

White Pine County Board of County Commissioners

COUNTY COMMISSION, FIRE COMMISSION & SPECIAL BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING AGENDA - AMENDED

DATE: Wednesday, July 14, 2021
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: White Pine County Library Conference Room
950 Campton Street, Ely, Nevada

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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 14, 2021, 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 meeting of the White Pine County Fire Commission.

A. 9:05 A.M. FIRE COMMISSION MEETING **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- 1) **Discussion/Update on Fire District Progress. Brett North, Fire Chief & Pat Stork, Ely FD Fire Chief**
- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of a new volunteer fire department for the White Pine County Fire Protection District running out of Station 1. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**
- *3) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Ratification of/or amendment to the command and control structure for the Fire District during the absence of the White Pine County Fire Chief as directed in a June 29, 2021 email from Elizabeth Frances. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**
- *4) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of monthly financial reports for June 2021 with final audited financials to be presented in December 2021. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**
- *5) **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 or adjust for approved grants/agency funds. Finance Director, Elizabeth Frances**
- *6) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of the revised exempt pay scale as it relates to the increase in pay for the District Fire Chief/Director of Emergency Services position based on action taken at the June 23, 2021 County Commission Meeting. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**
- *7) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of minutes from the Special Joint Fire Commission Meetings held:**
 - June 9, 2021
 - Special Joint June 23, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

B. 9:15 A.M.

- 1) **Discussion Only**: regarding possible amendments to White Pine County 4.02 dealing with gaming in White Pine County. Gary Perea

C. 9:30 A.M. PROPOSED ORDINANCES 520, 521 AND 522

- *1) **PUBLIC HEARING/Discussion/For Possible Action**: The White Pine County Board of Commissioners will take public comment and consider approval regarding proposed ordinance 520, bill no. 06.23.2021a, an ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 2.16 to allow for the County Clerk to charge and collect an extra fee of three dollars (\$3.00) for the filing of each and every marriage license. Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk
- *2) **PUBLIC HEARING/Discussion/For Possible Action**: The White Pine County Board of Commissioners will take public comment and consider approval regarding proposed ordinance 521, bill no. 06.23.2021b, an ordinance amending Title 8 to allow for the management of problems relating to the providing of sustenance in a County Park to a feral cat, feral cats and/or any cat(s) that have become a nuisance. Ross Smillie, Deputy District Attorney
- *3) **PUBLIC HEARING/Discussion/For Possible Action**: The White Pine County Board of Commissioners will take public comment and consider approval regarding proposed ordinance 522, bill no. 06.23.2021c, an ordinance amending Title 10 to allow for the daily closure of all County Parks from ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. to five o'clock (5:00) A.M. (of the succeeding day). Ross Smillie, Deputy District Attorney

D. 9:35 A.M. LIQUOR BOARD

- *1) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval of an application for a liquor license to Michelle Costello Beecher for the Elyte Cheer Booster Club for the period beginning June 22, 2021 and ending on June 24, 2021 to be held at Marich Fields. Sheriff Scott Henriod
- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval of minutes from the Liquor Board Meetings held June 9, 2021 and June 23, 2021

The Chairman will temporarily recess the regular County Commission Meeting for a special meeting of the White Pine County Board of Public Health.

E. 9:45 A.M. SPECIAL BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) **Discussion/Update regarding COVID in White Pine County. Dr. Daren Kunz, Public Health Officer**
- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of minutes from the Special Board of Public Health meeting held April 7, 2021**

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Chairman will adjourn the special meeting of the White Pine County Board of Public Health to reconvene the Regular County Commission meeting.

F. 10:00 A.M. SOUTHERN NEVADA PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT ACT (SNPLMA) ROUND 19

- *1) **PUBLIC HEARING/Discussion/For Possible Action: Evaluation And Final Ranking Of Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) -Round 19 Project Priorities. Following The Public Input At The Public Hearing The Board Of County Commissioners Will Determine The Final Ranking Of The Projects And The Top Three Project To Go Forward With Application In Round 19. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**

G. 10:15 A.M.

- *1) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of the request to designate a family cemetery at or near 1275 North SR 318 in Preston, Nevada, parcel# 011-300-34 pursuant to NRS 451.067 and WPC 6.40.010-040. John W. Cripps**

H. 10:30 A.M. NATURAL RESOURCES

- 1) **Discussion Only: Information regarding the White Pine County Natural Resource and Public Land Issues Tracking List. Jeremy Drew, RCI**
- *2) **Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval for a Task Order Addendum for RCI Participation in Cooperating Agency Activities and Scoping for the Bald Mountain Mine Plan of Operations Amendment and Juniper Project Expansion in the North Operating Area. Jeremy Drew, RCI**

- *3) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval of a Task Order Addendum for RCI Participation in Cooperating Agency Activities as well as Review and Comment to the Preliminary Environmental Assessment for the Geotechnical Study for the Proposed White Pine Pumped Storage Project. Jeremy Drew, RCI

I. 11:00 A.M. UPDATE ON THE JUSTICE CENTER

- 1) **Discussion/Update**: Progress on the Justice Center Project including financial update. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director; Ken Gallegos; Dennis Hernstrom; Brandon Whipple

2. ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

A. COUNTY COMMISSION

1) **Vice Chairman Travis Godon & Commissioner Ian Bullis**

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Resolution #2021-51 That White Pine County becomes a Constitutional County and in doing so, joins the other rural Nevada Counties that have already passed similar resolutions

2) **Commissioner Ian Bullis**

- a) Discussion Only: regarding the vaccination policy at KGHM Robinson Mine

B. ELECTED OFFICIALS

1) **Burton Hilton, Assessor**

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Ratification of Sklyine Roofing, Inc.'s contract for roof replacement of Senior Center
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval to transfer 2019 Jeep Wrangler to Maintenance for use as the fleet vehicle, transfer existing fleet vehicle 2004 Ford Expedition to Social Services, and surplus existing Social Services 2004 Ford Expedition
- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval to move forward with Community Services Building Concept

2) **Steve L. Dobrescu, Senior District Court Judge**

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action**: Approval of the Cooperative Agreement between Lincoln, Eureka, and White Pine Counties as a part of the Seventh Judicial District for the allocation of costs as listed in the agreement for FY2021/2022

3) **Nichole Baldwin, County Clerk**

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the request for resignation from Jimmy Jordan from the Ag 13 Fair & Rodeo Board

C. DEPARTMENT HEADS

1) **Lori Romero, Library Director/Senior Program Administer**

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to Accept 2021 LSTA Mini Grant Funding in the Amount of \$9,036. The Library Director's Wages will be used as in-kind match for the \$903
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to Accept Aging and Disability Services Division Amended Funds in the Amount of \$2,400 for Congregate Meals. The Match has been met
- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to Accept Aging and Disability Services Division Amended Funds in the Amount of \$12,784 for Homebound Meals. The Match has been met

2) **Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**

- *a) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval Of The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Award From The Nevada Governor's Office Of Economic Development In The Amount Of \$765,620.00 To Reline McGill Sewer Pond For The Period Of July 1st, 2021 Through June 30th, 2022 With A Required County Match Amount Of \$0
- *b) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the United We Stand (UWS) grant award from the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) in the amount of \$31,998.00 for equipment to combat terrorism for the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for the period of July 1st, 2021 through June 30th, 2022 with a required County match amount of \$0
- *c) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the OPTE grant award from the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) in the amount of \$28,965.00 for equipment to combat hazardous material incidents for the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for the period of July 1st, 2021 through June 30th, 2022 with a required County match amount of \$0
- *d) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the revised exempt pay scale based on County Commission action taken at the June 23, 2021 Commission Meeting

- *e) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the revised judicial pay scale based on County Commission action taken at the June 23, 2021 Commission Meeting
- *f) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval to provide a \$300 per week stipend to Elizabeth Frances and Elanie Eldridge to perform the duties of Human Resources effective 6/21/2021 until the position of Human Resource Director is filled
- *g) **Discussion/for Possible Action:** Approval to post position for the Kitchen Helper/Driver (Grade 103/ Step X at \$10.77) to provide additional hours needed for meal prep and delivery at the senior center
- *h) **Discussion/for Possible Action:** Approval to post position for the Senior Center Program Supervisor (Grade 127/ Step X at \$19.47) due to recent vacancy effective 6-4-2021
- *i) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of the revised unrepresented pay scale based on County Commission action taken at the June 23, 2021 Commission Meeting
- *j) **Discussion/for Possible Action:** Approval to post position for the Library Assistant (Grade 117/ Step X at \$15.21) to replace current position resigning effective 8/13/2021
- *k) **Discussion/for Possible Action:** Direction on utilization of the American Rescue Plan Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds in the amount of \$1,860,803
- *l) **Discussion/For Possible Action:** Approval of preliminary monthly financial reports for May 2021 – final audited reports will be presented in December 2021

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: Approval of a three month extension to September 30, 2021 for the McGill Sewer Pond Lining PER Project, 20/PCB/15 as required for the environmental review process and to complete the Preliminary Engineering Project
- *b) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of a three month extension to September 30, 2021 for the Slum/Blight Property Abatement Project, 18/ACQ/09, as required for the environmental review process
- *c) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval to select a type of liaison position to the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board
- *d) Discussion/For Possible Action: Approval of minutes from the County Commission Meetings held:
 - June 9, 2021
 - June 23, 2021
- *e) Discussion/Possible Motion to close the open meeting for litigation session related to the opioid lawsuit. James S. Beecher, District Attorney
- *f) Discussion/For Possible Action: to approve the proposed Nevada allocation agreement for the Purdue bankruptcy Plan, regarding the opioid litigation. James S. Beecher, District Attorney

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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, Nichole Baldwin, did on the 9th day of July, 2021 by 9:00 a.m. cause to be posted (5) five notices of the White Pine County Commission, Fire Commission & Special Board of Public Health Meeting Agenda-Amended 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 outside the office of the White Pine County Clerk at 801 Clark Street, Suite 4, Ely, NV 89301

Nichole Baldwin