

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

AUGUST 10, 2010

PRESENT:

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

**Nancy Parent, Chief Deputy Clerk (10:07 a.m. – 12:03 p.m.)**

**Amy Harvey, County Clerk (12:03 p.m. – 6:21 p.m.)**

**Katy Simon, County Manager**

**Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel**

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:07 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 Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

County Manager Katy Simon stated: "The Chairman and the Board of County Commissioners intend that their proceedings should demonstrate the highest levels of decorum, civic responsibility, efficiency and mutual respect between citizens and their government. The Board respects the right of citizens to present differing opinions and views, even criticism, but our democracy cannot function effectively in an environment of personal attacks, slander, threats of violence, and willful disruption. To that end, the Nevada Open Meeting Law provides the authority for the Chair of a public body to maintain the decorum and to declare a recess if needed to remove any person who is disrupting the meeting, and notice is hereby provided of the intent of this body to preserve the decorum and remove anyone who disrupts the proceedings."

**10-741      AGENDA ITEM 3 – RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION**

**Agenda Subject: "Resolution of Appreciation for Ruby Pipeline, The Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10031 and David Rumsey for their donations to Senior Alliance for Support Services to benefit seniors in Gerlach, Nevada. (Requested by Commissioner Weber.)"**

Commissioner Weber read and presented the Resolution of Appreciation to Grady Tarbutton, Senior Services Director; Loren Locher, Ruby Pipeline Regional Director-Government Affairs; and, Bobbie Barlow, Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10031.

Commissioner Weber commended the citizens of Gerlach for their generosity and contributions to the Senior Alliance for Support Services.

Ms. Barlow thanked the Board for this recognition.

Mr. Locher thanked the Board for their work, especially Commissioner Weber for her tireless efforts to ensure that her constituency was taken care of. He said it was through those efforts that these donations came to fruition.

Mr. Tarbutton commented this past year had been filled with difficult decisions including a decision to no longer prepare hot meals for the senior citizens in Gerlach; however, he applauded the community for coming forward. He thanked the women of VFW Post 10031, the Ruby Pipeline and the many people who supported this program.

Sandra Wilson, Senior Alliance Services President, explained her organization was a fundraising mechanism dedicated solely to raising funds for projects that helped senior citizens. She indicated the Alliance would begin stepping up their efforts to raise money for senior citizens in the Truckee Meadows and hoped that some of those fundraising efforts would also help the senior citizens in Gerlach. Ms. Wilson acknowledged the many recipients who made generous donations.

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne stated his support for the resolution.

On motion by Commissioner Weber, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 3 be adopted.

**10-742      AGENDA ITEM 4 – PROCLAMATION**

**Agenda Subject: “Proclamation--August 8-14, 2010 as National Health Center Week. (Requested by Chairman Humke.)”**

Chairman Humke read and presented the Proclamation to Sharon Nipp, Director of Development for Health Access Washoe County (HAWC). Ms. Nipp said on a daily basis the HAWC Clinic served approximately 300 patients. She thanked the Board for the Proclamation and for their continued support.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 4 be adopted.

**10-743            AGENDA ITEM 5 – 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.”**

Sarah Thomas said she was dissatisfied with the lack of job creations in the County. Nonetheless, she commended the Regional Parks and Open Space Department for their quick action in using \$3 million of stimulus funds, which enabled contracts to be awarded allowing companies to reinstate employees. She said recently \$2.5 million had been received for the new Arrowcreek/Thomas Creek Fire Station. Ms. Thomas said the Fire Station would support the creation or retention of approximately 22 jobs, but the contracts had yet to be completed, and she felt the process was ridiculously slow. Ms. Thomas questioned if the County applied for all available applicable grants and who conducted the oversight for the County’s grant writing.

Sam Dehne addressed the Board concerning the wastefulness of tax monies.

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Later in the meeting, on motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried with Commissioners Jung and Weber absent, it was ordered that Public Comment be reopened.

Leo Horishny urged the Board to support any local efforts that would allow bicycles to trigger traffic signals currently in place. Mr. Horishny submitted a prepared statement, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

**10-744            AGENDA ITEM 6 – ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Agenda Subject: “Commissioners’/Manager’s Announcements, Requests for Information, Topics for Future Agendas and Statements Relating to Items Not on the Agenda. (No discussion among Commissioners will take place on this item.)”**

Katy Simon, County Manager, stated that Agenda Item 8, the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District (STMGID) agenda would be pulled. Chairman Humke said he had attended the STMGID Local Managing Board (LMB) meeting on August 2, 2010 where discussions ensued concerning leases for transmission pipes and sites of STMGID wells. He noted some of the review was not completed, so it was determined by the LMB to pull the STMGID agenda from today’s meeting.

In response to questions raised during public comment, Ms. Simon clarified that the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) process for the Public Works

Department, including the Arrowcreek Fire Station program had slowed, but indicated that specific project was moving forward. She noted the main challenge was staffing the new station and explained the plan for staffing needed to be in place in order to complete the issuance of the required documents and bids. Ms. Simon indicated the County pursued and applied for all eligible grants. She stated the County also applied for Recovery Zone Bonds, which were bonds that needed to be repaid. She stated those Bonds were almost fully allocated and had been passed through to other agencies including the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) and the Washoe County School District. Ms. Simon said all grants were presented to the Board in a public meeting for authorization and acknowledged that last year the County received approximately \$20 million in grant funding.

Commissioner Larkin announced that the University of Phoenix was sponsoring a “Strategies for the New Economy” workshop on August 18, 2010.

Commissioner Weber sadly reported that a Verdi Volunteer Fire Chief had recently passed away. On behalf of the Board, she extended condolences to the family and the volunteer firefighters.

Commissioner Weber announced a “Great Verdi Historical Reunion” was scheduled for August 14, 2010. She said the reunion was for former Verdi residents and/or citizens that had attended the Verdi Elementary School.

Chairman Humke requested a two-tiered approach concerning a follow-up for the Sierra Fire Protection District (SFPD) Fire Chief evaluation, including a staff component led by the Human Resources Department and other staff as necessary; and, a citizen and/or community component. He clarified an effort short of an agenda item.

Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, stated the Open Meeting Law (OML) contained very specific language about evaluations of public officials. She said she would review the language in the OML in the event this issue would lead to recommendations from the Board.

Commissioner Jung requested an update on the lateral shifts with staffing, especially concerning grants and grant-writing. She also requested a discussion pertaining to the notice of stimulus funds and noted that the County was instrumental in allowing the entire region apply together for certain grants.

Commissioner Breternitz explained there was some confusion over the intent of WC-2, the advisory ballot question related to consolidation. He clarified WC-2 was not a vote for or against consolidation, but a vote on whether the citizens wanted the County to explore the possibilities and details related to consolidation.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **10-745      AGENDA ITEM 7A**

**Agenda Subject:** “Approve minutes for joint meeting of February 22, 2010 with Board of County Commissioners, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and Sierra Fire Protection District; Board of County Commissioners’ regular meeting of February 23, 2010; and, special meeting of March 2, 2010.”

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7A be approved.

