place. Chairman

Scharmann said so Squaw Creek is no longer Squaw Creek? Christine Johnson said that is correct. On the back of the sheet that you have, it lists all the replacement names. Some people have voiced concerns, especially with what we call meaningless names, the names that were replaced automatically that don't really have an affiliation but it was a way to get the derogatory names off the land. People are still able to contact our board and say that they really don't like the name Cottonwood Peak, it doesn't make sense, so we want to name it something else and we can do that at the state level and send it up that way. Bill 3405 is coming down the pike and should be at least visible with another list of derogatory names nationwide that may come out in the fall. I don't know what names might be on that list or where they will be located. This is not offensive names; it is derogatory names. Those are 2 different things. Derogatory is words you don't want your children to say like words that people call each other that are ethnically driven and things like that. When that list comes down, we will notify your county if there are any of those names and ask for feedback. We want to hear feedback and we know there is a lot of concern about history and what happens when the names change. We retain all of that history at the federal level and also in our own state archives. We see a lot of variant names on the land anyway, over time. We do have several names per peak, canyon or valley, because that is how maps were made back in the 1800s. A lot of people had different names for the same place, so we retain all of those names and when a name is changed, we don't lose that information, it is just that we are responding to a request to not have harmful names on the land. We are legislatively mandated to do that now by AB 88 that was passed in 2021. Chairman Scharmann said we probably have a lot of derogatory names in Churchill County, don't we? Christine Johnson said I have not seen that. I don't have the final list of what is going to come out but, from guessing what we think is going to happen, there are only 10 names in the whole state. I will let you know when we get that list.

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

B- Public Hearing - Consideration and possible action re: Bill 2023-A, Ordinance 32, an ordinance amending provisions of Title 16, Consolidated Development Code of the Churchill County Code, which amends the use table for zoning districts to clarify the zones in which certain vehicles and vehicle accessories may be sold, updates the definition of small and large vehicles into standard and non-standard vehicles, and updates the definition of small and large vehicle equipment into standard and non-standard equipment and trailers.

The Churchill County Development Code and the associated Land Use Table identify the uses, permit process, and specific limitations for developing property within the County. Most uses require at least a zoning review, with many of the more complex commercial operations requiring a special use permit.

This Ordinance relates specifically to the zoning regulations for vehicle/trailer sales and rentals. Presently, the code authorizes the sale of small personal vehicles with a zoning review in the C-1, C-2, and I zoning districts. The sale/rental of any vehicle larger than a passenger vehicle, including RV's, is only permissible by special use permit in the C-2 and I zoning districts. This Ordinance adds a new section of specialized vehicles that nestles between the review-only passenger vehicle zone and the appropriately restricted large construction vehicle zone. In

particular, the specialized vehicles/trailer sales and rental section will authorize the sale of RVs, horse trailers, dump trailers, etc. in the C-1, C-2, and I zones through an administrative special use permit. The Ordinance further updates and clarifies the definitions and examples of vehicles within the zones to inform the public of the appropriate process when considering the purchase/use of land.

This first reading of the ordinance was held on July 19, 2023 and this is the public hearing of the ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Bill 2023-A Ordinance 32

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PROVISIONS OF TITLE 16 CONSOLIDATED DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY CODE

SUMMARY: THIS ORDINANCE AMENDS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 16 CONCERNING THE CONSOLIDATED DEVELOPMENT CODE. IT AMENDS THE USE TABLE FOR ZONING DISTRICTS TO CLARIFY THE ZONES IN WHICH CERTAIN VEHICLES AND VEHICLE ACCESSORIES MAY BE SOLD, ESTABLISHES THE PERMITTING PROCESS UNDER WHICH CERTAIN VEHICLE AND VEHICLE ACCESSORIES MAY BE SOLD, AND PROVIDES FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Civil Deputy DA Joe Sanford made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion to approve Bill 2023-A, Ordinance 32, as presented. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

C- Consideration and possible action re: Application for support funding for the Fallon Youth Club in the amount of \$15,000 and an annual update on activities.

Churchill County has a long-standing history of supporting the Fallon Youth Club (FYC) in the amount of \$10,000 annually. The FYC is seeking increased support in the amount of \$15,000 for FY24. The \$5,000 increase being sought is to help support their childcare center. The FYC depends upon long term continued annual support. Provided for the board's consideration is a funding Application and budget from the FYC. For the past 18 years, the FYC has provided quality, low cost, after-school programming for the children/youth of this community. FYC Executive Director, Shannon Goodrick, will provide an update of activities.

FISCAL IMPACT: FY24: \$15,000 +/-

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The Fallon Youth Club line item within the Community

Support Budget has been funded each year with \$10,000. FYC is proposing an increase of \$5,000 to their standard \$10,000 annual request for FY24. Currently the FY24 budget included only \$10,000 in support for the FYC line item, so if the board desires to increase support to \$15,000 for FY24, an augmentation to the Community Support budget will likely be needed.

FUNDING SOURCE: Community Support Budget/Fallon Youth Club: (100-401-58558).

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Chairman Scharmann said I wanted to let you know that I am on the Fallon Youth Club Board of Directors and we have talked about the childcare center, which she will probably address. We also talked about the county responsibility or position on this. I suggested that Shannon come and present it to all the members of the board, not just me, and that is why she is here.

Shannon Goodrick, Fallon Youth Club Director, said the support that we have received from this governing body is very much appreciated within our organization. In 2023, we are celebrating 18 years of serving the youth in our community. It was early 2004 when our organization was formed and the primary goal was to serve the school-aged population of at-risk youth and provide low-cost care. Our average per day count of kids is 150. Financially, we are very sound. That has not always been the case. There were times from 2008 to about 2015 when we had to beg, borrow, and steal to stay afloat but we are now in a very strong financial place. In 2020, Gary Imelli and I were invited to sit on the county Master Plan Committee that was going on. We were involved in recreation and childcare; it was all kind of the same topic. What we came away with was the fact that Churchill County was in desperate need of additional childcare. As the pandemic came to an end and, with some of the COVID relief funds that we received, it really shored up our finances. We were able to turn our focus to how the Fallon Youth Club could begin to assist in the solution of the need for childcare. We started the process of identifying what it would look like for us to open a childcare center. The property is located at 1035 S. Taylor Street, which is the auto mall rent to own furniture store. FYCs Little Clubhouse will be licensed for up to 150 children, ages 6 weeks to 6 years. Once they finish kindergarten and are of age, they can come over to the Fallon Youth Club, which is kind of our vision of how that will go. Hammond Homes will be doing the construction. I believe our building permits were approved last week. We were running up against some of the ADA, some fire safety things, and things we had to work with but I think those have all been done. The demolition should begin shortly.

