STATE OF NEVADA, )
COUNTY OF ELKO. ) ss. MAY 6, 2009

The Board of Elko County Commissioners met on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 at 1:30 p.m., in Room 105 of the Elko County Courthouse at 571 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada.

There were present: County Commissioners Sheri Eklund-Brown, Chair
Demar Dahl
John Ellison
Charlie Myers
Warren Russell
County Manager Robert Stokes
CFO/Asst. Manager Cash Minor
Deputy Comptroller Debbie Armuth
Accountant II Kathy Long
Deputy District Attorney Kristin McQueary
County Clerk Win Smith
Deputy County Clerk Marilyn Tipton
Library Director Jeanette Hammons
Juvenile Division Michael Pederson
Data Processing Michael Smales
District Court II Judge Andrew Puccinelli
Undersheriff Doug Gailey
Human Resource Dir. Jeri Underwood
Public Guardian Kathy Jones
Public Works Dir. Lynn Forsberg

Chairman Eklund-Brown called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Myers led the meeting participants in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:
No comments were submitted from the general public.
GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:
Courtney Smith stated she was a high school student of Mr. Guthrie’s government class and was attending today for a public speaking essay.
Katie Pierson commented that she was also from Mr. Guthrie’s class.
Alejandro Meza stated he was from Mr. Guthrie’s class also.

II. CERTIFICATES OF CONGRATULATION:
Discussion and consideration of approval of Certificates of Congratulation to the Spring Creek High School Girls Basketball Team on their State Championship which was the third in four years and all other matters related, thereto.
Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked that they table this until after 3:30 p.m.

III. CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION:
Discussion and consideration of approval of Certificates of Appreciation to Elko County Graduates entering into the various Branches of the United States Military after graduation and all other matters related, thereto.

MOTION: Commissioner Myers moved to approve Certificates of Appreciation to Elko County Graduates entering the United States Military. Commissioner Ellison seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Stokes noted they received a request from a member of the public that all the kids graduating from high school and going into the service should be recognized. He stated they would pass the certificates out at the ceremony after graduation. Commissioner Eklund-Brown commented that several board members were Veterans. She noted this Board and the County were very patriotic and wished to express appreciation to them for their service to the County and their country.

IV. SUMMIT AIR AMBULANCE:
Brief update report on operations and activities from Summit Air Ambulance and all other matters related, thereto.

Rick Nlcosia stated he was Operations Officer and Human Resources for Summit Air from San Antonio, Texas. He commented that Larry Backus, Administrative Officer, was also present. He reported they began services on February 6, 2009, upon the acquisition of Access Air. He reviewed the capability of the new helicopter to be put into service late summer. He notified them of their fixed-wing aircraft support. Rick Nlcosia summarized their risks and the services required to be in compliance for this type of service. He had met with the local emergency service agencies to establish dispatch protocols.
Larry Backus, Chief Operating Officer for Summit Air, reported upon a flight to Crescent Valley and back without refueling. He had met with several
Commissioners prior to the meeting. Commissioner Dahl inquired if their helicopter had the capability to go to either Salt Lake City or Reno. Larry Backus stated they have to refuel now until the new helicopter was brought in this summer, which was the backup for the fixed wing. Commissioner Dahl asked who made the decision to send the ground ambulance or air service. Larry Backus stated they were addressing that problem by meeting with the different agencies to set a dispatch protocol. He stated current protocol was hazy and they would meet with the County EMS and the medical directors to put a more solid document in place. Commissioner Ellison noted he and Commissioner Myers met with them previously. He voiced appreciation to them for upgrading the services to the community.

Kristin McQueary inquired if they had a franchise agreement with Eureka County. Larry Backus replied no. Kristin McQueary asked how many calls they had responded to in that region. Larry Backus replied two calls in Eureka County. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked if they were allowed to go out of the County under the franchise agreement and received an affirmative response.

Commissioner Russell asked what the basic charge was for using the helicopter versus the ground ambulance to transport. Larry Backus stated it was substantially more, at $9,000 for the helicopter. He noted there was a membership program instituted wherein it would only cost $50.00 for the membership; that membership program allows them to accept what their insurance program would pay and there was no additional costs to the member. Commissioner Russell asked if there was an average charge. Larry Backus stated that they usually bill $9,000 but they generally receive $5,500 to $6,000. He noted there were various costs associated with this operation. Commissioner Russell inquired what the charges were three years ago. Larry Backus stated the rates were $7,500 when they took over. Commissioner Russell voiced concern about the rates. Rick Nicosia volunteered to meet with him to discuss the rates, billings and how they collect. Commissioner Eklund-Brown acknowledged they were a larger company who has invested in more equipment to benefit the community. She encouraged everyone to join their membership program. She commented they do not want to duplicate service. She welcomed them to Elko County.

V. FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 BUDGET:
Presentation, review and discussion of FY 2009-2010 Budget recommendations as prepared by the Budget Review Committee and County Staff including an examination of revenues, expenditures and transfers for the upcoming budget year and all other matters related, thereto.

Chairperson Eklund-Brown relinquished control of the meeting to the Budget Committee Chairman, Commissioner Myers.

Cash Minor asked that they speak to item J for Judge Puccinelli who has court this afternoon.
Cash Minor stated some legislative bills have fiscal impacts such as the bill that changed the collection rate on consolidated sales tax from .75% to 1.75%. He noted the impact countywide was $280,000 loss of revenue, and a $139,000 impact to the County. He stated there was another bill to require the counties to fund $10.00 per employee for the Nevada Labor Relations Board. He stated another major concern was the interim study on consolidated sales tax that may have an impact by the next legislative session. He stated there was another study to transfer functions between state and local governments. He stated SB 331 was about property tax and sales tax abatements if they use solar energy or geothermal power to heat the buildings. Commissioner Ellison noted the indigent accident costs could impact the County.