### **10-746      AGENDA ITEM 7B – COMMUNITY SUPPORT ADMINISTRATOR/MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Agenda Subject:** “Approve Agreements for Washoe County Special Purpose Grants in the following amounts: Incline Village General Improvement District [\$72,000], Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada [\$23,328], Access to Healthcare Network [\$34,560], Nevada Health Centers, Inc.-Gerlach Clinic [\$64,328], Nevada Health Centers, Inc.-Incline Village Clinic [\$27,648], Incline Clinic’s leased space in-kind support [\$22,867], and approve a grant to Silver State Fair Housing [\$7,721] for Fiscal Year 2010/11; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute Resolutions necessary for same and the Agreements. (All Commission Districts.)”

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7B be approved, authorized and executed. The Resolutions for same are attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

### **10-747      AGENDA ITEM 7C – PUBLIC DEFENDER**

**Agenda Subject:** “Accept donation of technical assistance [\$20,000 - no County match] to the Washoe County Public Defender’s Office from The Center for Holistic Defense at The Bronx Defenders. (All Commission Districts.)”

On behalf of the Board, Commissioner Jung thanked The Center for Holistic Defense at the Bronx Defenders for their generous donation.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7C be accepted.

**10-748            AGENDA ITEM 7D – PARKS**

**Agenda Subject: “Accept reimbursable grant [\$6,500 with in-kind County staff match of \$4,388.93] from the Nevada 2010 Historic Preservation Fund to conduct the National Register Nomination process for the Galena Schoolhouse; and if accepted, authorize the Department of Regional Parks & Open Space Director to sign funding agreement and all documents associated with the grant and authorize Finance to make appropriate budget adjustments. (Commission District 2.)”**

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7D be accepted, authorized and executed.

**10-749            AGENDA ITEM 7E – SENIOR SERVICES**

**Agenda Subject: “Accept an Interest On Lawyers’ Trust Account grant award from the Nevada Law Foundation for the Department’s Senior Law Project [\$22,500 - no County match] retroactively for the period July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. (All Commission Districts.)”**

Chairman Humke explained that the \$22,500 would be paid to the Senior Services Department to assist with legal services for seniors.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7E be accepted.

**10-750            AGENDA ITEM 7F(1) – PUBLIC WORKS**

**Agenda Subject: “Approve Agreement between Southwest Pointe Associates, L.L.C., County of Washoe and Sierra Fire Protection District for reversion and disposition of property (APN 152-020-52) donated to Washoe County on behalf of Sierra Fire Protection District to the original Grantor, Southwest Pointe Associates L.L.C.; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute the Agreement. (Commission District 2.)”**

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7F(1) be approved, authorized and executed.

**10-751            AGENDA ITEM 7F(2) – PUBLIC WORKS**

**Agenda Subject: “Approve Agreement between Mercey Springs 152 Partners, LLC and Washoe County for a 60-month term, commencing retroactive to July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015, to accept a lease concession for the continued occupancy of the North Valleys Library Branch located at 1075 North Hills Boulevard, Reno [\$53,832 for Fiscal Year 2010/11]; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute Agreement. (Commission District 3.)”**

Commissioner Weber acknowledged and thanked the Mercey Springs 152 Partners, LLC for allowing a lease concession for the North Valleys Library.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7F(2) be approved, authorized and executed.

**10-752            AGENDA ITEM 7G(1) – SHERIFF**

**Agenda Subject: “Approve Law Enforcement Funding Agreement between County of Washoe, Washoe County Sheriff’s Office and Black Rock City LLC to provide reimbursement for extra staffing needed in the Gerlach/Empire area during the annual Burning Man Festival for 2010 [\$52,906 estimated reimbursement for additional staffing costs]; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute Agreement. (Commission District 5.)”**

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne expressed his support for this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7G(1) be approved, authorized and executed.

**10-753            AGENDA ITEM 7G(2) – SHERIFF**

**Agenda Subject: “Accept Grant Awards [\$79,400 - no County match required] for overtime for Fiscal Year 2011 Joining Forces Program from the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety; and if accepted, direct Finance to make necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)”**

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7G(2) be accepted and directed.

**10-754            AGENDA ITEM 7H – MANAGER**

**Agenda Subject: “Acknowledge update regarding status of Recovery Zone Bond program which includes Economic Development Bonds (RZEDB’s) and Facility Bonds (RZFB’s). (All Commission Districts.)”**

John Sherman, Finance Director, stated that the current update was located on page 5 of the staff report. He explained the Recovery Zone Facility Bonds were authorized under legislation for access by private investors to use lower interest rate bonds to build private developments. He said during the July 27, 2010 Commission meeting the Board requested a contingency plan be formed, in the event the deal with IMG Energy was not consummated. He said staff derived an enhanced plan and timeframe as indicated in the staff report. Mr. Sherman explained if a subsequent developer were chosen it would take approximately 100 days to solicit the developer and secure the financing process, placing the County near the end of the calendar year and the sunset date of the Bond authorization. He said it was hoped there would soon be some determination as to whether IMG Energy was a viable project to move forward on or if the alternate plan needed to be executed.

Commissioner Jung felt the opportunity should not be missed to award the Bonds to private industry. She asked if there would be an extension authorized by Congress for the deadline date. Mr. Sherman replied at this time there was no pending Congressional action to extend the deadline, but staff would continue to monitor the situation and advise the Board accordingly. Commissioner Jung said it needed to be certain that staff was doing everything possible, in terms of writing letters and calling elected officials in Washington D.C., about the vital importance that this deadline be extended. She stated she would help and strategize with staff in contacting officials.

In response to the call for public comment, Sam Dehne felt the Recovery Bond deadline needed to be extended.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7H be acknowledged.

**10-755            AGENDA ITEM 9 – APPEARANCE**

**Agenda Subject: “Appearance: David Byerman, Chief Government Liaison for Nevada, U.S. Census Bureau and Cathy Lacy, Regional Director, U.S. Census Bureau. Presentation summarizing Nevada's 2010 Census Campaign and thanking Washoe County for its leadership on the issue.”**

David Byerman, Chief Government Liaison for Nevada, U.S. Census Bureau and Cathy Lacy, Regional Director, U.S. Census Bureau, conducted a PowerPoint presentation, which was placed on file with the Clerk, highlighting the major accomplishments of the 2010 Nevada Census. Mr. Byerman reported that 6,200 Nevadans were employed by the Census Bureau, resulting in Nevada being one of only two states in the Denver Region to equal the 2000 response rate again in 2010. He remarked Washoe County had a response rate of 74 percent; 3 percent higher than the 2000 Census response rate. Mr. Byerman recognized Michael Moreno, Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Community Relations and Public Affairs Officer, as the Chairman for Northern Nevada Complete Count Committee and acknowledged the tremendous efforts by that Committee.

Ms. Lacy discussed the final phases in place for the Census process. She commented that all Nevada Offices would close by September 24, 2010; that the national count would be delivered to the President of the United States on December 31, 2010; and, the State count would be delivered to the Nevada Executive/Legislative leadership in the spring of 2011.

Mr. Byerman and Ms. Lacy thanked the Board for their continued support and, on behalf of the Census Bureau, presented a plaque to the Board. The Board members thanked Mr. Byerman for the award and thanked everyone involved for a successful 2010 Census in Washoe County.

