The Honorable Board of Lyon County Commissioners met this day, Monday April 10, 2023 at 9:04 a.m. in the LYON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX, 27 S. MAIN STREET, YERINGON, NV 89447

1. Roll Call


Via Zoom: None

Absent: None

Staff Present: County Manager Andrew Haskin, Comptroller Josh Foli, District Attorney Steve Rye, and Sheriff Brad Pope.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Participation

There was none.

4. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda

Comm. Henderson moved to adopt the agenda as written.

Comm. Hendrix seconded.

Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

5. Comptroller

5.a. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024

Comm. Henderson stated that NRS 281A.240 requires him to disclose that he may have a conflict of interest. The Sheriff’s Office budget has a request for continued funding for Recon Technologies. Comm. Henderson’s wife is currently employed by Recon Technologies and assigned to the Lyon County Jail. However, her job is not dependent on approval of the tentative or final budget and neither her employment nor compensation would change based on the BOCC approval of the budget. Therefore, he concludes that the independence of judgement of a reasonable person in his situation would not be materially affected by their relationship and this is not a clear case of a disqualifying conflict of interest so he will be voting on the Sheriff’s Office Jail budget.

Comptroller Josh Foli presented the proposed budgets by department. He stated that employees will receive a 1.7% salary increase with the first full pay period in July and then a 2.5% increase merit increase on their hiring anniversary. They did not approve a salary increase for Justice of the Peace because they are making significantly more than other elected officials. Comptroller
Josh Foli recommended that they keep them at their existing salaries until the other elected officials catch up with them. There will be no increase for any elected officials this year because they are regulated by NRS. The budget can be modified after June 1st if the Legislature makes any crucial changes that have a fiscal impact. Health insurance will have a 14% increase and increase of 50% with no cap on dependent care for positions that are hard to fill such as Deputies.

Comm. Henderson had concerns about adding a cap in the future. Comptroller Josh Foli stated they could negotiate the benefits in the future. They could also look at changing things like the deductible.

Comm. Jacobson asked if the deductible is something that they could negotiate. Comptroller Josh Foli stated that it could be negotiated.

Some other significant changes to benefits include a PERS increase for police and fire of 6%, half of salary is matched with PERS funds. Regular employees will have a 3.75% increase. Workers’ Comp will have approximately a 20% increase to the heart lung for police and fire employees. They have budgeted for 8.55 new positions in Lyon County. Tax rates are unchanged this year. General fund changes include a Utilities License Fee on unincorporated areas of the County to help the road fund. A transfer is recommended in the amount of 4.5 million dollars to the capital improvement fund to utilize for the Dayton Valley Complex Project. It is recommended to transfer $200,000.00 to The Juvenile Probation Special Assessment Fund, which pays for the temporary employees to take juveniles to the locations they are doing community service, which should fund the program for approximately five years, because the Legislature has drastically reduced fines that were used for this purpose.

Comptroller Josh Foli gave a brief description of the uses of the General Fund and the Contingency Fund.

Comm. Hockaday asked if the new investments discussed earlier are calculated into the budget. Comptroller Josh Foli stated they are included in the budget.

Comm. Henderson questioned the new HVAC in the Community Center, because now they want to put a new roof where the HVAC was installed. Comptroller Foli clarified that the new roof is on a different portion of the building.

Comm. Jacobson questioned if the HVAC cost of $30,000.00 could be split with Central Lyon. Comptroller Josh Foli stated this is only on the office/community center portion of the building. Facility Director Doug Homestead stated the other side of the building would be up to the fire district to take care of.
Comm. Jacobson also questioned if the added positions of one Construction Repair Supervisor and one Construction Repair Tech resulted in cost saving elsewhere. Comptroller Josh Foli stated they probably would not, but with the parks position they are looking at adding they will not have to contract out landscaping.

Comm. Jacobson asked if we have a breakdown of how much taxes are received from individual cities. Comptroller Josh Foli stated we do not and most of this info is confidential.

Comm. Hockaday questioned why the cost of vehicle replacement is $65,000.00 on the general fund and $70,000.00 on the vehicle acquisition. Comptroller Josh Foli explained that canine vehicles are more expensive. Comm. Hockaday also questioned that if they are 360/0 short but are getting nine more vehicles, is this really needed. Comptroller Josh Foli explained that they budgeted this year to replace ones that are over certain mileage. Only three of them are new requests this year, the rest are from last year. Since they have not ordered any this year they roll over to the new year. Sheriff Pope reported they have eight officers in training and are going to hire six more. The vehicles are much needed, without them they will not have enough vehicles for the new hires.

Comm. Hendrix questioned the dispatch budget request of $15,000 for six chairs, because that is a lot for a chair. Comptroller Josh Foli explained this has happened before. The employee is in the chair for 12-hour shifts, some 24 hours a day. The chairs are designed for 24-hour use and for different body shapes.

Comptroller Josh Foli explained the revenues for the County, tax rates, assessed valuation, property tax rates general fund, consolidated tax revenue, capital outlay funds by department and PILT funds. Comptroller Josh Foli stated they might get money in June of 2024 but it is not guaranteed.

Comm. Jacobson questioned how the 2023-24 revenue is estimated. Comptroller Josh Foli explained that the State and the Clerk Treasures office come up with the estimates.

Comptroller Josh Foli stated that the requested staffing positions budget cost is $945,516.00 with recommended changes to requests the total cost is $712,625.00.

The Commissioners agreed to present their questions on the budget instead of going page by page per department.

