BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

TUESDAY

<u>2:00 P.M.</u>

APRIL 26, 2005

PRESENT:

Bonnie Weber, Chairman Bob Larkin, Vice Chairman Jim Galloway, Commissioner David Humke, Commissioner Pete Sferrazza, Commissioner

<u>Amy Harvey, County Clerk</u> <u>Katy Singlaub, County Manager</u> <u>Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel</u>

The Board met in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

05-395 WORK CARD PERMIT APPEAL – RAY CHARLES VALDEZ

The appeal by Ray Charles Valdez of the Sheriff's denial of his work card permit application was considered on Monday, April 25, 2005 prior to the Caucus meeting in the Commission Caucus Room, 1001 East Ninth Street, Second Floor, Reno, Nevada, with Commissioners Galloway, Humke, Larkin, Sferrazza, and Weber present.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, the Board convened in closed session to hear testimony as to why the work card should or should not be granted.

The appellant, Ray Charles Valdez, was present to offer testimony during the closed session. Also present on behalf of Mr. Valdez were his partner Liz Harrington, Jill Berryman, Sierra Arts, and Marietta Bobba, Senior Services Director. Rose Bator and Maureene Thomas, Chief Records Clerks, Washoe County Sheriff's Office, were also present.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, the Board reconvened in open session and the following action was taken:

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Humke voting "no," the Board ordered that the appeal be approved and that the work card permit be granted to Ray

Charles Valdez with the understanding that the permit is limited to home daycare in Mr. Valdez' home.

05-396 <u>AGENDA</u>

County Manager Katy Singlaub noted there was a properly noticed addendum to the Agenda for Item 28, possible action to suspend the rules and procedures to reconsider the composition of the selection committee for the Public Defender, and if approved, possible reconsideration of the composition of the selection committee for the Public Defender.

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the agenda for the April 26, 2005 meeting be approved with the following changes: <u>Delete</u> Item 18, reconsideration of appointments to the Joint Flood Project Coordinating Committee. This item will be continued to May 10, 2005.

A moment of silence was observed in honor of the first Chairman of the Planning Commission, George Shaw, who recently passed away.

05-397 <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, explained the new public comment procedures as detailed on the agenda.

Pete Etchart, representative for Faith House Ministries of Nevada, provided information on the program, which was placed on file with the Clerk. He stated Faith House Ministries had provided homeless assistance to men, women, and children for over 16 years in Northern Nevada and now wanted to create the same programming for teenagers. Mr. Etchart provided statistics for teenagers in the area regarding suicide, drug use, and street gangs to emphasize why this program was needed.

Otto Kelly, Executive Director of Faith House Ministries of Nevada, discussed the importance of early intervention with teenagers. His vision was to develop a teen center in the downtown area where teens could go to have as many alternatives as possible. He also extended an invitation to join NFL superstar Nate Burleson for a dinner May 12, 2005 to support teens and those in need in Northern Nevada.

Robert Cameron, Reno resident, felt the public should be allowed a oneminute rebuttal after an agenda item had been discussed and after public comments were heard. He also discussed traffic issues in connection with a museum that will be built off Mount Rose Highway.

Guy Felton, Reno resident, distributed a copy of his concerns, including the Open Meeting Law, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

Al Hesson, local resident, discussed the homeless issue. He complimented Mayor Cashell and the Reno City Council for their leadership and direction concerning the new homeless shelter. He was disappointed no elected County official was there for the groundbreaking ceremony on February 25th at the new complex.

Gary Schmidt, County resident, discussed his hearing held April 19, 2005.

Lisa Teer Jayne, Rock Farm Road homeowner, distributed letters from concerned residents in the area, which were placed on file with the Clerk. The residents requested Forest Service lots along Thomas Creek that were being considered for disposal be set aside and preserved as wetlands, wildlife habitats, and forested areas. She also requested an agenda item for discussion concerning funds the County received from the United States Forest Service to determine if the funds could be used for maintenance of neighborhood roads.

Sam Dehne, local resident, discussed public comments after today's budget hearing, and the Ballardini Ranch.

Onie Cooper, local resident, said he hoped the Commissioners would do the right thing in regard to the selection committee for the Public Defender.

COMMISSIONERS'/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

In response to Chairman Weber, Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, said Mr. Felton's definition of the Open Meeting Law was accurate. Ms. Foster said there must be an agenda item for public comment, which allows for limited discussion, but it was not necessary that anything brought up under public comment be discussed further.

Chairman Weber requested the Commissioners hold additional comments until the end of the meeting.

05-398 <u>RESOLUTION – APPRECIATION OF JOHN COLLINS – WATER</u> <u>RESOURCES</u>

Upon recommendation of Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following resolution be adopted and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, John M. Collins began his employment with Washoe County on January 7, 1980, serving as the County's Chief Sanitary Engineer; and

WHEREAS, John recently started his well-deserved retirement after 25 years with Washoe County, including serving as the Manager of Utility Services for the Department of Water Resources since December 1996; and

WHEREAS, John is acknowledged as the father of Washoe County's water, wastewater and reclaimed water services, and is affectionately known as "Captain Sludge"; and

WHEREAS, John was always the first to remind his co-workers and management that quite often when it comes to government action, no good deed goes unpunished; and

WHEREAS, John could always persuasively argue that a water permit is nothing more than a hunting license for water; and

WHEREAS, John conducted a number of water and wastewater meetings over the years that subjected him to verbal abuse and personal threats, yet he always maintained the highest standard of professional conduct and expertise; and

WHEREAS, John was a great visionary, a big thinker and a courageous and innovative public servant who always gave his best and then some; and

WHEREAS, John's dedication to duty will definitely be missed by his "Washoe County Family", as well as his excellence in public service; now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That the Washoe County Board of Commissioners send their sincere appreciation and respect to John M. Collins for his 25 years of dedicated service to Washoe County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board wishes him all the best in his retirement and the next chapter of his life.

05-399 PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following Proclamation, which Chairman Weber read into the record, be adopted and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Washoe County will join with the State of Nevada and recognize May 5, 2005 as the 54th Annual National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, In 1775 the first Continental Congress called the colonies together to pray for wisdom in shaping our nation, and as America grew, national prayer continued, prompting a Proclamation from President Abraham Lincoln in 1863 and a Congressional Joint Resolution signed by President Truman in 1952, establishing a National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, The theme for the 2005 National Day of Prayer is "God Shed His Grace on Thee", and

WHEREAS, We pause to remember the brave men and women serving in our armed forces, and we pray for their protection and ask God to grant them strength and courage to confront the extraordinary hardships they face; and

WHEREAS, We give thanks for the gift of freedom and express our overwhelming gratitude for those who defend it; and

WHEREAS, On May 5th, Washoe County residents from diverse socioeconomic, political and ethnic backgrounds will unite to give thanks for our many blessings and ask God to strengthen our families, our schools and our government; now, therefore, be it

PROCLAIMED, By the Washoe County Board of Commissioners that May 5, 2005 is recognized as National Day of Prayer.

05-400 <u>MINUTES</u>

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the minutes of the regular meetings of March 8, 15, and 22, 2005 be approved.

05-401 <u>FUND TRANSFER – DISTRICT 3 TOWN HALL MEETING –</u> <u>COMMUNITY RELATIONS</u>

Upon recommendation of Kathy Carter, Community Relations Director, through Katy Singlaub, County Manager, on motion by Commissioner Sferraza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the transfer of \$4,640.83 from District 3 Commission Funds to the Community Relations budget to reimburse for printing and postage expenses associated with the District 3 Town Hall Meeting held on March 12, 2005 be approved.

05-402 <u>AWARD OF BID – CENTAUR AMPHIBIOUS VEHICLE</u> <u>EQUIPPED WITH LARVICIDE / ADULTICIDE SPRAY SYSTEM</u> <u>– BID NO. 2477-05 – HEALTH</u>

This was the time to consider award of the bid for a Centaur amphibious vehicle equipped with larvicide / adulticide spray system for the Health Department. The

Notice to Bidders for receipt of sealed bids was published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on February 22, 2005. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Although only a single bid was received from Arro-Gun Spray System LLC for the amphibious vehicle equipped with spray equipment, it had been determined that Arro-Gun Spray Systems was a recognized leader of mosquito spray equipment.

