The Honorable Board of Lyon County Commissioners met this day, Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the LYON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX, 27 S. MAIN STREET, YERINGTON, NV 89447.

1. Roll Call


Via Zoom: Comm. Jacobson

Staff Present: County Manager Andrew Haskin, Comptroller Josh Foli, Emergency/Communications Manager Taylor Allison, and District Attorney Steve Rye.

2. Invocation given by Mitch Forster with Mason Valley Southern Baptist

Mitch Forster gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Participation

There was none.

5. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda

Comm. Henderson moved to adopt the agenda as written.

Comm. Keller seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

6. Presentation of awards and/or recognition of accomplishments

6.a. For Presentation Only: Present Deputy Peter Whitten and Sergeant Alfonzo Lopez with the Lyon County Sheriff's Office Community Service Award for their efforts in raising approximately $11,000.00 dollars for the Shop With a Cop event.

Sheriff Pope recognized Deputy Whitten and Sergeant Lopez for raising enough money to triple the usual donations to the Shop With a Cop program.

7. Commissioners/County Manager reports

Comm. Henderson attended the Mound House Advisory Board and the Dayton Regional Advisory Board meetings. The NACO Public Lands Committee meeting reported that the Forest service is being sued by an organization stating that they need to have a clean water act permit before they can use fire retardant on wildfires. At the CAMPO meeting, they reported they are updating the traffic models.

Comm. Hockaday gave a report of his findings in Smith Valley and reported them to County employees. He appreciated the response of staff to concerned residents about the problems in Smith Valley.

County Manager Andrew Haskin advised the Board that he authorized $5090.84 for the Nevada Division of Forestry hand crew that helped with filling sandbags. He reported on the snow pack and that they will keep monitoring it. They have received three proposals for the solid waste franchise and this item will be scheduled for the first meeting in February. He will be speaking at the NNDA State of the Counties Breakfast next week to provide an update on the County. They are gearing up for the upcoming legislative session and he has received Bill drafts. The County has been maintaining on Mason Pass Road, but he's encouraging people to go through Carson City. The other roads are not maintained by the County and are not alternate routes. County vehicles will not come tow people out when they get stuck. Don’t use Delphi Road.

Comm. Hockaday advised that from Smith Valley motorists need to travel from Artesia Road to Mason Pass.
8. Elected Official’s reports

Senator Robin Titus updated the public on the Wilson Canyon road closure, advising that she had met with Congressman Amodei regarding obtaining Federal funding or having Federal permitting processes expedited. She also spoke with NDOT and a contract has been signed regarding having an assessment completed.

9. Appointed Official’s reports

Road Director Dustin Homan reported that most of the snow on Mason Pass Road has been cleared, is in the process of being bladed, and hopes that next week, they will be able to get it all graded. They have the sink-hole issue fixed near Wilson Canyon so residents can get in and out of their roads.

10. Advisory Board reports

Erin Lopez mentioned that on March 4th at 8:30 a.m., they are having the annual Open Meeting Law and Handbook Training and invited all entities with a committee or board to attend and to get in touch with her if interested.

CONSENT AGENDA

Comm. Henderson moved to approve the consent agenda items #11.a. – 14.e.

Comm. Keller seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

11. Assessor’s Corrections

11.a. For Possible Action: Approval of changes on Assessor’s tax roll due to correction in assessments and review of tax roll changes.

- Unsecured Factual
- Secured Factual

Secured Property corrections totaled $5035.18 and Unsecured Factual Corrections totaled $980.63.

12. For Possible Action: Approve County Commission Minutes

12.a. For Possible Action: Approve January 3, 2023 Minutes

The January 3, 2023 Minutes were approved.

13. Grants

13.a. For Possible Action: Accept grant award from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), in the amount of $127,357.

14. Other Consent Items

14.a. For Possible Action: Review and accept claims and financial reports.

- Claims Report 12-16-22 to 12-31-22
- Cash Report 12-31-22
- Lyon County Quarterly Financials 12-31-22

The cash balance as of December 31, 2022 was $126,714,948.74. County claims totaled $2,265,902.71, and payroll totaled $1,218,351.64.

14.b. For Possible Action: Review and accept travel claims.

