

**IN A REGULAR MEETING WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON JULY 28, 2021 IN THE COUNTY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY, NEVADA**

**The Following Were Present:**

**County Commission  
Richard Howe, Chairman  
Travis Godon, Vice-Chairman (Zoom)  
Ian Bullis, Commissioner  
Shane Bybee, Commissioner  
Laurie L. Carson, Commissioner  
Jill Perez, Deputy Clerk**

**County Officials:**

**Michael Johnson, IT  
Tabitha Hamilton, Finance Office  
Lori Romero, Library Director  
Elanie Eldridge, Chief Deputy  
Finance Director  
Sherriff Scott Henriod  
James S. Beecher, District Attorney**

**Also Present:**

**George Chachas  
BJ Almborg, Basin Engineering  
Cody Odgers  
Lee Walker, Building Official  
Donna Bath, Silver Lion Farms  
Mary Sorenson, Ruth Town Council  
Mark S. Jones  
Shirley Puckett Rinell  
Ron Taylor  
Jared Bybee, BLM  
Robert Gulber, Silver Lion Farms  
Terry Steadman, Baker GID  
JoJo Meyers-Compos, Geoverse  
Wilson Navarrete, Geoverse  
Rob Wirer, Nevada Rural Water Assoc.  
Luigi Resta, rPlus Energies  
Matthew Shapiro, rPlus Energies  
Glenn Terry, Duck Creek  
Jake Bowman, Duck Creek  
Bernice Bowman, Duck Creek**

**Present via Zoom:**

**Geri Wopschall, Tara North, Kristi Rozich (Aquatic Center Director), Desiree Barnson (Social Services), M.Jensen, Concetta Brown, Burton Hilton (Assessor), B.Wheable, Mary Kerner, Pat Stork (Ely Fire Chief), Ron Mobley (BLM), Michelle Beecher, Jeremy Drew (RCI), Jennifer Lee (City of Ely), Delaine Spilsbury (Ely Shoshone Tribe), Brian Mitchell and others**

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**Chairman Richard Howe called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Chief Deputy Finance Director, Elanie Eldridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE/SILENT INVACATION**

**This was duly observed.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Shirley Puckett Rinell addressed the Board. She is a resident of Ruth and just returned after being away for about 3 months. She has noticed the feral cats had destroyed her deck and property which is costing her thousands of dollars to replace, and in lieu of grass, she had to purchase gravel to be placed down and she states she is on a fixed income. There are two houses around her that are vacant. Someone does own these properties but no one is around to take care of them and the cats are living in these homes. Kids are now destroying the properties around her and she is afraid they will injure themselves. She would like to know what is being done about this and if there is anything she can do. District Attorney James S. Beecher assured Mrs. Rinell of the Ordinance that was passed. She can call the authorities and it will be dealt with.

Mark Jones addressed the Board. His family moved to Duck Creek about 3 years ago and just heard about Hydro-Electric. He noticed what is always presented by the developer are all the benefits for the community, but he does not see any long-term benefit for the community. He felt by taking the water from the community for the Hydro project will be an ill-fated effort. He is requesting more information on this project and desires to be educated so he knows what his rights are on this project. Chairman Howe informed Mr. Jones this is on the agenda as a timed item and there would be a luncheon the following day for the public with a presentation.

George Chachas addressed the Board. He reminded the Board in regards to the chip seal project for agenda item 1b1 which does not meet City code. He attended the Tour and Rec Board meeting and felt there was a problem with participation. Members of the Board do not show up on time or not at all so the meeting will start late. The Zoom link goes in and out and the meeting was constantly being put on hold. He has tried at least 20 times to get a building permit for his buildings and still has not been able to get one. He wants the same consideration as everyone else. He still has not seen anything on the agenda regarding pulling the plans for Heritage Park. He reminded the Board that child safety should be the number one issue and accused the Board of ignoring the facts. Time was called.