J. Update of Elko County operating funds to include overview of department requests and possible appropriations for inclusion into the final budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Judge Puccinelli stated his research found that juvenile incarceration was not the way to modify juvenile misbehavior. He tasked the Juvenile Department to find alternatives from detention such as the Evening Reporting Center and Teen Court finds alternatives. He noted it cost the taxpayers $100.00 per day every time they put a juvenile in detention. Judge Puccinelli stated that as a result of the programs they have reduced the average daily census at the detention center from fifteen to approximately seven and one-half. Yesterday, they had four in detention: two from White Pine County, one from Humboldt County, and only one from Elko County. He stated in the month of April they had 1,200 hours of Community Service delivered to this County. Judge Puccinelli stated that they hired Tera Hooiman to act as the Community Service Coordinator. They paid for her salary the first part of the year with the remainder of a grant application through the Juvenile Drug Court. He commented that the program would cost $29,000. Commissioner Eklund-Brown voiced concern with the division of the community service by the courts. Judge Puccinelli understood that they were handling all the supervision out of the Juvenile Probation Department. He did not believe Department 1 should receive any money for community services on the juvenile side. He understood as of July 1st this program would take the referrals from Teen Court. Judge Puccinelli had received reports from the Detention Officer, Chief Pedersen and Court Master Simmons that these sanctions were administered immediately. Judge Puccinelli believed the Drug Court Coordinator and the State might fund a portion of that position. Commissioner Myers inquired if they reduce the kids by half could they pull one position from the Juvenile Division. Judge Puccinelli replied no, because there may be instances where they may have 10 or 15 kids in a day. Commissioner Myers supported the County programs but questioned adding new people. Commissioner Eklund-Brown supported the position because it was intervention before the adult level. Judge Puccinelli believed they had one-half in District Court 1 and one-half in District Court
2. Now those amounts would be consolidated and they would answer to him or Chief Pedersen. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired if any money was going to District Court 1. Debbie Armuth stated District Court 1 had $48,000 budgeted last year for Community Service but that was not reflected against this request. Commissioner Eklund-Brown suggested they consolidate that. Judge Puccinelli requested a meeting with Commissioner Myers and Russell to discuss this position. Commissioner Myers requested stats where the kids come from and what the breakdown was. Michael Pedersen had the stats and could supply those stats to the Commission. Commissioner Myers asked how many kids came from the City of Elko and if they had asked for funding from the City. Michael Pedersen replied they had not. Commissioner Ellison felt the money left in District Court 1 should be considered for this position. Commissioner Eklund-Brown voiced appreciation to them because she felt they were being conservative and it was a benefit to the community and kids. Judge Puccinelli hoped the intervention would reduce the need for more Probation Officers. Commissioner Dahl felt they could take money from community funds, from District Court 1 and whatever the State would give to fund this position. Commissioner Russell noted that budget only had so much funding and consequences had decreased that funding. He cautioned that they might have to sacrifice other areas for this position. Judge Puccinelli noted that they were dealing with Juvenile Detention and he was proposing a complete change of direction on how they implement juvenile justice. Commissioner Myers would meet with him next Wednesday.

Commissioner Eklund-Brown assumed control of the meeting.

II. CERTIFICATES OF CONGRATULATION:
Discussion and consideration of approval of Certificates of Congratulation to the Spring Creek High School Girls Basketball Team on their State Championship which is the third in four years and all other matters related, thereto.

MOTION: Commissioner Ellison moved to approve a Certificate of Congratulations to the Spring Creek High School Girls Basketball Team. Commissioner Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Eklund-Brown introduced the Coach, Sarah Arendt. Coach Arendt introduced the assistant coaches, managers and players on the team (see attached roster). Commissioner Myers presented the certificates. Commissioner Eklund-Brown presented the plague to the basketball team.

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Commissioner Myers passed out a page depicting all the full time people hired since 2005.

A. Review and approval of recommendations from the Jackpot Advisory Board pursuant to the Unincorporated Town of Jackpot Budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth commented that the highway widening project and the Public Works building were completed. She gave an overview of the revenue sources and the proposed expenditures for the ensuing year. She stated there was $250,000 in their Capital Projects Fund to eliminate some of their deficits and to continue on some small projects. Commissioner Ellison inquired if the improvement to the Justice Court parking lot would come from the Court Assessment Fees or Capital Improvement. Debbie Armuth replied the Budget committee recommended that it come from the County’s Capital Project Fund. Commissioner Myers clarified that their recommendation was to hire one contractor to do all three parking lot projects: Wells Justice Court, the Juvenile Department and one at Jackpot Justice Court. Debbie Armuth reviewed the increase in the Jackpot Recreation Fund from the room tax that funds the park system, their tourism, the library, the recreation building, and a portion of the golf course. She noted the proposed shelter in the park was eliminated until further funding. She stated the swimming pool was recoated in the amount of $90,000. Debbie Armuth stated there were major water projects to be funded through grants and loans but there may be a rate increase to fund depreciation and additional operational costs. The sewer fund would be another large project. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked if the expansion of these systems were reflective of potential growth, actual need, or upgrades to the system. Lynn Forsberg explained they were under a Notice of Violation for impacting the groundwater with high nitrates from NDEP. He stated they were putting together a structure so if someone came in they could expand it for their infrastructure. He explained the terms of the grant would not allow them to build for expansion. Debbie Armuth reported the chain link fence at the airport had been completed even though the project was carried over. She noted Jackpot had three capital improvement funds and there were some deficits. In 2010, she expected to see all of those funds having a positive cash flow. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired how Jackpot’s deficit balanced in the County system. Cash Minor on the Jackpot Capital Project Fund they would balance them within the town’s fund but ultimately it could impact the County’s General Fund.

MOTION: Commissioner Dahl moved to approve recommendations from the Jackpot Advisory Board to the Unincorporated Town of
Jackpot Budget. Commissioner Ellison/Russell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Ellison inquired if the NDOT project was for the street lights and received an affirmative response.

B. Overview of Montello Town Budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Commissioner Dahl stated the Advisory Board understood they have until 15th of May to amend their budget. He commented they would make a request for fireworks monies for the 4th of July. Commissioner Ellison noted normally that was based on room tax. Debbie Armuth reviewed the funds available in the four Montello funds. Commissioner Dahl felt they need to discuss the streets in Montello and where some money could come from to fix those up. Commissioner Eklund-Brown suggested he contact the Highway Department. Commissioner Dahl stated they would ask for $1,000 for the fireworks. The Board discussed the fireworks funding given to West Wendover year before last for their fireworks. Debbie Armuth stated they were looking at a potential rate increase for water and sewer in Montello. Commissioner Eklund-Brown commented the water enterprise fund showed an increase from $25,000 to $75,000. Debbie Armuth replied that if they were to fully fund depreciation they would have to collect $75,000 in revenue. Commissioner Ellison inquired about the solid waste fund. Debbie Armuth stated each year they have to appropriate a contingency amount to cover that $30,000. Commissioner Eklund-Brown commented they had raised the rates on several of these funds. Debbie Armuth stated on some of the smaller units it would be difficult to increase the rates such as the Tuscarora system. She suggested they increase rates on a percentage to gain on the depreciation. Commissioner Russell stated if the cost was too high they would lose some of the customers. He noted they could put liens on the property but that would not put money in the operating budget. Commissioner Myers asked that they keep in mind the State’s impact on their budget. Lynn Forsberg commented their solid waste contract was a four year contract and it would go out to bid this year. He felt that the provider might go away for this area.