The cost of childcare on average is \$149 a week for one child in a licensed care center. That equates to a person working full-time at \$15 an hour having to work 43 hours of their month just to cover childcare. We also found that the supply and demand is what is driving that cost. We know childcare is expensive but, really, we only have 225 seats available in licensed care center facilities. Only 45 of those seats are for children under the age of 2. There are an additional 31 seats for migrant children. We have the El Centro facility that focuses on migrant children. At that point, available within Churchill County, there are only 190 childcare seats available. I believe that, when you look at our population, we are looking at needing around 400 childcare seats. We have a significant shortfall. Our cost across the board, as we have worked out our budget, is going to be about \$120 a week and that will vary based on your child's age.

There are no centers currently that take a childcare subsidy so, typically, those are federal dollars that are given to the states to offset the cost of childcare for working families. There are no centers in our community that are accepting those funds right now. That is really noteworthy when you look at foster parents. A foster family receives a little over \$600 a month in funds and they have always qualified for their childcare to be covered at 100% but there is nobody in Churchill County taking that subsidy. A foster family has to pay from that \$600 a month plus additional because that is not what childcare cost; that all has to come out of their pocket. We have really run into a situation where we only have 5 licensed care homes in Churchill County. Our children are being sent out of the area because families can't bring children into their home. There is no place for them to go. Right now, I have a child at the club that was placed with a family and the other child in that family has to go to Fernley for childcare because there is no place here for them to go.

FYCs Little Clubhouse will be the name of our center. One of the things that the Governor has done is he said that, if a family qualifies for any portion of the childcare subsidy, they will receive 100% of that subsidy. That is good except, there is nowhere in Fallon for them to take their child. In our center, we will have 45 of those 150 seats set aside for subsidized families. We are going to keep 8 seats available, as much as we can, for emergency foster care. If you are a foster family and you receive a child in the middle of the night and you have to work the next day, there is no place for the child to go. We are going to do our best to be able to accept those children. This goes right in line with our mission to serve the at-risk youth. I don't know of a single youth that identifies more at risk than one who has been placed in foster care.

You have in front of you a version of our business plan. There is a lot of information in there. We are hoping to be open by the beginning of 2024. That is what the contractors are telling us. I ask today that Churchill County will consider supporting this additional business venture with an additional \$5,000.

Chairman Scharmann asked if there was any public comment but there was none. County Manager Barbee said, just for clarity, from where you guys are on the money side of things, you budgeted \$10,000 to support this program. Part of the conversation we had during the budget process was recognition that, across the board, not unique to this program or any other programs that we are funding, is that the money that we currently have in there we're having to spread across greater activities because we are having so many more activities because of the 3C creating economic development that is coming in and asking for activities. Part of that conversation was trying to spread towards new activities that would be coming forward. That is where that line was held in terms of the budget levels for the line items that we had. Additionally, when the Fallon Youth Club was created with the new building that they have over there, I am not sure of the exact amount but the county put in, I think, \$750,000 or I don't know the exact number but it was a significant amount of the construction cost. Obviously, there was a share with the city and the Pennington Foundation with them. In that agreement, there was an agreement with the county and the city that the county would take management of the Senior Center and would not ask the city for additional funding to support the Senior Center beyond the tax percentage that was given and vice versa, the city or the programs going into the Fallon Youth Club would not ask the county for additional funds above and beyond. That was an

agreement between the Mayor and Pete that was made, at that point. Additionally, it is my understanding, and you may be able to confirm or not, that the city is working with the school district and looking at trying to get a 6% tax set aside that would go to support this activity because they asked for the Commissioners support in that 6% to endorse that because that would basically move out of the percentage of funds out of the tax money for the property tax that the school district gets, they would give 6 cents of that to this project and procedure, again, that would be part of the tax money that we collect through property taxes. Keep that in the back of your mind because that has not come, yet, but that was a conversation that the city had with us in our meeting yesterday. Additionally, I would note that the county, through your leadership, is supporting the CARES Program, which provides services for roughly around 135 kids weekly, daily, whatever that term is, for the services through the recreation program and you are committing funding to redo those Cottage School buildings and they are almost done with the second redo and we are going to the third, which I think is going to cost around \$85,000 - \$100,000 that will be coming up in this Fiscal Year, so just to give you a picture of what you are doing to support those programs and the CARES Program was one of the only programs the state opened during the pandemic and specifically took care of folks that were, I hate the term they used, what was the term, the highly needed jobs or whatever it was but basically, supported the county, the city, the school district, and others beyond that, in terms of childcare through the recreation program of CARES. That is kind of the background so, yes, there is pressure in terms of the funds that are available. They are budgeted at \$10,000 and they are asking for an additional \$5,000 and I think it is important to note that the additional funding that is being debated for that program and you have to recognize that there was an agreement that we would not be asked for additional funding but we have been.

Commissioner Heath said when do you plan to open? Shannon Goodrick said the first part of 2024. We are still 5 months out and then, once the building is done, the state has to come in and everybody else to make sure it meets everything it is supposed to, then we will be licensed. I would like to just add that as far as that 6 cents that is being requested from the school district, it is my understanding that there is a request going to the school district that would release 6 cents of the I think it is 53 cents that they receive from the tax base, that would then be going to the Debt Commission to identify where that would be going. There is no guarantee that it will be coming to us. I was unaware of the fact that we were not to request the organization living within the facility, I was never informed that we were not to request any additional funding. If that was an agreement that happened from municipality to municipality, it was not one that we were made aware of. County Manager Barbee said no problem. That is why they came and requested, the city that is, is because it goes in front of the Debt Commission and we have representation on that, obviously. Yes, it was specifically said that it would be targeted for this expansion. Chairman Scharmann said this additional \$5,000 would be earmarked for the childcare center? Shannon Goodrick said it would be. Two weeks ago, we received a little bit of a shift because some of the things that came out of the building plan review required an additional, roughly \$50,000 worth of some fire breaks that had to be put in. There were a few other things that needed to be done.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve funding in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the Fallon Youth Club for Fiscal Year 2024. Commissioner Myles Getto

seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

D- Consideration and possible action re: Application for continued support funding for the Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS) in the amount of \$20,000, with an annual update on activities.

