

APRIL 7, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Larry Rackley, Chairman. Those present were Shayla Hudson and Carol Shank, Commissioners; Bryce Shields, District Attorney; Karen Wesner, Administrative Assistant; Lacey Donaldson, Clerk; and Justin Abbott, IT.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2021 regular meeting as submitted, noting that they are just past the 45 day deadline. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank and passed.

PUBLIC INPUT: Robert McDougal stated that he just wanted to give his strongest congratulations and appreciation to the Commissioners and all the volunteers that helped with the COVID Vaccination Pod a couple weekends ago. Pershing County knows how to do it!

REVIEW OF ALL AGENDA ITEMS TO DETERMINE IF ANY DO OR DO NOT IMPOSE A DIRECT AND SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC BURDEN ON A BUSINESS OR DIRECTLY RESTRICT THE FORMATION, OPERATION, OR EXPANSION OF A BUSINESS: Mrs. Shank made a motion that no agenda items impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or directly restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of a business. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS:

ROAD DEPARTMENT – Dan Hill was present.

Mr. Hill reported that they poured concrete at Union Bridge to get ahead of some erosion. The cost was approximately \$1,300. Mr. Hill thanked Jason Barrick for building the forms and helping with the project. The Road Department's newest hire is Jacob Pritchard. Mr. Hill met with Tim Dutra, who owns property in the Industrial Park, about some sewer hook-ups. Mr. Dutra's contractor is going to take care of it. The crew replaced a bunch of stop signs. Mr. Hill stated that there was a wreck on the Pitt Taylor canal crossing in Imlay about a month ago. He marked it a little better, but doesn't think the lack of markings contributed to the incident. They helped move a shed at the Museum. The crew also fixed up some spots on Rogers Road and Irish American. Mr. Hill has been spraying pre-emergent, including on Old Victory Highway. He sprayed it about 15 feet from the road, so they shouldn't have any weeds this summer. They also started cleaning up the Industrial Park yesterday and burned weeds. There are blades running in various areas of the County as moisture permits. They also cleaned the Imlay Burn area and fixed the barrier wall on Pitt Taylor. They replaced a culvert on Hawk Road in Grass Valley, which is on our right-of-way. Mr. Hill also received a couple complaints, so they are up there blading this morning.

Salary Resolution, J. Pritchard: Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the Initial Employment at an Advanced Step for Jacob Pritchard, starting him as a Road Maintenance Worker I, Range 27, Step 6 effective April 12, 2021. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

LANDFILL & RECYCLING – Dan Hill was present.

Mr. Hill reported that the crew cleaned up both the Grass Valley and Imlay Transfer Stations. Mr. Hill also reported that someone has been stealing fuel again from the Landfill and last night they stole the solar panels off the trailer. They have placed game cameras out there to try to see what is going on. Mr. Nielsen helped Mr. Hill clean up some brush piles at the cemeteries. Mr. Hill also went back and came up with some costs for cleaning up the transfer site in Grass Valley. Last summer (June-August), they just cleaned it up when they were in the area and it wasn't kept track of. The other times, the cost was approximately \$572 each time, which added up to over \$6,000 this last year.

Mr. Hill is still trying to get a quote to repair the fuel system in Imlay.

SENIOR CENTER / VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR – Crystal Dahilig was present.

Ms. Dahilig stated that they have been open since March 18th. The numbers are still low, but they did have 34 yesterday. They will be holding interviews for the Administration position tomorrow. Ms. Dahilig has been working with Mr. Rackley on the grants. Ms. Dahilig also reported that the cook does not want to continue with the once a month breakfast at this time, but Ms. Dahilig will work on getting it back on the schedule this summer.

Mrs. Shank had previously asked how many clients live in the City and how many live outside the City limits. Ms. Dahilig stated that she believes only 8 or so come from outside the City limits.

Ms. Dahilig also reported that someone backed into the fence at the Center, but it was not caught on camera.