Commissioner Russell exited the meeting room.

Commissioner Ellison stated those fees may increase dramatically due to the fuel increases. Commissioner Myers did not believe the Idaho Company would bid on the contract this next year. Lynn Forsberg stated the Idaho provider wanted to keep Jackpot and Jarbidge but did not care to go to Montello and Mountain City.
MOTION: Commissioner Dahl moved to approve the Montello Town Budget. Commissioner Eklund-Brown seconded the motion. Commissioners Dahl, Eklund-Brown, Ellison and Myers voted aye. Commissioner Russell was absent during vote. The motion passed by majority vote.

C. Overview of Mountain City Town Budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth stated there were no large projects planned for the community. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted they were looking at an engineering study for the sewer system.

Commissioner Russell returned to the meeting room.

Lynn Forsberg stated that was a CDBG project but the Governor had not awarded that yet. Commissioner Ellison inquired if a match was required. Lynn Forsberg stated in-kind was the match. He noted they were under a Notice of Violation with the NDEP. Commissioner Myers asked for an estimate. Lynn Forsberg noted the engineering study would give them a number.

MOTION: Commissioner Ellison moved to approve the Mountain City Town Budget. Commissioner Eklund-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Tuscarora Water Budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth stated they only had a water district in that area. She believed there may be a potential rate increase because they were underfunding the depreciation at this time. Commissioner Eklund-Brown suggested step increases. Debbie Armuth stated they need to implement a cost of living increase.

MOTION: Commissioner Eklund-Brown moved to approve the Tuscarora Water Budget. Commissioners Ellison and Dahl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Jarbidge Water Budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth noted there would be an increase in the contractual amount. Lynn Forsberg stated they were looking at an increase of $350.00 per month for the contract with Butch Smith. Commissioner Myers asked about the cricket issue. Lynn Forsberg had been told by the State Entomologist to screen them off and it had not been a big issue.

MOTION: Commissioner Russell moved to approve the Jarbidge Water Budget. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
F. Review of Clerk’s Election Fund and overview of potential costs in future election years and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth stated there was a Bill in the Legislature to change the primary election date from August to June so there would be potential costs in the current fiscal year. She stated normally the election costs were every other year. Win Smith explained so many petitions passed around for the General Election usually end up in Court. They also have deadlines for the out-of-country military people and the June date was easier to accommodate everyone. She noted the Legislature was concerned about the dismal turnout in August. Commissioner Dahl supported the change to June. He felt it was a disadvantage to have a late primary and it benefited the incumbents in the elections. Debbie Armuth recommended a $75,000 transfer in this year and $85,000 next year to cover the election costs. She stated there would be a small decrease in the building rental because the voting machines would be moved into the new building.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Ellison moved to approve the Clerk’s Election Fund. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Review of County Recreation Fund and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth stated funding was applied to: the SnoBowl for $4,000, the Jarbridge Centennial for $1,000, Fireworks Donation $2,500, the Elko Cemetery for $750 and $10,000 to the Lamoille Grove. She felt in 2011 they may have to transfer money into this fund. Commissioner Myers noted if they approve anything for West Wendover’s fireworks then this was the fund it would come from and the same for the Montello fireworks. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted they had a request for a canopy from Dan Bennett in Midas. The Friends of Midas would match dollar for dollar whatever they get donated, the estimate was $50,000 for the canopy and the equipment. Commissioner Russell felt it would be the same as the canopy in the Lamoille Canyon, metal and open sided. Commissioner Ellison noted the money to Wendover and Montello for the Independence Day celebration should be allocated for the first of June so that they may make their fireworks orders. Robert Stokes recommended that Montello fireworks be taken from their Montello budget.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Russell moved to give $750.00 to West Wendover for fireworks. Commissioner Ellison seconded the motion.

Commissioner Dahl asked what amount they spend in Elko. Debbie Armuth replied $2,500. Commissioner Ellison commented they preorder a year and one-half, and they make payment of $35,000 for first of January. Commissioner Ellison noted that the size of show and the benefit should be considered. Commissioner Eklund-Brown suggested $2,500 because this was Wendover’s only request for all year but she did not agree with the $11,000 request.
Commissioner Ellison amended his motion to give them $2,500.
Commissioner Eklund-Brown clarified it was Commissioner Russell’s motion.
Commissioner Russell amended his motion to $2,500 for the fireworks celebration. Commissioner Ellison seconded the amendment.

Commissioner Russell suggested they address the time of payment for the celebration. Commissioner Myers noted that the motion was to take West Wendover’s fireworks from community events in the amount of $2,500 which the limit was to be $1,000 per event.


Commissioner Eklund-Brown felt the Budget Committee for the canopy in Midas should consider $25,000. Commissioner Ellison voiced opposition to the amount. Commissioner Dahl stated that they have an engineer. Commissioner Myers noted the Budget Committee would review it and bring back a recommendation.

MOTION: Commissioner Russell moved to approve the Elko County Recreation Fund with the changes. Commissioner Eklund-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Review and approval of the Elko County Ambulance Enterprise Fund and all other matters related, thereto.
Debbie Armuth asked that they postpone this review due to the recent changes.