- Travel Report 12-16-22 to 12-31-22

Travel claims totaled $2136.31 as of December 31, 2022.

Andrew Haskin recommended the Commissioners establish a process for choosing which candidates to recommend to the Governor for consideration.

Comm. Henderson stated that they are to choose three names to be submitted in no ranked order, which Andrew Haskin clarified as "up to three'.

Comm. Hockaday commented that prior to the meeting, he coordinated a candidate presentation and selection process with District Attorney Steve Rye. Comm. Hockaday explained they agreed upon process as follows:

1. Applicants will draw numbers for presentation order.
2. County Manager will pull numbers for online applicants.
3. Applicants will have five minutes for their presentations.
4. Public commenters will have three minutes each after all applicants have finished presenting.
5. Voting will be conducted by Commissioner roll call and based on number drawn by applicant.

Comm. Hockaday called the applicants forward in chambers by order of the agenda to draw numbers for presentation order.

Andrew Haskin drew numbers for the candidates appearing by Zoom, and drew a number for Jerry Baker who was not present by Zoom or in-person.

**Presentation Order:** Joseph Pickett, Gary Gladwill, Jerry Baker, Arthur Schell, Phillip Wooley and Tammy Hendrix.

**Joseph Pickett:** has been a resident of Stagecoach for three years, President of 775 off road and recovery, has been a hotel manager for fifteen years and served on a Tourism Board as Treasurer and President/Chairman, so he is experienced with serving on a board. He stated that a representative should be someone who is a practical leader, considers fact over emotions, is capable, and is trusted by the community. Trust is very important in representing the community. Construction, water concerns and general quality of life are issues that need to be addressed in our County. A good leader makes a decision based on what the people want. Someone who is already trusted by the community and is part of the community should be in the Commissioner seat. He stated that he is formally withdrawing his application in support of Phillip Wooley.

District Attorney Steve Rye stated that the Board can remove Joseph Pickett’s application from consideration.
**Gary Gladwill:** is a former candidate for District Three County Commission, has been a Lyon County resident off and on since 1988 and in his current home since 1998. He stated that he can be a mediator and would like to bring his business acumen to the county. He is fiscally conservative and has run a business in this County for 20 years.

Comm. Henderson asked if Mr. Gladwill understood that Nevada is a Dillon’s Rule State and he stated that he did not. Comm. Henderson explained the rule and asked Mr. Gladwill if he understood the rule and Mr. Gladwill stated that he did.

Comm. Jacobson and Keller stated they would not ask any questions of the applicants until the end of the presentations.

**Arthur Schell:** stated he has been in Lyon County since 2014, currently works for the State of Nevada, is former military and is also part of the Historical Group. He hopes to help out his community, children, the elderly and veterans. He hopes to bring programs to them instead of them having to drive the long distances.

**Phillip Wooley:** stated he is here because a lot of people contacted him to apply for this position. He is the present founder of Desert Pigs, hosting blood drives all over Nevada, and he is helping to coordinate the count of the homeless population in the County. He has little to no experience in this position, but is not afraid of a challenge and wants to serve the County the best he can.

**Tammy Hendrix:** thanked the Commissioners for appointing her to the Silver Springs Advisory Board six years ago and twice to the Planning Commission. She currently serves as the Chair for the Planning Commission, has been retired for 6 years and wants to dedicate her retirement to serving Lyon County. She has served on the Lyon County Republican Central Committee and the Fernley Republican Women. She has extensive experience in civil engineering, land surveying and management, and is familiar with Lyon County Code.

Comm. Hockaday asked Board for questions or comments and there were none. He opened the meeting for public comment.

**Public Comment**

Russ Wright from Dayton urged the Commissioners to submit Mr. Wooley and Mrs. Hendrix for consideration.

Greg Clausen from Smith Valley agrees with Russ Wright’s comments. He stated that Mrs. Hendrix has excellent attention to detail. He also recommends submitting three applicants to the Governor, as opposed to less than three.

Amanda Brinnand stated she doesn’t know any of the applicants personally, but recommended Tammy Hendrix and Phillip Wooley based on their applications and seeing Tammy Hendrix in the Planning meetings and the donation of time by Phillip Wooley.

