

Pursuant to NRS a joint meeting of the Nye County Board of Commissioners, Nye County Board of Highway Commissioners, Nye County Licensing and Liquor Board, the Nye County Board of Health, the Governing Body of the Unincorporated Town of Pahrump, the Governing Body of the Unincorporated Towns of Beatty, Belmont, Gabbs, Manhattan, and Railroad Valley, and the Board of Trustees for the Pahrump Pool District, was held at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, 101 Radar Road, Tonopah, Nevada 89049.

John Koenig, Chair  
Debra Strickland, Vice-Chair  
Lorinda Wichman, Commissioner  
Donna Cox, Commissioner  
Leo Blundo, Commissioner  
Sandra L. Merlino, Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board  
Chris Arabia, District Attorney  
Sharon Wehrly, Sheriff  
Tim Sutton, County Manager

Also Present: Lorina Dellinger, Assistant County Manager; Kelly Sidman, Deputy Clerk; Samantha Tackett, Administrative Manager; Savannah Rucker, Comptroller; Marla Zlotek, Chief Deputy District Attorney; Bradley Richardson, Deputy District Attorney; Michelle Nelson, Deputy District Attorney

Not Present: Chris Arabia, District Attorney; Sharon Wehrly, Sheriff

### **1. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge was recited.

### **2. Commissioners'/Manager's Comments (This item limited to announcements or topic/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)**

Commissioner Koenig said he had been made aware that there were certain aspersions that Commissioner Cox did something. He stated Commissioner Cox did not and could not order anyone back to work.

Commissioner Blundo advised people could print out a letter from the DMV if their licenses or registrations were expiring. If they were pulled over or had a complication at the bank that letter could help. He also said there were a lot of resources out there such as SBA.gov for businesses.

Commissioner Cox asked to have the instructions on how to join the meeting by phone and speak on items moved to the top of the agenda rather than at the end.

Tim Sutton said it was at the beginning, just kind of merged with the rest of it.

**2. Commissioners'/Manager's Comments (This item limited to announcements or topic/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)-Cont'd.**

Commissioner Cox asked to have it made clearer.

Commissioner Wichman said thank you to the Clark County Commissioners, especially their chairman Marilyn Kirkpatrick. She was personally responsible for making sure over 3,000 pounds of food was delivered to the food banks in Pahrump.

Commissioner Strickland also discussed the SBA program, specifically the pay check protection program, and said people should contact their bank.

Commissioner Koenig said he could not emphasize enough if someone did not have to go out to not go out. People could drive and walk around, but they needed to stay away from each other. He said there was another case in Tonopah.

Tim Sutton advised an employee came to work and was symptomatic. He asked employees who had been exposed or who had symptoms to stay home

Commissioner Blundo asked if the licensing was being extended due to the Governor's orders

Samantha Tackett explained the privilege licensing was not being extended because the existing quarter should have been paid prior to March 31, 2020, and prior to that order.

Commissioner Blundo said he would like to bring forward an item to address the issue to give the people the same latitude the State was giving.

Sam Merlino reminded everyone that it would be a mail-in primary election. All active voters would receive a ballot in the mail and she encouraged everyone to update their registration, whether it was the address or party or just for the first time. Those updates could be made at [www.registertovotenv.gov](http://www.registertovotenv.gov). All ballots would go out by May 1, 2020, and all pertinent dates would be published in the paper.

Commissioner Cox asked if the ballots could be returned any time after the voter received them.

Mrs. Merlino said they were returnable by mail and each ballot had a return envelope. The voters could turn in to either Clerk's Office by hand, but it had to be turned in by that voter. No one could turn in another's ballot as it would be rejected. She further advised her office would have to be open during early voting for registration and to accept the ballots. Additionally, the law now stated her office had to accept ballots for seven days after the election as long as the ballot was postmarked by June 9, 2020. With same day registration and the change with the absentee ballots Mrs. Merlino

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suggested everyone go home to bed on election night and wait until the next week for the results.

Commissioner Strickland wondered because of that week delay if there was a way to give the public and the candidates a heads up that they would have results within 24 hours or something so they could have that closure.