**The Chairman temporarily recessed the regular County Commission meeting for a Special White Pine County Fire Commission Meeting.**

**The Chairman adjourned the Special White Pine County Fire Commission Meeting to reconvene the Regular County Commission meeting.**

## **C.10:00 A.M. CDBG PUBLIC HEARING #1**

**1) Public Hearing/Discussion and public input on possible activities to be included in applications for funding under next fiscal year's (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023) State Community Development Block Grant Program. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**

Finance Office, Tabitha Hamilton, addressed the Board. This public hearing is to inform the public of the past funding, current funding, and future funding through this program. A list of past funding for CDBG are in the backup material and also on the County Website under economic development. In total there had been a little under \$4 million granted by CDBG. This funding is for projects that increase local economic development. The projects being requested will have to hit at least one of the three objectives: slum and blight, urban need, or low to moderate income. There will be 3 public meetings, this is the 1<sup>st</sup> of 3. A pre-application will be due in February and the final will be due around May.

**Public input:** Ruth Town Council Secretary, Mary Sorenson, addressed the Board. The Town of Ruth would like a building for a museum in Ruth. Kennecott mine had donated some historical items that are now being housed in Ms. Sorenson's garage. Ruth Town Council is requesting a grant for a building for a museum to be able to display the mining history of Ruth.

Nevada Rural Water Association, Rob Wirer, addressed the Board. He is speaking on behalf of the Baker Water & Sewer General Improvement District. Baker had submitted an application for a grant to do some improvements to the water system. It will be more expensive to do repairs to the system when the paving of the trails are completed in 2022. Baker was thrown off guard and was not included on the decision to pave the trails that was made.

Baker GID Treasurer, Terry Steadmen, addressed the Board. Baker was caught by surprise with this trail project going in Baker and around Baker. As Mr. Wirer indicated, no one was notified and the Town of Baker was caught by surprise with this multi-use trail project and the mapping survey of the existing utilities not being done. The project is moving forward it has been funded and approved and Construction will start in 2023. Baker thought this would be a good time to ask for assistance for the water infrastructure through CBDG. The water infrastructure is almost 30 years old and is need of replacing. Baker did do a water storage tank replacement. Other improvements that were made were an upgrade to the water meters to meet EPA standards. Baker would like to improve on the existing water infrastructure for future economic growth for the community. With the trail going over the water infrastructure and in Baker's right of way, it will put the Township in a financial hardship. There is a housing shortage not just the residents, but for visitors and seasonal employees as well. There are about 70 vacant lots that cannot be used due to not having the water infrastructure that is needed.

Finance Office, Tabitha Hamilton addressed the Board. The four projects will be entered into the pre-application process. There will be a second hearing and if there are more projects, they will also be submitted.

#### **D.10:15 A.M. BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM**

**1) Discussion/Update: Presentation on Broadband Infrastructure Program. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director; Jojo Myers Campos, Geoverse Director Broadband Business Development**

JoJo Meyers Campos addressed the Board. The Broadband Infrastructure Program Grant opened up May 2019. This is a \$300 million grant and she wants to be able to continue to work with White Pine County. This will be a Fiber line to include Lehman Caves, McGill, Lund, Ruth and all other smaller communities. Silver Lion Farms will also be included. The communities will be coached on the writing of the grant and there will be a 10% match. They are trying to keep this at the low end of \$30 million and when this gets approved we are hoping to have this done by Nov. of this year. This will complete everything they had been working on for the last few years. Finance Director Elizabeth Frances is already seeing what can be done to bring in the match. If the County cannot find the work to meet the match, it will put us behind. This Board does not have to do the match, but to be considered, we need the match.

**2) Discussion/for Possible Action: Ratification of Letter of Interest to Geoverse regarding partnering on a Broadband Infrastructure Program Grant. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**

JoJo Meyers Campos addressed the Board. There is one mistake on the template. The location from New York to Nevada was not changed. Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve with corrections. Commissioner Bybee seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**E. 10:30 A.M. WHITE PINE PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT**

**1) Update/Discussion Only: Update on White Pine Pumped Storage Project. Luigi Resta and Matt Shapiro**

Vice Chairman Godon made his disclosure. His parent's property is in no way connected to this property nor does he have any financial interest in this project, therefore he will be commenting on this item.