The county has a long-standing history of supporting the Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS), especially in light of not having a county animal control facility. CAPS is seeking continued support in the amount of \$20,000 for FY24, paid in four quarterly installments. This is the same level of support the county has been providing for many years (with the exception of times providing a greater level of funding to help support needed maintenance / special projects). The Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS) operates year round and offers a variety of community benefits, including spay/neuter programs for low income families and housing unwanted or displaced animals from the county and from animal control. All animals taken in by CAPS are vaccinated, spayed/neutered, and placed in good homes.

Provided for the board's consideration is a funding Application from CAPS. The Application provides information on expenses and revenue (budget provided), as well as the benefits to our community. CAPS will also be providing a presentation of this information and an annual update to the board.

FISCAL IMPACT: FY24: \$20,000 (paid in four quarterly installments of \$5,000).

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The CAPS line item within the Community Support Budget has been funded each year with \$20,000 to \$25,000. During development of the FY24 budget, funds to continue county support in the amount of \$20,000 were budgeted.

FUNDING SOURCE: Community Support Budget / Grant CAPS: 100-401-70230

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Julia Ameil, Director of CAPS, had a PowerPoint presentation as follows:



Heart of Our Work



The Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS) is a small, nonprofit, no-kill animal shelter located in Fallon, Nevada. CAPS has served the residents of Churchill County since August 1986.

CAPS is a registered 501(c)(3) that rescues dogs and cats and adopts them to good homes. We make sure they are healthy, vaccinated, and spayed or neutered before they leave.



Where we come from



In 1986, a small group, 12 citizens of Fallon, came together to create something great. This little something began as a need, became an idea and a sparkle of innovation. It turned them into an important group of volunteers that later became known as the "Dirty Dozen". In 1986, the Churchill Animal Protection Society (CAPS) was born.



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Our Mission



Our mission is to:

- find permanent, caring homes for the cats and dogs in our care
- reduce the number of unwanted litters by educating the residents of Churchill County on the importance and benefits of spaying and neutering
- rescue adoptable cats and dogs from Fallon Animal Control
- educate the public on companion animal welfare issues and alternatives to cat and dog surrender



Operations



CAPS handles an average of 150 animals per year and operates with a small staff, board of directors and numerous volunteers. We accept animals who are transferred into our care from the local animal shelter and those surrendered by owners. Once in our care, animals receive the necessary veterinary care, vaccines, and are spayed or neutered.

Additionally, we have started working with other shelters/rescues to assist us in training our hard to place pets.



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COVID-19 Impact Operations



We were greatly impacted during the prime of covid, and unfortunately are continuing to feel the effects from it.

Both donation and volunteer numbers are still down.

The continued lower amount of donations since the start of covid has caused our funds to struggle and we are still trying to regain donors.

In addition, we are also still seeing an increased need to surrender animals which we believe is in part animals that were adopted during Covid that can no longer be cared for.



Currently, we have 19 adult dogs, 6 puppies and we are over capacity. We have the puppies housed together with 3 puppies in each kennel. We have a dog in the office. What we have right now is more than we should have. Adoptions are down this year. It seems to be the case everywhere. We get calls constantly to take in more and we have to turn them down, as we don't have the space. We received calls from Reno and other counties for us to take in but we just don't have the space.

Dogs



We currently have 20 indoor-outdoor kennels for dogs. While their kennels are being cleaned, they get to socialize with other dogs in play yards. On the days we are open to public, they are walked by our volunteers. Our exercise yard allows the volunteers to let the dogs off leash to play fetch, dip in the pool (during the summer), practice agility or just sniff around.



Cats



Our cats are housed in 10 floor-to-ceiling condos with tree scratchers and ledges. The cats are let out of their condos throughout the day to stretch their paws in the cat room. We also have a separate quarantine room for cats who are brought into the shelter but have no shot history or for pregnant cats who are ready to give birth.





2022 Statistics

as of December 31, 2022

Adoptions

Total - 163

Dogs - 105
Cats - 58

2021

Total - 173

Dogs - 98
Cats - 75

Impounds

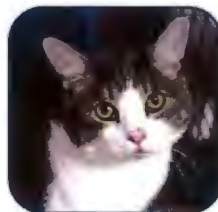
Total - 148

Dogs - 90
Cats - 58

2021

Total - 192

Dogs - 107
Cats - 85



*We impounded a total of 20 cats and dogs that came from the City of Fallon Animal Shelter(Animal Control) in 2022.

Vet Bills



A large amount of money is spent on vet bills in order to get the animals healthy, vaccinate, and spay/neuter.

In 2022, \$55,435 was spent on vet bills for the cats and dogs in our care.

In 2022, we provided vet care for 76 puppies/kittens.

- Cost for the minimum amount of vet care required for **each kitten** is \$200+
- Cost for the minimum amount of vet care required for **each puppy** is \$380+



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Microchips



In 2022 we were happy to be able to start microchipping every cat and dog that is impounded to us who doesn't already have one.

This will help significantly increase the chances of any adopted pets being reunited with their family if they were to at some point get loose.

Outreach Programs



Since helping our community is part of our mission, we offer our Pet Food Pantry to low-income individuals that need assistance with food for their pets.

In 2022, we assisted 35 families and over 94 pets.



2022
Community Impact

As of December 31, 2022

Food Pantry

35 families

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60 Dogs

34 Cats

2,100+ lbs.
Food
Distributed

Volunteers



Our volunteers consist of members of our community and groups such as :

- Military personnel
- Fallon JROTC

Volunteers help with:

- Fundraising opportunities
- Animal socialization, exercise, and training
- Adoptions
- Facility maintenance



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Staff



Staffing allows for consistency and reliability in day to day care for our pets and facilities.