Approval of Title III-C Nutrition Grant in the amount of \$6,929.94 for supplies and \$10,621.85 for equipment for a total of \$17,551.94 with a 15% match in the amount of \$2,633.00 to be paid by the Senior Gift Fund: Ms. Dahilig and Mr. Rackley gave an overview of this grant. It will cover the cost to replace the freezer condenser and some other kitchen supplies.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the Title III-C Nutrition Grant in the amount of \$6,929.94 for supplies and \$10,621.85 for equipment for a total of \$17,551.94 with a 15% match in the amount of \$2,633.00 to be paid out of the Senior Gift Fund. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank and passed.

Ms. Dahilig stated that the Bingo machine has been fixed.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS – John Handka was present.

Mr. Handka stated that they have also been helping over at the Museum with clean-up and are prepping to pour a concrete pad. They are also in the process of getting all the water systems up and running and fertilizing the grass. They are also spraying weeds. Mr. Handka has been speaking with the contractors about the swimming pool repairs. The windows for Justice Court will be delivered the first or second week in May.

Mrs. Shank asked if they have received any applications for the open positions. Mr. Handka has not received any.

Linda Whyte, Frontier Days request to use Courthouse Park August 6, 7, & 8, 2021: Mrs. Shank guessed this would be tentative based on what is allowed by those dates. Daniel Shaughnessy was present on behalf of Frontier Days. Mr. Rackley stated that May 1st is the target date for the State to hand back over control to the counties.

Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the request from Frontier Days to use the Courthouse Park August 6-8, 2021, with the stipulation that they comply with whatever is in place at that time regarding pandemic mitigation. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Mrs. Hudson asked that Mr. Handka thank Myron McKinney for taking care of the Community Center.

GRASS VALLEY FIRE – Sean Burke was on the Zoom call, but had nothing new to report. Mr. Burke stated that everything is going well. He is waiting for things to solidify with the Emergency Services working group.

GRASS VALLEY ADVISORY BOARD – Mr. Burke (on Zoom) stated that the Board met on Monday. This was their first meeting in about 5 months. He thanked Mr. Rackley for coming. They set dates for some activities this summer. They will be having a Town Hall on June 26th and will be doing Turkey Bingo in November.

LOVELOCK FIRE & AMBULANCE DEPARTMENTS – Chief Wilcox was present, and Marti Nolan was on Zoom.

Chief Wilcox reported that in the last 18 days they've had 22 ambulance calls, 3 Reno transfers, and 3 fire calls. The Department currently has 22 firemen/EMTs, of which 4 are Advanced EMTs, 2 are EMTs awaiting their State Licensing; 2 are drivers-only and 3 are on medical leave. Every third

Tuesday they are doing their Continuing Education Training. Mrs. Nolan stated that there will be an EMR (Emergency Medical Response) class in Rye Patch.

Regarding the fire side, Chief Wilcox stated that three-quarters of the membership have their F Endorsement. 5 firefighters have their Firefighter I Endorsement. All members' physicals are up to date and all the equipment is in good shape. The brush truck was taken out of service temporarily as the speedometer wasn't working. Firefighter I/II study classes are being held on Mondays and Thursdays and the practicals are being done on the fourth Tuesdays. All the paperwork for the fire billing is being done. Chief Wilcox has been working with Mr. Heidemann on the Fire Inspections and the information has been given to the Planning and Building Department.

Mike Heidemann was also present. Mr. Heidemann spoke about the Fire Inspection Program. There are 33 brick and mortar businesses in the County. Mr. Heidemann and Chief Wilcox have also been preparing for the ISO rating assessment. Mr. Heidemann also spoke about their frustration with NFIRS (National Fire Incident Reporting System). They put a new system in Nationwide and it is down quite often. Mr. Burke stated that NFIRS is not currently usable. He hasn't been able to input any information since last October. Mr. Heidemann stated that he did submit an AFG (Assistance to Firefighters Grant) grant for SCBAs (Self-contained Breathing Apparatus), which he believes will be awarded sometime in the third quarter. He also noted that the two POOL/PACT grants have been closed out and both departments have their equipment.

Mrs. Shank stated that the Imlay Fire Department also needs a deck gun monitor. She asked that Mr. Heidemann submit a funding request with POOL/PACT. Mr. Heidemann stated he would, if he could get information from the Imlay Fire Chief. Mrs. Shank asked that Mr. Heidemann just do it, as it would be the same item that we purchased through POOL/PACT last time. Chief Wilcox stated that he would work on setting up a Chief's meeting.

