# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA

MONDAY 10:00 A.M. JULY 24, 2012

PRESENT:

Robert Larkin, Chairman
Bonnie Weber, Vice Chairperson
John Breternitz, Commissioner
Kitty Jung, Commissioner
David Humke, Commissioner

Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk (10:00 a.m. – 11:51 p.m.)

Amy Harvey, County Clerk (12:05 p.m. - 6:21 p.m.)

Katy Simon, County Manager

Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:02 a.m. 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 Chief Deputy Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

## 12-693 AGENDA ITEM 3 – PUBLIC COMMENT

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Public Comment. Comment heard under this item will be limited to two minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Commission agenda. The Commission will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to two minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Commission as a whole."

There was no response to the call for public comment.

#### 12-694 AGENDA ITEM 4 – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Agenda Subject: "Commissioners'/Manager's Announcements, Requests for Information, Topics for Future Agendas, Statements Relating to Items Not on the Agenda and any ideas and suggestions for greater efficiency, cost effectiveness and innovation in County government. (No discussion among Commissioners will take place on this item.)"

Katy Simon, County Manager, said Agenda Item 19, the recommendation to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Washoe County Nurses Association for the Non-Supervisory and Supervisory bargaining units, would come back before the Board after the vote was completed. She stated Agenda Item 5, the

presentation of Excellence in Public Service Certificate, was being pulled because the honoree was not able to be present today.

Ms. Simon read a comment from a member of the public regarding the cheerful and helpful attitude of the staff and volunteers at the South Valleys Library.

Commissioner Weber said she attended the National Association of Counties (NACo) conference in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, which was a great event and provided valuable information about the issues counties across the Country were dealing with. She stated Washoe County's Technology Services Department received the second place Digital Counties Award for counties of Washoe County's size.

Commissioner Weber stated there would be a Library Board of Trustees meeting on July 26, 2012, and she wrote the Trustees asking them to reconsider their staffing plans for the Verdi Library and the Duncan/Traner Community Library. She requested an agenda item to discuss the possibility of having one staff member and one volunteer on duty instead of two staff members to keep those libraries open.

Commissioner Jung advised the Library Board of Trustees proposal was to not close either of those libraries at this time, but instead they were proposing a small reduction in hours at the Verdi Library. She stated she would ask if the contracts would allow the library staffing policies to be renegotiated at Friday's Trustees meeting.

Commissioner Jung said she was honored to attend the annual convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars being held in Reno, which would have 20,000 participants. She stated only veterans of a foreign war or a Ladies Auxiliary member could attend. She said she had that honor because her father was a Vietnam veteran and her husband was a Gulf War I veteran, and she was in awe of the veterans who fought in a war on foreign soil. She stated she represented the Commission in welcoming the veterans and their families.

Chairman Larkin requested an agenda item regarding the progress regarding managed competition.

Commissioner Weber said some of the Citizen Advisory Boards (CAB's) had been holding meetings over the last few weeks, and she commended the Manager and staff for holding the discussions so the citizens could express what they believed worked best for their CAB and what they believed did not. She said citizen participation had been lacking, but she felt rethinking the CAB's would result in better, more positive, and a more inclusive form of citizen involvement.

Ms. Simon advised Washoe County's bond rating was affirmed to be "AA" by Moody's Investors Service and Standard and Poor's, which were great bond ratings and were the highest in the history of Northern Nevada. She congratulated the Finance team for their efforts in achieving and maintaining that rating.

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### **CONSENT ITEMS – 6A THROUGH 6J(7)**

Commissioner Jung advised she learned during the Investment Committee meeting that the County's portfolio management company, Public Financial Management, was eligible for a performance bonus of \$27,000 plus, but waived it due to Northern Nevada's financial issues; and she thanked them for doing so.

## 12-695 <u>AGENDA ITEM 6</u>

**Agenda Subject:** "Approve minutes for the Board of County Commissioners' meeting for June 26, 2012."

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6A be approved.

## 12-696 <u>AGENDA ITEM 6B – MANAGER</u>

Agenda Subject: "Cancel August 21, 2012 County Commission meeting."

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6B be approved.

#### 12-697 AGENDA ITEM 6C – ASSESSOR

Agenda Subject: "Approve roll change requests, pursuant to NRS 361.768 and NRS 361.765, for errors discovered for the 2009/2010, 2010/2011, 2011/2012 secured and unsecured tax rolls; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute order and direct the Washoe County Treasurer to correct the error(s) [cumulative amount of decrease \$5,008.19]--Assessor. (Parcels are in various Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6C be approved, authorized, executed, and directed.

# 12-698 <u>AGENDA ITEM 6D – COMMUNITY SERVICES/REGIONAL</u> <u>PARKS AND OPEN SPACE</u>

Agenda Subject: "Approve cancellation of contract for the Verdi Fire Ecosystem Restoration Implementation Project funded by the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act 2009 to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder Kelley

Erosion Control due to time period limitations--Community Services/Regional Parks and Open Space. (Commission Districts 1 and 5.)"

Commissioner Weber asked if the future funding would be expended on another project in the Verdi area because of this cancellation. Al Rogers, Regional Parks and Open Space Acting Director, replied the cancellation occurred because the window of opportunity for applying the herbicide was missed and, if it remained a priority project, it would still be done. He said whether it remained a priority would depend on the coming fire season and any other fire restoration efforts in the Verdi area.

Commissioner Weber asked why the period for applying the herbicide was missed. Mr. Rogers said the contract was awarded in mid-May and the application should have been done in June. He advised a protest was filed based on the company's pesticide-application license, which caused the window of opportunity to be missed for applying the herbicide. He said if the project remained a priority, everything was lined up and the herbicide application would be done in early June, 2013.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6D be approved.