Upon recommendation of Richard Williams, Buyer, through John Balentine, Purchasing and Contracts Administrator, and Tom Gadd, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that Bid No. 2477-05 for a Centaur amphibious vehicle equipped with larvicide / adulticide spray system for the Health Department be awarded to the only responsive bidder, Arro-Gun Spray Systems LLC, in the amount of \$39,152.98. It was noted that the County reserves the right to purchase additional units for a period of 12 months after the date of bid award, provided there was no increase in pricing.

05-403 <u>AWARD OF BID – BOILER REPLACEMENT FOR SPARKS</u> <u>LIBRARY – BID NO. 2480-05 – PUBLIC WORKS</u>

This was the time to consider award of the bid for a boiler replacement for the Sparks Library on behalf of the Public Works Department. The Notice to Bidders for receipt of sealed bids was published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on March 7, 2005. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

Bids were received from the following vendors:

Gardner Engineering, Inc. Harding Mechanical Savage & Son, Inc.

Upon recommendation of Michael Sullens, Senior Buyer, through John Balentine, Purchasing and Contracts Administrator, Mike Turner, Facility Management Superintendent, and Tom Gadd, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that Bid No. 2480-05 for the Sparks Library boiler replacement for the Public Works Department be awarded to Gardner Engineering, Inc., in the net amount of \$60,275. It was further ordered that the Purchasing and Contracts Administrator be authorized to execute the agreement for same.

05-404 <u>PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION – REFRESHMENTS – SENIOR</u> <u>SERVICES</u>

Upon recommendation of Marietta Bobba, Senior Services Director, through John Berkich, Assistant County Manager, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that authorization to purchase refreshments for Department of Senior Services sponsored public meetings and events in an amount not to exceed \$3,000 for fiscal year 2004/05 be approved. It was further ordered that Finance be directed to make the appropriate budget adjustments and retroactive payments for the following invoices totaling \$1,937.54 be approved:

Wellness Workshops 2/22, 3/29 & 4/27/2004	\$96.97
State Health Insurance Advisory Program 5/19/2004	\$89.00
AARP & Older American's Month Day of Service 5/13/2004	\$150.00
Health Faire 5/23/2004	\$169.00
Medicare Presentation 3/24/2004	\$299.00
Wellness Workshops and Caregiver Month Proclamation Ceremony	\$249.97
11/25/2003	
Adult Day Care Christmas Party 12/9/2004	\$399.00
Day of Art for Caregivers' Function 11/6/2004	\$150.30
Day of Art for Caregivers' (sack lunches) 11/6/2004	\$69.50
Sierra Pacific Power Energy Bingo 11/3/2004	\$125.80
Health Care Directives Workshop 3/30/2005	\$139.00
TOTAL:	\$1,937.54

05-405 <u>PURCHASE – FLUZONE VACCINE – HEALTH</u>

Upon recommendation of Patsy Buxton, Health Analyst, through Eileen Coulombe, Administrative Health Services Officer, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the fiscal year 2005/06 Purchase Order #4500007614, issued to Aventis Pasteur Inc. in the approximate amount of \$50,889, for the purchase of Fluzone vaccine on behalf of the Community and Clinical Health Services Division of the District Health Department, be approved.

05-406 <u>PURCHASE – JEFFERSON AUDIO VIDEO SYSTEMS INC. –</u> FISCAL YEAR 2004/05 – FAMILY COURT

Upon recommendation of Darin Conforti, Assistant Court Administrator, through Ronald Longtin, Court Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the fiscal year 2004/05 purchase requisition to Jefferson Audio Video Systems Inc. (JAVS) in an amount not to exceed \$25,110, for the purchase and installation of JAVS in Family Court courtroom 4, be approved.

05-407 <u>INTERLOCAL CONTRACT AMENDMENT #2 – STATE OF</u> NEVADA (LAKE'S CROSSING) – MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS – SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Upon recommendation of Darin Conforti, Assistant Court Administrator, through Ron Longtin, Court Administrator, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza,

seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Amendment #2 to the Interlocal Contract between Washoe County (Second Judicial District Court) and Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services, Lake's Crossing Center, in the amount of \$2,000 to contract for 40 additional mental health evaluations through June 30, 2005, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-408 <u>RESOLUTION – AMENDMENT DESIGNATING WASHOE</u> <u>COUNTY A HYBRID ENTITY – HIPAA COMPLIANCE –</u> <u>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u>

Upon recommendation of Leslie Admirand, Deputy District Attorney, through Melanie Foster, Assistant District Attorney, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following amended Resolution be adopted Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same:

FIRST AMENDED RESOLUTION DESIGNATING WASHOE COUNTY A HYBRID ENTITY, DESIGNATING THE COVERED HEALTH CARE COMPONENTS WITHIN WASHOE COUNTY, AND RATIFYING A PRIVACY STATEMENT AND SECURITY STATEMENT FOR WASHOE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Washoe County is a political subdivision of the State of Nevada, whose business activities include both covered and non-covered functions, as those terms are defined in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (hereinafter "HIPAA") and the regulations enacted pursuant thereto which pertain to the confidentiality and privacy of health information (hereinafter "the Privacy Rule") and the security of electronic health information (hereinafter "the Security Rule"); and

WHEREAS, Washoe County is required to comply with HIPAA and the Privacy and Security Rules because it is a covered entity by virtue of its Employee Benefit Plan the Health Care Assistance Program administered by the Adult Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, nursing services provided by the Public Guardian's Office, Senior Services, Juvenile Services and Adult Protective Services administered by the Adult Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, Clinical Services administered by the Child Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, Nurse Practitioner services administered by the Child Services Division of Washoe County Social Services and thus subject to the requirements imposed thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Privacy and Security Rules allow a covered entity that is a hybrid entity to designate those health care components that perform covered functions or business associate functions and avoid having its non-covered functions comply therewith.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washoe County Commission hereby designates Washoe County a hybrid entity pursuant to the Privacy Rule and designates the Employee Health Benefits Plan, the Health Care Assistance Program administered by the Adult Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, nursing services provided by the Public Guardian's Office, Senior Services, Juvenile Services and Adult Protective Services administered by the Adult Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, Clinical Services administered by the Child Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, Nurse Practitioner services administered by the Child Services Division of Washoe County Social Services, the accounts payable functions of the Washoe County Comptroller and Washoe County Treasurer, the records retention function of Washoe County General Services, Washoe County Information Technology, the Civil Division of the Washoe County District Attorney's Office, Washoe County Collections and Washoe County Risk Management as covered health care components.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Privacy Statement – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Exhibit A, which was placed on file with the Clerk, and the Security Statement – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, Exhibit B, which was placed on file with the Clerk, are ratified and approved.

05-409 <u>INTERLOCAL CONTRACT – STATE OF NEVADA, PUBLIC</u> <u>SAFETY, INVESTIGATION DIVISION – FORENSIC SERVICES –</u> <u>SHERIFF</u>

Upon recommendation of Will McHardy, Captain, Forensic Science Division, through Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Contract between the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Forensic Science Division, and the State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Investigation Division, for forensic laboratory analysis service fees for the term of July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2007, with an estimated income of \$121,223 for fiscal year 2006 and \$127,284 for fiscal year 2007, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-410 <u>INTERLOCAL CONTRACT – STATE OF NEVADA, PUBLIC</u> <u>SAFETY, INVESTIGATION DIVISION – TOXICOLOGY</u> <u>TESTING – SHERIFF</u>

Upon recommendation of Will McHardy, Captain, Forensic Science Division, through Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Contract between the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Forensic Science Division, and the State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Investigation Division, for toxicology testing effective through June 30, 2007 with an estimated income of \$9,255, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-411 <u>INTERLOCAL CONTRACT – STATE OF NEVADA, PUBLIC</u> <u>SAFETY, NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL – FORENSIC SERVICES</u> <u>– SHERIFF</u>