CEO of rPlus Hydro, White Pine Water Power LLC, Matt Shapiro addressed the Board. The last round of engineering was completed last summer and they had moved into the last phase. It is believed the reservoir is located along the current alignment of the high line of the Railroad. They did a very intensive look at all the options about the project and wanted input from the community. That major concern of having to realign 5 miles of the high line is looking like it can be avoided. They will be working with Geo-Tech but they are 99% sure it can be done. They are still working on the BLM permitting for the borehole site. The footprint will be 100 square feet, less than one acre will be disturbed and no new roads will be involved. Hydrologic will soon pick the final location for the reservoir. Once it is picked, the water sourcing could begin and the permitting associated with it. They just launched a public outreach on the website, [Whitepinepumpedstorage.com](http://Whitepinepumpedstorage.com). People can come by tomorrow to the Bristlecone Convention Center for a luncheon if they have any questions.

rPlus Energies, Luigi Resta, addressed the Board. He wanted to highlight some of the challenges they have had and make sure they are as transparent as possible with this process. The website that was launched for White Pine County is for questions to be answered at any time and the work they are pursuing right now with Geo-tech is one of the steps of development to get them to a project that may be built. The disturbance on the BLM property is .75 and an acre. They will be meeting with BLM later on during the day. They

have committed to spend about \$13 million in the early stage of development on this project. The goal is this project will be successful for this community. They are listening to the community and one of the suggestions was to move the reservoir down from the high line. We did commission an economic report and this is just a draft of the document and the final will not be ready for at least 3 years. A project of this scale will start 2025. \$2.3 billion will be the cost. \$262 million in taxes will go the state and out of that, \$144 million will stay in the community for the first 20 years. Once the project is built, it will hire 25 full time employees with a pay scale of \$80 to \$120 thousand per year. There will be a public town hall meeting for the community at the Convention Center. They have thought about the work force and do plan on spending the time in White Pine County and building RV spacing in the County to utilize once the project is complete.

## **2. ITEMS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

### **A. 10:45 A.M. COMMISSIONER LAURIE CARSON NATURAL RESOURCES**

#### **1) Discussion Only: Information regarding the White Pine County Natural Resource and Public Land Issues Tracking List. Jeremy Drew, RCI**

RCI, Jeremy Drew, addressed the Board. The cooperative agency process for Bald Mountain Mine has kicked off. The most significant issues for the County to keep an eye on are access and the roads around the mine project, recreation, water, and wildlife. The project in Baker is getting a preliminary EA. The Utah draft EIS is still not out and there is no date of when it will be out. For future items: there are a couple of larger scales items that will be coming up within the year. Spring Valley is likely to have a management plan in the next few years. The Trans Canyon Cross Tie Transmission line is the one coming out of Utah, just kicked off cooperative agency process on that and is being handled from BLM out of Utah. Nye County put together a resolution for this. Comins and Cave Lake work is ongoing. The boat ramp at Comins Lake will be completed within the next couple of months. State funding has been secured to be able to fix the dam at Cave Lake and will be completed next spring.

#### **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**

Jeremy Drew addressed the Board. The Masters Service agreement has a total budget of \$40,000. RCI has set aside half of the budget to take care of the regular coordination's and communications or for participation in PLUAC and WAC meetings. When there is a project a little bigger in size, they like to carve out an independent budget that is for the task order amendment. They are asking that the budget not exceed \$5,000 to cover any efforts for the cooperative agency period as well as for the public scoping period. Commissioner Bybee made the motion to approve not to exceed \$5,000. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **3) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of the 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**

Vice Chairman Godon made his disclosure that he has no financial interest in this project and the family property is not involved with this project therefore he will be commenting and voting on this item.

Jeremy Drew addressed the Board. This item is not to exceed \$3,000. Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**4) Discussion/for Possible Action: White Pine County, Nevada Comments to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) request for withdrawal and reservation of lands within Railroad Valley, Nye County, Nevada for 20-years. Jeremy Drew, RCI**

Jeremy Drew addressed the Board. This is a letter expressing concern with the proposed segregation letter and supporting Nye County's resolution. Commissioner Carson clarified this is in support of not letting NASA withdraw 20,000 acres for 20 years. Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**5) Discussion: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Ely District Manager's Update. Jeremy Drew, RCI**

Jeremy Drew addressed the Board. This is something that was brought up during a meeting. This is just additional information.

