IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2020 IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY, NEVADA

The Following Were Present:        County Commission
Jennifer Farnsworth, IT Specialist
Richard Howe, Chairman
Mike Johnson, IT Department
Travis Godon, Vice-Chairman
Tim Bunch, Human Resources Director
Ian Bullis, Commissioner
Mike Wheable, District Attorney
Laurie L. Carson, Commissioner
Scott Henried, WPC Sheriff
Nichole Baldwin, Clerk of the Board
Brett North, WPC Fire District Chief
Shadrach Michaels
Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director
*Shane Bybee, Commissioner
Bryan Pyle, Deputy District Attorney
Donna Bath, Silver Lion Farms
Cameron Kirkham, Emergency Mgmt. Dir.
Buzz Rosevear, Basin Engineering
Lori Romero, Library/Sr. Ctr. Director

*Commissioner Shane Bybee was unable to attend today’s meeting as he had to take a family member to a medical appointment out of town.

Chairman Richard Howe called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Ian Bullis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE/INVOCATION
This was duly observed.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Mr. George Chachas had several concerns on today’s agenda; first, was the item pertaining to no more hard copies of agendas and minutes to be mailed out. He wants people to be well-informed and that no one has access to a PC, the Internet, etc. Next was the agenda item regarding social media accounts; he commented that the County needs to solicit a newspaper, as the current one isn’t reporting. He charged several items not being done by the current newspaper. He was also unhappy about the hiring going on, charging nepotism. For the agenda item to increase the salary of the Golf Professional, he felt there were other amenities such as a rent-free building for the pro shop, cart rentals, etc. Also regarding waiving fees for the broadband provider, he stated that the fees either apply to everyone or to no one, fees shouldn’t be waived. He also wants his money back from the Business Licenses that were stopped last year, and also the compensation due for damages to his property. He also touched upon Ms. Carol McKenzie’s sidewalk in Lund and Commissioner Bybee’s taxes with respect to the railroad in the past, and was stopped both times by Chairman Richard Howe. He advised there are 4 streetlights that are out downtown that need to be replaced, and the parking lot by the Jailhouse doesn’t meet ADA standards; there’s no sidewalk. Time was called.
At 9:08 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe recessed the regular Commission meeting and opened the Fire Commission meeting. At 9:19 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe adjourned the Fire Commission meeting and reconvened the regular Commission meeting.

9:30 A.M. – PROPOSED ORDINANCES

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION/SECOND READING/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 505, BILL 12.11.2019a, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4.04 OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY CODE TO ALLOCATE THE 1% RENTAL BUSINESS TAX REVENUE CURRENTLY ALLOCATED TO THE WHITE PINE COUNTY AQUATIC CENTER TO THE WHITE PINE COUNTY TOURISM & RECREATION BOARD FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY GOLF COURSE

District Attorney Mike Wheable recalled this had been passed earlier to accomplish reallocation; however, the Ordinance needs to have some minor language and other revisions. He noted the Aquatic Center is in good shape financially, so the allocation would be going towards the Golf Course, with all parties in agreement prior to coming before the Commission. Chairman Richard Howe asked for public comment: Mr. George Chachas felt that if the Aquatic Center doesn’t need the money, it needs to come off of the tax rolls. He maintained that the Golf Course isn’t a necessity, it’s a luxury, and they need to prove they can stand on their own. Chairman Richard Howe advised that the County provides several services throughout the County that exist to improve the quality of life and enticing people so they will want to come here. Commissioner Travis Godon isn’t a golfer, but he knows that Golf Professional Randy Long “works on a shoestring budget” and there are many volunteers working out there. The Golf Course has been in place for a long time, and he can’t see us NOT helping them out; he’s good with this. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Ian Bullis made the motion; Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION/SECOND READING/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – THE WHITE PINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT AND CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 506, BILL 12.11.2019b, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY CODE REVISING THE COUNTY’S SPECIAL USE PERMIT REGULATIONS AND ADDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