Upon recommendation of Will McHardy, Captain, Forensic Science Division, through Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Contract between the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Forensic Science Division, and the State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Nevada Highway Patrol, for forensic laboratory analysis service fees for the term of July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2007, with an estimated income of \$71,393 for fiscal year 2006 and \$74,963 for fiscal year 2007, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-412 <u>INTERLOCAL CONTRACT – STATE OF NEVADA,</u> <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – BREATH ALCOHOL</u> <u>TESTING SERVICES – SHERIFF</u>

Upon recommendation of Will McHardy, Captain, Sheriff's Forensic Science Division, through Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Contract between the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Forensic Science Division, and the State of Nevada, Department of Public Safety, Office of the Director, for breath alcohol testing services for the term of July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2007, with an estimated income of \$229,352 for fiscal year 2006 and \$238,572 for fiscal year 2007, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-413 <u>AGREEMENT – SENTINEL OFFENDER SERVICES, LLC -</u> <u>ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF OFFENDERS – SHERIFF</u>

Upon recommendation of Mike Haley, Commander, through Dennis Balaam, Sheriff, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the agreement between the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and Sentinel Offender Services, LLC, for the electronic monitoring of out-of-custody inmates be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-414 <u>AWARD OF DESIGN CONTRACT – INCLINE VILLAGE</u> <u>LIBRARY RENOVATION – LUNDAHL AND ASSOCIATES –</u> <u>PUBLIC WORKS</u>

Upon recommendation of Roger Van Alyne, Capital Projects Division Director, through Tom Gadd, Public Works Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the design contract for the Incline Village Library Renovation be awarded to Lundahl and Associates in the amount of \$130,000 and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the contract documents upon presentation.

05-415 <u>DISCUSSION – 10 YEAR COMMUNITY PLAN TO END</u> <u>CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS – GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR</u>

Sam Dehne, local resident, stated Al Hesson should be included on any boards concerning homelessness. He also suggested funds for "curing" homelessness come from casinos since he felt they created a portion of the problem. He also discussed the consent agenda.

Gary Schmidt, County resident, said he was also in favor of Mr. Hesson being included in dialogue concerning homelessness.

Upon recommendation of Gabrielle Enfield, Grants Administrator, through John Slaughter, Management Services Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the Board commit to the development of a 10-year community plan to end chronic homelessness. It was further ordered that the Grants Administrator be directed to work with staff from the Cities of Reno and Sparks and the Reno Area Alliance for the Homeless to convene a working group and to participate in the community planning process to develop the plan.

05-416 <u>CONTRACT – ENGINEERING SERVICES – WARM SPRINGS</u> <u>WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES – ECO:LOGIC</u> <u>CONSULTING ENGINEERS – WATER RESOURCES</u>

Upon recommendation of John Nelson, Licensed Engineer, and Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the engineering contract for the preparation of plans and specifications for the Warm Springs Wastewater Treatment Facilities with Eco:Logic Consulting Engineers in the amount of \$452,000 be approved. It was further ordered that the Director of Water Resources be authorized to execute the same.

05-417 <u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF</u> <u>COUNTIES ACTS OF CARING AWARDS TO SHERIFF AND</u> <u>LIBRARY</u>

Jim Lopey, Assistant Sheriff, introduced Debbie Bunch and Kaydie Paschall, CERT Civilian Coordinators. Ms. Paschall explained that the Acts of Caring Award was a national award, which recognized top county volunteer programs in the United States. She stated 89 CERT members volunteered over 275 hours to the community in 2004, educating the public in emergency preparedness and responding to fires and snowstorms. Ms. Paschall thanked everyone for their past, present and future support of this vital community program. Susan Bruno, President, Friends of Washoe County Libraries, stated they were very proud to be recognized with the National Association of Counties Acts of Caring Award and received their award for raising \$541,000 in book sales.

05-418 <u>APPEARANCE – FRIENDS OF WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARIES</u>

Susan Bruno, President, Friends of Washoe County Libraries, thanked the County for their support. She distributed folders, which were placed on file with the Clerk. The Friends of Washoe County Libraries had generated over \$1.7 million to help make the libraries better for the community, and they were proud to do their part as volunteers. Ms. Bruno introduced some of the hard-working volunteers and mentioned their fund-raising efforts. She stated they returned as much of their fundraising efforts back to the library as they could. Ms. Bruno asked Commissioners to partner with the Friends of Washoe County Libraries to help solve some of their needs. Ms. Bruno presented the Commissioners with a bronze medallion celebrating 100 years of Washoe County Libraries.

Commissioner Galloway stated he had relayed their request for unused storage space to Tom Gadd, Public Works Director.

Chairman Weber asked when the storefront space would be needed. Ms. Bruno stated there were two book sales each year, in May and October, and they would need space for a month for each.

Commissioner Larkin mentioned the garage sale that was held at the Spanish Springs airport, which raised over \$2,000 for the new Spanish Springs library. He stated they might want to consider the airport as a possible site for future book sales.

05-419 <u>HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM – FISCAL YEAR 2005/06 – RISK</u> <u>MANAGEMENT</u>

Jim Jeppson, Risk Manager, explained the health benefits program to the Commissioners. He stated health benefits programs for public employers were mandatory for collective bargaining pursuant to Nevada law. He said the County had negotiated agreements with all eight of the employee associations for their participation in an Insurance Negotiating Committee. The Committee consisted of one representative from each association plus one representative from management. The purpose of the Insurance Negotiation Committee was to develop a single program that would be applicable to all employees. Mr. Jeppson said each year the Committee reviews the plan benefits, considers the activity that had occurred over the past year, and makes recommendations to the Board for the next fiscal year. The Committee's recommendation includes four changes to the self-funded medical plan and one change to the self-funded dental plan.

Mr. Jeppson stated the most significant change would be changing the Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) to Hometown Health Plan (HHP). Mr.

Jeppson stated the cost of the entire program would be \$29,800,000, up from \$26,700,000 for the current year, for a total overall increase of 11.6 percent, which was built into the proposed budget for fiscal year 2005/06. He explained the reasons for the increase.

Commissioner Sferrazza stated he would like to see the deductible for the health plan, which was on a calendar year basis, coincide with the start of a new plan, which was on a fiscal year basis.

Commissioner Larkin asked why the County should switch from Saint Mary's to HHP. Mr. Jeppson explained Saint Mary's had proposed a 17 percent increase, whereas HHP's increase was the lowest of the three bids at 12 percent.

Commissioner Humke asked that the 11.6 percent increase be contrasted to the average increase in the State of Nevada for a comparable health care plan. Mr. Jeppson said the State of Nevada tracked health care costs around the country, and employers had seen increases of 10-20 percent this year. Commissioner Humke asked if the Board could make any changes, and Mr. Jeppson said Counsel had advised him the Board could either approve or disapprove the plan. Mr. Jeppson explained if the plan were disapproved, he would return to the committee to try to implement a suggested change; otherwise, the current plan would continue in force. He said if that happened, there would be an even greater increase, especially for those covered under the HMO.

Commissioner Sferrazza inquired about retirement benefits if someone were to opt for the State benefit. Mr. Jeppson said if that happened, they would fall into the pool of non-State employees in the public employees benefit plan, and the rate would be significantly higher.

Sam Dehne, local resident, stated he was not for or against the health care proposal but thought the program was a significant dollar amount. He did not think it was right for the Board to vote on their own health benefits, and suggested a random group of individuals vote on the matter. Mr. Dehne suggested having a program in place where premiums were reduced for individuals who stayed healthy and used their insurance on a limited basis.

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, explained the proposal had gone through the Insurance Negotiating Committees, who made the recommendation with costeffectiveness in mind. Ms. Singlaub said Commissioners were required by law to be the stewards of County's resources so it was appropriate for them to vote on the matter. She also stated there would be discussions concerning wellness program proposals, and a proposal would be brought to the Board on May 10, 2005.

Upon recommendation of Mr. Jeppson, through John Sherman, Finance Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the Health Benefits Program for employees, retirees, and dependents for fiscal year 2005/06, including changes in benefits recommended by the Insurance Negotiating Committee, for a total cost of \$29,800,000, be approved. It was further ordered that the Risk Manager be authorized to execute the insurance contracts and service agreements necessary to continue the Program as described in Exhibit A, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

<u>3:50 p.m.</u> The Board briefly recessed.