Mrs. Merlino said she was still required to post results on election night with everything counted up to that time. Unfortunately since it was a process with ballots coming in every day along with the provisional ballots, it would be an ongoing process throughout the week. She said the final results would probably be released on Friday morning before the canvass of the results. Nothing would be done piecemeal.

Commissioner Koenig encouraged everyone to participate in the census.

**3. Approval of the Agenda for April 7, 2020 (Non-action item)**

Tim Sutton said items 9-11 could be removed from the agenda.

**4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (up to three-minute time limit per person.)  
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Dr. Michael Reiner said social distancing was the only tool in the fight against the COVID-19 virus. Protecting eyes was also very important. If symptoms developed people should contact their provider for testing. Dr. Reiner did not support drive-up testing. Medicine did not necessarily work and there was no definitive treatment.

**5. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation regarding meeting minutes from the February 19, 2020 joint regular meeting, February 20, 2020 joint teleconference and March 3, 2020 joint regular meeting of the Nye County Board of Commissioners, Board of Highway Commissioners, Nye County Licensing and Liquor Board, Nye County Board of Health, the Governing Body of the Unincorporated Town of Pahrump, the Governing Body of the Unincorporated Towns of Beatty, Belmont, Gabbs, Manhattan, and Railroad Valley, and the Board of Trustees for the Pahrump Pool District.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to approve the minutes of February 19, 2020, February 20, 2020, and March 3, 2020; seconded by Commissioner Cox; 5 yeas.

**SITTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF UNINCORPORATED TOWN OF PAHRUMP**

**6. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to: 1) Approve a request from the Pahrump Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 for the Pahrump Movies in the Park event that can be funded from Fund 25223 Pahrump Room Tax Fund; and 2) Execute an agreement with Entertainment Concepts to provide services for presenting the movies for the event.**

Commissioner Blundo said given the current state of crisis he did not want to outright deny this but rather continue it for 60 days.

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to continue this item for 60 days; seconded by Commissioner Strickland.

Tim Sutton asked Jimmy Martinez if there would be a date issue.

Mr. Martinez said they had the first movie scheduled for May 30, 2020.

Commissioner Blundo said he did not see this happening given the lock down.

Commissioner Koenig suggested continuing this item for 30 days instead.

Commissioner Blundo amended his motion to continue this item for 30 days; Commissioner Strickland amended her second; 5 years.

**7. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to appoint three members to the Pahrump Arena Advisory Committee due to three expired terms from the following list of applicants: Cody Chappell, Michelle Chappell and Darius Mann.**

Commissioner Strickland made a motion to appoint Cody Chappell, Michelle Chappell and Darius Mann; seconded by Commissioner Blundo; 5 years.

**8. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt, or reject Town of Pahrump Resolution No. 2020-06: A Resolution Enacting the Schedule of Fees Required for the Town of Pahrump Fall Festival.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to adopt Pahrump Resolution No. 2020-06; seconded by Commissioner Strickland.

Commissioner Cox said according to this somebody had decided the town would take the fall festival back and thought that was to be put on the agenda. She suggested taking this over to the NCRCC as that was the only one she could think of that had an active entertainment committee, but she had not heard back. She would like to hold this item as she was not sure it could be done without going out to advertisement and being agendized since there was no particular organization that would do it since the

**8. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt, or reject Town of Pahrump Resolution No. 2020-06-Cont'd.**

Chamber quit. She would also like to contact the NCRCC again to see if they would like to take it over as it was a burden to the town to do it. Commissioner Cox commented she was not happy with charging \$300.00 per vendor booth when it was hard to get people to come.

Commissioner Blundo agreed with putting out an RFP and said he would support continuing this item for 30 days.

Tim Sutton explained the Chamber's contract was for three years and ended last October. He sent out correspondence to the Commissioners to see what the interest was – to either have the Chamber do it, go out to bid, or have the town run it. He said his understanding was the Commissioners agreed with the town running it as in the past and apologized if he misunderstood. He could put it on the agenda to go out for bid, but he was concerned with the timelines. Mr. Sutton suggested having the town run it this year, re-evaluate it, and then put it out to bid next year if the Commissioners were unhappy.

Commissioner Cox said she would like to get it out there now and make the decision at a future meeting.