Comm. Hockaday closed public comment and asked for the Board to vote by applicant.

**The Commissioner vote results from round one:**

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Comm. Hockaday asked for the Board to vote again to determine the third candidate to be submitted as there was a tie of 2-2 between Gary Gladwill and Arthur Schell.

Tie breaker results between Gary Gladwill and Arthur Schell:

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Comm. Henderson moved to submit the names of Arthur Schell, Tammy Hendrix and Phillip Woolsey to Governor Lombardo for his consideration for appointment to the vacant District 3 seat. Comm. Keller seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

15.b. For Presentation Only: Update from Lyon County Emergency Manager, Taylor Allison, on recent storm activity and flooding in Lyon County.

Lyon County Emergency/Communications Manager Taylor Allison gave an update on the flooding situations in the County and services provided by the County to residents in need. The snow pack and the river levels are being monitored and people are encouraged to keep their sandbags in place or nearby.

15.c. For Presentation Only: Presentation and update on Lyon County Grants. (Requested by Comm. Henderson)

County Manager Andrew Haskin gave an overview on the Lyon County Grants. Federal awards for fiscal year 2022 totaled $8,520,864.00, with Human Services bringing in the most grants. He mentioned ways to improve the chances of identifying and increasing grant funding, as well as some possible grants to explore.

Comm. Henderson questioned the cost to administer the grants regarding reporting costs and associated processes. He also stated that he supported the hiring of a Grant Administrator, but maybe not as a full-time role, and also suggested that Steve Rye may be able to clarify if it would be possible to hire the position on a contract or contingency basis. He also stated that identifying what grants are out there and how to apply for them would benefit the County, and the County would receive more funding in grants than the cost of employing a grant writer.

Comm. Keller supported hiring a grant writer and asked if the County can qualify for multiple grants for a project. Andrew Haskins advised that there are some staged grants for different phases of projects, such as FEMA grants, but he needed to do further research. Comm. Keller questioned if they are able to acquire funding on the Dayton bridge project and Andrew Haskins answered he would have to look into that.

Comm. Jacobson is cautious about the additional cost of hiring a grant writer.

Comm. Hockaday agreed that exploring new grants is important to consider, and suggested regularly reviewing what grants are available.

15.d. For Possible Action: Discussion on lobbyist representation at the Federal level and direct the County Manager to research options for representation. (Requested by Comm. Henderson)

Comm. Henderson stated that Lyon County does not have specific representation in Washington D.C. and expressed this need for the County. He would like the Commissioners to direct the County Manager to explore the possibilities of representation. There are firms that represent local Nevada Governments.

Comm. Keller requested more information on the program and the costs.
Comm. Hockaday stated the County should move forward with obtaining information, costs, and also convey what other counties in Nevada are doing.

Public Participation

Jon Turner stated representation at the federal level is a good thing, but they need to face the reality of economics.

Comm. Henderson moved to direct the County Manager to research options for representation at the Federal level.

Comm. Hockaday seconded.

Comm. Keller asked Andrew Haskin about the workload and when they can expect anything to come from the Commission directing him to do something. Mr. Haskin estimated approximately a month and a half to gather the requested information.

Comptroller Josh Foli stated a good process would be to figure out exactly what the County would need them to lobby for prior to spending money on federal representation.

The motion passed 4-0.

15.e. For Possible Action: Approve a three-year employment agreement with Andrew Haskin to serve as County Manager.

Andrew Haskin stated that the County Manager employment agreement is the same template but with a few updates. The current salary is comparable to other counties.

Comm. Henderson asked if the contract amount for his salary could be increased.

Comm. Hockaday referred to District Attorney Steve Rye if they can change the rate of pay on the agendized contract today.

Steve Rye answered it would have to be re-agendized for consideration if an increase of salary was desired, but that lowering an amount would be acceptable.

Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, and there was none.

Comm. Henderson made a motion to approve a three-year employment agreement with Andrew Haskin to serve as County Manager.

Comm. Keller seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

15.f. For Possible Action: Discussion and provide direction to the County Manager to work with the U.S. Forest Service regarding a possible merger of the Lyon and Mineral County Resource Advisory Committee with the Northern Nevada Resource Advisory Committee (requested by Commissioner Henderson).