I. Presentation and review of County Capital Projects Fund and Ad Valorem Capital Project Fund with possible considerations for budget appropriations and all other matters related, thereto.
Debbie Armuth stated historically between the two funds they have retained about $500,000. She stated there were a couple of projects such as the three parking lots, and on the water tender, the Budget Committee recommended three year financing at $45,000 per year rather than $121,000 this year. She reported most of the money from these funds went toward debt service payments. Commissioner Ellison asked if AS400 was for the new programming. Debbie Armuth replied it was upgrades to the programming and they have to continue that. Commissioner Myers reviewed the previous action they had taken for the program. Commissioner Ellison inquired if they should keep putting money into a fund for that. Debbie Armuth replied potentially yes they would have to upgrade the system. Debbie Armuth expected $140,000 to remain in the fund at the end of the year.
Debbie Armuth stated in the Capitol Projects Fund there would remain $126,000 at the end of year 2009 and potentially $100,000 in 2010. She reviewed the changes to this budget: USGS would be paid out of the Budgetary Incentive Fund; the communication upgrade was taken out due to lack of funding; the VA roof cost was $100,000 and $150,000 for moving to the new building. Commissioner Eklund-Brown suggested a new name for the clinic to the Elko County Health Clinic. Commissioner Russell stated when he and Commissioner Myers were looking at the budget and they had to consider cutting ½ million dollars from the budget. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted there was nothing for USGS in 2010 and inquired if Phase 2 was fully funded. Commissioner Ellison believed they were going to look at it on a year-to-year basis. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired if it filled their commitment and received an affirmative response.

Jim Collins asked how he could get a copy of the spreadsheets. Debbie Armuth would give a copy of the spreadsheets.

MOTION: Commissioner Ellison moved to approve the County Capital Projects Fund and Ad Valorem Capital Project Fund. Commissioner Dahl seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

J. Update of Elko County operating funds to include overview of department requests and possible appropriations for inclusion into the final budget and all other matters related, thereto.

Commissioner Myers commented the 8.3% ending fund balance had changed today with a reduction of $139,000 because the State’s reduction on the Consolidated Tax. Commissioner Ellison noted there were more unfunded mandates coming down that were proposed this week. Cash Minor noted the sales tax bill on the collection rate as well as the 4 cents takings of property taxes was originally intended for Clark and Washoe Counties but was now amended to include all seventeen counties. The bill would be heard on Monday. Commissioner Russell inquired what the impact would be to their budget. Commissioner Myers suggested that they bring that back tomorrow. Debbie Armuth stated they changed the reduction of the building permits by $25,000. She stated they increased the transfer in for in lieu of taxes. Commissioner Ellison felt that they should look at the part-time employees in the Building Department because the permits were down. Debbie Armuth noted at this time of year they would increase in building permits. Commissioner Ellison suggested they look at the part-time people in each department since the revenues were down. Commissioner Russell commented that in looking at these departments the premise was where they added someone in for another person then that person would start in October or they restrict additional employees. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted they would be reducing employees and suggested that due to the fluctuations they could take someone from one
department and put them in another department to avoid any possible layoffs, and address the needs in other departments. Commissioner Russell felt that the increases occurred in the Building Department to meet the needs of the contractors in the County. They may receive complaints from contractors during this building season if they reduced the number of building inspectors. Commissioner Ellison suggested that they look at all part-time people and if the workload had decreased they could reduce personnel. Commissioner Russell felt that they need to look at the morale of the employees, and should not add additional employees. Commissioner Myers stated at the Budget Committee meeting on Wednesday they would look at those concerns. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked that they stay flexible with each department. Debbie Armuth noted this table reflected the tentative expenses and the contingency was the same as previously. She stated there was $255,000 in transfers out to the Child Support Fund, the Clerk’s Election Fund, and the Law Library Fund. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted they were showing an increase in their estimates of one-half million in revenues. She inquired if that was subject to change. Debbie Armuth stated this was over the base budget and that was for the financing and the transfer in was reflected in those two lines. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked if the numbers were coming from the state or those were her own estimates. Debbie Armuth noted the State’s estimates were higher than what she had estimated based on year-to-date. Commissioner Myers noted Debbie was very conservative with the estimates on the revenues.

Acting Chairman Myers called a recess at 3:35 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

Debbie Armuth reviewed the five principal categories: personnel, services and supplies, capital outlay, buildings and grounds, and community service. Commissioner Myers noted that in the preceding years the expenditures were higher. He stated they had reduced their spending in Elko County. Debbie Armuth stated personnel costs were increased by 2.5 employees plus overtime; services and supplies proposed total was $216,000 with the primary amount for the new building’s operating costs. She noted the capital outlay was lower at $153,358.00. Debbie Armuth reported that the Buildings and Grounds were consistent with what they expend each year. She stated that the proposed community services requests included the USGS and the Bishop Creek Dam might not be taken from operating but the Commission had allocated it. Debbie Armuth stated under personnel the County Manager received a part-time clerical and the District Attorney, a paralegal person to be added after October 1, 2009. She noted the Department Head 401A plan was a roll up cost. The Buildings and Grounds’ custodian was to come on October 1, 2009. She stated the Sheriff’s holiday pay reflected actual costs based on the current holidays in the contracts. She stated by contract they have to pay the Bi-Lingual pay. Debbie Armuth stated the controlled standby reflected the usage in the Jail. The Administrative Assistant and Warrant’s Clerk would be a
reclassification of a position. Debbie Armuth stated the Sheriff’s request was for $200,725 but the Budget Committee recommended $25,000 plus benefits this year.