Mr. Moreno stated it was a privilege to serve the citizens of Washoe County. He submitted the Washoe County 2010 Complete Count Committee 2010 Final Report, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

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

### **BLOCK VOTE**

The following agenda items were consolidated and voted on in a block vote: Agenda Items 10, 11, 12 and 13.

#### **10-756      AGENDA ITEM 10 – DISTRICT HEALTH**

**Agenda Subject: “Recommendation to approve net increase [\$79,800] for Fiscal Year 2011 Purchase Order #7500000261 issued to Cardinal Health (Contract #MMS10001) bringing the total amount to approximately \$103,800 for pharmaceutical products in support of the medical clinic operations on behalf of the Community and Clinical Health Services Division of the Washoe County Health District. (All Commission Districts.)”**

There was no public comment on this item.

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

**10-757            AGENDA ITEM 11 – PUBLIC WORKS**

**Agenda Subject:** “Recommendation to authorize Public Works Department to join on the City of Reno’s award of bid #F100067 for 2010 Surface Treatment Project to the low bidder, Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc., for the duration of the contract period through June 30, 2011 [estimated that approximately \$500,000 will be expended on surface treatments in Fiscal Year 2010/11. (All Commission Districts.)”

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 11 be authorized.

**10-758            AGENDA ITEM 12 – PURCHASING**

**Agenda Subject:** “Recommendation to approve commencement of the procurement process (release of bids or joinder) by the Purchasing Office for annual requirements for Latex and Nitrile Medical Grade Gloves, Computer and Fax Toner Cartridges and Supplies, Janitorial Paper Products, Law Enforcement Uniforms, Portable Toilet Rentals and Elevator Preventative Maintenance and Repair [combined annual estimated value \$635,000]. (All Commission Districts.)”

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 12 be approved.

**10-759            AGENDA ITEM 13 – FIRE SERVICES  
COORDINATOR/MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Agenda Subject:** “Recommendation to approve purchase of one 2010 New Stock Horton Ambulance Conversion mounted on a Ford F-450 Four Wheel Drive chassis from Leader Industries, [\$159,730] utilizing the Foresthill Fire Protection District Bid dated October 5, 2009 and awarded November 6, 2009. (Commission District 5.)”

Commissioner Weber praised the purchase of the Ambulance Conversion from Leader Industries for the Gerlach area and noted this would be a great addition for that community.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 13 be approved.

**10-760            AGENDA ITEM 14 – FIRE SERVICES**  
**COORDINATOR/MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Agenda Subject:** “Discussion and possible acceptance of staff's recommendations to organize 3 phase evaluation of the delivery of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) consistent with the Fire and Fire Based Emergency Medical Services Master Plan; direct staff to convene a stake holder group to produce EMS assessment criteria and associated Action Plan; request the Washoe County 800 mhz Users Committee to evaluate inclusion of all EMS resources and/or other direction to staff. (All Commission Districts.)”

Kurt Latipow, Fire Services Coordinator, stated the staff report was a continuance of the Action Plan that had been accepted related to the Master Plan. He said recommendations were brought forward for items within the Master Plan to be parceled out and forwarded for consideration to other agencies. He noted the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) recommendations were within the Master Plan and the Action Plan. He said, per Board direction and the Chairman’s signature, staff requested that the follow-up for EMS items be conducted by the Washoe County Health District. During the July 22, 2010 District Board of Health meeting it was determined that their oversight authority in the area of EMS pertained only to the ambulance franchise; therefore, the Health Board took action to reject the referral of the Master Plan recommendations. Nevertheless, the Health Board did express a willingness to be apart of the recommended task force should the County Commission move forward with the recommendations.

Mr. Latipow indicated the recommendations were straight forward and consisted of three phases:

1. Evaluate and assess the EMS delivery system in Washoe County and conduct an evaluation of the 800 MHz radio system requirements and modifications required to accommodate inclusion of all EMS resources; and,
2. Initiate discussions with the Washoe County Board of Health to develop a joint venture with its public safety partners, including fire agencies on a new approach for EMS delivery; and,
3. Determine the best method to integrate the fire service into a more efficient EMS delivery model inclusive of Advanced Life Support Services.

He clarified after every phase, staff would return to the Board with an update, a report and a request to move forward to the next phase or next project. Mr. Latipow explained once the task force had concluded their work in developing the criteria

by which the system would be evaluated the report would move forward to the elected bodies.

Commissioner Larkin noted that the Board of Health declined to engage in the overall number of items specified, but were not opposed to having a member participate on a task force. Mr. Latipow stated that was correct. Commissioner Larkin also indicated that the Board of Health had established an Ambulance Subcommittee. Mr. Latipow stated that had occurred, and he recommended that staff be tasked with conducting outreach to those groups.

The following citizens responded to the call for public comment:

Allen Meadows, Chief Strategy and Development Officer for St. Mary's Health System, stated he was surprised that the Board was considering forming a task force to evaluate the delivery of the EMS System without including medical representatives from the area hospitals as well as physician specialists who represented some of the most commonly transported patients. Mr. Meadows indicated it was the medical leaders in the community that came together and funded the development of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority (REMSA), known as an excellent ambulance service ensuring that patients received the best medical care before arriving at local medical facilities. He commented it was representatives from area hospitals that sat on the REMSA Board of Directors to make certain that the area received the best ambulance services. Mr. Meadows indicated the REMSA Board had recently engaged in an independent assessment of REMSA operations, which confirmed "best in class" service for ambulance services. He felt a task force was a waste of time since there were more important things for the County Commission to focus their time and attention on. He requested that the evaluation be left to the local medical professionals.

Mark Crawford, Northern Nevada Medical Center CEO, commented that in 1986 community hospitals took on a failed ambulance transport system, at no cost to the taxpayers, and created what became a world-class paramedic/ambulance transport system. He explained that REMSA was a 501C-3 organization that received no tax subsidy from the Cities of Reno, and Sparks or the County. He stated the local hospitals controlled the REMSA Board and noted REMSA was currently accredited by the three most commonly EMS industry accrediting bodies and was one of only three systems in the world to simultaneously hold all three accreditations. Mr. Crawford said REMSA had well-established performance criteria with consequences and was accountable to the District Board of Health as well as the REMSA Board. In addition, area hospitals had been fully integrated with REMSA's transport systems relative to cardiac, stroke and trauma, thus providing some of the best care available in the country. He commented that REMSA had recently conducted a benchmark study comparing 20 well-established and well-regarded EMS systems across Northern America and found REMSA performing at or above all the industries benchmarks. In fact, REMSA was ranked the highest among the 21 systems evaluated. He believed that the recommendations for the composition of the task force were incomplete, and he felt the hospitals were the best suited to oversee and conduct any assessment. Mr. Crawford stated if the Board felt there was a need to

review the EMS System in the County, he requested the local hospitals be allowed to put together the task force and lead the charge for an evaluation.

Blain Claypool, Renown Regional Medical Center Vice President, said he and his colleagues were experienced in managing and overseeing medical care in the field for pre-hospital transport. He said prior to joining Renown, he served on the Facility Advisory Board in Las Vegas, Nevada for emergency transport. Mr. Claypool indicated he had chaired several subcommittees and task forces in relation to pre-hospital transporting in the Las Vegas metro area. He remarked that system was thrown into chaos and many watched as the Facility Advisory Board worked tirelessly to make the best avenue for the patients. He requested the Board look toward the local hospitals and reiterated that REMSA was a world class pre-hospital transport service recently validated by an assessment against other systems. Mr. Claypool said if the Board determined the need to move forward, he echoed the request that local hospitals form the task force and study the process.

