

White Pine County Board of County Commissioners

COUNTY COMMISSION & FIRE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, July 8, 2020
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: White Pine County Library Conference Room
950 Campton Street, Ely, Nevada

In light of Governor Sisolak's emergency directive to ban gatherings of 50 or more, the July 8th County Commission & Fire Commission Meeting is going to be available via Zoom meeting. Please enter the following link in your web browser, or access it from this agenda at whitepinecounty.net. If you plan on attending in person, the meeting will still be held at 9:00 am in the Library and we will be adhering to the 6 foot social distancing rule and the ban of 50 or more. Thank you for your patience as we adapt to the circumstances.

Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk

Join Zoom Meeting

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***ASTERISK (*) DENOTES POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM**

Note: All times are approximate except for bid openings, public hearings, and any other items agendized at a specific time. Action may be taken on all items except where otherwise indicated. Items not scheduled for a specific time may be considered at any time and in any order to promote efficiency. The Commission may combine two or more agenda items for consideration, and may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion at any time. Sponsorship of an Agenda Item by a member of the County Commission or Fire Commission may not signify agreement with the requested action. The White Pine County Board of Commissioners may take a short break every 1 ½ hours. The Commission will recess for a one-hour lunch break at approximately 12:00.

Public Comment: Public Comment during the County Commission & Fire Commission Meeting on July 8, 2020, will be for all matters, both on and off the agenda and will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. The Commissions reserve the right to reduce the time or limit the total time allowed for public comment. **Comments during Discussion Items may not be accepted from the General Public.** The Commissions may prohibit comment if the content of the comments are willfully disruptive of the meetings by being slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on the item at the Commission meeting.

ATTENTION: Cell phone use, text messaging and conversation that are unrelated to the specific agenda item that is being discussed are prohibited while the meeting is in session.

9:00 A.M. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE/SILENT INVOCATION

PUBLIC COMMENT: A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken (N.R.S. 241.020(2)(c)(3)).

1. NOTICE OF TIMED AGENDA ITEMS:

The Chairman will temporarily recess the regular County Commission Meeting for a regular meeting of the White Pine County Fire Commission.

A. 9:00 A.M. FIRE COMMISSION MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) **Discussion/Update on Fire District Progress.** Brett North, Fire Chief & Ross Rivera, Ely City Fire Chief

- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval** of monthly financial reports for June 2020. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director

- *3) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval** of Resolution 2020-47 granting the District Fire Chief the authority to ban controlled burns during certain conditions. Brett North, Fire Chief

- *4) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval** of minutes from the Fire Commission Meetings of:
 - May 27
 - Special Jt. BOCC/Fire, June 10
 - June 10

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Chairman will adjourn the meeting of the White Pine County Fire Commission to reconvene the Regular County Commission meeting.

B. 10:00 A.M. NEVADA RURAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

- *1) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval** of Resolution 2020-46; a request to Transfer the County's 2020 Private Activity Bond Cap to Nevada Rural Housing Authority (NRHA). Diane Arvizo, NRHA Director of Homeownership Programs

C. 10:30 A.M. RESOURCE CONCEPTS, INC.

- 1) **Discussion Only:** Regarding Natural Resource and Public Land Issues being tracked by RCI. Jeremy Drew

- *2) **Discussion/Approval** Regarding a Comment Letter to the BLM Nevada State Office Prescribed and Targeted Grazing Environmental Assessment. Jeremy Drew

2. ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

A. COUNTY COMMISSION

1. Richard Howe, Chairman

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval** of letter to the Nevada Secretary of State regarding voting options for the upcoming general election

- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to accept the Census challenge from Pershing County

- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Response to Letter from Lund Town Council regarding Maintenance on Roads in Lund

- *d) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of letter to the Nevada Association of Counties thanking them for their support and assistance on critical funding issues

- *e) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of letter to the State Transportation Board regarding their support for moving forward with the Highway 50 project through downtown Ely

2. Travis Godon, Vice-Chairman

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** To direct the D.A. and Finance Office to bring forward a structure in which White Pine County can set up a Legal Defense Fund to reimburse local businesses that get fined from state agencies and/or state regulatory bodies as it relates to grossly unconstitutional/anti-business statewide COVID-19 mandates. Proposed funding source: CARES Act Relief Funds.

B. ELECTED OFFICIALS

1. Scott Henriod, Sheriff

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Ratification of the State of Nevada Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety Grant to purchase

portable breath testing equipment. Grant award was in the amount of \$12,000 to be used for the purchase of the equipment. County match is an in-kind match, to be provided by the Sheriff's Office in hours, in the training in the use of the device

2. Judge Steve L. Dobrescu, District Court Judge

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the Cooperative Agreement between White Pine, Lincoln and Eureka Counties as a part of the Seventh Judicial District of the State of Nevada effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

C. DEPARTMENT HEADS

1. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Ratification of Grant Award from the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) in the amount of \$492,271.00 for the Jack Caylor Park Phase II Project for the period of June 10th, 2020 through June 9th, 2023 with a required County match amount of \$0.

- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Direction on utilization of the CARES Act Funds distributed to White Pine County in the amount of \$1,020,301

3. CONSENT AGENDA

The following are "action" items that may be considered in one motion/one vote. They are considered routine, non-public hearing items that have no protests. Any person representing an item or member of the public not in agreement with the recommendations by staff should request to have that item removed from the Consent Agenda. Any County Commissioner may remove any items from the consent Agenda and have it placed in the Action Items.

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** to ratify Correspondence Sent on Behalf of the White Pine County Commission.
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of Payroll for County Elected Officials.
- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of HR Transmittal for Payroll Changes.
- *d) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of budget transfers within and between functions or programs within a fund that do not increase the total appropriation of the fund.

4. NOTICE OF UNTIMED ITEMS

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Ratification of the closure the Georgetown Ranch Road on July 4th from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Mark Bassett
- *b) **Permission to use County Roads** during Lund Pioneer Day Parade in Lund on July 25, 2020

- *c) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of minutes from the following County Commission Meetings:
- June 10
 - Special June 19

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County Commission * Adjournment

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

Members of the public who are disabled and require special assistance or accommodations at the meeting are requested to notify the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners at 801 Clark Street #4, Ely, Nevada 89301; or by calling 775-293-6509 at least two (2) days in advance.

Affidavit:

I, Susan Lujan, did on the 1st day of July, 2020 by 5:00 p.m. cause to be posted (5) five notices of the White Pine County Commission/Fire Commission Meeting Agenda in the County of White Pine, to-wit: At the Courthouse, at the Public Safety Building, the White Pine County Library, the White Pine County Administration Building, and at the Ely U.S. Post Office. The meeting notice is also posted to the White Pine County website at <http://whitepinecounty.net> and on the State of Nevada Public Notices website at <http://notice.nv.gov>. An additional copy of the Agenda along with supporting material, if any, are on display and available at the front counter of the White Pine County Clerk's Office at 801 Clark Street, Suite 4, Ely, NV 89301

Susan Lujan