### 12-699 AGENDA ITEM 6E – MANAGER/INTERNAL AUDIT

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Reappoint Mr. Dave Stark, to the Washoe County Audit Committee for the term commencing July 1, 2012 and expiring on June 30, 2014--Manager/Internal Audit. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Mr. Dave Stark, be reappointed to the Washoe County Audit Committee for the term commencing July 1, 2012 and expiring on June 30, 2014.

## 12-700 AGENDA ITEM 6F – SOCIAL SERVICES

Agenda Subject: "Approve authorization for the Director of Social Services to accept additional Federal Chafee funds [\$45,000] from the State Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) to assist youth in making the transition from foster care to economic self-sufficiency and to recognize high school graduation success of older foster youth; and if approved, authorize the purchase of food and refreshments for Independent Living Program (ILP) events and the purchase of gifts and gift cards to be used as incentives for participation or recognition of achievements; and authorize travel so that the youth and staff may attend the annual Daniel Memorial Conference in Atlanta, Georgia; and, direct Finance to

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make the appropriate budget adjustments--Social Services. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6F be approved, authorized, and directed.

#### 12-701 AGENDA ITEM 6G – TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Authorize the Purchasing Department to release a Request for Proposal to replace Washoe County's existing legacy business licensing/permits software application and continue to facilitate shared service opportunities-Technology Services. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6G be authorized.

#### 12-702 AGENDA ITEM 6H(1) – DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Agenda Subject: "Approve payments [\$7,295.93] to vendors for assistance of 26 victims of sexual assault and authorize Comptroller to process same. NRS 217.310 requires payment by the County of total initial medical care of victims, regardless of cost, and of follow-up treatment costs of up to \$1,000 for victims, victim's spouses and other eligible persons. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6H(1) be approved and authorized.

### 12-703 AGENDA ITEM 6H(2) – DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Agenda Subject: "Accept a Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) 3-year grant to the District Attorney's Office [\$60,000, with required 25 percent match], from the State Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) to provide travel and training funds for those who serve victims, including but not limited to victim advocates and the medical staff at the Jim Pagels CARES/SART Facility. The grant period is from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015; and if accepted, direct Finance to make the necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6H(2) be accepted and directed.

## 12-704 <u>AGENDA ITEM 6I(1) – SENIOR SERVICES</u>

Agenda Subject: "Accept cash donations [\$5,516.31] received during the period of June 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012; and if accepted, direct the Finance to make the appropriate budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

Commissioner Jung expressed the gratitude of the Board for the cash donations made to Senior Services.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6I(1) be accepted and directed.

#### 12-705 AGENDA ITEM 6I(2) – SENIOR SERVICES

Agenda Subject: "Authorize the purchase of refreshments for Department of Senior Services-sponsored public meetings and special events [not to exceed \$2,000] for Fiscal Year 2012/2013. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6I(2) be authorized.

#### 12-706 AGENDA ITEM 6J(1) – SHERIFF

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Accept grant award [\$8,000, no County match required] from Join Together of Northern Nevada to cover overtime costs related to enforcing underage drinking Laws (EUDL) activities; and if accepted, direct Finance to make necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(1) be accepted and directed.

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# 12-707 $\underline{\mathbf{AGENDA\ ITEM\ 6J(2) - SHERIFF}}$

Agenda Subject: "Accept a direct grant award from the State of Nevada, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Project No.12-JAG-27 [\$30,000, no County match required], supporting the All Threats All Crimes Task Force; and if accepted, authorize use of JAG training funds for non-county employees assigned to the Task Force; and if accepted, authorize Finance to make necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(2) be accepted and authorized.

### 12-708 <u>AGENDA ITEM 6J(3) – SHERIFF</u>

Agenda Subject: "Accept supplemental overtime and investigative funds [\$19,438.48, no County match] for 2011 Northern Nevada Drug Task Force Grant, from High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas through Las Vegas Metro Police Department; and if accepted, direct Finance to make the necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(3) be accepted and directed.

# 12-709 $\underline{\mathbf{AGENDA\ ITEM\ 6J(4) - SHERIFF}}$

Agenda Subject: "Accept a direct grant award from the State of Nevada, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Fiscal Year 2012/13 Justice Assistance Grant [\$41,000, no County match required], Project No.12-JAG-28 supporting the purchase of Datalux in-car computers for Washoe County Sheriff's Office Patrol vehicles and approve continuation of sole source purchase approval from previous grant on July 27, 2010; and if accepted, authorize Finance to make necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(4) be accepted and authorized.

## 12-710 $\underline{\mathbf{AGENDA\ ITEM\ 6J(5)}} - \underline{\mathbf{SHERIFF}}$

Agenda Subject: "Accept a direct grant award of de-obligated Fiscal Year 2009 ARRA funds for use in Fiscal Year 2012/13 from the State of Nevada, Office of Criminal Justice Assistance Fiscal Year 2009 Justice Assistance Grant [\$14,000, no County match required], Project No. 09-ARRA-32 supporting the purchase of Radio Encryption software for Detectives; and if accepted, authorize Finance to make necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(5) be accepted and authorized.

## 12-711 AGENDA ITEM 6J(6) – SHERIFF

Agenda Subject: "Approve Sheriff's Security Agreement between the Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation and the County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to provide uniformed Deputy Sheriffs for security during the 2012 Reno Tahoe Open Golf Tournament, July 30, 2012 through August 5, 2012 [estimated reimbursement for security costs \$52,000]. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(6) be approved.