Debbie Armuth reviewed the totals in Services and Supplies by Department. She stated there were insignificant increases in the Departments other than the Buildings and Grounds which had to address the new building and the clinic facility. She noted the utility costs had increased and Data Processing had maintenance costs. She stated $113,000 was allocated for the move into the new building but hopefully that would be included in the costs for the new building. She stated the $76,000 was under Buildings and Grounds inclusive of the control panel, the metal siding for the Spring Creek station in the Fire Protection District, the Clinic roof and the Lamoille Grove upgrades may be lower than estimated but those costs would come from the Recreation Fund. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired about the Eleventh Street Storage. Debbie Armuth noted that was the backside of Community Development, the roof was leaking. She stated the Bishop Creek Dam and the USGS funding would be paid from the Budget Incentive Fund. She noted they discussed the Snobowl, the Jarbidge Centennial, the fireworks donations and members from CASA were here today. Debbie Armuth stated the Budget Committee recommended a $15,000 appropriation for CASA. Alana McKinney, the Northeastern Nevada CASA Executive Director, had heard that there was a possibility that the Commission wished to phase CASA from funding. She had sent a packet over and Judge Puccinelli had added things to that packet on the bill that the State Legislature was trying to pass. She stated the bill would require an attorney represent every child under Foster Care. Alana McKinney stated the volunteers have to report quarterly how many hours they have spent each month for CASA. She stated the average per month per case was 12 hours. She stated they have 19 active cases now and that caseload decreased because they had several adoptions over the last few months. Alan McKinney estimated that the County would pay $273,600 in attorney fees for the same hours volunteered by CASA for the guardian ad litem services. If state legislation passed, the County would pay two attorneys to represent the cases and one would do representation and the other would do the same service as CASA. The other option was to utilize Juvenile Probation Officers, which would require another Juvenile Probation Officer. Commissioner Eklund-Brown stated that $10,000 was advanced to be taken from this allocation. Alana McKinney noted in 2008 they came in May and asked for the $10,000. They took the $10,000 early so they received a check in July for $15,000. She had requested that they fund $25,000 for this fiscal year. Alana McKinney noted less than one-third of their budget came from County, the remaining funding came from grants, donations and fundraisers. Commissioner Dahl inquired what their biggest expense was. Alana McKinney replied salaries, which they had reduced their personnel. She stated they answered to a Board of Directors and reviewed the seven members on that board. Commissioner Dahl disclosed his daughter was a CASA volunteer.
Commissioner Eklund-Brown stated her niece was also a CASA volunteer. Commissioner Ellison felt that they were doing duplication. He asked what program the Judge needed, the CASA Program or the Youth Program. Alan McKinney explained their program pertained to children that were victims which was a different role in the family process. Commissioner Russell noted they might not have sufficient funds for both. Alana McKinney reviewed the legislation going before the Senate, which may require them to pick up both. Commissioner Eklund-Brown understood CASA used the County’s funding as the base for their other grants. Alana McKinney stated they were receiving money from others such as the mines, the local business, etc. Commissioner Myers asked if they sought funding from the City of Elko. Alana McKinney stated that they were told it was the County’s responsibility. She noted the majority of their cases were from the City of Elko. She noted under NRS 432B a guardian ad litem was to be provided. She noted they had three options: appoint an attorney, CASA, or a Juvenile Probation Officer. Commissioner Myers felt they should charge the City for prisoner care to offset for the juveniles. Alana McKinney stated Judge Puccinelli ran some numbers and the average stay in Foster Care was 3 to 5 years before the CASA numbers. She stated they were now down to 18 months as far as monitoring the case and had cut the amount of cases in half. She noted they were appointed after the Judge became involved. Commissioner Myers inquired when DCFS became involved. Alan McKinney replied when there was a report made. Alana McKinney stated that they were limited on counseling services in Elko County. Commissioner Myers requested clarification that Division of Child and Family Services could pull the kids from the family and Alan replied in the affirmative. Commissioner Myers stated CASA cost less than paying attorney fees to do the same work. He cautioned if they were mandated by the State, they would probably pull that funding. Alana McKinney noted that bill would allow them to use CASA rather than using the attorneys because it was a better cost approach. Commissioner Ellison asked about DCFS and Alana McKinney explained DCFS had custody of the children and could remove the child from the home they were being abused in. Commissioner Ellison noted the Budget Committee recommended $15,000. Alana McKinney encouraged that they not cut them out of next year’s budget and hopefully they could request $25,000 next year. Commissioner Ellison noted last year they put on extra deputies in the Jail to offset overtime. Debbie Armuth noted they only hired one new jailer in 2006. She stated the overtime in the proposal was for the Sheriff’s budget and not for the jail. Commissioner Myers stated the committee had asked the Sheriff to come back quarterly to report upon his overtime and give the reason why. Commissioner Myers noted that the Sheriff’s Department, like most of the other departments was understaffed because this was a very conservative board. Commissioner Russell commented that the legislature would impact their budget for two fiscal years. Commissioner Myers noted they can make changes to their budget by August 15,
Debbie Armuth stated they could only increase their taxes by 1% of what they filed.

Commissioner Dahl disclosed that his daughter who volunteered for CASA was not in Elko County, she volunteered in Reno. Commissioner Eklund-Brown disclosed that her niece was in Elko County.

Debbie Armuth stated they have a $20,000 amount remaining and felt that would be impacted by the consolidated tax bill.

Commissioner Myers asked that they look at their Ending Fund Balance. He noted that they should subtract the $139,000 out of the ending fund balance which leaves 2.1 million dollars. He stated the Ending Fund Balance was 8.1% plus the $20,000 that was available. He cautioned them they do not know what the state budget or the Legislature would do to their budget. Commissioner Russell heard some conversation that they could get hit with ½ million to 3 million dollars from some of the proposals.

Gerald Ackerman stated the Elko Health Consortium had in the past addressed the crisis with the immunization issues since they lost their Public Health Nurse. He stated this group came from various agencies to try and put together an immunization program and the State and the School District were involved. Gerald Ackerman noted that the issues were access to health care, Veteran’s health, and prison health. He commented the State had proposals to hand off what they have done at the State level to the counties. The group’s proposal was to hire somebody at the County level for a year to look at putting together a plan for a Health District. Once they were a Health District, the State would have to look at them differently. Gerald Ackerman noted they were currently pulling out people from other agencies when there was an emergency issue. Commissioner Ellison asked about funding by the State for the Public Health Nurse. Gerald Ackerman stated that the Public Health Nurse did not look at access to health care. He noted that EMS was a Public Health care issue. He stated Assemblyman Carpenter’s bill was for funding the Public Health Nurse and obtaining some funding for immunization. Commissioner Myers had asked the Elko Health Consortium to look at the immunization because the children could not go to school without immunization. He believed immunization was their first issue and now there was the swine flu. Gerald Ackerman stated nobody had enough time in the Consortium to organize the Health District. He commented a Health District could accept funding for their public health issues and the State had to treat them different through any formula funding, block grants, etc. Commissioner Ellison questioned if they could justify this position. Gerald Ackerman stated the Health Consortium would work with this person and this person organizing the Health District should report directly to the Commissioners. He believed a half-time FTE could organize the Health District and put together a plan. Commissioner Russell noted that they don’t have plan or a set of priorities so they get pushed and pulled depending upon the crisis and situation. Commissioner Myers agreed the
health care in Elko County was fragmented. He noted the State EMS made all the
decisions presently when they have a health crisis such as during the fire. The
Board discussed the various public health issues of immunization, jail physician care
and the loss of the Public Health Nurse. Commissioner Ellison inquired what they
would cut to fund this position. Commissioner Russell felt this individual could
eliminate duplication of services by various providers. Cash Minor commented that
Lynn Forsberg had stated this would qualify under the CDBG program. Robert
Stokes stated when the Commission gave the mandate to staff to increase Medicare
Services and to find space for the VA services; they restructured their Public Health
Department with the State and there was some savings. Gerald Ackerman stated
the consortium suggested the County become an organized Health District to put the
decision-making back in the County’s hands. Commissioner Russell clarified that
person would do a health review and come back with a recommendation.