Greg Boyer, Renown Regional Medical Center CEO, recommended that the Board review history and not repeat history. He said after reading the benchmark study recently completed he could not understand why this task force was being suggested. He stated REMSA was a world-class EMS system and a premier transport system. Mr. Boyer remarked if the Board insisted on a task force to review the EMS system as a whole, he recommended the local hospitals be the driving force. He also believed a public message should be sent that this work was unnecessary.

John Cassani, Physician and incoming Chairman of the Pre-Medical Advisory Committee (PMAC), explained PMAC was a committee with physician representatives for all the local fire services, hospitals, REMSA, trauma services, urgent and primary care. He said PMAC's responsibility was to evaluate the many issues that affected the EMS System in the community and make suitable recommendations. He supported the local hospital leader's request to guide a task force that would evaluate the current EMS System. He remarked, as the end users in EMS transport, the hospitals sat in a unique position to have an unbiased approach as to what was best for a patient. He said the task force decisions should be based on accurate data supported by local expertise from medical specialists and added the proposed task force should be driven to hold accountable all facets across the continuance of care. Dr. Cassani suggested that a patient-centered approach would be best for the community with the focus placed on what was best for the patients. As previously stated, "there was no greater patient advocate than the physician community." He said he was confident as a physician and a patient advocate that as long as the committee involved in appraising the current system had a representative from hospitals and/or physicians, and given the opportunity to evaluate appropriate medical evidence, the proper outcome would be chosen to serve each community member.

Bob Ackerman stated medical personnel should be a part of any review of the EMS System. He believed the fire departments had the facilities and people capable of sharing the responsibilities with REMSA because at times REMSA was hard-pressed

to reach a critical situation, whereas, a fire department resided within a given neighborhood and could be the first responders. Mr. Ackerman suggested the fire departments also be added into the equation for a task force.

Mr. Latipow emphasized that the hospital oversight was not intentional. He remarked he listened intently to public comments and noted the focus was primarily on transport. He clarified the recommendation was not transport specific, but system specific. He said there was a significant amount of input taken from the Master Plan and noted the consultants heard from citizens and emergency responders, so the recommendation came from a broad base of individuals. Mr. Latipow said staff believed it had been a fair amount of time since the entire system was evaluated and felt an opportunity existed to fine tune and compliment the transport system with the initial response system.

Commissioner Weber questioned if the Board should move forward with the inclusion of the medical professionals on the task force. Mr. Latipow stated absolutely, and he would appreciate if those professionals supported the task force. He reiterated the system, not just the transport component, would be evaluated to identify opportunities that would improve delivery.

Commissioner Breternitz said the County was blessed with the medical facilities that served this community. He did not believe the hospitals were the end user, but felt that would be the patients and stated the needs of those end-users needed to be proficient. Commissioner Breternitz commented the Board was seeking the most efficient way to deliver services.

Chairman Humke believed a member of PMAC would be a productive member of the task force. Mr. Latipow agreed. Chairman Humke commented in reading the staff report there was no exclusion of the medical community and emphasized it was never the intent to exclude those entities.

Commissioner Larkin disclosed that he sat on the board of the Northern Nevada Medical Center, Dr. Cassani was his personal physician, and he had discussed some of the merits of the subject areas with Dr. Cassani.

Commissioner Larkin asked Dr. Cassani how he envisioned the interface between the PMAC and the proposed recommendation. Dr. Cassani replied a member or members of PMAC should be involved on the task force, which ought to be headed by the local hospitals in order to be beneficial. Then that entity, with substantial input, would offer dissertation for the best recommendation in moving forward. Dr. Cassani said the beginning process would be successful with a patient-centric approach, and then move out laterally. Commissioner Larkin remarked the management from the local medical facilities felt the hospitals were a more appropriate place to consider the initial analysis; however, some Commissioners opined that it should be patients driving the process. He asked if those differences could be rectified. Dr. Cassani said it was a difficult question and depended upon if the Committee was broad-based or concise then took appropriate

information from the outer areas, consolidated that information and brought an appropriate response to the County Commission. Commissioner Larkin agreed. He said he was leaning more toward a broader based group, and then as the filtering process began, work toward a more concise group. He also agreed that the region had a first-class transport system, but from many aspects of the community it was not as world-class as it needed to be for all patients.

Commissioner Breternitz agreed in having an unbiased approach. He had the impression that there was a pre-disposition to the status quo, and he did not believe that allowed for the most unbiased approach. Commissioner Breternitz felt the broad-based approach with a number of different points of view was the best way and noted he was in support of the staff recommendation.

Commissioner Jung felt it was demonstrated that the investment made to evaluate services indicated the status quo was unacceptable and certain areas were identified for improvement and further evaluation. She stated she was in support of the recommendations and did not read any exclusionary statements in the staff report.

Commissioner Weber thanked the medical professionals and executives for taking the time to address the Board. She stated she looked forward to having those facilities involved and becoming participants in the study.

Commissioner Larkin asked if the two ends of the spectrum were understood. Mr. Latipow replied he understood the spectrums. Commissioner Larkin asked what would be the initial dialogue on progressing if the recommendations were authorized. Mr. Latipow said the initial dialogue would be to reach out and establish a partnership to help build the next steps consistent with the recommended tasks. Commissioner Larkin stated this was the beginning and, as the process began, if it were found not to be operating at the optimum, he was not opposed to reviewing the other approach outlined.

Commissioner Breternitz requested this be a standing agenda item. Mr. Latipow suggested a monthly update.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Weber, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the staff recommendations be approved.

**10-761            AGENDA ITEM 15 – GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS**

**Agenda Subject: “Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding 2011 Washoe County Legislative Principles. (All Commission Districts.)”**

John Slaughter, Management Services Director, reviewed the following legislative principles, which were previously adopted by the County Commission, and

would be used by staff, lobbyists and elected officials to guide their actions while representing Washoe County during the 2011 Nevada Legislative Session:

1. Partners providing service to our shared constituents.
2. Focus on outcomes.
3. Local determination.
4. Long-term, sustainable solutions.
5. Fiscal responsibility.
6. Government accountability.
7. Local decision-making and flexibility.
8. Unfunded mandates.
9. Intergovernmental collaboration.
10. Legislative relations.

Mr. Slaughter said the purpose of this item was to give the Board the ability to change, add or delete any of the legislative principles.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 15 be adopted.

#### **10-762            AGENDA ITEM 16 – GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS**

**Agenda Subject: “Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding potential Washoe County bill draft requests. (All Commission Districts.)”**

John Slaughter, Management Services Director, explained that today and during the August 24, 2010 meeting were the Board’s final opportunities to approve any Bill Draft Request’s (BDR’S). He noted the County was allowed up to four BDR’s. He indicated this would be a difficult session in relation to the State budget, county budgets, services, possible service shifts, and that it would also be a reapportionate year. Mr. Slaughter provided a list and status update of the nine potential BDR’s, which was placed on file with the Clerk.