Commissioner Strickland pointed out that last year the fee for vendors was \$500.00 and it was now \$300.00. Also, town staff was excited about putting the event on again. She suggested giving the Town of Pahrump the opportunity to shine and did not believe there was enough time to put it out.

Commissioner Cox stated her concerns with decisions being made behind closed doors and felt that it should have been advertised like it was three years ago.

Commissioner Blundo asked if someone took this over could they charge their own prices rather than what was in the resolution.

Mr. Sutton said if the Board set vendor fees through this resolution then they would be bound by that unless it was changed in a subsequent contract.

Commissioner Cox was still hesitant about doing this and not following past procedures. She noted this was supposed to be a community event, not a fundraiser, and she did not think it would be a good idea for the town or County to put it on.

Commissioner Blundo commented any third-party vendor was going to operate this to make a little bit of money. He said staff would operate this event this year and the ability to have the things be cheaper for the public was definitively there.

**8. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt, or reject Town of Pahrump Resolution No. 2020-06-Cont'd.**

Mr. Sutton advised Danielle McKee from Purchasing said if she could get it posted in two weeks it could be heard the second week in May, but that was still not a lot of time.

Jimmy Martinez said the town had done this for several years. The goal was just to throw a good fall festival no matter what happened or which vendor took it over. The town wanted to take it over and do a good festival, not make a profit.

Commissioner Cox said she would be satisfied with \$200.00 for a booth and \$75.00 for a non-profit, but she still wanted it to go out to the public.

Mr. Martinez said there was a lot of paperwork to still do for the various participants so if it went out to RFP there may not be enough time to put it on.

Sheree Stringer also did not agree with charging \$300.00 due to the COVID-19 and people out of jobs. She suggested this year to just charge each vendor \$50.00 or \$75.00 as they had to have liability insurance too and put an RFP out next year as there was not enough time for it this year.

The motion to adopt Pahrump Resolution No. 2020-06 passed with 4 yeas.  
Commissioner Cox voted nay.

Commissioner Cox stated she was only opposed to the price of the vendor booths.

**SITTING AS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**9. For Possible Action – Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with the County's management representatives regarding labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters.**

This item was removed from the agenda.

**10. Closed meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with the County's management representatives regarding labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters.**

This item was removed from the agenda.

**11. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in closed meeting.**

This item was removed from the agenda.

**12. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt or reject Nye County Resolution No. 2020-11: A Resolution of the Nye County Board of County Commissioners Supporting the Efforts to Complete the Yucca Mountain Licensing Process and Resolve the Nuclear Waste Issue.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to adopt Nye County Resolution No. 2020-11; seconded by Commissioner Strickland.

Commissioner Blundo said this was a resolution regarding Yucca Mountain and moving forward with the licensing. It re-established the County's position and added a few things to it. The Test Site was the County's largest employer and one of the largest employers of post-secondary education degrees. He did not understand why there was not a discussion about Yucca Mountain going on right now considering the current situation. He felt the State needed to diversify more and that this was an opportunity to move forward in the right direction as there was money there.

Commissioner Wichman asked for the motion to be amended to accept the following minor revisions:

- Page 3, line 19, stated "These technologies should be done in Nevada creating jobs and better universities." She felt that language sounded like the universities were not good enough so she would rather have it read "These technologies should be done in Nevada creating jobs and enhancing Nevada universities."
- Page 3, line 22, stated "educational benefits of money for the residents of Nye County and State of Nevada." Commissioner Wichman thought it would read better by taking "money for the residents" out and replace it with "educational benefits and potential revenue for residents and visitors of Nye County."

Commissioner Blundo amended his motion to adopt Nye County Resolution No. 2020-11 with the changes as outlined by Commissioner Wichman; Commissioner Strickland amended her second.

John Bosta said the Board was not taking into consideration the \$130 million that came in up until 2010 which was supposed to be spent within 20 minutes of the opening and only \$500,000.00 was spent in Amargosa Valley. Amargosa Valley was the community most affected and now the Board was reaching out to residents in Nye County. Mr. Bosta thought the Board had totally lost sight of what the project was for and who was to be protected.

Commissioner Blundo said when discussing Yucca Mountain he specifically mentioned the Pahrump valley, Beatty and Amargosa Valley by name as those were the three localities significantly impacted by this project.