<u>4:10 p.m.</u> The Board reconvened with all members present.

05-420 <u>DISCUSSION – LANDS BILL – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</u>

Bill Whitney, Community Development Senior Planner, gave a status report on the department's accomplishments since the Board's previous direction in December 2004, a synopsis of the March Town Hall meeting, input from subsequent meetings, and an on-line survey. Mr. Whitney stated the predominant message from the public was that they wanted to retain the region's lands in public ownership.

Mr. Whitney said staff members made presentations to community groups to inform them of the concepts of a public lands bill and to seek input. Mr. Whitney clarified the map showing Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service land displayed at the Town Hall meeting. The map covered approximately 1,200 acres suitable for disposal, but that would not be all the land included in a bill.

In response to Commissioner Galloway, Mr. Whitney stated the Winnemucca District's disposal area included 325,000 acres of the Smoke Creek Desert. He said the misconception was that the land was ready for disposal and that was not the case. Commissioner Galloway said he would like to see land far away and close to urban areas separated out. He would like to see the inclusion of open space before it was all gone. Commissioner Galloway also wanted to know if water goes with the land if it were taken off the market. Mr. Whitney said the Bureau of Land Management does not have water rights with their land.

Sam Dehne, local resident, urged caution.

Robert Cameron, local resident, was concerned someone with a large amount of money could acquire all the parcels and build high dollar homes. He was also worried care may not be given to the parcels where White's Creek and Thomas Creek run through.

Lisa Teer Jayne, local resident, stated people in her area were not invited to any Town Hall meetings even though a lands bill would directly affect them. She said residents in the Rock Farm Road area want to be advised of any meetings that would impact the area. She was also concerned about the meetings that were held exclusively for developers in which the public had not been invited. She wanted lots to be kept open and not offered for private development of homes. Juanita Cox, representing Citizens in Action, said taking more land from the BLM could be a good thing, providing resources were available to put it in private hands. She was for taking more land back since the government controlled over 90 percent of land in Nevada.

In response to Commissioner Galloway, Ms. Cox stated she would like to see more private ownership in each county so there would be a better tax base and trading land for land did not seem to gain anything. Ms. Cox also said she would favor trading value for value and not getting into situations similar to other counties that were land poor.

Gary Schmidt, County resident, said he was an avid enjoyer of open space in Nevada. He stated he would be in favor of public land being held by a non-profit group.

Maggie Hawkanson, local landowner, was concerned there would be public land dispersed along with private land. She felt government lots surrounded by private lots should be considered for a sale and possibly moved into open space.

Susan Seidl, local resident, said it did not make sense to take BLM land, turn it into public land to be developed, and then take it for open space.

Commissioner Sferrazza said he would like to preserve as much open space as possible, especially space close to the residential areas. He said the reality of turning public land into private usually means taking the land right next to someone's home.

Commissioner Galloway said not all open space was equal in the benefits it could offer to the public. He would prefer a lands bill with around 1,200 acres but would not want to see it at 300,000 acres. Commissioner Galloway said any money from the disposal of land should remain in Northern Nevada.

Commissioner Larkin stated "disposal" was a broad term; and, when a federal agency identified land for disposal, it meant they were willing to look at the best mechanism to move the land out of federal ownership. He favored a bill of some kind because land was not being managed as effectively as it could be because of co-mingling of properties and intermixing of agencies.

Commissioner Humke agreed that Nevada and Washoe County needed a lands bill to serve their own purposes. He questioned why the County would want to acquire land the Federal government found difficult to manage just to sell it to private landowners. He said the County could assist landowners where the Federal government had made occupying their land difficult by developing services, roads and other amenities. Commissioner Humke said land in far-out areas could be considered for acquisition by the County to be sold at auction to people who would be interested in building homes. Commissioner Humke said there would be a better chance for citizens to have the American dream of buying land and building a house on it by increasing the supply. He said holding down costs was an important consideration.

Commissioner Galloway stated the County should prioritize using proceeds as well as what land gets disposed of from an available list. He said action should not be taken in the extreme outlying areas. He stated land disposal should be subject to conservation easements.

Commissioner Humke stated agricultural use was a positive use of land, and the County needed to take care of people who do not wish to keep paying leases to the government but would rather have ownership in some land if it were going to be disposed of. He wanted those people to have a place at the table.

Commissioner Sferrazza said if public land were to be disposed of, it should be sold to the highest bidder so everyone had an opportunity to participate. He thought the parcels should be as small as possible to encourage participation and to prevent the land from going strictly to developers.

Chairman Weber stated she thought Commissioner Sferrazza's intent was great but the practicality is when land is sold to the highest bidder, it would most likely go to a developer. She said there was no guarantee of open space and the County needed to look at what kind of revenue these lands would produce.

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, said she would like to see a thorough and open process where everyone could participate in providing input. She wanted to come back with some process recommendations for a planning effort for this bill. Mr. Whitney stated there had been discussion on taking a lands bill out to various venues for input. Chairman Weber suggested possible opportunities for the public to come in and share their thoughts with the Commissioners.

Commissioner Humke suggested staff come back with a menu of options for the Board to consider, and then go out to Citizen's Advisory Boards to obtain input.

Chairman Weber said she wanted to make sure the public had the opportunity to comment but was unsure if CAB's were the way to go.

Ms. Singlaub said she would like to have an opportunity to identify through a planning process what goals the region had for public lands, uses for the land and how those goals could be met through a public lands process. Ms. Singlaub stated staff would come back with suggestions for community input and a process where people who wanted to participate could be brought to the table.

Commissioner Larkin said the County would need a Federal sponsor to go ahead with this initial phase of planning and they should be included in the process.

05-421 <u>2002 REGIONAL PLAN SETTLEMENTS</u>

Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, sought direction concerning the Verdi Annexation Settlement Agreement under the Regional Plan litigation dispute resolution process required by Judge James Hardesty pursuant to his December 30, 2004 order on the Verdi Water Service issue. She said Judge Hardesty directed the Counsel's of Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) and the developers to attempt to resolve the remaining monetary issues in the litigation. Ms. Foster met with the counsel for the developers; and, after numerous discussions, the developers offered to donate \$600,000 to the residents of Verdi with \$250,000 to be paid for their attorney's fees. Ms. Foster said the donation would be used for public use facilities in the Verdi, Mortensen and Mogul areas. She said a citizen task force would be comprised to decide how to spend the money by having discussions between the County and TMWA. She said a joint oversight board would be created, pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement, which would have the final decision on the project. Ms. Foster requested direction regarding that offer and the monetary amounts. She said she would be having a telephonic hearing with Judge Hardesty on April 28, 2005.

Commissioner Sferrazza moved that the final offer be the suggested amount of \$600,000, but the County contribute \$200,000 in attorney's fees. Chairman Weber seconded the motion.

Chairman Weber said she appreciated the fact that the community would receive new opportunities and financial means to accomplish additional effects within their community.

Ms. Foster explained that payment terms on the donation would be apportioned among the property owners on the residential portions of the Mortensen area. She said those would occur upon recordation of the final map, and the commercial areas would occur upon issuance of building permits.

In response to Commissioner Sferrazza, Ms. Foster said when litigation was resolved and the agreement reached, the order would be signed. She said the paper work would be processed for the Internal Revenue Service and the check issued at that point.

Commissioner Sferrazza thanked Chairman Weber, Katy Singlaub, County Manager, and Ms. Foster for all their efforts involved within this matter.

On call for the question, the motion passed with a 5 to 0 vote.