Jared Bybee addressed the Board. There will be some transmission lines coming up this year. Swift North is starting up again and it runs from Twin Falls and up to Robinson Substation. There will be a lot of public info on this. Green Link will start in the next 6 months and run from the Robinson Substation and into the Yerington area. Each of these projects are being managed from different BLM offices. They are anticipating the EA review for the Borehole project to be out by this Friday. The internal review will include the agency and the cooperators. They are going to turn all the comments into a draft that will be complete by Friday.

**6) Discussion/for Possible Action: Memorandum of Agreement between White Pine County and the Bureau of Land Management Specific to the Airport Expansion Including Lands Conveyed to the County via Patent Number 27-2007-0044. Jeremy Drew, RCI and Jared Bybee, Field Manager, Bristlecone Field Office**

Vice Chairman Godon abstained from voting or commenting on this item. He disclosed that before he was on the Commission he helped facilitate a solar lease on this land. That lease has since than discontinued and there is nothing actively going, but just as a precaution he will be abstaining.

Jeremy Drew addressed the Board. This land has been conveyed and a lot of the title work has been completed. The MOA is the only thing needed to be completed. In the support material at the bottom of pg 5&6, BLM is asking for things.

Jared Bybee addressed the Board. This MOA is signed by the state director, the conveyance for the airport happened in 2007 and recorded Oct. 4 of 2007. While working on the Industrial Park, it came to our attention there was no MOA from the County for the Airport at that time and the map is still needed. Mr. Bybee did provide the master, but it did not make it into this packet. Chairman Howe left this as a discussion item. Ron Mobley addressed the Board via Zoom and added that anytime those lands are leased, it needs to go back to the BLM.

District Attorney Beecher addressed the Board. The DA's office has been doing some work on this and there is a lot of federal law through this and DA Beecher stated he is not comfortable signing this and he is not clear on the document. He thinks there should be more time to go through the document to make sure they are following the federal law.

## **B. ELECTED OFFICIALS**

### **1. Sheriff Scott Henriod**

#### **a) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of the White Pine County Sherriff's Office Quarterly in custody death report**

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bybee seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **2. James S. Beecher, District Attorney**

#### **a) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2021-59 declaring the transfer of title of a county vehicle previously sold at public auction pursuant to NRS 332.185(a)**

District Attorney Beecher addressed the Board. This is a vehicle that was sold decades ago and the title was never completed or exchanged. The gentlemen has passed away and now the estate can't do anything with the vehicle due to not having a title in hand. Commissioner Bullis made the motion. Commissioner Bybee seconded the motion. Commissioner Bybee made a clarification on the name being misspelled on the resolution and needed to be changed. Commissioner Bullis amended his motion with changes. Commissioner Bybee amended his second. Motion passed.

#### **b) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2021-60 to apply for special prosecution through Nevada Attorney General's Office**

DA Beecher addressed the Board requesting a case be handed over to the Attorney General's Office due to the family members of the person in question working in a Clerk position or law enforcement position in the County. If there is a financial impact with this case, it will be brought back to the Board for review. Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **c) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval to request State Fire Marshall to conduct the Fire-Life Safety reviews and inspections, or allow Silver Lion Farms to contract**

**with an accredited third party to conduct reviews, inspections and/or approve an alternative plan**

District Attorney Beecher addressed the Board. Silver Lion Farm is requesting their own 3<sup>rd</sup> party inspector that is accredited with the ICC to do the Fire Life Safety review. The State Fire Marshal does not charge anything, however, he has to follow the state rules which are different from the White Pine County rules. White Pine County has adopted Appendix C of the International Building Code which deals with Agricultural Buildings differently. What White Pine County is asking for is 3 things: 1- The County needs to tell the Fire Marshal the County is rescinding its request for their assistance. 2- Allow Silver Lion Farms, if required by the building and fire codes that the County adopted, to obtain a fire and life safety review inspection, that that would be done by someone that they contract with who is ICC accredited. 3- The County reaffirm that Silver Lion Farms will be subject to the building codes and the fire codes that the County had passed, which is the 2006 IBC and the 1991 uniformed fire code. This is essentially what Silver Lion Farms is asking for and District Attorney Beecher stated he had no objections to this.