Commissioner Eklund-Brown disclosed the Director of Planning and Zoning
was her husband and they need to separate out his wages and benefits. Kristin
McQueary agreed it was a direct fiduciary contribution to the family so they need to
do that salary separately.

Debbie Armuth stated they would bring the Ambulance and Road Funds before
the Board tomorrow. Commissioner Myers noted they need to bring back the
Recreation Funding tomorrow with the changes. Debbie Armuth believed there may
be a potential for a CDBG grant for the Elko Health Consortium request.

MOTION: Commissioner Eklund-Brown moved to approve item J with all
considerations to go back before the Committee.

Vice Chairman Myers asked if there were any public comments. No public
comments were submitted.

Commissioner Eklund-Brown restated her motion: moved to approve agenda item J which was all the Operating Funds of Elko County which includes department requests and all considerations go back to committee with the exclusion of my husband’s salary. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Commissioner Russell moved to fund Randy Brown’s position

K. Review and discussion of other issues with fiscal impacts to the
2009/2010 Budget and all other matters relating thereto.
1. AB357 – Public Health Nurse - Office Space and associated expenditures to match State funding for public health services in Elko County and all other matters related, thereto.

Robert Stokes noted AB 357 was the Public Health Nurse bill that Assemblyman Carpenter had proposed. It would have an $180,000 impact to the State budget over two years. He stated there were some discussions at the Legislature and they asked if the County could provide office space and some fuel costs. Robert Stokes noted they provided office space at the Clinic facility but the State Health Department was asking for and additional 1,000 square feet. He stated they could reduce the appropriation bill by six months in order to obtain sufficient office space. Assemblyman Carpenter wanted to garnish the Commission’s support of the bill. Robert Stokes commented that historically the County had provided office space for the State’s insect people, for the Mobile Home Inspector, etc., which showed a coordinated effort between the County and the State. Commissioner Ellison noted they saw how important this position was since they lost it. Robert Stokes stated they were looking at office space in the older Elko Clinic area. He stated there had been no firm decisions made on the Community Development Building after they move into the new building. Robert Stokes noted the State estimated office space, two examination rooms, a waiting room, for the Public Nurse.

MOTION: Commissioner Russell moved to approve appropriate, negotiated office space. Commissioner Eklund-Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Debbie Armuth stated the Ending Fund Budget was 7.85%, which included the change for the consolidated tax.

2. Consideration of a request from the West Wendover 4th of July Committee for a donation for the fireworks display at the 4th of July Celebration and all other matters related, thereto.

Debbie Armuth noted they discussed this earlier.

The Board thanked staff and the Budget Committee for their efforts on the budget.

VI. ELKO COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Report and review of Board of Trustees activities and minutes including issues related to the continuing operation of the County Library.

Jeanette Hammons, Library Director, stated there was a computer replacement within one month, which was in the budget. She reported that Just Desserts was very successful and thanked them for their support through monetary donations or working the event. She stated during National Library Week a lot of the long overdue items were returned. Jeanette Hammons commented that she and Laura Oki attended the Nevada Legislative Day on April 14th to state their case for remaining in the base budget of the State, for the Collection Development Fund, for the Bookmobile and the Nevada State Library & Archives. Jeanette Hammons
commented the State was looking at cutting 11 positions from the Department of Cultural Affairs and there was a bill on the floor to exempt the State Library from being open for 40 hours. She stated that would impact the County Library services. Jeanette Hammons stated the two phases of the Opportunity Hardware Grant would provide 16 public access computers in 8 different branches throughout the system. It would provide printers, toners, and a database for one year. Jeanette Hammons hoped to take advantage of the Broadband Stimulus Funding that has been provided to the Nevada State Library and Archives. They would like to upgrade the DSL lines or get metro Internet to increase the speed together with the bandwidth. Commissioner Myers noted that he could not make Just Desserts due to another commitment.

VII. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG):
3:00 p.m. 2009 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG):
In accordance with Notice 07-2009, conduct a Public Hearing for the purpose of obtaining the views of citizens and staff regarding the types of projects to submit for a funding application to the 2009 Community Development Block Grant Program. The County Commission may rank projects at this meeting to submit to the State CDBG Program.

Lynn Forsberg understood they received a copy of their grant budget pages on the three projects. Their recommendation was either the Wells Ambulance Building because the design would be completed within 10 weeks or the Montello water tank. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked if they could design and build back to back. Lynn Forsberg replied they could because the design grant was from 2007 monies. Commissioner Russell asked if it was a pass through from the federal government and received an affirmative response. Commissioner Ellison noted that it was the existing block grants they had utilized for the past twenty years. Commissioner Myers inquired if it was stimulus funding. Lynn Forsberg replied it was not stimulus funds. Commissioner Eklund-Brown commented that he had the third project, the Jackpot Water System engineering fees, but they also had it listed in the AB 198 funding also. Lynn Forsberg stated they had submitted the AB 198 project ahead of this grant. He stated that if the project was funded by CDBG, then they could pull that portion of the funds from the AB 198 project. Lynn Forsberg stated that there was a possibility of a planning grant for the Community Health proposal and commented that would be a good project. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired if it would be in competition with another project. Lynn Forsberg replied they could only submit one application request but it would be under Health and Welfare. He stated they have two planning and one construction project before them. Commissioner Eklund-Brown suggested that they rank the projects.

Commissioner Dahl inquired how critical the water tank was for Montello. Lynn Forsberg stated that the paint on the roof of the tank was peeling. He explained that when they take the tank out of service they lost their storage and they needed some
storage for the community. Lynn Forsberg stated this application was for the engineering and construction of the tank.