District Attorney recalled a discussion regarding special use permitting process for non-consistent use with existing properties or businesses. This has been tested in the courts and upheld in other counties; it’s a tool that the Regional Planning Commission can use for larger projects. Commissioner Travis Godon pointed out that White Pine County is 96% owned by the Federal government; this will give us a Plan B if there’s a project out there that we would like to take in, and the Feds couldn’t overrun us. D.A. Wheable added that the Regional Planning Commission could also push these through without requiring Commission approval. Mr. George Chachas had a concern with the several Bed & Breakfast businesses popping up lately; if there’s a commercial enterprise going on in a residential area, they need a permit so the surrounding property owners would know what was going on. He noted that a handyman has to have a special permit to operate out of his house; how would this be any different? He also brought up the non-discrimination clause that needs to be considered. D.A. Wheable advised that the City is looking at this and their Planning Commission will be making recommendations that they’d like to see as part of the regional planning process. Commissioner Laurie Carson will take this to the RPC as she is their liaison. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Laurie Carson made the motion; Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FIRST READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE 507, BILL 01.08.2020, SETTING THE SPEED LIMIT IN THE TOWN OF MCGILL TO TWENTY (20) MILES PER HOUR UNLESS POSTED OTHERWISE

District Attorney Mike Wheable noted this is just the first reading; he read the text title into the record and noted this is something that the McGill Town Council wished to have addressed. During the discussion, it was noted the speed limit is 25 mph through McGill on the highway, which is regulated and must remain the same. However, with all the stop signs, etc., the speed limit elsewhere is being brought down to the point where
it's almost not safe. Chairman Richard Howe felt that 20 mph was too slow. WPC Sheriff Scott Henriod clarified that this is being done in order to have some consistency; he cited one street in McGill where the speed limit is 20 mph going uphill, but 25 mph going downhill! He added another reason is that people habitually drive faster than the speed limit, and by dropping it to 20 mph they're pretty certain people will be going 25 mph. The second reading of this Ordinance will be at the next regular Commission meeting.

At 10:19 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe recessed the regular Commission meeting and relinquished the gavel to WPC Sheriff Scott Henriod, who opened the Liquor Board meeting. At 10:22 Chairman Henriod closed the Liquor Board meeting and returned the gavel to Commission Chairman Howe.

ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

COUNTY COMMISSION

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/SELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR 2020
Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to nominate Commissioner Richard Howe to continue as Commission Chairman. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Commissioner Howe agreed to continue as Chairman for another year. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/SELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIRMAN TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION for 2020
Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to nominate Commissioner Travis Godon to continue as Vice-Chairman of the Board for 2020. Commissioner Godon indicated he would be willing to do this. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/SELECTION OF LIAISON APPOINTMENTS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR 2020
Commissioners Shane Bybee had indicated to Chairman Richard Howe that he is fine with the liaisonships he currently holds; Chairman Howe is also fine with his. During the discussion, Commissioner Laurie Carson requested if Commissioner Ian Bullis would be willing to take on a couple from her list. There followed some detailed discussion, after which the following were noted:
Commissioner Ian Bullis will take Public Health from Commissioner Laurie Carson; she will be the alternate to Public Health.
Commissioner Travis Godon will take the Airport Advisory Board; Commissioner Carson will be the alternate.
Commissioner Laurie Carson will be the NACO representative.

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin asked if someone should be a liaison to the Regional Planning Commission, and if so, who would like to take that? She noted that appointment could change, but it would be a good idea to have someone there at least for the first RPC meeting. Commissioner Laurie Carson is already the liaison to the Building & Planning Dept., and it was noted it might be beneficial for her to be the RPC liaison as well. Commissioner Carson indicated she was willing to do this. The Board agreed all the other assignments would remain status quo.

Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to revise the Commissioners’ Liaison List as discussed. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.
DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION - ALL APPOINTED/AUXILIARY BOARDS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION STARTING NEXT FISCAL YEAR (IF THEY HAVEN'T ALREADY) CEASE MAILING OUT HARD COPIES OF AGENDAS AND PAST MEETING MINUTES TO BOARD MEMBERS/LAISONS/RELATED PARTIES. ALL MATERIALS TO BE DELIVERED BY EMAIL AND/OR ON THE COUNTY AGENDA/MINUTES WEBSITE PAGE. FINANCE OFFICE TO ADJUST POSTAGE LINE ITEM IN RESPECTIVE BOARD BUDGETS FOR PRELIMINARY REVIEW IN BUDGET WORKSHOPS.