Donna Bath of Silver Lion Farms addressed the Board. She concurred with the majority of what District Attorney Beecher had stated. Silver Lion Farms felt they have complied with regulations from the White Pine County building department and the State Fire Marshal's office based on what they were told was required under the County Code and State Law since the beginning of their agricultural project in White Pine County in 2019. Now the State Fire Marshal is requiring Silver Lion Farms to meet all commercial building guidelines including having a fire department and a 2 mile paved road into the farm because they were now being considered a commercial building instead of an agricultural building and not within a 10 minutes response time from a local fire department. Silver Lion Farms decided to do some investigation it was discovered that White Pine County adopted the 2006 edition IBC in 2008 and adopted Appendix C, into their codes. Appendix C is an agriculture extension that must be formally adopted by the Board of jurisdiction to be effective as it was by White Pine County. After meetings with the District Attorney it has been verified that White Pine County had not formally adopted the addition of the International Building Codes and the International Fire Codes since 2008 and 1998. Silver Lion Farms felt they had far exceeded the standard and they do not feel they need another inspection. Silver Lion Farms are having to pass inspections for IBC and IFC that have not been adopted and are not in effect.

Silver Lion Farms respectfully requests the Commission send correspondence to the State Fire Marshal office withdrawing the County's request for review of Silver Lion Farms plans, direct the County building official to utilize only codes formally adopted by the White Pine County specifically identified within the County code and allow Silver Lion Farms to continue with the construction under the codes formally adopted by the County.

District Attorney Beecher advised the Commission not to make any determinations on whether or not Silver Lion Farms have meet the requirements. The Commission should direct the building department to pull Silver Lion Farms to the standard of the building codes that have been adopted which are the 2006 IBC, the 1991 Uniformed Fire Code, and don't go beyond that. Beyond that is the job for the building official who is the expert.



Commissioner Carson made the motion to withdraw White Pine County's request to the State Fire Marshal of inspecting Silver Lion Farms and directing the Building Department to hold Silver Lion Farms to the building codes that White Pine County had passed which is 2006 IBC 1991 Uniform Fire Code. Commissioner Ian Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **C. DEPARTMENT HEADS**

### **1. Bill Calderwood, Public Works Director**

**a) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of a Contract for cleaning services at the White Pine County Justice Center Courthouse between White Pine County and Accurate Building Services. The annual contract amount is \$17,028.00 with an additional \$4,860.00 budgeted for additional cleaning services if requested by White Pine County**

Commissioner Bybee made the motion to approve. Vice Chairman Godon seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**b) Discussion: Annual update/activity summary report for Maintenance and Parks personnel hours**

Director Bill Calderwood addressed the Board. Maintenance Park personnel are 100% funded by the general funds, while 41% of the hours are outside of the general funds. That is actual a decrease from last year, the department was over 50% of the general fund. The Fair Grounds, McGill, Ruth are the kind of entities that are outside of the general funds.

**c) Discussion/Update: FY2021 Balanced owed to the General Fund for trading work between Parks/Maintenance and the Road Department. Journal entry amount of \$14,278.55**

Director Bill Calderwood addressed the Board. Any work that maintenance does for the Road Department, we keep a spreadsheet and we track those cost. Any work that the Road Department does for the Maintenance Park Department, we track that. Example would be Marich Field, the only way we could adequately attempt to sweep Marich would be with the Road Departments assistance. We just trade the work back and forth. Last year this was brought before the Board, the Road Department owed about \$9,000. This year the trend is still going that way so it was decided on July 1<sup>st</sup> with Chief Deputy Finance Director Eldridge assistance we would start with a zero balance. At the end of last fiscal year the Road Department owed the general fund Park Maintenance \$14,278.55. She has made that journal entry and starting July 1<sup>st</sup> both entities will be even and we will continue to trade.