Commissioner Cox did not believe any money was allocated this year from the federal government. Additionally, there had never been an approved storage containment

**12. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt or reject Nye County Resolution No. 2020-11: A Resolution of the Nye County Board of County Commissioners Supporting the Efforts to Complete the Yucca Mountain Licensing Process and Resolve the Nuclear Waste Issue-Cont'd.**

canister. Since it took 20 years to get approval on a canister she felt this should have been done 20 years ago. Commissioner Cox did not see this ever coming to fruition because they had not done a containment container so they were going to look at a different route for re-processing and re-using the product instead.

The motion to adopt Nye County Resolution No. 2020-11 with the changes as outlined by Commissioner Wichman passed with 5 yeas.

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**13. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to: 1) direct the District Attorney to respond to the Public Utilities Commission's Data Requests in Docket No. 19-12029; or 2) not respond to Public Utilities Commission's Data Requests in Docket No. 19-12029, Application of Great Basin Water Co. for authority to adjust its annual revenue requirement for water and sewer service rates charged to all classes of customer in the Pahrump Division. The subject matter of the Data Requests concern Ishani Ridge bond monies.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to direct the District Attorney to respond to the PUC data requests in Docket No. 19-1029; seconded by Commissioner Wichman; 5 yeas.

**SHERIFF**

**14. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to: 1) Accept and incorporate the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) National Detention Standards (NDS) 2019; and 2) Execute modification number: P00002-70CDCR19DIG000002.**

Captain David Boruchowitz explained President Trump modified the ICE standards so all ICE facilities complied with one standard and he rolled out the National Detention Standards 2019. This agreement was to bring the County up to that standard.

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to accept and incorporate the ICE National Detention Standards 2019 and execute the modification; seconded by Commissioner Wichman; 5 yeas.

**15. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to: 1) Accept the modification to the Intergovernmental Service Agreement (ISGA) with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to add one additional transportation route to include Tonopah in accordance with the ISGA No. 70CDJR19DIG000002 and update Attachment 1 – Statement of Work, and; 2) Execute modification number: P00003-70CDJR19DIG000002.**

Commissioner Strickland made a motion to accept and modify as stated and to execute the modification; seconded by Commissioner Blundo.

John Bosta asked about the effect approving these items would have on the shortfall for the ICE funding.

Captain David Boruchowitz said it simply added to it, but the purpose of this was to provide additional revenue. It would be one additional transportation route they would pay for and it gave the Sheriff's Office the ability to tap into inmates in the northern portion of the State. Those additional inmates would add to the revenue.

Commissioner Cox asked if those inmates would be brought to Pahrump or left in in Tonopah.

Captain Boruchowitz said they would not be left in the Tonopah jail. The transfer with ICE would occur in Tonopah.

The motion to accept and modify as stated and to execute the modification passed with 5 yeas.

## **COUNTY MANAGER**

**16. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to move the date of the first Nye County Board of County Commissioners meeting in November to Friday, November 13th.**

Sam Merlino explained November 13, 2020, was the only date that would work with the canvass of the votes.

Commissioner Wichman made a motion to approve; seconded by Commissioner Cox; 5 yeas.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

**17. Presentation by the Director of Emergency Management regarding the status of the COVID-19 outbreak.**

Emergency Management Director Scott Lewis advised the County had ten reported cases. Eight of those were current and two were resolved or recovered. All were

**17. Presentation by the Director of Emergency Management regarding the status of the COVID-19 outbreak-Cont'd.**

quarantined and only one remained in ICU on a ventilator. County employees continued to be supplied with masks and other PPE equipment. Information was available on nyecounty.net and the COVID hotline was (775) 751-4333. Testing opportunities continued this week and Chief Lewis said they continued to work on the surge facility preparedness plan. He reminded everyone to keep in touch with family and friends to continue socialization and to be sure everyone was mentally and emotionally sound.

Commissioner Blundo said he had heard the Governor was considering extending the crisis for another 30 days.

Chief Lewis said it was currently slated for April 30, 2020, however, that may be extended depending on when the peak occurred. He felt the County was ten days behind that. How Nevadans responded to the shelter in place would dictate the outcome. The better job done with that would help flatten the curve and provide a better opportunity to get back to normal as soon as possible.