### 12-712 $\underline{\mathbf{AGENDA\ ITEM\ 6J(7) - SHERIFF}}$

Agenda Subject: "Approve Law Enforcement Funding Agreement between the County of Washoe, Sheriff of Washoe County and Black Rock City, LLC, to provide reimbursement for extra staffing needed in the Gerlach/Empire area during the annual Burning Man Festival for 2012, [estimated total reimbursement for staffing \$64,656: \$54,506 for law enforcement activities related to the 2012 Burning Man Event and \$10,150 for WCSO All Threats All Crimes Task Force to operate in Gerlach/Burning Man Event]. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6J(7) be approved.

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## 12-713 AGENDA ITEM 8 – APPEARANCE

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Appearance: John Thurman, Interim CEO, Nevadaworks - Presentation regarding update on Nevadaworks. (Requested by Commissioner Weber.)"

John Thurman, Nevadaworks Interim CEO, said Nevadaworks existed because of a 1998 five-year law, and Nevadaworks continued to operate under continuing resolutions since 2003. He advised approximately 3,000 clients received services from the funds received from the federal government, which were this area's tax dollars coming back to the area. He said the Governor's initiative was to move Nevada forward by improving how these services were delivered to the people receiving them, which would ultimately unify some services and agencies. He explained the plan needed approval from the United States Department of Labor before it could move forward. He said if it was not approved there were other avenues that could be taken to get to the same end, but it would not be with the blessing of the Department of Labor.

Mr. Thurman conducted a PowerPoint presentation highlighting Nevadaworks' mission, the goals for Nevada's restructured economic development system, the current system, the proposed restructure of Nevada's workforce investment system, and the goals for Nevada's future system. A copy of the presentation was placed on file with the Clerk.

Mr. Thurman said the plan would lead to the elimination of Northern Nevada's Nevadaworks and the Southern Nevada's Workforce Connections. He stated it was hoped that would provide more training dollars and services to those people most in need for employment in Nevada.

Commissioner Breternitz asked if Nevadaworks' efforts were targeted towards filling the openings happening because of the economic development occurring in Nevada. Mr. Thurman said Nevadaworks' worked very closely with the State's Office of Economic Development and the local economic development authorities. He explained when an employer was invited to visit Nevada or was looking to expand their business, they might have specific training needs. He said the workforce development system provided training dollars to improve or provide new skills to individuals currently employed or for those who would become employees of those companies.

Commissioner Weber asked if the elimination of Nevadaworks was occurring right away. Mr. Thurman replied it was business as usual until it was not. He stated that meant the State had applied to the Department of Labor for a waiver to change from the current structure of two local boards to a single statewide board. He said if the State was awarded that waiver, then the transition to the single statewide board would start. He said there were many nervous staff members wondering what the change would mean to them, but the fine details of how the change would happen were not there yet. He stated there was an expanded version of the Moving Nevada Forward plan at

www.nvdetr.org. He said currently it was a proposal, but he believed it was only a matter of when it would happen.

Commissioner Weber recommended bringing the staff of the two organizations into the new organization. Mr. Thurman said there were 8.5 Nevadaworks staff members and approximately 32 staff members in Las Vegas, Nevada. He advised the State recognized much of the institutional knowledge for the delivery of services under the Workforce Investment Act resided with those individuals. However, State policy dictated it would be an open solicitation for the 18 new positions created within the State, but it was hoped individuals from that group of 40 would fill those positions.

Commissioner Weber asked if the Industry Sector Councils were already meeting. Mr. Thurman said the "Green" Sector Council and the Healthcare Sector Council had met. He stated the other Councils were still in the development stage.

There was no public comment and no action taken on this item.

## BLOCK VOTE - AGENDA ITEMS 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, AND 16

## 12-714 <u>AGENDA ITEM 9 – MANAGER/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</u>

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to accept 2010 Supplemental Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Grant, State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), Continuity of Operations & Government project [\$175,000, no County match required]; and if accepted, direct the Finance Department to make the appropriate budget adjustments--Manager/Emergency Management. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 9 be accepted and directed.

#### 12-715 AGENDA ITEM 10 – MANAGER

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to retroactively approve a three-year renewal Agreement for Provision of Legal Services to Children in Abuse and Neglect Proceedings between the County of Washoe and Washoe Legal Services to provide for the legal representation of children in the Child Protective Services system effective July 1, 2012 [fixed annual amount of \$243,764 for Fiscal Year 2013]-Manager. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 10 be approved.

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### 12-716 <u>AGENDA ITEM 11 – SHERIFF/ANIMAL SERVICES</u>

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to accept a Community Lifesaving Award to Washoe County Regional Animal Services (WCRAS) [\$200,000, no County match] from the Duffield Family Foundation dba Maddie's Fund is to be used for the humane care, treatment, adoption or rescue of animals in WCRAS care; and if accepted, direct the Finance Department to make the appropriate budget adjustments--Sheriff/Animal Services. (All Commission Districts.)"

Katy Simon, County Manager, gave kudos to Barry Brode, Animal Services Manager, and Assistant Sheriff Tim Kuzanek for their great efforts at Regional Animal Services.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 11 be accepted and directed.

## 12-717 <u>AGENDA ITEM 12 – SOCIAL SERVICES</u>

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to execute an Agreement between the County of Washoe and Washoe County Access to Health Care Network (AHN) [\$100,000] for Fiscal Year 2012-13, with two additional one year renewals, to purchase access to its network of doctors and administrative services, including negotiated rates and case management for clients in the Health Care Assistance Program--Social Services. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 12 be authorized.