Commissioner Russell stated the U.S. government cannot pay its bills therefore it borrows or prints its own money. He stated the perfect example was the Social Security System where they had borrowed all the money to satisfy its needs and then they give out freebies to people in local governments and situations. He felt it was immoral, unconstitutional and would vote against it. Commissioner Dahl agreed with Commissioner Russell that it may be immoral and it may be unconstitutional but it was part of the national system. It was the way they let it be designed. Commissioner Ellison commented upon the federal dollars that went toward the highways. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted that it was no different than the County subsidizing the Montello Water System. She noted they paid in taxes and felt they received a lot less back. Commissioner Ellison commented that this was not stimulus funds.

Commissioner Dahl felt that they should approve the Wells building since they had already approved the design. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked about repair to the Montello water storage tank. Commissioner Dahl inquired if they had received something from the NDEP. Lynn Forsberg replied not yet, but it was in need of repairs. They had looked at renting a portable tank. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired about adequate fire protection. Lynn Forsberg explained they were pushing the fire flow requirements because it would not meet fire flow limits in storage. He stated they do have a new system.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dahl moved to make the Wells Emergency Response Facility their priority. Commissioner Myers seconded the motion.

Chairperson Eklund-Brown asked for public comment.

Carol Hayward, of Carlin, agreed with Commissioner Russell that the more they take from the federal government, the more they would take from us. She did not believe they would need the roads that they had talked about because they would take their cars and they would all be walking if they continued to take the money they were giving. She stated it was not “giving to us” because we all have to pay it back. Commissioner Eklund-Brown clarified this was not part of the stimulus money.


**VIII. ELKO COUNTY CODE:**

In accordance with Notice 08-2009, conduct a Public Hearing and Second Reading of **ORDINANCE No. 03-2009** that enacts an attendance policy for boards, commissions, and committees appointed by the Elko County Board of
Commissioners entitled: AN ORDINANCE ADDING NEW CHAPTER 8 TO TITLE 2 OF THE ELKO COUNTY CODE, AUTOMATICALLY REMOVING A MEMBER FOR UNEXCUSED ABSENCES FROM MEETINGS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE ELKO COUNTY COMMISSION AND ALL OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO.

MOTION: Commissioner Myers moved to approve the Second Reading of ORDINANCE No. 03-2009, entitled: AN ORDINANCE ADDING NEW CHAPTER 8 TO TITLE 2 OF THE ELKO COUNTY CODE, AUTOMATICALLY REMOVING A MEMBER FOR UNEXCUSED ABSENCES FROM MEETINGS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE ELKO COUNTY COMMISSION. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion.

Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked for public comment. No public comments were given.

The motion passed unanimously.

IX. TOWN OF JACKPOT:

A. JACKPOT WATER SYSTEM:

Discussion and consideration of approval of an application or letter of intent to the State Board for Financing Water Systems for improvements to the Jackpot Water System and all other matters related, thereto.

B. JACKPOT WASTEWATER SYSTEM:

Discussion and consideration of adoption of the 2009 Jackpot Wastewater Facilities Plan and all other matters related, thereto. The Jackpot Advisory Board approved the plan at their April 9, 2009 meeting.

Chairwoman Eklund-Brown called the Jackpot Town Board to order at 5:13 p.m. and adjourned the Town Board at 5:44 p.m.

X. BONNEVILLE OFF-ROAD RACING ENTERPRISES (B.O.R.E.):

Consideration of approval of a B.O.R.E. race event at the old landfill site in Jackpot, Nevada. B.O.R.E seeks approval to use a portion of the old landfill site in Jackpot, Nevada (Section 6, T.47, R.65E) for an annual race event on June 26-27, 2009. Activities will not be on the reclaimed areas of the closed landfill. B.O.R.E will provide the County a certificate of insurance as an additionally insured.

MOTION: Commissioner Myers moved to approve the B.O.R.E. race event at the old landfill site in Jackpot, Nevada. Commissioner Ellison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

XI. COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner Myers:
Commission Vice-Chair
Highway Board Chair – No report submitted.
Elko County Economic Diversification Authority (ECEDA) Board – No report submitted.
City of Elko – No report submitted.
Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) – No report submitted.
Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) Liaison – No report submitted,
Northern Nevada Regional Transit Coalition – No report submitted.
Auditorium Authority Board (ECVA) – He stated they were getting ready for
the Mining Expo and the Home Show was this weekend.
Nevadaworks – There was a meeting on the 13th of June, 2009.
Wildlife Advisory Board – No report submitted.
Nevada Division of Wildlife Liaison – No report submitted.
Nevada Division of Forestry Liaison – He stated the Regional Forester position
was eliminated. He commented that Robert Stokes would research that since the
County paid for the position.
Sheriff Department Liaison – He stated that Rocky Gonzales had resigned and
Lt. Doug Gailey was the new Undersheriff. Commissioner Ellison asked if they
would fill the Lieutenant’s position. Commissioner Myers stated the Sheriff would
decide.
Budget Committee – No report submitted.
Regional Railport Committee Member – No report submitted.
Commissioner Dahl:
City of Wells/City of West Wendover/Town of Jackpot/Town of Montello Liaison
– Wells – He noted they just approved their Ambulance Barn, and Montello has a
number of issues he would discuss with Lynn Forsberg.
Elko County Fair Board – They would meet next Wednesday. Commissioner
Eklund-Brown inquired about their improvement plan. Commissioner Dahl stated
everything was on hold because of the lease with the City. He asked if the Fair
Board would get the old water tender. Commissioner Russell replied yes, if they
approve the new water tender.
Central Nevada Regional Water Authority (CNRWA) – No report submitted.
Humboldt River Basin Water Authority – The next meeting was July 10, 2009.
Mining Sustainability – No report given.
USFS Liaison / BLM Liaison - Tomorrow the Forest Service will be here to
speak about the Travel Management Plan.
USFS Travel Management Review Subcommittee – No report given
Elko County Conservation Districts Liaison – He stated the Ruby Valley
Conservation District was coordinating with Gar Abbas. He stated they would do a
similar procedure for Tuscarora and in Owyhee.
Juvenile Department Liaison – They met with Michael Pedersen.
Metropolis Irrigation Restoration Project – No report given.
Natural Resource Committee Liaison (Alternate) – No report was submitted.