Commissioner Strickland mentioned Dr. Michael Reiner stated he was not in favor of drive through testing. She asked if Desert View Hospital and other doctors within the County were able to do testing outside of the drive through testing.

Chief Lewis said they had the ability, but there was a limited number of test kits available. The vendor doing the drive through testing received tests before it started hitting this area.

Commissioner Cox asked how many tests had been done.

Chief Lewis said approximately 300 tests were completed.

Commissioner Blundo asked who was paying for the testing.

Chief Lewis explained people provided their identification and insurance card. People who did not have insurance were being handled on a case by case basis.

Captain David Boruchowitz advised Serenity Health was absorbing the cost currently for anyone who did not have insurance and was paying the doctor participating. They were working on federal funding with the County Health Officer, however, there was no easy way to tap into the federal funding yet. Serenity was also allowing their doctor to help those ill in the community via telehealth.

Commissioner Koenig repeated to stay home for Nevada and stay home for Nye as it was working.

## FINANCE

### **18. For Possible Action – Presentation on the history of the Museum fund (10218); and discussion, deliberation and direction to staff regarding segregating the current Museum fund into 2 funds: Pahrump Museum Fund and Tonopah Museum Fund.**

Savannah Rucker said the audit history of the museum fund was in the back-up. The goal was to create two separate funds for each museum so those entities could operate within their fund and not bump into each other's budgets. She thought it was a reasonable approach to the issue at hand with two separate boards operating the two separate museums.

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to direct staff to segregate the museum fund into two funds; seconded by Commissioner Cox.

Commissioner Strickland was concerned with the allocation of funds in the way the tax dollars were collected. Last year the budgets were split equally yet those tax revenues did not reflect an equitable 50/50 allocation. She asked Mrs. Rucker if she was projecting to allocate those funds 50/50 or go back to the way it was in 2016 which was 38/62.

Mrs. Rucker said her recommendation was to split it 50/50 because it could be argued that PETT funds were mainly in Tonopah but the population base was in Pahrump. She could do an assessment and provide additional feedback if the Commissioners wanted.

Commissioner Strickland asked that the motion and second be withdrawn as she would like to have staff come back with visitation numbers and revenues in those areas.

Commissioner Blundo asked Commissioner Strickland if she would be agreeable to a 35/65 split.

Commissioner Strickland asked Mrs. Rucker how the different museums performed with the split in 2016.

Mrs. Rucker said there were a lot of factors that had led up to the revenue splits, such as staffing. She would have to look at how it worked in FY16 and bring it back along with the visitation records and the property tax revenue analysis.

Commissioner Koenig asked if the discussion was to split them into two funds or split them into two funds and have the money segregated between the two.

Mrs. Rucker said there would be multiple agenda items moving forward. She would bring forward an item to segregate the two funds and then figure out funding and structure.

**18. For Possible Action – Presentation on the history of the Museum fund (10218); and discussion, deliberation and direction to staff regarding segregating the current Museum fund into 2 funds: Pahrump Museum Fund and Tonopah Museum Fund-Cont'd.**

The motion to direct staff to segregate the museum fund into two funds passed with 5 yeas.

**19. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation regarding the budget status through January 2020 for Nye County and all sub-entities for Fiscal Year 2020.**

Savannah Rucker said the budget to actual revenue report through January, 2020, was in the back-up. She would have the February report on the April 21, 2020, meeting.

**PLANNING/BUILDING/CODE COMPLIANCE**

**21. For Possible Action:**

**21a. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on RM-2020-000063: A request to issue a Recreational Marijuana Establishment License (Initial) for a cultivation facility located at 6041 S. Hafen Ranch Road, Pahrump, NV, Assessor's Parcel Number 045-131-48. Nevada Natural Medicines, LLC / Scott Sibley, Manager – Applicant.**

**21b. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on RM-2020-000064: A request to issue a Recreational Marijuana Establishment License (Initial) for a production facility located at 6041 S. Hafen Ranch Road, Pahrump, NV, Assessor's Parcel Number 045-131-48. Nevada Natural Medicines, LLC / Scott Sibley, Manager – Applicant.**

Scott Sibley explained this item was the recreational business license to be added on to the medicinal side of their license.