#### 12-718 AGENDA ITEM 13 – COMMUNITY SERVICES/PUBLIC WORKS

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to award a bid and approve the agreement for the "2012 Lakeshore Pedestrian Path Overlay" project to Granite Construction Company, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder [\$250,775.56 Base Bid and \$41,516.44 Additive Alternate for a total of \$292,292 - funding source Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Air Quality Mitigation funds]--Community Services/Public Works. (Commission District 1.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 13 be awarded and approved.

# 12-719 <u>AGENDA ITEM 14 – COMMUNITY SERVICES/REGIONAL</u> PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to accept Recreational Trails Program Grant [\$100,000 with \$24,000 required cash match from Parks Capital Fund 4440] for the North Valleys Regional Park Trail System and approve the State of Nevada Division of State Parks Recreational Trails Program Grant Agreement; authorize the Community Services Department to request proposals (RFP) for selection of a qualified contractor to construct the project; authorize the Acting Director of Regional Parks and Open Space to sign the grant agreement and all associated documents on behalf of the County; and authorize the Finance Department to make the appropriate budget adjustments--Community Services/Regional Parks and Open Space. (Commission District 5.)"

Commissioner Weber thanked Jennifer Budge, Park Planner, on getting the approval for the grant because the park trails in the North Valleys Regional park would be built faster.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 14 be accepted, authorized, and executed.

# 12-720 <u>AGENDA ITEM 15 – COMMUNITY SERVICES/REGIONAL</u> <u>PARKS AND OPEN SPACE</u>

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to award a bid and approve the Agreement Form for the Crystal Peak Park Fish Pond Slope Improvements Project to Gradex Construction Company, the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder [\$147,755.02]-Community Services/Regional Parks and Open Space. (Commission District 5.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 15 be awarded and approved.

#### 12-721 AGENDA ITEM 16 – FINANCE/RISK MANAGEMENT

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to authorize the Risk Manager to renew the Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance Policy with New York Marine and General Insurance Company for one year at a premium of \$142,680 and renew the Property Insurance Policy with Affiliated FM Insurance Company for one year at a

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premium of \$372,971, which includes an engineering fee of \$10,000, funding from the Risk Management Fund source--Finance/Risk Management. (All Commission Districts.)"

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Humke, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 16 be authorized.

# 12-722 AGENDA ITEM 17 – FINANCE

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to approve and execute an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Washoe County, Nevada, General Obligation (Limited Tax) Various Purpose Refunding Bonds, Series 2012A; specifying the terms and conditions of such bonds and their form; providing for the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem tax for the payment of the bonds; providing for adoption as if an emergency exists and providing other details in connection therewith-- Finance. (All Commission Districts.)"

Chairman Larkin said this was analogous to someone refunding their mortgage at a lower rate. Sheri Mendez, Finance Director, said Chairman Larkin was correct. She advised interest rates declined substantially since the original bonds were issued and those bonds would be refunded at the lower interest rates. She said the Series 2012A would achieve a savings of 8.13 percent, which was more than doubling the typical net present value savings sought.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk, read the title for Ordinance No. 1492, Bill No. 1675.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that Ordinance No. 1492, Bill No. 1675, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE "WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA, GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) VARIOUS PURPOSE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2012A," SPECIFYING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH BONDS AND THEIR FORM; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION AS IF AN EMERGENCY EXISTS AND PROVIDING OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH," be approved, adopted and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

## 12-723 AGENDA ITEM 18 – FINANCE

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to approve and execute an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the "Washoe County, Nevada, General Obligation (Limited Tax) Refunding Bonds (additionally secured by pledged revenues), Series 2012B" for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds secured by Consolidated Tax pledged revenues; providing the form, terms and conditions of the bonds and other details in connection therewith; and adopting it as if an emergency now exists--Finance. (All Commission Districts.)"

Katy Simon, County Manager, explained the refinancing of bonds was always done as if an emergency existed, per statute, to capture the best possible interest rates. She said the forecasted net present value savings would be \$1.4 million or a 6.2 percent savings.

Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk, read the title for Ordinance No. 1493, Bill No. 1676.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Humke, which motion duly carried, Chairman Larkin ordered that Ordinance No. 1493, Bill No. 1676, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE "WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA, GENERAL OBLIGATION (LIMITED TAX) REFUNDING BONDS (ADDITIONALLY SECURED BY PLEDGED REVENUES), SERIES 2012B," FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING BONDS SECURED BY CONSOLIDATED TAX PLEDGED REVENUES; PROVIDING THE FORM, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE BONDS AND OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND ADOPTING IT AS IF AN EMERGENCY NOW EXISTS," be approved, adopted and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

#### 12-724 AGENDA ITEM 20 – HUMAN RESOURCES

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Washoe County Employees Association for the Non-Supervisory and Supervisory bargaining units for the periods July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 in which the 2010/2011 labor cost reductions of 3.44% for the Non-Supervisory unit and 3.34% for the Supervisory unit were extended through July 1, 2012; approve the Collective Bargaining Agreements with the Washoe County Employees Association for the Non-Supervisory and Supervisory bargaining units for the periods July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 in which the extended labor cost reductions of 2010/2011 of 3.44% for the Non-Supervisory unit and 3.34% for the Supervisory unit are removed effective July 2, 2012--Human Resources. (All Commission Districts.)"