**Commissioner Ellison:**

Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) BoardPast President – He stated they met this week and there were eight unfunded mandates being proposed. He stated there were some tax abatements that would impact the County if passed. He noted the State was pushing everything off onto the counties. He stated the Nevada Legislative Council was looking at a building and he with Commissioner Russell would submit a proposal.

National Association of Counties (NACo) Representative – No report given.
Nevada State Contractors Board – He stated there were 500 new licenses that have not been renewed, statewide. He stated the bonding was drying up and small businesses would be impacted. Commissioner Eklund-Brown had heard there were a lot of drilling contractors coming in from other states that were not licensed. Commissioner Ellison noted that eight or nine drillers were caught. He stated that the licensed contractors had to pay into a recovery fund. He noted if people deal with unlicensed contractors they have no recourse if something goes wrong. He met with Assemblyman Carpenter and the Governor regarding the Fire Science Academy. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired if the legislative bill was for funding. Commissioner Ellison noted it was for co-relocation of the National Guard and to help create revenue. He noted the Convention Center could not create sufficient special events to cover the loss from that Fire Science Academy. He stated 10% of the enplanements were from the Fire Science Academy.

Debt Management Committee – No report was submitted.
Elko Senior Activity Programs Board Liaison – No report given.
Nevada Fire Safe Council – No report given.
Nevada Division of Forestry Liaison – No report was submitted.
Insect Abatement – He requested they schedule a meeting with the Director.
Recreation Board – No meeting was scheduled yet.

Indigent Accident Fund Board – NACO Appoints - He stated there was a bill and the Indigent Fund would become a County responsibility. Commissioner Eklund-Brown noted the Counties had funded that fund and the State took the funds. She felt that should be a lawsuit. Commissioner Ellison clarified that the state level indigent funding would be pushed down to the counties.

Western Counties Alliance – He stated the factory was going forward, and the metal facility may be moved to Elko which would create a lot more jobs.

Commissioner Eklund-Brown stated the Recreation Board should be holding an emergency meeting on the water rights. She was disappointed with Western Counties Alliance’s performance on the Travel Management Plan. Commissioner Ellison stated they offered to come forward and suggested that Robert Stokes
contact them. Commissioner Dahl noted they were to contact Robert Bear of the tribe and keep them in the loop. Commissioner Eklund-Brown understood they were to hold a public hearing. Commissioner Dahl stated that the Chamber of Commerce sponsored a meeting. Robert Stokes believed Michele had mailed some dates. He stated Michele spoke to the tribes and unless they received a written request from them, don’t plan on coming. Commissioner Dahl clarified that Robert Bear was in Owyhee. Commissioner Ellison noted they were summoned to be at the Western Interstate Region meeting in Oregon and testify. WIR were proposing that they turn PILT over to the State and give the State the authorization to allocate it back to the Counties. Commissioner Eklund-Brown asked who was trying to get that through and Commissioner Ellison replied Congress. Commissioner Dahl stated that was a County tax, payment in lieu of taxes. Commissioner Eklund-Brown inquired if their property taxes go to the State and come back. Debbie Armuth replied they go directly to us. Commissioner Ellison stated the bill came from Montana and Oregon.

**Commissioner Russell:**
Highway Board Clerk – No report was given.  
Museum Board – No report was submitted.  
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) – No report was given.  
Central Nevada Regional Water Authority (CNRWA) – He was going with Steve Bradhurst to Inyo and Mono Counties on the 18th of May. He would phone in at 4:00 p.m. to make sure they had a quorum for the budget. They would enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the two counties in California to solidify their approach to water planning and water conservation.  
Humboldt River Basin Water Authority (Alternate) – No report was submitted.  
Nevadaworks (Alternate) – No report was given.  
Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) Board – No report was submitted  
Northern Nevada Regional Transit Coalition (Alternate) – No report given.  
Spring Creek Association – No report was submitted.  
Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) – No report was submitted.  
Central Dispatch Administrative Authority – No report given.  
USFS Travel Management Review Subcommittee – No report was submitted.  
Budget Committee – No report was submitted.  
Natural Resource Committee Liaison – No report given.  

**Commissioner Eklund-Brown:**
Commission Chair/ Liquor Board Chair  
City of Carlin/Towns of Mt. City, Midas, Jarbidge & Tuscarora  
Community Liaison – There was a meeting tomorrow with Robert Stokes on the Tuscarora Tavern. They have one more grant to finish the project. She stated the Carlin Citizen of the Year banquet date was changed to the 27th of June 2009.  
Humboldt River Basin Water Authority – No report was given.
Nevada State Land Use Planning Advisory Commission (SLUPAC) – They would meet at the end of the month. She stated the BLM and the FS would discuss the R&PPs and types of situations for land transfers.

Northeastern Nevada Stewardship Group – A professor would discuss wind energy and the impacts on the Sagegrouse. She stated it disturbed their habitat and provides a perch for the predators.

Mining Sustainability – No report was submitted.

China Spring / Aurora Pines Advisory Committee – No report was given.

BLM Liaison, BLM – RAC & REC-RAC – She would attend a meeting in Twin Falls with the BLM about the Murphy Complex Fire and better coordination.

California Trails Center Board Liaison; RMP & EIS Liaison – No report given.

ECCWMA - Noxious Weed Liaison – No report was submitted.

USFS Liaison, RMP & EIS Liaison – No report was submitted.

Juvenile Department Liaison – She suggested they review the Juvenile Programs and tour the facility. They were trying to reduce the repeat offenders.

Sheriff Department Liaison – No report was submitted.

Hospital Board – There was a meeting tonight. The new CEO, Gene Miller, would be there.

Library Board of Trustees Liaison – No report was submitted.

Regional Railport Committee Member – No report was given.

Central Nevada Regional Water Authority (CNRWA) (Alternate) – No report was given.

ECEDA (Alternate) – No report was submitted.

XII. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND COUNTY STAFF COMMENTS:

Commissioner Myers noted he had a call about the bricks out front. He was told by Dave Armuth that the bricks would not hold up. The bricks may be put in a portion of the walkway to the new building or in the flower garden. He stated DBA was asking for further information.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Commissioner Ellison moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioners Russell and Dahl seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED,

SHERI EKLUND-BROWN, Chairperson

ATTEST:

MARILYN TIPTON, Deputy Clerk