Commissioner Travis Godon advised that the Water Advisory Committee and PLUAC have large meeting packets that are costly to mail out; if people don't have the Internet, he's fine with those hard copies, but he's just trying to make it more cost effective and easier for the Secretaries as well. Chairman Richard Howe agreed, noting that's why the Commission got the iPads. He felt we should ask the Boards to see if all their members can get emailed copies of the agendas/minutes, and find out those that don't have access; they can request an agenda item to get the materials out to them, if needed. Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to see if the advisory boards could begin doing this, noting that if there are individuals who must have the hard copies due to lack of access, we can accommodate them. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

NICHOLE BALDWIN, COUNTY CLERK
DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL TO REAPPOINT THE FOLLOWING ADVISORY BOARD AND TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS TO THEIR RESPECTIVE SEATS:
- Bruce Eldridge to the Library Board of Trustees
- Cynthia Angelopoulos to McGill Town Council
- Roxane Ballandby to McGill Town Council
- Lee Ringueberg to Lund Town Council
- Daniel Hathaway to Baker area Citizens Advisory Board
- Tom Bath to the Debt Management Commission

Chairman Richard Howe read the list of those requesting reappointment to the various boards; District Attorney Mike Wheable noted these may be approved all in one motion. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to reappoint the list of advisory board and town council members as requested and presented. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. In reply to a query from Mr. George Chachas, Clerk Baldwin advised these were all advertised for 3-4 weeks in November-December.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST FOR RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM BUTTS FROM THE WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WPC Clerk Nichole Baldwin advised of this request from Mr. Butts to resign from the Water Advisory Committee. Commissioner Laurie Carson noted that Mr. Butts was the person who began measuring the water wells in the different basins in White Pine County. She added that he would also be resigning from the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority as well; this will need to be addressed on a future agenda item. Chairman Richard Howe advised the County owes a great deal to Mr. Butts' service for the County, and we should send him a letter of appreciation for all his years of service. Clerk Baldwin will write a letter to him for the Board to sign. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to accept his request, with reluctance. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried. It was noted the letter could be ratified and his resignation from the CNRWA could be placed on the next agenda.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT FROM SHADRACH MICHAELS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS AN AT LARGE MEMBER

Clerk Baldwin advised the vacancy had been advertised last November-December, as Mr. Andy Britton didn't wish to be appointed. Mr. Shadrach Michaels was the only applicant for the vacancy. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to appoint Mr. Shadrach Michaels as an At Large Member to the Library Board of Trustees as requested. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.
DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT FROM SHADRACH MICHAELS TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE AS AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTING LOCAL MEDIA

Clerk Baldwin advised Mr. Michaels is asking to be appointed to LEPC as an alternate representative for the Local Media position. She explained that Ms. KayLynn McMurray of the Ely Times had let her seat lapse, and she didn’t wish to be reappointed. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to appoint Mr. Shadrach Michaels to LEPC representing Local Media as requested. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

BRAD CHRISTIANSEN, BUILDING OFFICIAL
DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF A PARCEL MAP – THE APPLICANTS ARE ROBERT L. HOFFMAN AND JOYCE PRIEST – SUBJECT PROPERTY LS 14 SECTION NW AND NE, SECTION 31, T14N R64E, 8050 SOUTH, 71ST EAST STREET, WILLOW CREEK RANCH, NEVADA. APN - 912-790-33. THE APPLICANT DESIRES TO DIVIDE THE PARCEL

Mr. Buzz Rosevear, of Basin Engineering, presented for Building Inspector Brad Christiansen today. He explained the Hoffmans are continuing with the tentative map currently on file; Parcel 17 isn’t part of the existing map. It was noted ingress/egress need to be coordinated with emergency services, and the Facts & Findings should also be coordinated with the Hoffmans; Mr. Rosevear felt an address would help with that situation as well; physical access to any parcel is important. It was noted these kinds of actions will be going to the Regional Planning Commission for their determinations/recommendations in the future. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to approve the Parcel Map division as requested. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried.