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Katy Simon, County Manager, thanked the leadership of the Washoe County Employees Association (WCEA) and the employees who supported the direction and needs of the County and of the taxpayers with great sacrifice.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

Commissioner Jung asked the Manager to explain what took place and what it meant in terms of the County's fiscal stability. Ms. Simon said the WCEA employees last received a cost of living adjustment (COLA) in July 2007. She stated besides deferring their COLA increases, they had taken \$7.2 million in pay cuts since 2009. She said the WCEA members carried their 2010/11 pay cuts forward into 2011/12, and they gave back \$2.5 million in wages and benefits in 2011/12. She stated because the Board was able to balance the budget for 2012/13 by eliminating 51 positions, it was possible to remove the concessions that had been in place all those years.

Chairman Larkin felt the Manager deserved the credit for bridging the gap. Ms. Simon said the work was accomplished by a team. Chairman Larkin said a team needed a leader, and the Manager had provided that leadership.

Commissioner Weber said she could not thank the County's employees enough for their willingness to work with the Commission. She thanked Carla Fells, WCEA Executive Director, for her leadership.

Commissioner Humke stated the WCEA was one of the largest employee associations the Board dealt with and they were one of the most important. He said they greeted the public and lots of compliments were received from the public regarding the WCEA's members. He stated the Board appreciated the WCEA's members working with management to help solve problems.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 20 be approved.

#### 12-725 AGENDA ITEM 21 – MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Agenda Subject: "Possible reconsideration of action taken July 16, 2012 on approval and execution of a resolution designated as the "2012 Public Safety Automatic Aid Advisory Ballot Question Resolution", thereby approving the submittal of an advisory question to the registered voters of Washoe County at the General Election on Tuesday, November 6, 2012--Management Services. (All Commission Districts.) (Requested by Commissioner Humke.)"

Commissioner Humke proposed no action on this item.

Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel, said Commissioner Humke was asking about the legality of Agenda Item 22. He stated if there was no action on this item, which was one way this could be handled, then Agenda Item 22 would be a nullity. He said

Agenda Item 22 was contemplating rescinding the Board's earlier adoption of a resolution placing an advisory question on the ballot concerning automatic aid. He advised under Nevada statutes, the time period for placing or withdrawing an item from the ballot had passed. He said the recommendation to the Board was to not approve Agenda Item 22 because it was legally not possible.

Commissioner Humke said Agenda Item 22 was rendered a nullity, which meant this item was not worth doing, and he did not wish to pursue it.

Commissioner Jung asked if the Secretary of State had been asked for advice. She felt pulling the advisory question off of the ballot was completely legal because the ballot printing deadline had not been reached. She understood candidates could not pull their names off the ballot after a certain time, but who would be the plaintiff here or who would sue since it was the Board's action. Mr. Lipparelli said sometimes fine distinctions had to be made when providing legal advice, but this was easy because the statute did not permit adding or withdrawing a ballot question after the third Monday in July. He understood the sentiment of Commissioner Jung's question on who would be harmed, but it would be conjecture for him to guess about that. He felt his primary duty was to advise and the statute was clear in this instance.

Commissioner Jung asked if anyone had looked to see if any other municipalities had faced this recently and what advice might have been given to them.

Mr. Lipparelli said he had failed to address Commissioner Jung's question regarding contacting the Secretary of State, and he had not. He stated the Secretary of State could read a statute the same way he could, and the statute said a question could not be withdrawn after the deadline. He said he also did not consult with other municipalities about this issue.

Chairman Larkin stated Agenda Item 21 was withdrawn.

Later in the meeting, Commissioner Weber advised she wanted a second opinion from the Secretary of State or the State Attorney General regarding if there was a possibility for reconsideration.

Mr. Lipparelli advised the Board's rules regarding reconsideration required that the reconsideration take place at the same meeting or at the following meeting to the action taken. He said even if reconsideration was done, which was proper under the Board's rules, the main issue was if the advisory question could be withdrawn from the ballot. He stated his advice was there was no legal method that could be used to do that. He said if there was an interest by the Board members in asking that question of the Secretary of State, he would be happy to do that. He stated if there was some way to remove the question from the ballot, the Board's action would not be a reconsideration; but a new action to withdraw the question from the ballot.

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Mr. Lipparelli said when it was a close call legally, he was careful to indicate there were good arguments on both sides and it could go either way. He stated being frank about both sides of the question was part of his duty in giving legal advice. He believed this was not a close call because the statute said items could be put on and taken off the ballot, but only by the third Monday in July. He felt it was dubious anyone else would reach a different conclusion, but he was happy to have his opinion reviewed.

Commissioner Weber said she would like to have another opinion. Commissioner Breternitz stated he agreed. He felt the Board owed doing that to the City of Reno

Chairman Larkin stated there was a request to seek a second opinion on an item previously voted on and approved by the Board. He said if the second opinion was counter to Mr. Lipparelli's opinion, the suggestion was to do what. Mr. Lipparelli replied there was a deadline approaching soon for printing the ballots, so this question would have to be resolved by August 15, 2012. He said he would contact the Secretary of State's Elections Officials and ask if they had a different view about removing matters from the ballot. He said he would report the result of that conversation back immediately, but he would also suggest including an entirely new item on the August 14, 2012 agenda to withdraw the question from the ballot. Commissioner Weber requested that item be placed on the August 14th agenda to be used if needed.

## 12-726 <u>AGENDA ITEM 22 – MANAGEMENT SERVICES</u>

Agenda Subject: "Possible rescission of a resolution adopted July 16, 2012 designated as the "2012 Public Safety Automatic Aid Advisory Ballot Question Resolution", thereby approving the submittal of an advisory question to the registered voters of Washoe County at the General Election on Tuesday, November 6, 2012--Management Services. (All Commission Districts.) (Requested by Commissioner Humke.)"