05-422 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT – SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF WATER FACILITIES – WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Agreement between Washoe County and the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District, concerning operation and maintenance of water facilities, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-423 <u>INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT – SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS</u> <u>GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – WHEELING WATER</u> <u>TO MOUNTAIN GATE DEVELOPMENT – WATER RESOURCES</u>

Upon recommendation of Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Agreement between Washoe County and the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District, concerning wheeling water to serve the Mountain Gate Development, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-424 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT – SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – WHEELING WATER TO CARAMELLA AND GEORGE CURTI DEVELOPMENTS – WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Agreement between Washoe County and the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District, concerning wheeling water to serve the Caramella and George Curti Developments, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-425 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT – SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – SUPPLY OF TESSA WELL WATER TO SERVE MONTE ROSA DEVELOPMENT – WATER RESOURCES

Upon recommendation of Paul Orphan, Engineering Manager, through Steve Bradhurst, Water Resources Director, on motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the Interlocal Agreement between Washoe County and the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District, concerning the supply of Tessa Well Water to serve the Monte Rosa Development, be approved and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same.

05-426 <u>BUDGET APPEALS – RENO JUSTICE COURT</u>

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, distributed an e-mail from Judge Ed Dannan, Department 2, Reno Justice Court, that explaining why the Reno Justice Court appealed the budget appropriation to the Board, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

Judge Dannan requested the Board's consideration of the budget appeal to increase the per diem rate for their court reporters. He said the budget appeal would allow a \$5,000 increase per year for the court reporters, which would be \$15,000 above the base recommended by the Finance Department. He said this would be the first Board approved increase since 2001. Judge Dannan explained there were three reporters who pooled services for the five judges in the Justice Court.

Judge Hal Albright, Department 4, Reno Justice Court, said he would appreciate the Board's consideration for this request since it would enable the reporters to remain within the Reno Justice Court and continue the solid working relationship that had been established. Judge Albright stated it was difficult to attract court reporters from the private sector due to the salary. He also explained there was a continuity within the office that enabled trust and confidentiality between the reporters and the judges.

Judge Jack Schroeder Department 3, Reno Justice Court, stated the judges were pleased with the professionalism and performance of the court reporters. He respectfully requested the budget be increased.

Judge Barbara Finley, Department 5, Reno Justice Court, expressed support for the salary increase, explained eloquently by Judge Dannan.

Lynda Clark, court reporter, Reno Justice Court, said the increase in the per diem rate would compensate for the lack of benefits and the inability to obtain outside work because of the hours involved.

Susan Seidl, Reno resident, commented the accuracy from the Reno Justice Court was exceptional unlike other transcripts she had read.

Juanita Cox, Reno resident, supported the per diem increase for the court reporters.

Commissioner Galloway asked if the reporters were under contract as a group or individuals. John Sherman, Finance Director, replied they were all individually signed to the contract, but all three were named in the agreement. Commissioner Galloway inquired if an evaluation had been completed and whether Mr. Sherman had the same opinion that three reporters were needed. Mr. Sherman said three were needed in this situation. Judge Dannan added since there were only three reporters, there were cases that could not be heard expeditiously because all three were occupied in court.

In response to Commissioner Humke, Judge Dannan said the court reporters in the District Court were hired by the judges; and would work for a specific judge. He said the reporters in District Court had no interest in coming over to the Justice Court because of the loss of revenue. Judge Dannan added the Justice Court had presented a proposal to Human Resources approximately two years ago; however, nothing arose from that proposal. He said the court reporters would consider an employee status, as they did not receive benefits under the contract.

Commissioner Sferrazza requested a copy of the proposal for employee status the Justice Court previously submitted to Human Resources.

Ms. Singlaub clarified she denied the appeal because she was concerned over equity with the other courts and fairness to the other court reporters. She said professional service contracts or agreements should periodically go out for a Request for Proposal (RFP) per the Board's established policy. Ms. Singlaub commented she was not aware of the recent discussions concerning employment status of court reporters, but would be happy to review the proposal.

Further discussion ensued regarding the salaries and requirements of the Justice Court reporters.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the Reno Justice Court Budget Appeal, concerning an increase of the per diem rate for the Reno Justice Court court reporters from \$190 to \$210 be approved.

<u>6:42 p.m.</u> The Board recessed.

<u>7:06 p.m.</u> The Board reconvened with all members present.

05-427 <u>COMPOSITION OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE - PUBLIC</u> <u>DEFENDER</u>

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered the Rules and Procedures for the Board of County Commissioners be suspended.

In response to Commissioner Humke, Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, replied the authority to appoint a Public Defender was in State Statute, and lies with the Board. She said it was permissible for the Board to set up a screening committee, authorize them to conduct interviews, and develop the job application provided that the Board retains the authority to make the appointment.

Commissioner Sferrazza requested May 3, 2005 be chosen for the revised date for the screening committee to review and confirm the confirmation process.

Chairman Weber inquired if the agenda was noticed to choose a date for the selection committee. Ms. Foster suggested the Board make a motion to reconsider the composition of the Selection Committee as stated on the agenda.

On motion by Commissioner Sferrazza, seconded by Commissioner Galloway, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the composition of the Selection Committee for the Public Defender be reconsidered.

Commissioner Galloway inquired if the agenda was broad enough to clarify the selection committee recommend a minimum of three finalists for the Board to consider. He asked if that could be a direction given by the Board to the committee. Ms. Foster said if the Board believed that was important, it could be passed on to the committee. Commissioner Galloway believed it was relevant because it addressed the concern that the committee encompasses a cross-section of the community.

Commissioner Larkin questioned if the Board could establish multiple committees, and Ms. Foster concurred.

Richard Gammick, District Attorney, commented on the successful working relationship the District Attorney's Office had with Mike Specchio, retiring Public Defender. Mr. Gammick said he hoped the Board, the District Attorney's Office, and the courts could work together to choose the most confident, qualified person to fill the position of Public Defender. Mr. Gammick suggested several names of individuals that would be an asset to the selection committee.

Richard Siegel, State President of the American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada, said he favored several persons listed for the selection committee and hoped the group selected would represent an equal status. He thought the District Attorney should not be on the selection committee.

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, agreed with Mr. Siegel that have District Attorney Gammick should not be as part of the selection committee. Juanita Cox, local resident, agreed.

Commissioner Humke read a letter from Judge Jerome Polaha that stated his resignation from the selection committee, which was placed on file with the Clerk. Commissioner Humke felt any sitting or retired judge should not be on a selection committee.

Commissioner Larkin commented the District Attorney was one of the highest elected law enforcement officers in the County and did represent the community. He supported the District Attorney being on the committee, and the Board entertaining a bifurcation of the committee into two separate panels. Commissioner Sferrazza stated he would not support removing anyone from a committee by suspending the rules. He added he would like to see women and minorities appointed to the committee.

Chairman Weber said she had worked with Mr. Gammick on other committees and found him to be fair. She believed the Board should stay committed to Mr. Gammick's appointment to the selection committee.

Commissioner Humke favored a two-tiered committee and expected recommendations of applicants be based on merit. He disclosed he had worked with David Gamble, Administrator for the National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges.

Commissioner Sferrazza said the number of members appointed to the panels should not be limited. He commented diversity among the pool of people would benefit the selection of candidates and suggested the Board discuss who would be placed on the committee.

In response to Commissioner Galloway, Commissioner Larkin said he envisioned two panels working separately, but interviewing all of the candidates.

Chairman Weber commented having two separate panels would be redundant, and she was in favor of adding additional persons to the original committee.

Commissioner Larkin moved to bifurcate the selection committee into two separate panels, with the second panel being selected and the existing committee moving forward. Commissioner Humke seconded the motion.

Commissioner Sferrazza moved to amend the motion to have a minimum of five members on each panel. Chairman Weber seconded the amendment to the motion.

On call for the question, the motions that a second panel be established and each panel have a minimum of five members passed on a 5 to 0 vote.

Commissioner Larkin disclosed he was a lay member of the State Bar Ethics Committee and served with attorney Mr. Pat Flanagan.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that Ms. Luciedia Aidan and Mr. Pat Flanagan be placed on the original selection committee.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that the second community panel for the selection of the Public Defender consist of the following citizens: Vito Delacruz, Stephen McGuirre, Roberto Puentes, Herb Santos Sr., Thomas Viloria, Cheryl Field-Lang, Ted Gamboa, Scott Freeman, Mary Boetsch, David Gamble, Theresa Navarro, Rayna Brachman, John Arrascada, Shelley Atkins, Onie Cooper and Myra Sheehan, be approved.