In regard to collective bargaining, Commissioner Larkin asked if specific BDR’s had been placed into the sequence by any specific Legislator. Mr. Slaughter replied not at this time, but staff expected to see a number of BDR’s related to that topic based on various philosophies. Commissioner Larkin questioned if it would be beneficial to have a BDR to hold the County’s position. Mr. Slaughter stated the County could procure one or be involved in the discussion at the table. Commissioner Larkin felt this was a legislative agenda the County would want to be a part of rather than just being invited to the table.

Katy Simon, County Manager, remarked it would be wise for staff to consult the County’s contracted lobbyist to seek guidance and then return to the Board on

August 24, 2010. Commissioner Larkin felt that was an excellent suggestion and looked forward to hearing which legislator was offering specific legislation.

Mr. Slaughter explained staff offered no recommendations for the BDR's concerning the Health District Funding and Governance or the Library System Governance.

Commissioner Breternitz asked what specific provisions were suggested pertaining to the Health District Funding and Governance and the Library System Governance. Mr. Slaughter replied the Health District was primarily funded by the County, along with grant-funding, but the other partners in the Health District did not provide funding for that operation. Commissioner Breternitz asked if there were recommended changes that had not been presented.

Chairman Humke remarked certain factors were omitted from the original Interlocal Agreement with the Health District. He said a BDR would be a good place to begin discussion of governance and to evaluate contribution from the other entities. He stated the County had an obligation to negotiate with the County's partners without being offensive to see if they were interested. He stated the County had previously been advised of the limited review over the Health District's budget and said if the BDR were to move forward, he would provide detail to staff for a suggested approach.

Commissioner Jung indicated she was concerned about taking this issue to the Legislature before the Cities of Reno and Sparks had been approached to determine a course of action or if those Cities were interested in a course of action. She thought it was contrary to the legislative principles that the Board adopted, and she felt the County should perform due diligence before going to the Legislature. Commissioner Jung stated she would not support this until the topic had been fully vetted or if there were other examples of best practices that were successful.

Chairman Humke remarked to even consider going to the Legislature with a so-called "live bill" was not strategically practical. He hoped this topic could be remedied through negotiations of the Interlocal Agreement.

In relation to the Library Governance and the Health District Funding and Governance, Commissioner Breternitz said the County needed to set an example in so far as communication with their partners. He did not feel that could be accomplished by the August 24th meeting, and said he would not be able to support language drafted in two weeks. However, he would be open for discussions related to both items. He felt the dialogue should begin now and then attempt resolution in two years.

Commissioner Weber thanked Mr. Slaughter for consistently bringing the BDR's forward to the Board; however, she felt the Board should have done more work on these items prior to now. She remarked it had been considered to schedule a joint meeting between the County Commission and the Library Board of Trustees and

suggested that meeting take place before moving forward on the Library System Governance.

Commissioner Jung asked what the deadline was for individual legislators to submit a BDR. Mr. Slaughter replied there were varying deadlines depending on whether a legislator was a chairman, but noted the last date a BDR could be placed was the last day of the Legislature. Commissioner Jung stated if the Board wished to move further on these two items, there could be a legislator who, if compelled, would carry the BDR's.

Chairman Humke stated he did not agree with approaching a committee chairman on the last day of the legislature to introduce a bill. He stated this was a reapportionate year and, in terms of revenue, a very difficult year. Commissioner Jung clarified that while the County's timeframe would lapse on August 24th, there were other potentialities and, to imply that there were not was also misleading.

In response to the call for public comment, Martha Gould and Arnie Maurins, Library Director, spoke on the Library System Governance. Ms. Gould stated she was concerned about opening NRS Chapter 379 because it would impact 15 of the 17 counties in the State. She indicated the Library Board of Trustees always preferred a closer working relationship with the County Commission, such as a liaison; however, the Commission always felt since the Trustees did a good job the Board could not be bothered. Ms. Gould indicated the Commission appointed members to the Library Board, which was a legal governing Board that had the responsibility of the budget; however, the County Commission had the responsibility of the money. She said if this were opened and Washoe County became exempt, there may be unintended consequences for other county library systems in the State. Ms. Gould remarked there was a good system in place in the County and it should not be changed.

Mr. Maurins commented he was working with the Manager's Office to arrange a joint meeting between the County Commission and the Library Board of Trustees. He explained recently the Library Board voted to request a liaison be appointed from the County Commission. Mr. Maurins said governing boards for county libraries had been in place for over 50 years and had worked well. He said the concept of an independent library board had never been questioned in the Legislature and he asked that be kept in mind as the Board moved forward.

Commissioner Weber requested that NRS Chapter 379 be available for the August 24, 2010 Board meeting.

There was no action taken on this item.

**10-763      AGENDA ITEM 17 – GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS**

**Agenda Subject: “Update, discussion and possible direction to staff regarding federal legislative activities, including but not limited to, federal appropriations**

**requests and other federal legislative issues deemed by the Chair or the Board to be of critical significance to Washoe County. (All Commission Districts.)”**

John Slaughter, Management Services Director, indicated this would be a recurring item on the agenda to update the Board on federal issues. He said a full report on the outcome of the various federal appropriation actions that were concluded would be presented during the August 24, 2010 meeting.

Dave Childs, Assistant County Manager, spoke on the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Programs. He explained PACE was a local government program that allowed property owners to finance energy efficient and renewable energy improvements using low-interest bonds that generally had no recourse to the municipality. Interested residential and commercial property owners opted-in to receive long-term financing, up to 20 years, for those improvements, which was repaid through an assessment on their property taxes. He said that arrangement spread the cost of clean energy improvements over the expected life of the measure and allowed for the repayment obligation to automatically transfer to the next property owner if the property was sold. Mr. Childs commented a letter had been distributed from Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac that stated PACE loans had automatic first lien priority over previously recorded mortgages. Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac were regulated by the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA). He said while the letter did not direct lenders or servicers to take action, the statement indicated that PACE participants could be in violation of their existing mortgage contracts. Mr. Childs said on July 6, 2010, the FHFA posted a statement reaffirming that a senior PACE lien was in violation of any Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac mortgage contract. As a result, residential PACE financing could not move forward at this time. He said a nationwide PACE coalition was working to take legislative action that would correct this issue. He remarked the Coalition had asked all jurisdictions to sign letters to their congressional representatives and pass resolutions in support of PACE. Mr. Childs said it was recommended that the Board adopt a Resolution of Support of Immediate Congressional Action to authorize legislation allowing PACE Programs.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 17 be approved, authorized and executed. The Resolution for same is attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

**1:00 p.m.** The Board recessed.

**1:08 p.m.** The Board reconvened with all members present.

**Agenda Subject:** “Performance evaluation for the Washoe County Manager, including (but not limited to) discussion of goals, objectives and results of County Manager; consideration of current compensation grade and employee agreement. (All Commission Districts.)”

Katey Fox, Human Resources Director, discussed the process involved in completing the annual performance evaluation for Katy Simon, County Manager. She noted the process included a survey that was sent out to community leaders.