Katy Simon, County Manager, said this item was negated because Agenda Item 21 was withdrawn.

#### 12-727 AGENDA ITEM 23 – REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to approve appointments to the Ballot Arguments Committees for Ballot Question (2012 Public Safety Automatic Aid Advisory Question) for the November 6, 2012 General Election--Registrar of Voters. (All Commission Districts.) Continued from the July 10 and July 16, 2012 Commission meetings."

Luanne Cutler, Administrative Secretary, asked if the Board had any recommendations for appointments to the Ballot Arguments Committees.

Commissioner Breternitz said he was contacted by Tom Motherway and Daryl Drake who offered to serve on the Ballot Arguments Committee in favor of the ballot question.

Commissioner Jung said she was contacted by Tom Daly who would like to serve on the Ballot Arguments Committee in opposition of the ballot question.

Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel, explained the process used to formulate the committees was governed by Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 295.121, which provided the Board of County Commissioners could appoint members to the committees to formulate the arguments "for" and "against" the ballot question. He said it was also permissible for other people to step forward or for the Commissioners to suggest possible members. He believed a committee could proceed with a single member but, regardless of the number of members, the committee's work would be reviewed by the Registrar of Voters in consultation with the District Attorney to ensure the work complied with the statutory guidelines. He stated there were a number of safeguards in place to ensure the voters were presented with cogent arguments "for" and "against." He said if the Board failed or could not appoint the committee members, the Registrar of Voters would write the "for" and "against" arguments in consultation with the District Attorney. He noted the Registrar of Voters could make small corrections to the Argument Committees' work to ensure compliance with the statutory guidelines.

Commissioner Breternitz asked what the timeline was for the Argument Committees. Ms. Cutler explained the Registrar of Voters' deadline for the entire process to be completed was August 15, 2012, which included getting the sample ballots to print.

There was no public comment for this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried with Chairman Larkin voting "no," it was ordered that Tom Motherway and Daryl Drake be appointed to the Ballot Arguments Committee in favor of the ballot question and Tom Daly be appointed to the Ballot Arguments Committee in opposition of the ballot question.

#### 12-728 AGENDA ITEM 24 – REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Agenda Subject: "Recommendation to approve appointments to the Ballot Arguments Committees for Ballot Question (Public Services Funding Advisory Question) for the November 6, 2012 General Election--Registrar of Voters. (All Commission Districts.) Continued from the July 10, and July 16, 2012 Commission meetings."

Katy Simon, County Manager, said a list of possible appointees had been received from Connie McMullen and others. She stated because the Ballot Question included funding for senior services, public safety, and public infrastructure, the Board might want to consider appointing people from all of those areas. Commissioner Jung

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asked if anyone besides the advocates for senior services had been heard from. Ms. Simon said feelers had been put out to quite a few people. John Slaughter, Management Services Director, stated he talked with John Madole, but he did not have final confirmation regarding if he wanted to be involved.

Commissioner Jung asked if anyone could participate, or did they have to be appointed by the Board. Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel, said the work of the Ballot Argument Committees was not subject to the Open Meeting Law. He stated he did not think anything prohibited other people from attending the meetings, but they would be unlikely to know when the meeting would be held if they were not on the Committees. He said they probably would not get an official seat at the table, but could make suggestions; and their participation would not be binding on the Committees.

Commissioner Jung asked if the Board had final approval of the language or was the language under the jurisdiction of the Registrar of Voters. Mr. Lipparelli replied under statute each Committee prepared their argument and exchanged their work with the other Committee, which provided somewhat of a check and balance of the work. He said the Registrar of Voters, in consultation with the District Attorney on legal issues, would be the final gate to the arguments being on the ballot.

Mr. Lipparelli said he located a statute that addressed Commissioner Jung's earlier inquiry. He stated the Committee was permitted to seek and consider comments from the general public.

Commissioner Jung asked if the Commissioners were able to help craft the language. Mr. Lipparelli said nothing barred the Commissioners from participating, but he urged caution regarding possible quorum problems that occurred when Commissioners started showing up at meetings.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

Commissioner Humke made a motion to appoint John Madole, Todd Vinger, and Connie McMullen to the Ballot Arguments Committee in favor of the ballot question. Commissioner Breternitz seconded the motion.

Commissioner Jung said she recalled Mr. Madole testified against the proposal, so he might want to be on the opposition side of the arguments. Mr. Slaughter stated Mr. Madole was willing to serve on the "for" committee.

Commissioner Weber asked if Mr. Madole would be placed on the "for" or "against" committee. Commissioner Humke said an individual could be nominated, but could decline to serve. He stated he trusted that even if Mr. Madole would personally vote against the ballot question, he would assist with crafting an affirmative argument.

Commissioner Weber said there had been other people who stated they were willing to serve on the "for" committee and, because Mr. Madole had not stated he

would be willing to take the time to serve on it, she would vote no on the motion. Commissioner Humke stated he could amend or withdraw the motion, but the three nominees represented each of the three areas. Commissioner Weber agreed she liked that. Commissioner Humke felt it would foolish to load the committee up with more than one person for each area, which would not serve the ballot question well.

Mr. Lipparelli said Undersheriff Vinger was a Washoe County employee and there was a statute that barred the use of public funds to advocate for or against the passage of a question or for candidates. He stated whether Undersheriff Vinger's participation would amount to that or not was not clear, but the Board might wish to consider whether it did and if he would be willing to serve as a citizen after work hours and not in his official role as the Undersheriff. He said because the Undersheriff worked 24/7, he was not sure when he was not on duty. He stated he was also not aware if the Undersheriff had received advice about this, so the Board first might want to consult with the Undersheriff about his comfort level regarding this and whether there might be others to fill that role.