05-428 ORDINANCE NO. 1265 - BILL NO. 1444 – AMENDING THE WCC CHAPTER 50 - POSSESSION OF GRAFFITI MATERIALS -SHERIFF

5:30 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on April 15, 2005 to consider second reading and adoption of Bill No. 1444. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

The Chairman opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said Ordinance.

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, stated the Ordinance was unenforceable and unconstitutional.

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Sferrazza voiced his concern with the wording of the Ordinance that students would need written permission to carry art supplies to school.

Commissioner Galloway said he originally requested rewording of the Ordinance. He said the new language was improved; however, the word "written" in Section 2.1 should be omitted.

In response to Chairman Weber, James Lopey, Assistant Sheriff, said the Ordinance was consistent with current ordinances in the Cities of Reno and Sparks. He said it was consistent with ordinances prevalent throughout the Western United States.

Commissioner Sferrazza remarked he was opposed to the first paragraph of the Ordinance that made it illegal to possess graffiti materials on school grounds, because some of the materials could be considered art supplies

Assistant Sheriff Lopey referred to Section 3, that stated, "it shall be unlawful for any person other than a parent, legal guardian or school teacher to sell, exchange, give, loan or otherwise furnish or cause or permit to be exchanged, given, loaned, or otherwise furnished, any graffiti materials to any juvenile without the prior written consent of the parent or guardian of the juvenile." He commented that section covered Commissioner Sferrazza's concerns.

In response to Commissioner Galloway, Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, stated the intent of the provision was not to make it unlawful for a student to carry art supplies to school.

Commissioner Humke said the Board should move forward with the Ordinance to give law enforcement the tool they seek. He added it could be re-examined in the future.

Commissioner Sferrazza recommended the following changes: Section 2.1, following "proper school" add "art related purposes," and Section 3.2, following "should be unlawful for a parent, school teacher," add "authorized art instructor."

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, suggested the word "supervised art," be used since taggers consider their work art.

Commissioner Galloway recommended "authorized art related purposes" would improve the language.

Assistant Sheriff Lopey requested the provisions in Section 5 of the Ordinance be in full force and effect on or after December 1, 2005 and the remaining provisions be effective July 1, 2005. Commissioner Galloway suggested Section 3.3 relating to store keepers be effective December 1, 2005 since they would face an economic hardship restructuring their stores. Assistant Sheriff Lopey agreed.

On motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Sferrazza, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that Ordinance No. 1265, Bill No. 1444, entitled, "AMENDING THE WASHOE COUNTY CODE BY MAKING THE POSSESSION OF GRAFFITI MATERIALS UNLAWFUL UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, REGULATING THE DISPLAY OF GRAFFITI MATERIAL, AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO," be approved and adopted as amended and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

05-429 <u>COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CASE NUMBER CP05-</u> 001 – TWINTOP LLC - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

5:30 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* and mailed to affected property owners on April 15, 2005 to consider a request to amend the Tahoe Area Plan, being a part of the Washoe County Comprehensive Plan. The amendment request would change the land use designation from Low Density Suburban (LDS) to High Density Suburban (HDS). The parcel considered for the land use change totals +/-0.39 acres and is located at 1605 Pine Cone Circle, approximately 500 feet south of the westernmost intersection of Pine Cone Circle and Lakeshore Boulevard and is identified as Incline Beach Subdivision, Lot 7. The property is located in the Incline Village/Crystal Bay Citizen Advisory Board boundary and Washoe County Commission District No. 1. (APN: 130-241-57) The parcel is located within the Tahoe Area Plan, in a portion of Section 23, T16N, R18E, MDM. The parcel considered for the land use change is in the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency's (TRPA) Plan Area 049 - Mill Creek. The Plan Area statement allows single-family residential uses, one unit per parcel. The proposed amendment is consistent with TRPA's

Plan Area statement; therefore, TRPA approval is not required. To reflect the changes requested within this application and to maintain currency of general area plan data, administrative changes to the area plan are proposed. These administrative changes may include: a revised map series with updated parcel base and revisions to the Planned Land Use table.

The Chairman opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against the Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

Gary Midkiff, Midkiff and Associates, Inc., spoke on behalf of the property owner affected by the proposed zone change. He said the property owner supported the recommendations made by staff.

The Chairman closed the public hearing.

Having made the following findings, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Comprehensive Plan Amendment Case Number CP05-001 (TWIN TOP, LLC) be approved.

1. The proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan is in substantial compliance with the policies and action programs of the *Washoe County Comprehensive Plan*.

2. The proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan will provide for land uses compatible with existing and planned adjacent land uses and will not adversely impact the public health, safety or welfare.

3. The proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan responds to the existing condition of the site, and the requested amendment represents a more desirable use of the land.

4. The proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan will not adversely affect the implementation of the policies and action programs of the Conservation Element, the Population Element and/or the Housing Element of the *Washoe County Comprehensive Plan*.

5. The proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan will promote the desired pattern for the orderly physical growth of the County and guides development of the County based on the projected population growth with the least amount of natural resource impairment and the efficient expenditure of funds for public services. The requested land use change helps facilitate the development of the area for business/employment opportunities.

6. The proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan is the first amendment to the Plan in 2005, and therefore does not exceed the three permitted

amendments as specified in Section 110.820.05 of the Washoe County Development Code.

7. The Washoe County Planning Commission public hearing, prior to action on the proposed amendment to the Tahoe Area Plan, and the related changes to the text and maps of the plan, has been properly noticed in a newspaper of general circulation in the County as prescribed under NRS 266.210(1).

8. The Washoe County Planning Commission gave reasoned consideration to information contained within the staff report and information received during the public hearing.

9. That the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners gave reasoned consideration to the information transmitted from the Washoe County Planning Commission and to the information received during the public hearing.

05-430 <u>PROPOSED ISSUANCE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u> <u>REVENUE BONDS – SIERRA NEVADA COLLEGE</u>

5:30 p.m. This was the time set in a Notice of Public Hearing published in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* on April 8, 2005 to conduct a public hearing on the proposed issuance by Washoe County, Nevada of economic development revenue bonds (the "Bonds") to be issued under the County Economic Development Revenue Bond Law, NRS 244A.669 to 244A.763, inclusive (the "Act"), for Sierra Nevada College, a Nevada non-profit corporation (the "Corporation") to assist in financing (i) the acquisition, construction and equipping of a research facility to be known as the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences, (ii) the funding of capitalized interest, (iii) the funding of a reserve fund, if necessary, and (iv) the payment of certain costs of issuance. Proof was made that due and legal Notice had been given.

The Chairman opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against the economic development revenue bonds. There being no response the Chairman closed the public hearing.

05-431 <u>RESOLUTION – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVENUE</u> BONDS – SIERRA NEVADA COLLEGE – FINANCE

In response to Commissioner Sferrazza, Kendra Follett, Swendseid and Stern, Bond Counsel, replied certain findings were required with economic development bonds, which were included within the resolution.