Our staff includes:

Executive Director (1)

- Manages and maintains facilities, staff, policy, adoptions, websites, accounts, payroll and volunteers
- Assists Board of Directors in fund raising events and other items as requested

Kennel associates (4)

- Maintains facilities, ensures cleanliness of kennels and condos, seeks medical attention for pets when needed, assists in adoption screenings, other items as directed



Staff Statistics



2022

- Total Staffing Hours
6,256.9
- Total Staff Expenses
\$77,879*

2021

- Total Staffing Hours
5,836
- Total Staff Expenses
\$66,794*



*State of Nevada Minimum Wage increased July 1, 2022 to \$10.50 per hour

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Board of Directors



Board members play a critical role in setting up fund raising events, volunteering, and setting policies for our shelter. They promote CAPS with the community to ensure that the needs of the facility are met.

There are currently 5 members on our board

- President – Janis Wood
- Treasurer – Rebecca Dugan
- Member – Mavis Lawrence
- Member – Genevieve Jaslowski
- Member – Jolene Callihan

Benefactors and Supporters



We are lucky to have donors that are as passionate about animal welfare as we are. Their contributions are utilized to cover food, vaccines, veterinary care, building repair and maintenance, SNAPS, and general operating expenses.



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Donations and Fundraisers

Kissing Booth

Walmart allow us on a month setup table and kissing booth outside their entrance. A few dogs are brought in to kiss and exchange for donations. Their department of recording for adoption.

Bark in the Park

We also had an annual Bark in the Park 5K Shut-Your-Mutt Walk/Run every May. They are a fundraiser for the adoption of the kind adoption, good and fair and a good competition.

Gifts in Kind

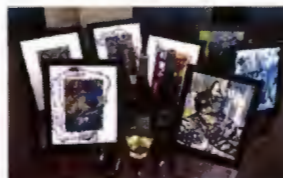
In addition to monetary donations, we have received from our supporters. Donated items new and used items from food, clothing, toys, and other supplies. We have also received furniture, kitchenware, and more.

Paint Night

We held a paint your pet portrait night.

Yard Sale

We hold a yard sale annually where we sell items donated by our supporters. These items are collected



Dog Training Seminars

We have now partnered with our local dog training company "Connected K9" to offer seminars and group classes on different topics related to dog training.

These seminars and group classes have been offered both to people that adopt from us and the general public. We hope with helping to provide resources on dog training that there will be less dogs surrendered because of behavioral issues.



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Chair Scharmann asked if there was any public comment but there was none. Chris Spross, Public Works Director said, when this was approved back in 2022, it was interesting how many people were not interested in doing design for this kind of building. It took us about 6 months to get under a contract with somebody that was willing to do the design. We started working with somebody out of Reno and, when his proposal came in, he was looking at close to \$270,000 just to do the design, which was well into our budget. Finally, we got somebody local that has some experience doing this. We are working with GEM Drafting, LLC, which is the contract you approved last year. We spent some time with Julia and her team coming up with a concept of what the building is supposed to look like to make sure it will meet the needs that she has now with some potential to grow in the future. It took us a couple of months to get that pinned down and we finally feel the building is suited for what they wanted. We have received the architectural drawings, which have been submitted to the Building Department for a preliminary review. We want to make sure there are not glaring issues. It has not been submitted for permitting, it is just a review. The remainder of the design drawing should be completed at the end of August, so we will have all our drawings ready that we need to take this out to bid. It will take us a couple of months of review with everyone. Once we have those approved, we will take this out to bid. It will probably take 6 weeks by the time we get it out to bid, get people to respond, answer RFIs, and things like that. We are looking at the end of December that we will have that to bid. It will take 4-6 months to build, barring no issues. Hopefully, by the end of June next year, they should be able to move into the new facility. The building itself is on site. We bought that a long time ago because there is an incredible lean time. We are kind of building this building around the shell that we have and that is why it took us a little longer to come up with a concept because we already had the building. County Manager Barbee said this is a partnership with the city on getting this put together. Chairman Scharmann said, well you will have my vote and the reason is because my son's dog, that is kind of a second home for him because he jumps the fence all the time.

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

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion to approve continued support funding for the

Churchill Animal Protection Society in the amount of \$20,000 for FY24. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

E- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a Performance Agreement between Fernley Business Park, LLC and Churchill County that outlines a one-year period to complete the access road improvements at 11000 Reno Highway.

The Applicant has submitted a merger & resubdivision map for the businesses located at 11000 Reno Highway after receiving legal access to the parcel north of the railroad tracks (Parcel #4). The access road improvements include grinding and grading of the existing deteriorated road, installing aggregate base material for travel width and shoulders, and paving the road 26 feet wide for a length of 460 lineal feet. Churchill County Code 16.12.030.3 allows for a developer planning to record a map(s) to enter into a Performance Agreement and post a security bond to ensure that the required improvements will be completed. The Applicant has requested to post a security bond with a completion period of 1 year so that the merger and resubdivision map can be recorded. The bond will be in the amount of 110% (\$120,098) of the estimated cost of the access road improvements, which were provided in the form of an estimate from a local engineering firm. Churchill County Code requires that the Board of County Commissioners agree to this one-year duration.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$0.00.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Chris Spross, Public Works Director, made this presentation as outlined above.

Chair Scharmann asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the one-year completion period as outlined in the Performance Agreement for Fernley Business Park, LLC to complete the construction of the access road improvements for the merger and resubdivision map located at 11000 Reno Highway. Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

F- Consideration and possible action re: Request for funding to support the Fallon Junior Rodeo in the amount of \$3,000.

A copy of the Application for funding and sponsorship letter from the Fallon Junior Rodeo is provided for the board's consideration. The Junior Rodeo is being held September 1-4, 2023 and occurs on an annual basis. The Jr. Rodeo brings in many contestants 18 and under, plus their family and friends from a variety of Nevada counties and various states, and has free admission for all. The Fallon Junior Rodeo has been dedicated to the youth of Nevada and surrounding states since 1969.