Chairman Larkin said Commissioner Humke believed someone could be nominated, but their participation would be up to their discretion. Mr. Lipparelli advised the statute contemplated the Board would be appointing up to three committee members on each side. He said it was possible the Board could make a conditional appointment so if the first person chosen declined, there would be someone else who might be willing to fill that seat. Ms. Simon stated her suggestion would be to have some alternates as backup if the people nominated said no.

Ms. Simon said she had not heard back yet regarding her e-mail to the Sheriff asking if he had any nominations. She asked if it was permissible for the Board to delegate to the Sheriff for him to select an appropriate person as the Board's nominee to represent the public safety portion of the ballot question. Mr. Lipparelli advised the statute was not clear whether that was a delegable duty of the Board, and he worried it could potentially tarnish the work of the Committee. He said he believed the statute prohibiting the use of public funds really involved campaigning and the Undersheriff would not be campaigning, but would be serving on a committee that had the statutory job of writing the language for the question that would go on the ballot. He said that would possibly be considered an administrative step, which would not bump up against that statutory bar. He stated nothing could stop someone from raising it as an issue, and the safest course would be to find someone else.

Commissioner Breternitz asked if it would be possible to appoint an Officer of the Washoe County Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association. Mr. Lipparelli said he believed the Board could select an officer to be the person to serve, for example, the President of the Board of Directors of the Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association and so on down the chain of offices in case the person in the higher office declined.

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Chairman Larkin asked if the maker of the motion had any changes to the motion. Ms. Simon said Mr. Madole just confirmed he was willing to serve on the "for" Arguments Committee.

Commissioner Humke amended the motion to delete Todd Vinger as a nominee and to add an Officer of the Washoe County Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association; and the seconder, Commissioner Breternitz, agreed.

On the call for the vote, the vote was 5-0 in favor of the motion as amended to appoint John Madole, an Officer of the Washoe County Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association, and Connie McMullen to the Ballot Arguments Committee in favor of the ballot question.

Chairman Larkin said since there were no nominations for the "against" side of the ballot question, writing that argument would be delegated to the Registrar of Voters.

# 12-729 <u>AGENDA ITEM 25 – DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u>

Agenda Subject: "Introduction and first reading of an Ordinance adopting supplement number 13 to the Washoe County Code and all clerical and technical corrections made therein--District Attorney. (All Commission Districts.)"

Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk, read the title for Bill No. 1677.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

Bill No. 1677, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING SUPPLEMENT NUMBER 13 TO THE WASHOE COUNTY CODE AND ALL CLERICAL AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS MADE THEREIN," was introduced by Commissioner Humke, and legal notice for final action of adoption was directed.

- 11:26 a.m. The Board remained convened as the Board of County Commissioners and convened as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Sierra Fire Protection District.
- <u>12:45 p.m.</u> The Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Sierra Fire Protection District adjourned.

## 12-730 AGENDA ITEM 26 – MANAGEMENT SERVICES

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Update and discussion on the 2012 Nevada Legislative Interim Committees and Studies, legislation or legislative issues proposed by legislators, by Washoe County or by other entities permitted by the Nevada State Legislature to submit bill draft requests, or such legislative issues as may be deemed by the Chair

# or the Board to be of critical significance to Washoe County--Management Services. (All Commission Districts.)"

John Slaughter, Management Services Director, said staff had been attending all of the interim Consolidated Tax (C-Tax) Committee and Working Group meetings. He said the Working Group was making quite a bit of progress, and the Committee would be meeting on Thursday. He believed he would be able to indicate which direction the Committee was heading during his next report to the Board. He stated there had been a lot of cooperation statewide regarding the C-Tax issue.

Mr. Slaughter said staff was monitoring the subcommittee looking at funding for higher education, because of staff concerns based on past Legislative discussions regarding involving the counties in funding the Community Colleges.

Mr. Slaughter noted there would be two more meetings of the Board prior to the bill draft request (BDR) deadline, but there was nothing on the list provided as part of the Board's packets that he would recommend as being one of Washoe County's two BDR's. He said they were items a Legislator could carry or were items that could be amended into a bill after the next Legislative Session started.

There was no response to the call for public comment and no action was taken on this item.

#### 12-731 AGENDA ITEM 27 – MANAGER

# <u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Update on status of Shared Services efforts and possible direction to staff--Manager. (All Commission Districts.)"

Cory Casazza, Chief Information Management Officer, said a Shared Services meeting was held on July 16, 2012. He said the City of Reno and the County were drafting a tentative agreement for the County's Human Resources Department to provide training classes for the City of Reno. He said the Cities of Reno and Sparks and the County were searching for a joint business licensing permitting application, and the requirements for the new system were being finalized and would be going out for a Request for Proposal (RFP) next month. He stated approval was received earlier today from the Board to proceed with the RFP. He said the next meeting was scheduled for August 20, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. in the Washoe County Caucus Room.

Commissioner Breternitz noted the City of Sparks was getting more involved in these meetings, and he believed they would be starting to host the meeting as part of the rotation.

There was no response to the call for public comment and no action was taken on this item.

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### 12-732 AGENDA ITEM 29 – REPORTS/UPDATES

<u>Agenda Subject</u>: "Reports/updates from County Commission members concerning various boards/commissions they may be a member of or liaison to."