Upon recommendation of John Sherman, Finance Director, on motion by Commissioner Galloway, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the following resolution be adopted and Chairman Weber be authorized to execute the same:

RESOLUTION NO. 05-431

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA VARIABLE RATE DEMAND **ECONOMIC** DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS (SIERRA **NEVADA COLLEGE PROJECT) SERIES 2005 IN** THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$11,200,000 TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION EOUIPPING AND OF Α **PROJECT FOR SIERRA NEVADA COLLEGE: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY** BY THE COUNTY OF A LOAN AGREEMENT, INDENTURE OF TRUST, **BOND PURCHASE** AGREEMENT, CLOSING DOCUMENTS AND SUCH **BONDS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; MAKING DETERMINATIONS AND FINDINGS AS TO OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO SUCH FINANCING; AND REPEALING ANY ACTION HERETOFORE TAKEN** IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Washoe County, Nevada (the "County") is authorized by the County Economic Development Revenue Bond Law, Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") Sections 244A.669 to 244A.763, inclusive, as amended (the "Act"), to finance and refinance on or more projects within the County to promote the social welfare of the residents of the County by enabling corporations for public benefit (as defined in the Act) to acquire, develop, expand and maintain facilities that provide services for those residents; and

WHEREAS, the Act further authorizes the County to issue its revenue bonds for the purpose of defraying the cost of financing and refinancing any project and all incidental expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of such bonds, to enter into financing agreements with others for the purpose of providing revenues to pay the bonds authorized to be issued under the Act and upon such terms and conditions as the Board of County Commissioners of the County (the "Board") may deem advisable, and to secure the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such bonds as provided in the Act; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Nevada College, a Nevada non-profit corporation and a corporation for public benefit as defined in NRS 244A.678 (the "Corporation"), has requested the County to issue its revenue bonds pursuant to the Act to assist in the financing of (i) the acquisition, construction and equipping of a research facility to be known as the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences (the "Financed Facilities"), (ii) the funding of capitalized interest and expenses, and (iii) the payment of certain costs of issuance (collectively, the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, The Financed Facilities and the land on which such facilities are located will be leased to The Regents of the University of California (the "Master Lessee") pursuant to the terms and provisions of a Master Lease Agreement dated as of April 28, 2005 (the "Lease") between the Corporation and the Master Lessee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the Act, the County proposes to make a loan to the Corporation pursuant to a Loan Agreement dated as of April 1, 2005 (the "Loan Agreement") between the County and the Corporation to finance the Project, and to fund such loan the County has agreed to issue its Washoe County, Nevada Variable Rate Demand Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Sierra Nevada College Project) Series 2005 in the aggregate principal amount of \$11,200,000 (the "Bonds") pursuant to an Indenture of Trust dated as of April 1, 2005 (the "Indenture") between the County and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"); and

WHEREAS, the payment of the purchase price of the Bonds shall be supported by a Standby Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Liquidity Facility") to be entered into by and among Dexia Credit Local, acting through its New York Branch (the "Bank"), the Corporation and the Trustee; and

WHEREAS, the payment of the Bonds will be further secured by a Deed of Trust and Security Agreement (the "Deed of Trust") dates as a of April 1, 2005 from the Corporation to the Trustee relating to the Financed Facilities and the land on which such facilities are located; and

WHEREAS, the issuance of the Bonds by the County to finance the cost of the Project will enable or assist the Corporation to fulfill its mission to provide a private coeducational liberal arts college education; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the Board has published notice of a public hearing and has held a public hearing in connection with the Project and the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, there have been placed on file with the County Clerk of the County (i) the proposed form of the Loan Agreement, including, as Exhibit D thereto, the proposed form of the promissory note (the "Note") of the Corporation, (ii) the proposed form of the Indenture, (iii) the proposed form of the Bond Purchase Agreement to be dated the date of the sale of the Bonds (the "Purchase Agreement") among the County, the Corporation and the Wells Fargo Brokerage Services, LLC (the "Underwriter"), (iv) the proposed form of the Official Statement to be dated April 27, 2005 (the "Official Statement") relating to the Bonds, (v) the proposed form of the Liquidity Facility, (iv) the proposed form of the Deed of Trust, and (vii) the proposed form of the Lease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE, NEVADA:

Section 1. All action (not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution) heretofore taken by the Board and the officers, employee and agents of the County directed toward the financing of the cost of the Project and the issuance and sale of the Bonds therefore be and the same is hereby, ratified, approved and confirmed.

Section 2. The County shall finance the cost of the Project by loaning the proceeds of the Bonds to the Corporation in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement.

Section 3. To defray the cost of the Project (including incidental expenses incurred in issuing the Bonds), there is hereby authorized and created an issue of economic development revenue bonds designated "Washoe County, Nevada Variable Rate Demand Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Sierra Nevada College Project) Series 2005" in the aggregate principal amount of \$11,200,000. The Bonds are issuable as fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$100,000 and any integral multiple of \$5,000 in excess thereof. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Indenture and shall bear interest from such date payable on each Interest Payment Date, as defined in the Indenture.

From the date of their initial delivery through the next succeeding Wednesday, the interest rate on the Bonds shall be that rate per annum as shall be established in the Indenture. Thereafter, except as provided in the Indenture, the Bonds shall bear interest at the Weekly Interest Rate (as defined in the Indenture). On any Interest Period Reset Date (as defined in the Indenture) on or after July 1, 2005, the interest rate on the Bonds may be converted to a different Interest Rate Mode (as defined in the Indenture) upon written direction from the Corporation and the Master Lessee, in the manner provided in the Indenture and determined by the Remarketing Agent, initially Wells Fargo Brokerage Services, LLC, according to the standards and procedures sat forth in the Indenture.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the rate of interest on the Bonds shall not at any time exceed 10% per annum. The Bonds shall mature on July 1, 2026. The Bonds shall be payable, shall be subject to redemption and purchase prior to maturity and shall be in substantially the form provided in the Indenture. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, the Bonds shall be sold at a negotiated sale at the purchase price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof, less an underwriter's discount.

Section 4. The following determinations and findings are hereby made in accordance with Sections 244A.711, 244A.729 and 244A.731 of the Act:

(a) Based on the information provided to the Board by the Corporation, the total amount of money necessary to be provided for the acquisition,

construction and equipment of the Project by the issuance of the Bonds shall not exceed \$11,200,000.

(b) The Board has received a 5-year operating history from the Master Lessee.

The Board has received evidence that the Master Lessee has (c) received within the 12 months preceding the date of the public hearing held on this date in connection with the Project and the Bonds a rating within the top four rating categories by Standard and Poor's Ratings Services.

The Corporation and the Master Lessee have sufficient financial (d) resources to place the Financed Facilities in operation and to continue their operation, meeting the obligations of the Loan Agreement, the Lease and the Note to repay the Bonds.

(e) Sufficient safeguards are provided in the financing documents authorizing the issuance of the Bonds to assure that all proceeds of the Bonds will be expended solely for the purpose of the Project.

The maximum amount reasonably anticipated to be necessary in (f) each year to pay the principal of and the interest on the Bonds is as follows:

Annual Period	Maximum	Principal to	Maximum
To and	Interest for	Be retired in	Annual Debt
Including July 1	Such Period	Such Period	Service
			Requirement
2005	\$ 196,000*	-0-	\$ 196,000
2006	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2007	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2008	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2009	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2010	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2011	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2012	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2013	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2014	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2015	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2016	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2017	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2018	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2019	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2020	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2021	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2022	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2023	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000

2024	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2025	1,120,000	-0-	1,120,000
2026	1,120,000	11,200,000	12,320,000

* Assumes the Bonds are issued on April 28, 2005

(g) No reserve fund has been established nor is proposed to be established for the retirement of the Bonds or the maintenance of the Project and accordingly it shall not be necessary to pay amounts into any such reserve fund.

(h) The terms under which the Project is to be financed provide that the Corporation and the Master Lessee shall maintain the Financed Facilities and carry all proper insurance with respect thereto.

(i) The revenues payable under the Loan Agreement, the Lease and the Note are sufficient pay, in addition to all requirements of the Loan Agreement and this resolution, all sums referred to in paragraphs (f) and (h) of this section.

Section 5. The forms, terms and provisions of the Loan Agreement, the Note, the Indenture, the Liquidity Facility, the Deed of Trust, the Purchase Agreement and the Lease be and they hereby are approved, and the County shall enter into the Loan Agreement, the Indenture and the Purchase Agreement in the form of each of such documents placed on file with the County Clerk of the County, with only such changes therein as are not inconsistent herewith; and the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement and the Indenture and the County Clerk and any Deputy County Clerk of the County are each hereby authorized to affix the County seal to and to attest the Loan Agreement and the Indenture. The Finance Director of the County is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Purchase Agreement. The County shall assign the Note to the Trustee and the Chairman of the Board and the County Clerk of the County are each hereby authorized to execute the assignment form on the note.