The Application has been reviewed by the County Manager for completion of required materials and the criteria appropriate to warrant county funding (such as: non-profit status, funding sources, community benefit, etc.). The board has provided support to the FJR for several years. In 2013 and 2015, \$1,000 was provided by the county, and from 2017 - 2023, the county has

provided \$2,500. The FJR is seeking \$3,000 this year due to an increase in the cost of saddles. If the board chooses to sponsor this event at the requested level, we may opt to sponsor two (2) All Around Saddles (boys and girls) at \$1,500 each. A county representative is welcome to attend and present the awards sponsored by the county. Our level of sponsorship would allow a sponsor banner to be displayed in the arena, announcement of our sponsorship during the rodeo, and a full-page ad in the FJR program.

FISCAL IMPACT: FY24: \$3,000 +/-

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The Miscellaneous Grants line item of the Community Support Budget was funded for FY24 with \$27,000. As of the date of this report, there is \$26,825 available.

FUNDING SOURCE: Community Support / Miscellaneous Grants (100-401-70300).

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Jennifur Peek said this is our second year as the Fallon Junior Rodeo apart from the Fallon Lions Club. Last year, we had our biggest numbers. We had 239 kids and 600 entries. We are getting calls from Washington, Idaho, Arizona, and California. We have a lot of out of state entries coming to Fallon. We have made a name for ourselves as a junior rodeo that they can count on things being right and we do lots of fun events for the contestants and the spectators. It has become one that people want to come to. Our costs have gone up significantly, just like everything else, which is why we are asking for a little more this year. Our saddles have gone up to \$1,800 each. Any donation is appreciated.

Macade Bogdanowicz said the Fallon Junior Rodeo is the best junior rodeo in all of Nevada. The reason it is so great is because we have an amazing committee, wonderful volunteers, awesome prizes and a ton of community support. Thank you for your support of our rodeo. We look forward to many great years ahead. Thank you.

Jennifur Peek said Macade has done such a great job for us this year. She has gone to several events, like the Reno Rodeo, she helped with the special kids' rodeo, she was here for the Battle Born Broncs and all the activities there, and she has done a great job for us.

Chairman Scharmann asked if there was any public comment but there was none. County Manager Barbee said, just so we are on the record related to the budgetary approvals, you guys approved this for \$2,500 and they are currently coming in with a request for \$500 above and beyond that. Thanks.

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion to approve funding for the Fallon Junior Rodeo in the amount of \$3,000. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

G- Consideration and possible action re: Ratification of the Agreement between Churchill County Social Services and the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Director's Office, for the amount \$26,442 for the provision of the Family Resource Center.

Annually, Churchill County Social Services receives funding to support the Family Resource

Center activities as designated. FY24 funds have been applied and awarded to support the partnership with the Essential Services Supervisor, Special Project Coordination, Churchill County Juvenile Justice Parent Project, and school supplies for the Community Day event.

FISCAL IMPACT: Total award \$26,442; March 10% \$2,644.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: \$26,442 Total: \$15,877 Personnel; 2.5% of Grants and Accounting Specialist; 2.5% of Essential Services Supervisor; 20% Project Coordinator for Life Center and Social Services; \$4,503.20 - Contract CC Juvenile Probation; \$2,538 Other - Parent project incentives and community day supplies; \$1,565 Operating - Parent Project Microsoft membership and printing for outreach; \$1,959 indirect.

FUNDING SOURCE: State Fund for Healthy Nevada; Match - Social Services operating.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Shannon Ernst, Social Services Director, made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the ratification as presented.

Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

H- Consideration and possible action re: Ratification of an Agreement between Churchill County Social Services and Nevada Clinical Services, Inc. for FY2024 in the amount of \$115,000 for the Healthy Nevada Grant Award.

Churchill County Social Services applied for funding through the Fund for Healthy Nevada to support wrap-around services for disabled residents of Churchill County.

The funding will support the Resource Liaison Outreach Program, 1:1 counseling for individuals that do not have a pay source to assist in mental health services, and allow for the hiring of a full-time transportation specialist to complete food deliveries to outlying areas outside the Meals on Wheels service area, assist in special trips and other transportation barriers at the Life Center.

The funding is awarded on a 2 year cycle. After the FY24 award, if compliance is determined to be met, the 2 year allocation will be allocated at the same funding level.

FISCAL IMPACT: FFHN \$115,000.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Personnel \$97,428; Travel \$517; Operation \$528; Contractual/Consultant \$6,250; Other Expenses \$1,758; Indirect \$8,518.

FUNDING SOURCE: State Fund for Healthy Nevada passed through a non-profit funding agency.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Shannon Ernst, Social Services Director, made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion to ratify the Agreement as presented.

Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

I- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of a biennium Agreement between Churchill County and the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services, for a total amount of \$790,094 for the provision of child abuse and neglect investigations.

Counties under the population of 100,000 are required to enter into an interlocal agreement with the State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services for the provision of child abuse and neglect investigations. The contract amount is set during the state budget process per capita of youth under 18, not in current cases.

The proposed contract is not to exceed \$790,094 for the FY24 /FY25 biennium. On average, over 300 cases are investigated with less than 10% being substantiated.

Alternatives that have been evaluated in the past were to have Churchill County provide the investigative services. During the evaluation, it was determined Churchill County did not have the capacity to meet the federal requirements and the cost would increase at a minimum of 100%.

FISCAL IMPACT: FY24 \$389,575; FY25 \$400,519; Total contract not to exceed \$790,094.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Contracted amount to provide service.

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Budget.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Shannon Ernst, Social Services Director, made this presentation as outlined above.

Chairman Scharmann asked if there was any public comment but there was none. He said are all their investigations done by phone? Director Ernst said no, they are required to respond in person within 72 hours. They do have law enforcement if they cannot respond within that timeframe. There are initial reports, then they do a follow-up, and then to do the full investigation, so they do have to come out. It is required by statutes. Chairman Scharmann said that is a change in what they were doing before, isn't it? Director Ernst said no, it is pretty much the same but I think there has been more progress to meet that. There have been great communications with CPS and talking about the fact that they do need to come out or law enforcement needs to go, they can't just sit. We will continue to monitor. We are still the regional location for CPS for the State of Nevada for 5 counties.

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the Agreement as presented and to authorize the Chair to execute the same. Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

J- Consideration and possible action re: Approval of changes to job descriptions for the Transportation Specialist and for Transportation and Food Specialist positions.