Commissioner Jung asked how many of the contacted community leaders responded to the survey. Ms. Fox replied 10 of 36 recipients responded, which was a 28 percent response rate. She indicated in the past the response rate had been approximately 50-60 percent. Commissioner Jung questioned why the responses were sent to the Community Relations Division and, if that was standard operation procedure. Ms. Fox stated Community Relations had a webmaster that brought skill and expertise to web-based surveys. Commissioner Jung asked if the same procedure was used for the previous public evaluation of the Sierra Fire Protection District’s (SFPD) Fire Chief Michael Greene. Ms. Fox replied the website *SurveyMonkey* was used for the evaluation of Chief Greene. However, it was found that *SurveyMonkey* was not as versatile as the process used for the Manager’s evaluation. Commissioner Jung inquired why a different instrument was used. Ms. Fox replied *SurveyMonkey* used for Chief Greene’s evaluation was not as versatile or flexible in receiving responses or able to ask the right types of questions as the in-house system developed by the County’s Web Master. Commissioner Jung asked which system was used last year for the County Manager’s evaluation and why that system was not used for Chief Greene. Ms. Fox remarked the same process for Ms. Simon’s evaluation was used for both years. In terms of the Chief Greene’s evaluation, Ms. Fox explained there was not enough time allowed to use that same process.

Commissioner Jung stated the questions were not parallel between the two public evaluations. Ms. Fox indicated the questions were similar in terms of rating dimensions. Commissioner Jung stated since the system was already developed, why it was not used for Chief Greene’s evaluation. Ms. Fox said the rating factors for Chief Greene and the competencies within that rating dimension were different between the two evaluations.

Commissioner Jung felt the questions in *SurveyMonkey* were unclear. She commented it was hard to accept there was not enough time for staff to create a tool on par with the tool used for the Manager’s evaluation concerning the only two positions evaluated by the Board. Ms. Simon explained Chief Greene was asked in February to begin the process of initiating the evaluation, but he did not do so until June. She said staff was against a time crunch, and due to the National Association of Counties (NACo) Conference, the Community Relations staff was consumed and noted only one person

was available to write the specific code. She apologized and agreed it was not an ideal process.

Melanie Foster, Legal Counsel, advised that the discussion surrounding Chief Greene was inappropriate for this current item. Due to very specific noticing requirements within the Open Meeting Law (OML) and Chief Greene not being noticed, this discussion should not be occurring. Ms. Simon suggested a de-briefing for every business process conducted, and she would request that Ms. Fox begin that process.

Commissioner Jung felt these were pertinent questions since it was the responsibility of the County Manager in terms of equality, fairness and continued improvement. Ms. Simon reiterated, as a courtesy, Chief Greene had received a written request in February to begin the evaluation process. She clarified that she did not supervise Chief Greene and it was his responsibility to initiate that process.

Ms. Fox reviewed the previous actions concerning the Manager's evaluations and stated since August 2007 Ms. Simon had continued to participate in voluntary wage reductions and declined any additional bonuses. She explained for the Board's consideration the following documents were included:

- 2009-2010 Employment Agreement.
- 2010 County Manager's Annual Evaluation listing of Recipients.
- Human Resources Letter of Invitation to Recipients.
- County Manager's Letter to Recipients.
- County Manager's Highlights of the County's 2009/10 Accomplishments.
- Presentations, Board Memberships and Community Involvement.
- County Strategic Plan Summary 2009-2011.
- County Strategic Plan Results 2009-2010.
- 2010 County Manger Performance Evaluation Results Summary.
- County Manger Performance Evaluation Results
- Fiscal Year 2010 CEO Survey.

Commissioner Weber stated it was a pleasure to work with Ms. Simon. She felt it would be appropriate to comment on the process due to the recent evaluation of Chief Greene. Commissioner Weber concluded that the process needed to be more transparent and asked for Ms. Simon's response to those concerns. Ms. Simon replied currently Nevada had the most transparent public sector CEO evaluation process in the country. She said she was the first public manager in the State to initiate a 360 degree evaluation allowing Board members and stakeholders to be a part of the evaluation. Ms. Simon welcomed suggestions for improving the process and noted she felt things were lost during the public evaluation because it dissuaded open and constructive dialogue. She said she was always searching for best practices and welcomed improvement suggestions. Commissioner Weber said in the overall picture the process was broken, and she hoped the Board would have an opportunity to review that process. Ms. Simon suggested the Board discuss the process used to evaluate Chief Greene. She thought Chief Greene should approach the Board to spearhead that process since she was not

responsible for the SFPD. Commissioner Weber agreed, but Ms. Fox and the Human Resources Department came under the County Manager's supervision and that was where the process needed to be reviewed.

Commissioner Jung commented that she gave Ms. Simon high marks and felt the Manager was one of the best for strategic planning and foreseeing the potential from decisions or policies the Board took action on. She said one area in the survey resulted in a score as needing improvement in planning and innovation. She felt that because of the budget difficulties encountered for the past three years that was all right to have fallen behind. She commended Ms. Simon for forgoing the \$7,200 car allowance, agreeing to a salary reduction and a medical contribution. Commissioner Jung stated she had no intention of discussing Chief Greene's evaluation but noted she did not agree with the disparity and felt it created an unfair perception.

Ms. Simon acknowledged there were comments in the survey responses concerning employee morale within the organization and noted work was needed to increase employee morale.

In response to the call for public comment, Diane Rose spoke on behalf of Dr. Robert Parker. She presented a letter from Dr. Parker, which was placed on file with the Clerk. Ms. Rose read a portion of the letter submitted that highlighted the dissention over the Forest Area Plan, the South Valleys Area Plan, the Joy Lake Road expansion and the performance review of SFPD Fire Chief Michael Greene. She stated Dr. Parker requested the following statement be read, "At some point, senior leadership is responsible for both the performance and public image of the organization. Failing this test is why senior executives get fired. The fact that County government is regarded in the south county as corrupt, dominated by the City of Reno, and in the hands of special interest must be laid at the feet of the employee you are presently evaluating. Whether by her own personal actions, or by her management style that involves protecting favorite subordinates who can never be wrong, she has greatly diminished the respect of government in our community. I urge you to consider how this has affected the ability of County government to provide services for your constituents, and to consider appropriate changes in the management of the County."

Bob Ackerman said there were good points in the performance of the County Manager, such as the Engineering Department and Road Divisions. However, he felt there were organizational politics and arrogant attitudes displayed by some key positions, symptomatic of an overall organizational attitude. He said the Forest Area Plan was an insult to the citizens and felt the program was arrogantly orchestrated by management of the Community Development Department that ignored the voice of the citizens and bowed to the feet of selected developers. Mr. Ackerman spoke on the recent performance review of the SFPD Fire Chief and stated there was a double standard on how employees were rated.

Commissioner Larkin acknowledged that the Community Development Department has had numerous incursions with the public that needed Ms. Simon's

personal attention. He felt there was a climate or culture that left citizens feeling as though they were second-class. Commissioner Larkin hoped there would be some swift remediation to solve the issues. Ms. Simon replied this past year an improvement plan had been initiated and stated some process improvements had been established; however, she recognized there was still work to be completed. Commissioner Larkin suggested providing an update for the performance improvement of that department. Ms. Simon replied she would speak with staff concerning proposals and return to the Board in 60 days with that update.