### **2. Mark Holloway, Airport Manager**

**a) Discussion/Update: Airport Information**

Airport Manager, Mark Holloway, addressed the Board. Crack sealing should begin in the late fall and the project should take up to 3 weeks. The glider count was up to 22 this season. The tow plane left two weeks ago and the gliders that stayed behind are using self-launching gliders so the planes are not needed. Hot shots from Ely were deployed to assist with wildland firefighting. Manager Holloway stated he will give an update every 3 months.

**3. Elizabeth Frances, Finance Director**

**a) Discussion/for Possible Action: Ratification of the Specialty Court Funding Award from Supreme Court of Nevada Administrative office of the Courts in the Amount of \$83,145.00 for the Period of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The required County match amount is \$0**

Chairman Howe stated at the suggestion of Finance Director, Elizabeth Frances. The Board will act on this item when the Board gets to item k. This is the incorrect amount.

**b) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval to allow the Public Health Nurse to utilize a County Vehicle contingent on approval of the State**

Item l was opened at the request of Chief Deputy Finance Director, Elanie Eldridge. Commissioner Bybee made the motion to approve items b and l. Commission Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**c) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Quarterly Grant Reports**

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**d) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2021-53 to augment from unanticipated and unbudgeted Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 beginning fund balance of the general fund by \$113,673, the Indigent Fund by \$6,012, the road fund by \$12,631, the Senior Center Fund by \$5,474, the Building and Planning Fund by \$1,754, the 911 Fund by \$450 and the Aquatic center Fund by \$5,375 to cover the cost of payroll and benefit increases authorized by the Board of County Commissioners**

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bybee seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**e) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2021-54 to augment the General Fund from unanticipated and unbudgeted Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 beginning fund balance in the amount of \$253,027 for items related to the Justice Center Project authorized in FY2021 that will be completed in FY2022**

Commissioner Bullis made the motion to approve. Commissioner Carson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**f) Discussion/for Possible Action: Ratify internal posting of position for the Road Department Equipment Operator Senior (Grade 127/Step X-Z at \$19.47-\$20.91 DOE) due to recent vacancy**

Commissioner Bullis made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bybee seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**g) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of the FY2021-2022 Debt Management Policy Indebtedness and Five Year Capital Improvement Plan Reports for White Pine County, Lund, McGill, and Ruth**

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**h) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2021-57 to utilize \$41,505 from unbudgeted beginning fund balance in the Emergency Medical services fund for a transfer out of the White Pine County fire Protection District.**

Commissioner Bybee made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**i) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval to proceed with developing the Community services Building Project under the Construction Manager at Risk approach**

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**j) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval of Resolution 2021-58 to utilize contingency in the amount of \$10,483 to cover the full amount of the State Public Health Nurse contract**

Commissioner Bybee made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**k) Discussion/for Possible Action: Ratification of the Specialty Court Funding award from Supreme Court of Nevada Administrative Office of the Courts in the amount of \$66,516.00 for the period of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The required county match amount is \$0**

Chief Deputy Finance Director Elaine Eldridge, addressed the Board. This is the correct amount that was on item a and it funds Drug Court. Commissioner Bullis made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bybee seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**l) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval to go forward with combining and amending White Pine County's Community Development Block Grant-Corona Virus Grants to allow for the Combination of the Tourism Assistance Applications (\$25,000), the PPE Stockpile Applications (\$15,331) and the Public Health Vehicle Lease Application (\$10,609) into one application to purchase a vehicle for the Public Health Office in the amount not to exceed \$50,940.00. This chance is based off of correspondence and suggestions of the granting agency**

See item b. Tabitha Hamilton from the Finance office addressed the Board.

### **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.

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**4. UNTIMED ITEMS**

- a) Discussion/for Possible Action: Approval for minutes of the County Commission Meeting held on July 14, 2021

Commissioner Carson made the motion to approve. Commissioner Bullis second the motion. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None was made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Bybee made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:33am. Commissioner Bullis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**WHITE PINE COUNTY  
STATE OF NEVADA**

BY:

  
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**CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**WPC CLERK OF THE BOARD**