Section 6. The form, terms and provisions of the Bonds, in the form contained in the Indenture, be and they hereby are approved, with only such changes therein as are not inconsistent herewith, and the Chairman of the Board and the County Clerk of the County are each hereby authorized to execute the Bonds, by manual or facsimile signature, and each is authorized to deliver the Bonds, and the seal of the County, or a facsimile thereof, is hereby authorized to be affixed to the Bonds.

Section 7. Wells Fargo Bank, National Association is appointed as trustee under the Indenture, thereby also serving as registrar and paying agent for the Bonds under the terms of the Indenture. Wells Fargo Brokerage Services, LLC is appointed as remarketing agent under the Indenture to determine the interest rate on the Bonds and to perform certain other duties, all in accordance with the Indenture.

Section 8. The preparation and distribution of a final Official Statement in substantially the form placed on file with the County Clerk of the County in

connection with the offering and sale of the Bonds are hereby ratified and approved; provided, however, that neither the County nor any officer, employee or agent thereof has or assumes any responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the Official Statement (in either preliminary or final form).

For the purposes of Section 147 (f) of the Code, the Board Section 9. hereby approves the Bonds and the Project, including the following information regarding the Project: the Project consists of (i) the acquisition, construction and equipping of a research facility to be known as the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences, (ii) the funding of capitalized interest, (iii) the funding of a reserve fund, if necessary, and (iv) the payment of certain costs of issuance; the Lake Campus of the Corporation, where the Tahoe Center for Environmental Services will be constructed, is located between Incline Creek on the west in Incline Village within the County; the Tahoe Center for Environmental Services will be located at 291 Country Club Drive, Incline Village, Nevada; and the Corporation is operated as a private coeducational liberal arts college. An affidavit of publication of the notice of the public hearing held on this date in connection with the Project and the Bonds and the minutes of the hearing are attached hereto as Exhibit B. The Board hereby determines that the Project will promote the social welfare of the residents of the County by enabling the Corporation to acquire and develop the Financed Facilities which will, among other purposes, provide services for the residents of the County.

Section 10. The officers, employees and agents of the County shall take all action necessary or reasonably required by the Loan Agreement, the Indenture and the Purchase Agreement to effectuate their provisions and shall take all action necessary or desirable in conformity with the Act to finance the cost of the Project and for carrying out the transactions contemplated by this resolution, including without limitation the execution and delivery of any closing documents to be delivered in connection with the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

The cost of financing the Project, including the costs Section 11. incidental to the authorization, issuance and sale of the Bonds, will be paid out of the proceeds of the Bonds and funds of the Corporation of the Master Lessee, and the Bonds will not be the general obligations of the County, nor shall the Bonds, including interest thereon, constitute the debt or indebtedness of the County within the meaning of the Constitution or statutes of the State of Nevada, nor shall anything contained in this resolution or in the Bonds, the Loan Agreement, the Note, the Indenture, the Purchase Agreement, the Lease, the Liquidity Facility, the Deed of Trust, the final Official Statement or any instrument give rise to a pecuniary liability or a charge upon the general credit or taxing powers of the County, nor shall the breach of any agreement contained in the resolution, the Bonds, the Loan Agreement, the Note, the Indenture, the Purchase Agreement, the Lease, the Liquidity Facility, the Deed of Trust, the final Official Statement or any other instrument impose any pecuniary liability upon the County or a charge upon the general credit or taxing powers of the County, the County having no power to pay out of its general fund, or otherwise contribute any part of the cost of financing the Project, nor power to operate the Financed Facilities as a business or in any manner, nor shall the County condemn any land or other property for the Project.

Section 12. After any of the Bonds are issued, this resolution shall be and remain irrepealable until the Bonds and the interest thereon shall have been fully paid, canceled and discharged.

Section 13. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution.

Section 14. All bylaws, orders and resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed as reviving any bylaw, order or resolution or part thereof.

Section 15. The Board has determined, and does hereby declare, that this resolution shall be in effect immediately after its passage in accordance with law.

05-432 <u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATE</u>

Commissioner Galloway requested a complete record of the proponents and comments made in opposition to AB392 on behalf of the Assessor at the Legislature for consideration on May 9, 2005.

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, questioned if the District Attorney's budget allowed for employees to lobby during working hours.

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, clarified Peter Simeoni, Deputy District Attorney, did not testify at the hearing. She explained he was in the process of learning legislation regarding representations for Washoe County.

05-433 LOCATION OF COMMISSION CAUCUS MEETINGS

Commissioner Sferrazza requested the Caucus meetings be held in the Commission Chambers and said it would be in the interest of the public to have the Caucus meetings televised.

Susan Seidl, Reno resident, stated she was confused about what occurred at the Caucus meetings and how they differed from the Commission meetings. She was concerned that issues were being discussed and decisions were being made.

Gary Schmidt, Washoe County resident, stated several reasons why the Caucus meetings should be held in the Chambers.

Aaron Schumacher, said all meetings should be open at all times.

Juanita Cox, Reno resident, said the intent of the Caucus had changed and agreed the Caucus should be moved to the chambers.

Chairman Weber read comments from citizens Wendy Hall, K.A. Coubrough, Robert Sonderfan, Marla LaRue and Robert Shelley who were in favor of moving the Caucus meetings to the Commission chambers.

Commissioner Galloway commented there was a difference between open government and televised government, and he was in support of open government. He stated the Caucus meeting served a purpose and continued to be focused on gathering information.

In response to Chairman Weber, Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, explained the Caucus was for the Commissioners to ask questions and receive information. She said recently the agendas had been expanded to clarify what occurred at Caucus.

In response to Commissioner Larkin, Ms. Foster replied that every meeting of the Board was properly noticed and posted. Ms. Foster said in addition to the posting of the Notice under the Open Meeting Law, staff maintained a list of individuals who had requested they be provided a copy of an agenda. Ms. Foster remarked additional notices for public hearings were handled by the Clerk's Office, who published notices required by law in the legal section of the newspaper.

Katy Singlaub, County Manager, clarified the caucus meetings allowed for an exchange of information between staff and the Board to make the meetings on Tuesday more efficient. Ms. Singlaub replied an additional cost would have to be calculated into the County's allowed SNCAT programming and an expense to the County to run the cameras and reproduce the programs.

Commissioner Humke asked how many people receive the SNCAT signal in Washoe County. Ms. Singlaub responded approximately 300,000 people have the ability to receive the signal. Commissioner Humke submitted the Caucus did not fulfill the intended purpose, and was for the convenience of staff, and should be suspended.

Chairman Weber considered the Caucus helpful and beneficial.

Commissioner Larkin questioned if Caucus minutes were made public. Amy Harvey, County Clerk, replied all the recordings were made public and were available for citizens. She said minutes for the Caucus meetings were available for the public to view in the Clerk's Office.

Commissioner Galloway supported the continuation of the Caucus meetings and believed they are beneficial.

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Sferrazza voting "no," Chairman Weber ordered that the Caucus meetings continue to be held in the Caucus room.

REPORTS/UPDATES FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Weber reported she attended the Virginia-Truckee (V&T) Railroad groundbreaking of the Overman Pit. She said their next scheduled meeting was May 19, 2005. She reminded the public of the Golden Valley property owners open space clean up scheduled for May 21, 2005.

Commissioner Humke requested to return to Item 5, Commissioner and Manager Announcements, since the statement he was about to read should be heard under that item.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, Chairman Weber ordered that Item 5, Commissioner's and Manager's Announcements, be reopened.

05-433A <u>COMMISSIONERS/MANAGER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Commissioner Humke read a statement from Ted Short regarding SB326, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

Commissioner Sferrazza requested staff advise citizens the proper procedure to appeal a decision or interpretation of the County Code with respect to the grades of a road in Palomino Valley.

Commissioner Larkin requested a report of the numbers of registered voters in each Commissioner district.

Commissioner Galloway received a number of e-mails in regard to SB326, which targeted the Ballardini Ranch. He said the public could contact their representative about that issue. He asked staff if it were feasible to assist the Tahoe Children's Foundation in obtaining portable buildings.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

BONNIE WEBER, Chairman Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

AMY HARVEY, County Clerk and Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Minutes Prepared by Karen Jones, Deputy County Clerk Stacy Gonzales, Deputy County Clerk