Comptroller Josh Foli pointed out that Rural Nevada Counseling has requested an increase of $35,000.00 due to an increase in indigent clients without insurance, including clients in the Lyon County Jail. They have not had an increase in close to fifteen years.
Comm. Keller had questions about the travel budget for BOCC. NACo recommends Board members to attend two to three meetings per year. Would the travel expenses cover the cost for this? Comptroller Josh Foli stated there is money included in the travel budget for the NACo meetings but it is possible that there will not be enough. County Manager Andrew Haskin stated that if the goals were to send every Commissioner to every meeting then there would not be enough money in the budget but if only two or three Board members attend the two events then yes, there is enough money. Comm. Henderson requested to see separate line items for County Manager travel and County Commissioner travel to make sure there is enough money budgeted to make sure the County Manger goes to the ICMA conference every year.

Comm. Jacobson disagrees that three to four Commissioners should go to every meeting. Some Commissioners should be sent to each meeting, not all Commissioners to all meetings.

Comm. Keller clarified that Commissioners should attend different meetings to gain knowledge instead of all Commissioners attending the same meeting.

Comm. Henderson stated that NACo is an investment in the County.

Comptroller Josh Foli will correct the line items to separate them and read $30,000 for Commissioner’s Travel and $10,000 for County Manager to attend these meetings.

Comm. Henderson questioned what the training budget is. Comptroller Josh Foli stated it is for the actual registration costs for the meetings.

Comm. Jacobson questioned the conservation district requests and could these be applied for under disaster relief. Comptroller Josh Foli stated it is not necessarily disaster related, is given every year, and he explained how the funding is calculated.

Comptroller Josh Foli presented and explained all the following department budgets:

Park Const. Tax
Unemployment Compensation Fund
Room Tax Fund
County Stabilization Fund
Aid to Domestic Violence Fund
Fair and Rodeo Fund
Justice Court Special Administrative Assessment Fund
District Court Restricted Fees Fund
Juvenile Probation Administrative Assessment Fund
Library Gift Fund
Mining Claim Map Fund
9-1-1 Surcharge Fund
Animal Control Donation Fund – Someone donated over $100,000.00 when they passed away for routine animal care such as spay and neutering. Comm. Jacobson requested a possible future presentation to the family members to thank them for the donation.

Cooperative Extension Fund
Road Fund
Road Improvement Fund
Regional Transportation Commission Fund
General Indigent Fund
Medical Indigent Fund
Senior Services Fund
Senior Services Donation Fund
Mason Valley Mosquito Control District
Central Lyon County Vector Control District
Walker River Weed Control District
Capital Improvements Fund
Vehicle Acquisition Fund
Dayton Water Fund
Dayton Sewer Fund
Silver Springs General Improvement District
Willowcreek General Improvement District

Comm. Henderson questioned the different individual amounts of the truck, excavator, and trailer costs being different on two different pages even though the total is the same. Comptroller Josh Foli stated the very first capital outlay page is correct.

Comm. Henderson requested a Future discussion about Dayton Valley Events Center.

Comm. Jacobson moved to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

Comptroller Josh Foli clarified that the motion also needs to include the increase in the Commissioner’s budget by $20,000.00 and an increase in the Dayton Justice Court for $1828.00.

Comm. Keller made a motion to approve with the changes.

Comm. Henderson seconded.

Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

RECESS TO RECONVENE AS MASON VALLEY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT BOARD

6. Public Participation
There was none.

7. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024
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Comptroller Josh Foli gave a report on the budget for the Mason Valley Mosquito Abatement District Board.

Commissioners and staff discussed.
Comm. Henderson moved to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.
Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

8. Public Participation
There was none.

   ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS CENTRAL LYON COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD

9. Public Participation
There was none.

10. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024
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Comptroller Josh Foli explained this district covers the central Lyon corridor but does not include Silver City.

Commissioners and staff discussed.
Comm. Henderson moved to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.
Comm. Hendrix seconded.
Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

11. Public Participation
There was none.

   ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS WALKER RIVER WEED CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD
12. Public Participation
There was none.

13. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024
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Comptroller Josh Foli stated this only covers certain areas of Mason and Smith Valleys. They do not have any full time employees.

The Commissioners agreed it would be a good idea if all the different General Improvements Districts could come in and give presentations

Comm. Jacobson moved to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

Comm. Henderson seconded.

Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

14. Public Participation
There was none.

ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS SILVER SPRINGS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD

15. Public Participation
There was none.

16. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024
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Comptroller Josh Foli presented the duties of this board. There is one Capital increase in the budget for $525,000 to replace the Biolac aeration system at the plant.

Commissioners and staff discussed.

Comm. Keller moved to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

Comm. Hendrix seconded.

Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

17. Public Participation

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There was none.

ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS WILLOWCREEK GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD

18. Public Participation
There was none.

19. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024
   19.a. For Possible Action: Approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 - Willowcreek GID Tentative Budget Packet

   Comptroller Josh Foli gave a presentation of the location and management of the Willowcreek GID.

   Commissioners and staff discussed.

   Comm. Henderson moved to approve the tentative budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

   Comm. Hendrix seconded.

   Comm. Hockaday asked for public participation, there was none, and the motion passed 5-0.

20. Public Participation
There was none.

   ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS THE LYON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

21. Commissioner Comments
The Commissioners thanked Comptroller Josh Foli for all his work and knowledge in preparing the budget.

22. Public Comment
There was none.

23. Adjourn
Comm. Hockaday adjourned the meeting at 11:42
LYON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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DAVE HOCKADAY, Chairman

ATTEST

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STACI LINDBERG, Lyon County Clerk/Treasurer

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