Comm. Henderson stated that the U.S. Forest Service reached out to him about meeting the requirements for the Lyon-Mineral County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) to meet. He explained that eight members must exist for the Lyon-Mineral County RAC to meet, but has struggled to secure a quorum in order to activate the RAC to be able to expend funds. Lyon County has approximately $109k and Mineral County has approximately $132k in unspent funding which will be lost to the General Treasury if not spent. The U.S. Forest Service hopes to achieve a quorum by combining the Lyon-Mineral County Resource Advisory Committee and the Northern Nevada Resource Advisory Committee and have a deadline of next week to submit the request to combine.

County Manager Andrew Haskin stated how the funds could be utilized.

Comm. Keller asked what counties make up the Northern Nevada Resource Advisory Committee. Andrew Haskin stated that those Counties are Nye, Eureka, Lander and Humboldt. Comm. Keller
also questioned if this had to be approved by Federal Government before moving forward and Andrew Haskin responded he believes it does.

Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, and there was none.

Comm. Henderson made a motion to direct the County Manager to work with the U.S. Forest Service regarding a possible merger of the Lyon and Mineral County Resource Advisory Committee with the Northern Nevada Resource Advisory Committee.

Comm. Keller seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

16. Utilities  
16.a. For Presentation Only: Projects update by the Utilities Engineer (Kishora Panda)

Utilities Engineer Kishora Panda gave an update on projects in Pre-Design/Planning which include the Hwy 50- Dayton Valley Rd Sewer Replacement Project Phase 2, Sewer Model Development, Silver Springs Gen. Improvement District Effluent Disposal Preliminary Engg. Report and Sheep Camp Dam Geotechnical Assessment. Projects in Construction include Sewer Lift Station 2 Replacement, Aspen Creek Rapid Infiltration Basins (RIBs), 10-Mile Hill Tank and Rolling A Wastewater Treatment Facility Phase 4 Expansion. Projects completed in the last two months were the Copper Canyon 14-Inch Water Main Evaluation.

Comm. Henderson asked how old the pipe that needs replaced is. David Bruketta stated the pipe is fifteen to twenty years old. Approximately 3500 linear feet needs to be replaced in the next three years.

Comptroller Josh Foli answered they are aware this pipe needs to be replaced, the County has received funds from a class-action lawsuit, and that no further recourse in recouping cost for replacement is available.

17. Agenda Requests

Comm. Jacobson mentioned he had received concerns from a Stagecoach resident regarding the Stagecoach Fire Department and requested further information.

Comm. Hockaday stated he will discuss some further issues offline at a later time. He requested for the culvert issues to be agendized and reviewed.

18. Commissioner Comments

Comm. Keller thanked additional staff, Doug Homestead and Dave Bruketta for also helping during the weather emergencies. He attended the Silver Springs Advisory Board Meeting; they have three new members. He stated there is currently 92,000 acre feet of water in the lake.

Comm. Henderson thanked Doug Homestead and Dave Bruketta. He also thanked the Commissioner applicants again.

Comm. Jacobson thanked all staff that helped with the weather emergencies. He wished everyone a safe trip home.

Comm. Hockaday also wished everyone a safe drive home.

19. Closed Session

There was a closed session.

20. Public Participation

Russ Wright from Dayton commended Comm. Hockaday for the public comment being put before the motions.
Jon Turner stated that keeping Mason Pass Road passable is very important and wondered if the mine would cause access to be lost or would they improve the road. He gave the phone number to 775 Off Road and Recovery to help motorists who get stuck on the pass. He has heard some comments on the road closed signs and people just thinking the county put road closed signs up due to liability reasons. East Fork Fire Protection District opened up a warming center in TRE. There were no resources in Smith Valley. There is also concern with local business drop off while Hwy 208 is closed.

Mike with Stagecoach GID asked where to get the info on the Open Meeting Law meeting. Erin Lopez answered she can be contacted via email at elopez@Lyon-County.org or she can be reached at the County Managers office.

21. Adjourn

Comm. Hockaday adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

LYON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

[Signature]

DAVE HOCKADAY, Chairman

ATTEST

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STACI LINDBERG, Lyon County Clerk/Treasurer

Yerington, Nevada
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