In terms of the remaining strategic outcomes, Commissioner Larkin commended Ms. Simon for bringing the County through the last 20 months and for reaching the concession agreements with the employee associations. He felt that Ms. Simon's ability to manage through these trying times was remarkable and thanked Ms. Simon for her service to the County. Ms. Simon thanked Commissioner Larkin for those words. She thanked her senior staff, the department heads and the employees who were the ones most affected by the brunt of the impacts.

Commissioner Breternitz acknowledged the individuals that sent correspondence or approached the Board. He commented on the evaluation results, and stated there had been an enormous amount of innovation which was a result of quality thinking. He agreed with the overall performance results and stated Ms. Simon was doing a good job.

Chairman Humke asked if a certain department head was required to change personnel pursuant to activities in Community Development. Ms. Simon said project leads were changed during the Forest Area Plan and the South Valleys Area Plan and also implementation of the Two-Map System, which was hoped to be a solution.

In response to Commissioner Larkin, Ms. Simon explained that she would decline the car allowance, support the wage reduction and the health insurance contribution.

Ms. Simon thanked the Board for their comments and stated it was a privilege to work for this County, for this Commission, and especially to work with the dedicated professionals in this organization. She said the County's employees were some of the finest people in public service in the United States, which was shown through the number of awards and the recognition bestowed on the employees.

Ms. Foster clarified that the changes would be incorporated into Ms. Simon's employment agreement and brought back to the Board for signature.

On motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the County Manager's contract be extended for another year based on the conditions specified in the staff report, including the agreed reductions. It was further ordered that the car allowance be eliminated until June 30, 2011.

**2:12 p.m.** The Board recessed.

**6:13 p.m.** The Board reconvened with Commissioners Jung and Weber absent.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **10-765 AGENDA ITEM 19 – SHERIFF**

**Agenda Subject:** “Second reading and adoption of an Ordinance amending the Washoe County Code Chapter 54 concerning Alarm Registration and False Alarms to require registration of alarm systems, to waive the registration fee in certain circumstances, and to modify the fee schedule by resolution and appendix rather than by amending the Ordinance (Bill No. 1626). (All Commission Districts.) (Continued from July 27, 2010 Commission Meeting.)”

The Chairman opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said Ordinance. There being no response, the hearing was closed.

Amy Harvey, County Clerk, read the title for Ordinance No. 1450, Bill No. 1626.

On motion by Commissioner Breternitz, seconded by Commissioner Larkin, which motion duly carried with Commissioners Jung and Weber absent, Chairman Humke ordered that Ordinance No. 1450, Bill No. 1626, entitled, "**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WASHOE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 54 CONCERNING ALARM REGISTRATION AND FALSE ALARMS TO REQUIRE REGISTRATION OF ALARM SYSTEMS, TO WAIVE THE REGISTRATION FEE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MODIFY THE FEE SCHEDULE BY RESOLUTION AND APPENDIX RATHER THAN BY AMENDING THE ORDINANCE,**" be approved, adopted and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

### **10-766 AGENDA ITEM 20 – REPORTS AND UPDATES**

**Agenda Subject:** “Reports/updates from County Commission members concerning various boards/commissions they may be a member of or liaison to (these may include, but not be limited to, Regional Transportation Commission, Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority, Debt Management Commission, District Board of Health, Truckee Meadows Water Authority, Organizational Effectiveness Committee, Investment Committee, Citizen Advisory Boards).”

Chairman Humke announced that the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) meeting was scheduled for August 20, 2010 and the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA) had an upcoming meeting scheduled.

**10-767            AGENDA ITEM 21 – CLOSED SESSION**

**Agenda Subject: “Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with Employee Organizations per NRS 288.220.”**

There was no closed session scheduled.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications and reports were received, duly noted, and ordered placed on file with the Clerk:

- 10-768**            First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement for Provision of Administrative and Support Services between Washoe County and the Sierra Fire Protection District (SFPD). SFPD meeting on April 8, 2008, Agenda Item 5 (08-14SF).
- 10-769**            Interlocal Agreement between the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Nevada Division of Forestry and the SFPD. SFPD meeting on May 27, 2008, Agenda Item 3 (08-033SF).
- 10-770**            AT&T Declaration of Availability of IP Video Service letter dated July 12, 2010.
- 10-771**            June 29, 2010 Resolution to Augment the 2009-10 Budget of the Washoe County School District for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2010.
- 10-772**            Regulations of the Washoe County District Board of Health Governing Solid Waste Management. Amended and approved by the Washoe County District Board of Health on June 24, 2010.

**REPORTS – MONTHLY**

- 10-773**            Clerk of the Court’s Monthly Report of Fee Collections with Fiscal Year Totals for June 2010.

**REPORTS – QUARTERLY**

- 10-774**            Office of the Constable, Incline Village/Crystal Bay Township, Quarterly Report of Revenues Received for quarterly period ending June 30, 2010.
- 10-775**            Clerk of the Court’s Quarterly Financial Statement for quarter ending June 2010.
- 10-776**            County Clerk’s Quarterly Financial Statement for the 4th Quarter Fiscal Years 2009/2010.

**REPORTS – ANNUAL**

**10-777** Washoe County School District’s Annual Fiscal Report with Estimated Current Year Ending June 30, 2010 in Accordance with NAC 354.561.

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**6:21 p.m.** There being no further business to discuss, on motion by Commissioner Larkin, seconded by Commissioner Breternitz, which motion duly carried with Commissioners Jung and Weber absent, the meeting was adjourned.

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**DAVID E. HUMKE**, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

**ATTEST:**

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

*Minutes Prepared by:  
Stacy Gonzales, Deputy County Clerk*

**RESOLUTION:** Authorizing grant of funds to the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada

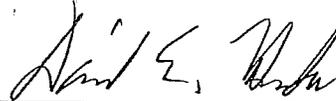
WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Washoe County may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county; and

WHEREAS, Washoe County desires to provide money to the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada (EDAWN) to support economic development efforts including Recruitment Efforts, Business Retention and Expansion in the amount of \$23,328 for fiscal year 2010-2011.

WHEREAS, Washoe County finds that these economic development services provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHOE COUNTY, that the Board hereby enters into the attached Grant Agreement to provide funds to the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada for the purposes set forth in the attached Grant Agreement.

Adopted this 10th Day of August 2010.



David E. Humke, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST

  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION** – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit  
Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational  
Purposes

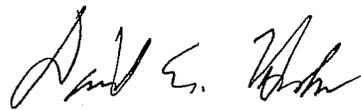
WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$34,560 in funding is needed to assist in providing support for the development of Access to Healthcare Network, a comprehensive network of hospitals and primary, specialty and ancillary health care professionals offering their services to the working uninsured at a reduced fee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

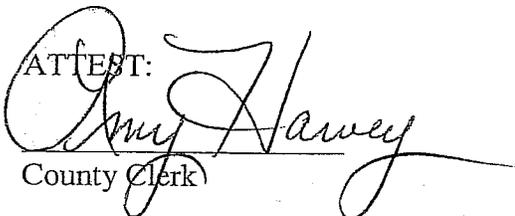
1. The Board hereby grants to Access to Healthcare Network, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2010-2011 in the amount of \$34,560 (Community Support).
2. The purpose of the grant is to provide for the establishment of the Network to provide working uninsured northern Nevada resident's access to professional health care at a reduced rate while providing timely and cost-effective compensation for physicians and hospitals enrolled in the Network, which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the county.