Churchill County Social Services received a grant that pays for the transportation of seniors and individuals with disabilities to various locations to increase their mobility and access within the community. In hopeful anticipation that the grant funding would be approved, in the FY24 budget the Board already approved the hiring of another full-time Transportation Specialist to be able to provide these transportation services. The approval of the additional position was made, at pay grade 30, pending the receipt of grant funding.

Churchill County currently has job descriptions for Transportation Specialist and for Transportation and Food Specialist, but those job descriptions only address the transportation of food. Staff has modified the job descriptions to now include the transportation of people as well. By incorporating these duties into the currently-established job descriptions, management has the flexibility to assign a number of staff members to perform this function.

If the job description is approved, the county would begin the recruitment for the position immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$0

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The position was already approved in the FY24 budget, so there is no additional cost anticipated.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Geof Stark, Human Resources Director, made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion to approve the modified job descriptions for the Transportation Specialist and for Transportation and Food Specialist positions as presented. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Letters Received:

A- Addison Allegre thanks the board for their donation to the Churchill County Junior Livestock Show and Sale and states she won 2nd in the Jr. Master Showman category.

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FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

B- State of Nevada, Department of Indigent Defense Services, notification of its 2023 Annual Report of the Department of Indigent Defense Services.

The State of Nevada, Department of Indigent Defense Services, notification of its 2023 Annual Report of the Department of Indigent Defense Services. It was a busy year. With the help of Churchill County, the department overcame many obstacles, kept its promises to reimburse Nevada's rural counties for their extra efforts in improving indigent defense, achieved unprecedented success in the Legislative Session, and was honored by the legal community with a Silver Embrace Award from the Public Interest Law Association at the UNLV Boyd School of Law. Further, we are just getting started. The roots of the plantings are growing stronger, along with the Nevada communities they help anchor.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

C- Bureau of Land Management's notification of the process of completing a Rangeland Health Assessment and Evaluation Report for the Rock Creek Allotment in order to renew the 10-year term grazing permit.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Humboldt River Field Office is beginning the process of completing a Rangeland Health Assessment (RHA), Evaluation Report (ER), and determination document for the Rock Creek Allotment in order to renew the 10-year term grazing permit. The completed rangeland health documents will be used to inform the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process during this grazing permit renewal. Any additional data and information may be submitted electronically, CD, or hard copy as outlined in the letter. Additional data and information to be considered in completion of the rangeland health documents will be accepted until August 28, 2023 (all mailed information must be post marked by August 28, 2023, or sooner, in order to be considered timely.) After this date, the Humboldt River Office will consider all available data and information on record to complete a draft rangeland health assessment, evaluation report, and potentially a determination document. Once these draft documents have been completed, the BLM will issue them for public review and comment prior to the completion of the appropriate NEPA document.

This scoping letter serves as the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) formal request for additional existing monitoring data and information for consideration by BLM in completing the previously mentioned rangeland health documents.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

D- Bureau of Land Management provides notification of the public comment period for the proposed North Ranch Road Communications Tower Project.

The Bureau of Land Management, Battle Mountain District, Mount Lewis Field Office, has started the public comment process for the proposed North Ranch Road Communications Tower Project (Project) and the 15-day period to solicit public review and comments has begun. CommNet submitted a Standard Form 299 right-of-way (ROW) application (NVN-100966) and plan of development in December 2020 to construct a new telecommunications facility and associated components between the communities of Carlin and Eureka, Nevada. The proposed Project would be located on public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Battle Mountain District Office, Mount Lewis Field Office. The ROW grant would include approximately 3.27 acres, consisting of the tower facility, an access road, two underground fiber-optic utility routes, and a temporary use area for staging (Project Area).

First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) is an independent authority within the U.S. Department of Commerce. Authorized by Congress in 2012, FirstNet's mission is to develop, build and operate the nationwide broadband network that equips first responders to save lives

and protect U.S. communities. CommNet Wireless, LLC , a wholly owned subsidiary of Atlantic Tele-Network, Inc., is collaborating with AT&T in the nationwide buildout of the FirstNet network in the southwest and western United States.

To review and comment, please visit BLM's National NEPA Register at the following website.
<https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2024243/510>.

This scoping letter serves as the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) formal request for additional existing monitoring data and information for consideration by BLM in completing the previously mentioned rangeland health documents.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

E- Bureau of Land Management's notification of the 30-day public comment period for the proposed Golden Lake Nevada Inc. (GLN) mineral exploration project.

The Bureau of Land Management, Battle Mountain District, Mount Lewis Field Office, has started the public comment process for the proposed Golden Lake Nevada Inc. (GLN) and the 30-day period to solicit public review and comments. GLN proposes to conduct phased mineral exploration activities and surface disturbing activities for data collection to assess mineral development potential within the 949-acre Project Area that would create up to 34.5 acres of new surface disturbance for a total Project-related disturbance of 50 acres. The total disturbance includes up to five acres of mineral exploration activities under the Jewel Ridge Notice NVN-100375 (Notice) and up to 10.5 acres of disturbance on patented land. Plan of Operations NVN-101493 along with the Nevada Reclamation Permit No. 0421 Modification (Plan) was submitted to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation (BMRR) in October 2022 in accordance with BLM Surface Management Regulations 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 3809, as amended, and Nevada reclamation regulations at Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 519A.

To review and comment, please visit BLM's National NEPA Register at the following website
<https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2024996/510>.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

F- Nevada Department of Transportation's notification that Contract #3993, Project #SPF-50A-1(009), on U.S. 50A in Churchill and Lyon Counties has been completely executed effective July 20, 2023 and a satisfactory bond furnished and approved, resulting in the bid bond being released.

The Nevada Department of Transportation's notification that Contract #3993, Project #SPF-50A-1(009), on US 50A, in Churchill and Lyon Counties has been completely executed effective July

20, 2023 and a satisfactory bond furnished and approved. Therefore, NDOT has released the bid bond which accompanied the proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

G- Nevada Department of Transportation's notification that Contract #3994, Project #SPF-095-5(036), on U.S. 95, in Churchill County has been completely executed effective July 20, 2023 and a satisfactory bond furnished and approved, resulting in the bid bond being released.