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to approve issuing a recreational marijuana establishment license for cultivation and production; seconded by Commissioner Cox; 5 yeas.

**22. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on SW-2020-000004: A Solid/Hazardous Waste Permit application to allow Hazardous Waste, Treatment, Storage and Disposal Landfill, located at 11455 and 11457 S. U.S. Highway 95, Beatty, NV, Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 018-611-02 (80 acres) and 018-611-04 (400 acres). Nevada Division of State Lands – Property Owner. US Ecology Nevada – Applicant.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to approve the solid hazardous waste permit; seconded by Commissioner Wichman; 5 yeas.

**23. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on TM-2019-000021: A Tentative Subdivision Map (Residential) application that proposes to divide existing lots in order to create 51 residential lots from 26 existing SFR lots on approximately 50.47 gross acres, zoned Specific Plan (SP) and located within the Mountain Falls Master Planned Community within the age-restricted neighborhood aka: Planning Area 6, Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 046-261-02, 04, 34 & 38, 046-262-05, 10, 17, 18, & 20, 046-272-02, 09, 11 & 12, 046-281-18, 19, 21, 24 & 28, 046-283-02, 05, 23, 25, 27 & 28, 046-294-16 & 18. William Lyon Homes Inc. – Property Owner. Taney Engineering – Applicant.**

Brett Waggoner said everything was spelled out in the staff report. He explained this item came before the Board two months ago and was denied so he went back to the applicant with the recommendations made the first time to make this specific to the 43-foot wide streets. The applicant revised the tentative map to reflect that change and he was good with it as it stood.

Commissioner Koenig pointed out that was not the recommendation. The recommendation was to approve part and not approve part.

Mark Fiorentino, appearing on behalf of the applicant, explained this item was a map that amended an existing map to allow for some townhomes in the Mountain Falls community. Many of the townhome lots had golf course views and were spread throughout the subdivision so there was no congregation in a particular area. He took the last 30 days to address the issues raised and his understanding was the recommendation was for approval because changes were made. He said they took out all of the townhome lots located on the key streets, which was one of the major concerns as the streets were too narrow for access and created parking issues. That change also reduced the number of units in the subdivision to 42.

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to approve; seconded by Commissioner Cox.

Commissioner Blundo said he was conscientious of the water situation in Basin 162, but he was also conscientious of people's personal property rights.

**23. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on TM-2019-000021-Cont'd.**

Commissioner Cox mentioned the approval letter from the Division of Water Resources in the back-up along with a revised notice of intent to serve from Great Basin. She believed they had all the water rights they needed to finish the project.

John Bosta stated increasing homes increased water use. He asked if these were certified water rights or water rights under the status of PER as Great Basin had 29,000 acre feet of water but could only serve 6,400 customers. Additionally, most of the water rights had not been put to beneficial use since 1983.

Commissioner Blundo said there was a limit on how many homes could be built and he did not believe it would increase the water usage in a detrimental way.

Commissioner Koenig noted that lots kept getting smaller, but they were also building smaller homes. He wondered what would be done with the vacant land.

The motion to approve passed with 4 yeas. Commissioner Koenig voted nay.

**24. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on FM-2020-000012: A Final Subdivision Map application that is creating 10 Common Element lots and public streets (Clubhouse Drive and Mountain Falls Parkway) on approximately 7.68 acres gross, on property zoned Specific Plan (SP) and located within the Mountain Falls Master Planned Community. Assessor's Parcel Numbers 045-031-19 & 045-021-50. Mountain Falls, LLC – Property Owner. William Lyon Homes – Applicant. Taney Engineering – Agent.**

Mark Fiorentino, appearing on behalf of the applicant, said he worked with staff on revised language for conditions 10 and 14 in the staff report. This was a slightly unusual situation and those conditions were written for standard circumstances. Mr. Fiorentino sent those changes to the Board by e-mail and felt Brett Waggoner would agree with the revised language.

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to approve FM-2020-000012 with the following changes: condition 10 would read “where residential uses are contemplated restrictions shall be implemented to restrict residential access/addressing from interior streets only” and condition 14 would read “all new utility boxes and vaults must be installed within the utility easement and not the Nye County right-of-way otherwise the HOA shall maintain the sidewalks;” seconded by Commissioner Wichman.