Adopted this 10th Day of August 2010.



David E. Humke, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:



Amy Harvey  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION** – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit  
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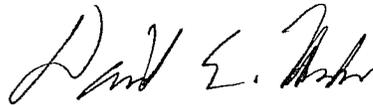
WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$64,328 in funding is needed to address the basic health care needs of the uninsured and underinsured of Gerlach; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Nevada Health Centers, Inc., a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2010-2011 in the amount of \$64,328 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing basic health care to low income, uninsured, and underinsured clients living in the Gerlach area.
3. The maximum amount to be expended from the grant and the conditions and limitations upon the grant are as set forth in the Grant Program Contract, which Contract is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Adopted this 10th Day of August 2010.



David E. Humke, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:  
  
County Clerk

**RESOLUTION** – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational Purposes

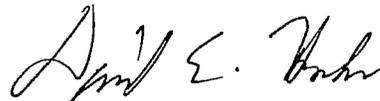
WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$27,648 in funding is needed to address the basic health care needs of the uninsured and underinsured of Incline Village; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Nevada Health Centers, Inc., a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2010-2011 in the amount of \$27,648 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing basic health care to low income, uninsured, and underinsured clients living in the Incline Village area.
3. The maximum amount to be expended from the grant and the conditions and limitations upon the grant are as set forth in the Grant Program Contract, which Contract is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Adopted this 10th Day of August 2010.



David E. Humke, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:



Amy Harvey  
County Clerk

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHOE COUNTY AND  
INCLINE VILLAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

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This Interlocal Agreement is made and entered into this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010, by and between WASHOE COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Nevada and the INCLINE VILLAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (IVGID), a general improvement district created pursuant to NRS Chapter 318, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY and DISTRICT respectively.

WHEREAS, COUNTY and DISTRICT desire to provide services to citizens residing in DISTRICT; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act authorizes public agencies to enter into cooperative agreements allowing the joint exercise of any power, privilege or authority capable of exercise by one of them, see, NRS 277.080, et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY and DISTRICT are public agencies within the meaning of the Interlocal Cooperation Act.

It is hereby agreed as follows:

- 1. Services** With the funds made available from County to District pursuant to this Agreement, District will use the funds to provide services to citizens residing in the District, including the following:

IVGID Seniors Programs: This grant will support IVGID Parks & Recreation Senior Programs, by assisting with funding for the full-time Recreation Supervisor – Seniors, and the 20 hour/week Community Outreach Coordinator – Senior positions.

- 2. Reporting** District staff will provide County with an annual report by the 15<sup>th</sup> day July 2011.
  - a. Annual report will identify the senior programs provided through the agreement and the number of seniors served by the senior programs.

- 3. Compensation** With compliance to the requirements in this Agreement, District shall be paid the dollar amounts outlined in the following budget requirements to provide for Senior Programs as provided herein:

Salary	\$72,000
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**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHOE COUNTY AND  
INCLINE VILLAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

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Form of financial backup agency will provide: District will provide the year-end report identified above.

**4. Method of Payment**

- a. For services to be provided under this Agreement by District, County agrees to pay District a total of, SEVENTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$72,000) for the fiscal year which begins July 1, 2010 and ends June 30, 2011.
- b. Each quarter, District shall bill County for one-fourth (¼th) of that annual amount, equaling EIGHTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS and 00/100 (\$18,000). County shall remit payment to District within thirty (30) days of receipt of the billing.
- c. If either party terminates this Agreement, and the effective date of such termination is other than the last day of a quarter, payment will be prorated for the portion of the quarter from the first day through the effective day of the termination.

**5. Term** This Agreement shall be in effect for one (1) year, from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. This Agreement shall become effective once approved by appropriate official action of the governing body of each party.

**6. Amendment-Assignment** This Agreement may be amended at any time there is a need, provided both parties agree to the amendment(s) in writing. Any amendment is subject to approval by the governing bodies of the parties as a condition precedent to its entry into force. Neither party may assign this Agreement without the express written consent of the other party.

**7. Termination** Either party may terminate this Agreement by giving the other party written notice of the intent to terminate. The notice must specify a date upon which the termination will be effective, which date may not be less than 30 calendar days from the date of the mailing notice. In addition, the County may terminate this Agreement upon seven days written notice in the event the County fails to appropriate or budget funds sufficient to pay for the activities listed herein.

**8. Notices** All written notices required under this Agreement shall be addressed to the designated representative of the respective parties.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHOE COUNTY AND  
INCLINE VILLAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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9. Governing Law This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Nevada. In the event litigation ensues arising out of this Agreement, it shall be filed in the Second Judicial District Court, Washoe County, Nevada.

This Agreement, including any Exhibits, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with regard to the subject matter herein, and supersedes all prior agreements, both written and oral and all other written and oral communications between the parties.

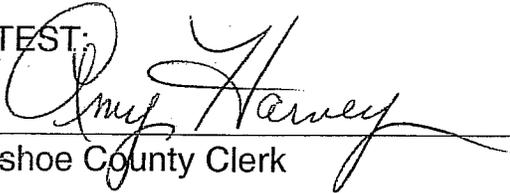
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David E. Humke, Chairman  
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Date 8/10/10

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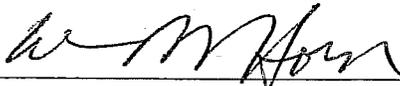
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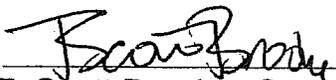
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T. Scott Brooke, General Counsel  
(Approved as to form)

Date 9 June 2010

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IMMEDIATE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION TO  
AUTHORIZE LEGISLATION ALLOWING PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY  
PROGRAMS**

**WHEREAS**, Utility bills represent a major cost of operating costs for home and business owners; and

**WHEREAS**, Persistent unemployment, particularly in the construction industry, continues to burden our families and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Energy security and reliance on fossil fuels continue to threaten public health and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, Residential and commercial buildings consume nearly 40% of all electricity and are responsible for 40% of U.S. annual carbon dioxide emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, Investing in cost-effective energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements to homes and businesses can save energy, cut utility bills, create thousands of local jobs, reduce reliance on fossil fuels, and dramatically reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, The upfront cost and potentially long payback periods prevent property owners from making otherwise cost-effective clean energy improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing programs are an innovative local government solution to help property owners finance energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements – such as energy efficient boilers, upgraded insulation, new windows, solar installations, etc. – to their homes and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, Twenty-two states have passed laws enabling local governments to develop PACE programs; and

**WHEREAS**, White House and the U.S. Department of Energy strongly support PACE, have dedicated \$150 million to develop local PACE programs and issued guidelines to ensure that PACE programs meet safety and soundness requirements and adequately protect both bond buyers and property owners; and

**WHEREAS**, Despite PACE's great promise, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) on July 6th issued statements that immediately forced existing PACE programs to halt operations and froze the development of dozens of PACE programs nationwide; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, By the Washoe County Board Of Commissioners that the Board urges the Nevada Congressional Delegation to support legislation that clearly guarantees local governments the right to assess special taxes for clean energy programs and restore the promise of PACE.

ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

  
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David E. Humke, Chairman  
Washoe County Commission