Contract #3994, Project #SPF-095-5(036), on US 95, in Churchill County has been completely executed effective July 20, 2023 and a satisfactory bond furnished and approved. Therefore, the bid bond has been released.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

H- Bureau of Land Management's notification of the public comment period for a Preliminary Environmental Assessment for the November 2023 Competitive Geothermal Lease Sale.

The Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District (CCD), has completed a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the November 2023 Competitive Geothermal Lease Sale EA # DOI-BLM-NV-CO10-2023-0004-EA. The BLM is seeking public comment and input on this PEA and public input under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for the project. 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 July 21, 2023 through August 21, 2023.

This PEA analyzes the proposal to offer parcels for geothermal leasing and potential direct and indirect impacts from the issuance of leases. There are 13 parcels comprising of approximately 43,770.07 acres of land within the area administered by CCD being offered for lease. Parcels being offered for lease are in Churchill, Lyon, Mineral, and Nye Counties, Nevada. For locations refer to the enclosed map.

A copy of the PEA is available in the Carson City District BLM Office and on the project webpage at: <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/2025572/510>.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

I- Churchill County School District's Augmented Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023.

The Churchill County School District provides a copy of its Augmented Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 for public information.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: None; Informational Only

New Business:

A- Consideration and possible action re: Reappointment of Brenda Ingram as Churchill County's representative on the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council.

Pursuant to the enactment of Assembly Bill 80 in 2019, the Nevada Department of Sentencing Policy (NDSP) was created to assist the Nevada Sentencing Commission in developing policy recommendations concerning sentencing and corrections, as well as assessing the outcomes resulting from Assembly Bill 236. Assembly Bill 236, which was also enacted in 2019, created the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council (NLJRCC) to advise and assist the Nevada Sentencing Commission by providing input and recommendations regarding various criminal justice issues and matters that are important at the local level. The NLJRCC is comprised of representatives from each county in Nevada (one member from each county with a population of less than 100,000, and two members from Clark and Washoe).

The Churchill County Board of Commissioners is required to appoint one (1) member to the NLJRCC. On March 4, 2021, the board appointed Court Services Director, Brenda Ingram, to serve during the 2021-2023 meeting cycle. The current appointment cycle begins August 1, 2023 and ends July 31, 2025. The Sentencing Commission has indicated that those to be appointed members should be stakeholders from the criminal justice system and mental health and treatment communities. The member appointments are two-year terms and the Chair of the Sentencing Commission will appoint the Chair of the NLJRCC.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Jim Barbee, County Manager, made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to reappoint Brenda Ingram as Churchill County's representative on the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Council Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- Consideration and possible action re: Advanced Step appointment of Mark Burton as a Fleet Services Mechanic for Churchill County with an annual impact of approximately \$8,300.

For FY24, the Board approved the hiring of an additional Fleet Services Mechanic at the Road Department to provide fleet maintenance and repair services for countywide vehicles. The

county is currently recruiting for the position and recently conducted interviews. The result of the interviews led to unanimous agreement to offer the position to Mark Burton.

Staff is requesting to be able to hire Mr. Burton with an advanced step appointment, hiring him at Step 5 of the pay range (\$30.73/hour). Title 3 allows for an advanced step placement "to employ a person who possesses superior qualifications". Such advanced step appointment must be approved by the Board. Mr. Burton has 10 years of shop and mechanic experience, including over five years maintaining and repairing vehicles and equipment for the fire department. In addition to working on light-duty vehicles, he also has experience with diesel engine repairs, and he has heavy equipment experience from his experience working at A&K Construction. He would bring great versatility and experience to the department, which would be helpful as the Road Department gets the countywide fleet vehicle maintenance program off the ground, and his skills could be utilized to help support Road Department functions as needed.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$8,300 per year

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: The position was budgeted at Step 1 of the range. The estimated fiscal impact is the difference in salary and benefits (primarily PERS) between Step 1 and Step 5. The impact in FY24 will only be about \$500, because the position was budgeted to be hired on 7/10/23 and it will not be filled until 8/14/23, resulting in salary and benefits savings.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Geof Stark, Human Resources Director, made this presentation as outlined above.

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

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion to approve the hiring of Mark Burton to the position of Fleet Services Mechanic at an advanced-step placement of Grade 54, Step 5. Commissioner Justin Heath 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: Building Permit Activity Report for June 2023.

Provided for the board's review are the building permits issued in June 2023, totaling 35 permits for the month. Included in the 35 permits are 0 single-family-dwelling permits, 2 commercial

permits, 1 industrial permit, 2 manufactured home permits, and 4 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 June 2023 totaling \$33,968.09.

The Building Department provides its Revenue Report for June 2023 for the board's consideration and acceptance. A total of \$ 33,968.09 was received for the month.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$33,968.09.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: Fees are collected for the issuance of building permits, plan review, inspections, etc.

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

D- Consideration and possible action re: Treasurer's Report for June 2023 showing a balance of \$67,374,349.93 in the account.

Clerk/Treasurer Linda Rothery provides the Treasurer's Monthly Report for June 2023 showing a balance of \$67,374,349.93 in the account. This report is provided for the board's consideration and acceptance.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

E- Consideration and possible action re: Review of the Secured Log Changes pursuant to NRS 361.310(4) for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Pursuant to NRS 361.310(4), each year the Churchill County Assessor shall keep a log of all changes in value made to the secured roll after it has been re-opened. On or before October 31st each year, the County Assessor shall transmit a copy of the log to the Board of County Commissioners and the Nevada Tax Commission.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

F- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application 9B68195F2 approved May 21, 2023.

Notification of Burial Application received and approval per NRS 428

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Fund

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

G- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Protected Person D0469C72 passing away on May 19,2023 and case being closed.

Notification of a protected person passing away and case being closed per NRS 159.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

H- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application D4BB1BF42 approved June 7, 2023.

Notification of Burial Application received and approved per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Fund

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

I- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application A6B9089DC approved May 31, 2023.

Notification of Burial Application, which was approved per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

J- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application 36293A60A denied June 12, 2023.

Notification of Burial Application received and denied per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

K- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application 796B00178 approved May 31, 2023.

Notification of Burial Application received and approved per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: Social Services Indigent Fund.