John Bosta asked how much water this project would use, to which Commissioner Koenig responded none. This was for streets and the project was done.

The motion to approve FM-2020-000012 with the following changes: condition 10 would read “where residential uses are contemplated restrictions shall be implemented to restrict residential access/addressing from interior streets only” and condition 14 would

**24. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on FM-2020-000012-Cont'd.**

read “all new utility boxes and vaults must be installed within the utility easement and not the Nye County right-of-way otherwise the HOA shall maintain the sidewalks” passed with 5 yeas.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**25. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to: 1) Award Bid 2020-05 – North Leslie Street Paving to Wulfenstein Construction. The amount of the bid is \$433,607.95; 2) Execute the contract; and 3) Fund from 10205 Nye County Road Fund.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to award Bid No. 2020-05 to Wulfenstein Construction in the amount of \$433,607.95, execute the contract and fund from 10205, Nye County Road Fund; seconded by Commissioner Strickland.

Commissioner Blundo felt this was a good time to get roads fixed since there was no traffic.

The motion to award Bid No. 2020-05 to Wulfenstein Construction in the amount of \$433,607.95, execute the contract and fund from 10205, Nye County Road Fund, passed with 5 yeas.

**SENIOR SERVICES**

**26. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt, or reject Nye County Resolution No. 2020-12: A Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of a Proposal or Proposals with the Nevada Department of Transportation (Nevada DOT) for Grants Through the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as Authorized Under Federal Transit Law and Funds Available from the Nevada Public Transportation Grant Program and Executing a Contract with the Nevada Department of Transportation Upon Grant Proposal Acceptance. Nye County match is not required.**

Commissioner Blundo made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2020-12; seconded by Commissioner Cox; 5 yeas.

**FINANCE**

**20. For Possible Action – Presentation and direction to staff regarding the current and future financial condition of Nye County as related to the COVID-19 outbreak.**

Savannah Rucker said of the ten cities hardest impacted by the coronavirus four of those were next door in Las Vegas. The issue surrounding this was the affect it would

**20. For Possible Action – Presentation and direction to staff regarding the current and future financial condition of Nye County as related to the COVID-19 outbreak-Cont'd.**

have on tourism. USAToday identified the states with the sharpest projected COVID-19 job declines as Nevada and Florida. The projected percentage decline in employment rates in the State was 9.8% this year, which was significant since the economy was projected to rebound in the next six months or so. Moody's also determined Nevada would be one of the most significantly impacted states from the crisis due to the tourism industry. She said Finance was still reviewing department expenditures in FY20 and generating projections for FY20, looking into grants for revenue recovery, and assessing FY21 budgets. Mrs. Rucker expected to have a very early and rough projection to the Board at the next update on April 14, 2020, regarding where FY20 may end based on what was known. That projection did not consider if the quarantine was extended through the end of May, which would change the number's significantly. She said the due date for the tentative budget was April 15, 2020, so the plan was to submit it with the initial projections given by the State which did not take COVID-19 into account. She explained the reason for that was she wanted to see the tentative budget based on what was known at that time and then the final budget based on all factors that modified the numbers.

**27. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (up to three-minute time limit per person.)  
Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until  
specifically included on an agenda as an action item. (SECOND)**

John Bosta thanked the Commission for having a telephone conference and allowing the public to participate.

**28. Commissioners'/Manager's Comments (This item limited to announcements or topic/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)**

Commissioner Blundo said he would like to bring an item forward to allow extensions for the privilege licensing to give everyone flexibility. He would also speak with Darrell Lacy about when and where letters should be sent regarding the resolution adopted today.

Tim Sutton said he would bring back an item regarding the fall festival on the next agenda.

Arnold Knightly advised he sent each of the Commissioners a proposed public service announcement and only received two back. He thought it was good to talk to the constituents and said he would like the Commissioners' participation if possible.

Commissioner Koenig said if the other Commissioners did not want to do it they should let Mr. Knightly know and Commissioner Koenig would do it.

**29. ADJOURN**

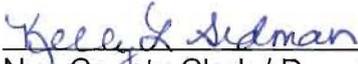
Commissioner Koenig adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day

ATTEST:

Of May, 2020.

  
Chair

  
Nye County Clerk / Deputy