CAMERON KIRKHAM, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR
DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/RATIFICATION OF GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE EMPG FROM THE DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY’S DIV. OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT NEEDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $20,045 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2018 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 – REQUIRED COUNTY MATCH AMOUNT IS SO

Emergency Management Director Cameron Kirkham advised there were leftover funds of FY2018-2019 from EMPG grants throughout the State; they had asked if funds were needed with respect to personnel, equipment, etc., for which the County could apply. He put in a grant, which is pending at this point in time; Finance Director Elizabeth Frances confirmed the monies were left over. Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to ratify the EMPG grant application for additional funds as requested. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – THE WHITE PINE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IS REQUESTING TO CREATE TWO SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS – ONE ON FACEBOOK AND THE OTHER ON TWITTER. THIS WILL ENABLE THE OFFICE TO COMMUNICATE AND POST DEPARTMENT RELATED INFORMATION PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EFFORTS AND EDUCATION

Emergency Management Director Cameron Kirkham advised we need some media tool to utilize for communication and infrastructure, and at this point we don’t have one. There are separate accounts in the County, although some negative comments could be posted, it was pointed out. Finance Director Elizabeth Frances is the media person; she reported there was a Social Media Policy that was passed in 2017. Commissioner Travis Godon added that the District Attorney’s Office also needs access to these media accounts. District Attorney Mike Wheable noted Director Kirkham would be responsible for posting on these. Deputy District Attorney Bryan Pyle noted that when we had this before, there were some Public Records Requests that caused some issues. Director Frances advised that accurate backups, plus redactions, would help eliminate those issues, and these are being worked on. Director Kirkham felt 2 people should be involved; a primary plus a
backup. He added that the media would be utilized for notifications and education. Director Frances indicated that if something goes in that needs to be removed as soon as possible, we would have that ability. Commissioner Ian Bullis advised that several years down the road, we could have a different Emergency Management Director, and if people "go rogue on us"—and this indeed has happened recently—there was very little damage control at that time. D.A. Wheable noted complete administration of the media access should fall to Director Kirkham; the liability lies within the County. Commissioner Bullis reported that the BLM is hooked up with a coop media, and they’ve made sure they have a good following, primarily with good fire communications. He recommended getting in touch with the BLM to see how they’re doing this. In reply to a query from Commissioner Laurie Carson, Director Kirkham advised he’s looking for an avenue other than Facebook or Twitter that may be used to disseminate information. Through discussions with Commissioner Shane Bybee, he became aware of an organization in Elko that offers this service for around $1,500; when he comes back he’ll meet with Commissioner Bybee and get the contact information. Commissioner Travis Godon made a motion to create social media account(s) to utilize in Emergency Management efforts and education. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. D.A. Wheable wished to have the motion amended to be consistent with the Social Media Policy and to also put in a BCT ticket on this. Commissioners Godon and Bullis amended their motion and second respectively. Amended motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ONLY – THE WHITE PINE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAS ASPIRATIONS TO IMPLEMENT COMMUNICATION SOFTWARE TO REACH INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS IN A RAPID FORMAT. HAVING THIS IN PLACE WILL HELP ENABLE THE OFFICE IN ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN THE COUNTY – THIS WILL BE USED PRIMARILY TO SEND PROMPT MESSAGES AND EMERGENCY REPORTS TO THE PUBLIC**

Emergency Management Director Cameron Kirkham is looking at different software possibilities; he noted it would be good to unify all outreach communications for public safety. He will work with the Sheriff’s Department and other emergency responders on this. The software options are: (1) Where the internal communication is split with 911, which also has an option for him as Administrator to send a message to County personnel and the emergency responders. (2) Another program includes Code Red; Finance Director Elizabeth Frances advised Code Red is already on the website. D.A. Wheable wants to see how we’re using Code Red now, and how we would like to see it utilized. WPC Sheriff Scott Henroid noted Code Red updates itself; he also provides newspaper article updates every 6 months to notify the public. He offered to work with Director Kirkham on this. (3) Another program is AlertSense, which is used in areas with larger populations; with that software he can tap into the communication towers and utilize geographic locations. He didn’t think we’d be needing this option. Chairman Richard Howe felt the software Director Kirkham is considering should be run past BCT, the D.A. and the Sheriff for their input. He added that he’s happy the Director is looking at these things and bringing the County up to speed. D.A. Wheable recommended Director Kirkham obtain more information and return to this board for possible approval/action. The Board commended the Director for working on this.