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

L- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of Burial Application EF07E48C9 denied May 11, 2023.

Notification of Burial Application received and denied per NRS 428.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

M- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of a Guardianship Application 6DC9A84C0, which was denied July 7, 2023.

Notification of a Guardianship Application received and denied because of seeing physician's evaluation and letter supporting no need for guardianship at this time.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

N- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of an Application for Guardianship 21F6AE540, which was approved July 12, 2023.

Notification of a Guardianship Application received and approved for emergency temporary guardianship per NRS 159.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

O- Consideration and possible action re: Notification of an Application for Guardianship 50C1ECA25, which was approved April 6, 2023.

Notification of a Guardianship Application and approval for emergency temporary guardianship under NRS 159.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

P- Consideration and possible action re: Churchill County's Quarterly Report to the Department of Taxation regarding Churchill County's Economic Condition for the quarter ending June 30, 2023.

Provided for the board's review and consideration is the Quarterly Report of Churchill County's economic condition for the period ending June 30, 2023, which is prepared in accordance with the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This report must be submitted to the Department of Taxation within 45 days of completion of the prior quarter. A signed copy will be forwarded to the department in a timely manner and this is provided for the board's review.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

Q- Consideration and possible action re: Transfer of funds to Churchill County Road Department in the amount of \$300,000 for FY 2023 road and bridge projects for the 4th quarter. (prior fiscal year)

The Churchill County Road Department is requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of \$300,000 for payment of FY 2023 road and bridge projects for the 4th quarter. The transfer is to be split 50/50 between Regional Transportation Fund 280 and Public Transit Fund 395.

The reimbursement is for the blade maintenance of county roads for the period of May through June 2023, in the amount of \$160,556.49; the Bottom Road cut and patch, in the amount of \$111,516.42; patching of county roads for the period of December 2022 through June 2023, in the amount of \$33,335.55. These projects total \$305,408.46. However, we are only requesting to transfer the encumbered amount of \$300,000.00, which was approved by this board at the May 17, 2023 meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$150,000 from Regional Transportation Fund 280-631-85300 and \$150,000 from Public Transit Fund 395-881-85300 (prior fiscal year)

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT: N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: \$150,000 from Regional Transportation Fund 280-631-85300 and \$150,000 from Public Transit Fund 395-881-85300 (prior fiscal year)

ACTION REQUESTED: Accept

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

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve Consent Agenda. Commissioner Myles Getto 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 Scharmann reported on the following topics:

- I attended the flood management meeting and voiced my opinion on some things.

Commissioner Heath reported on the following topics:

- I attended the Lahontan and Stillwater Conservation District meetings.
- I met with the Governor last Friday.
- I went to the Senior Center and served ice cream.

Commissioner Getto reported on the following topics:

- I also met with the Governor last Friday.

County Manager Barbee reported on the following topics:

- The portal will open up for the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) grants. We are submitting 3 of those grants. We have 99% of the design done on the North Maine property, which is the softball/baseball field, city/county combination. On the Oser Regional Park, we are close to getting final design on those. Between that and the 3C Complex, we are roughly 85% done but Lumos is continuing to work on getting that final design put in place. We did have a bit of an adjustment in what we are looking at on the 3C Complex reflective of the potential to try to partner with the Rancharra Arena in Reno and bringing that facility to our property here in Churchill county. We got a little bit of an adjustment there. Caleb Cage's group is working on putting language together. The 3C Complex language is probably 85% done and they are putting the final cleanup on that. That is a lot of work for them since I did that part. The two athletic projects, which would be at Oser and North Maine, they are currently working with Jorge on getting language put together on those pieces. Part of that is driving some change that I am moving forward with looking at doing a bit of a reorganization on Parks, Recreation, and Facilities in terms of employee structuring and how that works. We will be bringing forward adjustments to job descriptions in the future meetings coming up. Basically, the largest way I would describe what we are heading into is, taking Jesse's position as a Deputy Fairgrounds Manager and making it more of a deputy overall. We will have some of the components that have been siloed reporting to Jesse, more of the operationals, and then Jorge will have more of the leadership, budgeting, recreational components of that, and so we are working through what that is going to look like and what that process will be. Part of that is largely driven because we are looking at what we currently have in terms of responsibility under that program and being able to ensure that all of our facilities and grounds are meeting the same level of excellence. I think we have some facilities in our portfolio that are extremely well maintained and kept and then I think we have some areas we want to improve, so we are really looking at trying to bring those all up to the same level with a recognition, and this ties back to the SNPLMA component that, hopefully, we receive funding through the SNPLMA program, although our efficiencies will be approved because of the design we are putting to those facilities and those upgrades. Hopefully, at the end of the day, we are going to have a larger ask in terms of what we are looking to maintain. We want to ensure staffing wise we are gaining the greatest efficiency we possibly can because the reality is, as we expand, specifically acreage in maintenance into the future over the next 10-15 years long-term planning out, we are going to have to come back and request additional personnel resources to do that, so we have to ensure that we are at our peak efficiency, I think, before any of that money is awarded, so that we are ready to handle the expansion that will come with that, hopefully, potential funding moving forward. I just wanted to give you a heads up that we are looking at that. We won't change in current financial requests, we are basically reorganizing the positions that we have and, in general, broadening their responsibility of specific positions to be less affiliated with certain properties and more consistent across all properties.

Comptroller Wideman reported on the following topics:

- We are just working on getting the fiscal year closed.

Civil Deputy DA Sanford had nothing to report.

Clerk/Treasurer Rothery reported on the following topics:

- The due date for the first installment of property taxes is August 21st.

Sheriff Hickox was not present.

Claims and Payroll Transmittals:

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

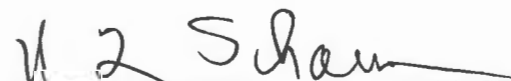
Public Comment:

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

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 AM.

Approved: _____


Hans "Bus" Scharmann, Chairman

Approved: _____

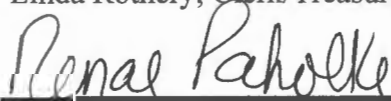

Justin Heath, Vice-Chairman

Approved: _____


Myles Getto, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Linda Rothery, Clerk/Treasurer



Renae Paholke, Deputy Clerk