Commissioner Breternitz said there was a meeting tomorrow and Thursday of the Tahoe Regional Planning Authority (TRPA) Governing Board. He stated there would be a discussion of the Crystal Bay/Kings Beach Joint Area Plan on Thursday at the North Lake Tahoe Conference Center. He said a Placer County Supervisor had agreed to propose to the TRPA's Regional Plan Update Committee to bifurcate that Plan. He said based on the TRPA's efforts to pass along to the local jurisdictions the planning and permitting authorities for many of the day-to-day approvals without having to go back to the TRPA for additional approvals, it seemed important to have the people living within that locale to have a very simple and straightforward way of having input to what happened in their area. He said currently they would have to seek approval for many items also from Placer County. He stated the idea received unanimous approval by the TRPA's Advisory Planning Commission (APC) earlier this month, but there were some people who were not happy with the proposal, so he would have to wait and see how it went.

Commissioner Weber said she would be attending the Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) meeting starting on Thursday in Ely, Nevada. She stated a Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) meeting was held last Friday and there would be a Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA) meeting this Thursday.

Commissioner Jung stated there would be a District Board of Health meeting on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. at the Health Department. She said the Truckee River Flood Management Authority met and the Army Corp of Engineers Chief Deputy officially notified the Authority that the Truckee River Flood Project was taken off "pause" status, which meant the project should be moving forward.

Commissioner Jung stated she also met with a representative from the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) to discuss the Moana Lane/Highway 395 interchange work that was being proposed in response to the Moana Lane widening. She said the plan was available on NDOT's website, which was considered very innovative because it also included a pedestrian and bicycle lane.

Commissioner Humke said the NACO Legislative Committee was scheduled to meet last Friday, but only two Commissioners were present; and the conference call was rescheduled for 3:30 p.m. tomorrow.

**12:57 p.m.** The Board recessed.

3:00 p.m. The Board convened as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Sierra Fire Protection District along with the City Councils for the Cities of Reno and Sparks.

5:28 p.m. The Board of Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Sierra Fire Protection District along with the City Councils for the Cities of Reno and Sparks adjourned.

<u>**6:00 p.m.**</u> The Board reconvened with all members present.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

# 12-733 <u>AGENDA ITEM 28 – COMMUNITY SERVICES/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</u>

Agenda Subject: "Public hearing and possible approval of an outdoor festival business license for the Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing Series. The Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing Series is to be held from August 24, 2012 through August 26, 2012. The event is proposed to be held on a 624 acre parcel located at 12005 East Interstate 80 (APN 084-060-13), approximately ½ mile north by access road from the Mustang Exit (Exit 23) off Interstate 80. The Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing Series is a closed course off-road racing event. This event will be rounds 11 and 12 of the 15 round Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing Series. Event organizers estimate that a maximum number of 5,500 people will participate on any one day of the event, and that the total number of participants, customers and spectators for the entire event is estimated at 11,500. Based on the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing, to include the report of reviewing agencies, the County Commissioners may approve the issuance of the business license with conditions, or deny the business license. If approved, the County Commission will direct the Acting Director of the Community Development Department to issue the license when all appropriate pre-event conditions have been met--Community Services/Community Development. (Commission District 4.)"

Bob Webb, Planning Manager, noted this was the first time Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing Series rounds would be held in Washoe County. He said the Commission could approve the issuance of the license with conditions or deny the license. He stated the possible motion to approve the license included providing direction to the Acting Director of Community Development to issue the business license when certain pre-event conditions had been met. He noted Attachment B of the staff report dated July 3, 2012 contained the proposed pre-event conditions highlighted in bold text.

Mr. Webb said he only received one public comment from the Chair of the East Truckee Canyon Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) indicating the CAB was excited for the event to proceed.

Norm Dianda, Grand Slam Enterprises, stated Lucas Oil started talking with him about this event in September 2011, and he had been working with the County Manager and other County staff to make sure the race happened. He stated the race would be an ongoing event and there would also probably be four to six regional events held at

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the site, which was an old landfill being recycled into something usable. He said additionally other events such as motocross, monster trucks, and rock climbers were being looked at because the site lent itself to hosting outdoor sporting events. He believed the event would be great for the community and the Lucas Oil people did a first class job on all of their events. He stated it was appreciated how the County approached getting this done to meet event's dates.

Chairman Larkin thanked Mr. Dianda for having the vision to do something with that piece of land.

There was no response to the call for public comment and Chairman Larkin closed the public hearing.

Chairman Larkin and Commissioners Breternitz, Jung, and Weber disclosed they had discussed this event with the applicant, and Commissioner Breternitz further disclosed he had in the past been employed by Q&D Construction, which would have no affect on his judgment in this matter.

On motion by Chairman Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 28 be approved.

# 12-734 <u>AGENDA ITEM 30 – CLOSED SESSION</u>

Agenda Subject: "Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations with Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and/or Sierra Fire Protection District per NRS 288.220."

There was no closed session.

#### 12-735 AGENDA ITEM 32 – PUBLIC COMMENT

Agenda Subject: "Public Comment. Comment heard under this item will be limited to two minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Commission agenda. The Commission will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to two minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Commission as a whole."

Peggy Lear Bowen said the I-80 on/off ramp to go into Boomtown and Cabela's was reconfigured and caused Boomtown to lose money and slowed down the fire department's response time. She stated the design of the ramps was proven to be a bad design and should be redone. She requested the Board contact whoever needed to be contacted, and she indicated she would be contacting Senator Harry Reid again about the ramps.

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 $\underline{\textbf{6:21 p.m.}}$  There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned without opposition.

**ROBERT M. LARKIN**, Chairman Washoe County Commission

**ATTEST:** 

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

Minutes Prepared by: Jan Frazzetta, Deputy County Clerk

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