**TIMOTHY BUNCH, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR JUSTICE COURT CLERK ASSISTANCE (PT) AS SUBMITTED PER JUSTICE COURT JUDGE STEPHEN BISHOP**

Human Resources Director Tim Bunch advised this is to remind the Board that Judge Stephen Bishop had presented his desire for an intern/staff person to assist with the administrative duties in the office. They approached Finance Director Elizabeth Frances regarding his budget, and she confirmed the budget is in good shape. Director Bunch and Judge Bishop worked on this Job Description, which is for a part-time position. Director Frances added this could be an opportunity for High School students to assist as well; he could then utilize savings from the recent turnover in his office this year. During the discussion, it was felt such items as confidentiality and exposure to sensitive materials would need to be addressed; Judge Bishop felt they wouldn’t have access to those items. Director Bunch noted that a parental signoff on this should be included as a liability preventative; that’s the one component that is missing on this. The topic of proper dress code should also be
included, it was felt. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve the part-time Job Description, with the addition of proper dress ("business casual") and a parental release form pertaining to sensitive information. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL TO CREATE A RECOGNITION PROGRAM FOR TOP PERFORMER OF THE QUARTER FOR THE COUNTY AND AN EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR PLAQUE AND TO RECOGNIZE EMPLOYEES AT THE 5, 10, 15, 20, AND 30 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH CERTIFICATES**

Human Resource Director Tim Bunch advised he’s not looking to have a huge budget impact, but rather along the lines of recruitment/retention/morale; he noted “simple things go a long way.” When an employee remains with the County for a number of years, we should be doing something to show our appreciation, and he suggested a recognition program. Department Heads could submit, either quarterly or a 6-month basis, in order to recognize good employees. Such qualifiers as community involvement, work attendance, leadership, etc., and based on the information the Commissioners could select the Employee of the Quarter, or Employee of the Year, for example. Right now new hires and work anniversaries are reported in the County newsletter, but those are our only form of recognition. District Attorney Mike Weable felt this could be incorporated into the décor of the new Courthouse, by pictures of the current County Commission, recognitions, etc. Director Bunch noted he hasn’t approached the Department Heads about this, he’s just bringing it to this Board for their input. WPC Sheriff Scott Henrie has a "Deputy of the Quarter" selected, as well as an "Officer of the Year" program. Everyone in the Sheriff’s Dept. gets to vote for the Deputy of the Quarter, and that individual is recognized for outstanding performance. Each quarterly "winner" is nominated for the Officer of the Year, as he explained; it’s all a very good morale booster. Following some discussion, it was felt Director Bunch could take this to the Department Heads for their feedback; although Commissioner Travis Godon had a concern about "poor sports," he feels the milestones are a good idea. Following legal counsel’s advice, Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to table this agenda item. Commissioner Ian Bullis made the motion; Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

**ELIZABETH FRANCES, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

**DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF PROPOSED FY2021 BUDGET PREPARATION SCHEDULE**

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances cited the materials in the backup, and noted if the Board approves the schedule she will present it to the Department Heads. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve the proposed FY2021 budget preparation schedule as presented. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/FINAL LIST OF ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS) DOCUMENT AS IT RELATES TO RESILIENCY PLANNING FOR WHITE PINE COUNTY**

Director Frances cited the items that were listed during the December 11th Commission meeting last year, and asked if there were any further suggestions; there were none. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to include the final list of items into the CEDS document as they relate to resiliency planning for White Pine County. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2020-03 TO AUGMENT THE GOLF COURSE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FROM UNANTICIPATED AND UNBUDGETED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,180 FOR INCREASE OF SALARY AND BENEFITS TO GOLF PRO BASED ON CONTRACT RENEWAL**

Finance Director Elizabeth Frances advised the Golf Professional’s contract had been negotiated last month, and this is the Resolution to carry it through financially. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-03 as presented. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

January 8, 2020
Resolution Number 2020-03

Resolution to augment the Golf Course Special Revenue Fund from unanticipated and unbudgeted beginning fund balance in the amount of $3,380 for increase of salary and benefits to golf pro based on contract renewal.

Whereas, the White Pine County Board of County Commissioners took action at their December 11, 2019 meeting to authorize contract renewal for the existing golf pro that included an increase in pay and benefits with an effective date of 1/1/2020; and

Whereas, the cost is estimated to be $3,380 for the period from 1/1/2020 through 6/30/2020; and

Whereas, this was an unanticipated and unbudgeted expense during the FY 2020 budget process; and

Whereas, the FY 2020 White Pine County Golf Course Special Revenue Fund Actual Beginning Fund Balance is $164,532 which is higher than what was budgeted ($129,235) by $35,277 which is legally available for appropriation;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that White Pine County shall appropriate unbudgeted and unanticipated golf course special revenue fund beginning fund balance in the amount of $3,380 and operate golf course special revenue fund accounts as follows:

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It Is Further Resolved that the Finance Director shall forward the necessary documents to the Department of Taxation, State of Nevada.

Passed, adopted and approved the 8th day of January, 2020.

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Richard Howe, Chairman

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF EXPEDITED PERMITTING, WAIVING OF PERMIT FEES AND FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FOR POTENTIAL BROADBAND PROVIDER(S) IN WHITE PINE COUNTY

Director Frances advised this had been discussed during the last Commission meeting; by request of the Board, she provided this with language utilized by Elko County. District Attorney Mike Wheable felt this should probably be done as an Ordinance; he felt this would be a way to entice broadband providers to come to White Pine County. Director Frances is requesting permission to move forward with this, with the assistance of the D.A.’s office. Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion for approval. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve the expedited permitting, waiving of permit fees and franchise agreement for potential broadband providers in White Pine County. Commissioner Travis Godon seconded. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/RATIFICATION OF CORRESPONDENCE SENT ON BEHALF OF THE WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION: APPROVAL OF PAYROLL FOR COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS; APPROVAL OF HR TRANSMITTAL FOR PAYROLL CHANGES; APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS WITHIN/BETWEEN FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS WITHIN A FUND THAT DO NOT INCREASE THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF THE FUND

Commissioner Laurie Carson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded. Motion carried.

JANUARY 8, 2020
DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS:
December 11, 2019
Special Joint December 11, 2019
Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to approve. Commissioner Ian Bullis made a motion to approve the regular December 11th and the Special Joint December 11th Commission meetings during 2019. Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Chairman Richard Howe cited an email from Kennecott regarding coming here to discuss potential drilling sites. There was a concern that this not be put out to the public forum; Commissioner Travis Godon advised that only 2 Commissioners will respond, both he and Commissioner Ian Bullis, so as not to invoke serial communication. There will also be a representative from the District Attorney’s office at their meeting; the results will be brought back to the full Board, it was noted.

Chairman Howe thanked the Board for putting their confidence in him by selecting him as Chairman for another year, and noted he truly enjoys doing it.

Human Resources Director Tim Bunch responded to an earlier concern voiced by Mr. George Chachas regarding nepotism; District Attorney Mike Wheable is the direct supervisor to the new employee, and furthermore Commissioner Shane Bybee will be recusing himself in any event for any discussion of that process.

Commissioner Laurie Carson advised that at the last meetings of PLUAC and the Water Advisory Committee, Senator Pete Goicoechea commented on water rights being tied to properties. There will be a Joint Meeting of the PLUAC and WAC on the evening of January 21st, where Mr. Jake Tibbetts, Natural Resources Manager for Eureka County, will be discussing the NRS pertaining to these issues. She noted it is also slated for discussion on the next day’s Commission meeting, January 22nd. She also touched upon a recommendation that is currently being discussed by both PLUAC and WAC, to combine their efforts into one Natural Resources Advisory Board.

ADJOURNMENT
At 10:57 a.m., Chairman Richard Howe entertained a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ian Bullis made the motion; Commissioner Laurie Carson seconded. Motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WHITE PINE COUNTY
STATE OF NEVADA

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JANUARY 8, 2020