Mrs. Childs told Mr. Heidemann that she needs a copy of the AFG grant for the SCBAs. She also asked about the amendment to the other AFG grant for Chief Wilcox's books. Mr. Heidemann is working on it.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION – Colby Burke was present.

Mrs. Burke reported that there are currently 16 clubs up and running. The Dog Training club will be starting May 23rd. There is also going to be an Adult Self Defense class offered. Mrs. Burke would like to have a livestock exhibit during Frontier Days, similar to what they do at the Tri-County Fair.

BID AWARD: PERSHING COUNTY MAGNESIUM CHLORIDE BID FOR THE PERSHING COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT – Two bids were received and opened on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 by Commissioner Rackley and Mr. Hill. The bids received are as follows:

Dustbusters Enterprises, Inc.	\$124,410.00
Enviro Tech Services, Inc.	\$125,194.69

Mr. Hill stated that he has worked with both companies and they both do a good job.

Mrs. Shank made a motion to award the Magnesium Chloride Bid to Dustbusters Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$124,410.00, being the most responsive and responsible bidder. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Heidi Lusby-Angvick was present. Tom Adams, founder and distiller at Seven Troughs Distilling, was also present.

Letter of Intent to purchase from Pershing County property located at 925 Cornell Avenue and 950 Dartmouth Avenue by Tom Adams, Seven Troughs Distilling: Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that she has been working with Mr. Adams since 2019. Mr. Adams gave a brief background of his business.

Seven Troughs Distilling has been in business since 2012 and they were the first licensed distillery in the Great Basin since 1877. They make Whiskey, Vodka and Gin. Mr. Adams stated that they have looked at several different sites in Lovelock. This location is prime due to the access to fire suppression. It also already has infrastructure, which they intend to renovate into a modern production distillery. The current plans are for a 65,000 gallon-per-year distillery. In full production they would employ 8-12 full-time workers, plus several part-time workers. They would also consume in-excess of 1,000 tons of Lovelock grown grain per year. Mr. Adams also stated that they are a tourist based business and feels they would certainly attract a number of tourists to the area. He also added that they are a family owned business, not a corporation and they intend to keep it that way.

Mr. Rackley asked if they had looked at other locations. Mr. Adams stated that they have looked at several. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that they have spoken to Rusty Kiel, Manager of the Lovelock Meadows Water District, several times and they feel this is the best location to provide the necessary fire suppression. The lot size also meets their requirements. Mr. Rackley stated that there is a conflict, as the County purchased the property to expand the Law Enforcement Center.

Chief Wilcox also attended a meeting with Seven Troughs in regard to fire suppression. He stated that the plans that they have are definitely something you would want in your community.

Mrs. Shank asked, if approved, what their timeframe looks like. Mr. Adams stated that they are in fundraising mode right now; however, they do have the funds available to purchase the property now, assuming we can come to terms on the price. As soon as the sale closes, they would begin rehabilitation and within 8 or 9 months, completely change the curb appeal of the building. Mrs. Shank stated that it would definitely be a benefit to the community.

Mrs. Shank asked where the County was at with the purchase of the property by the church. Mr. Shields stated that Title Insurance has been obtained and we should have the deed signed on Friday. Mrs. Shank stated that if this is agreed to, the County would have to shift design to the existing footprint and that additional property. She also stated that, if the County agreed to sell, she wouldn't be looking to make a profit, but for the County to be made whole. Mr. Adams stated that is what they expect.

Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that this is a tourist based business, which is exactly what the community has been striving for. We want people coming off the highway and across the train tracks. Mr. Adams stated that before COVID, they had the benefit of thousands of tourists, and they don't expect any less here.

Mrs. Shank agreed that this business would be a great anchor to bring other businesses to the area. She stated that her only other concern is that the building doesn't sit vacant for a long period of time and no development occurs. Mrs. Hudson agreed as she has had to look at this eyesore from the window of her business for years.

Mr. Rackley stated that the County is currently in the process of working with an architect to design the new detention facility. The current concept will not fit on the existing footprint, even with the addition of the property on the other side. This conflict would have to be resolved and he isn't looking at doing that today.

Mrs. Shank feels that the existing property will work with a different plan. A two-story building could be looked at. Mrs. Hudson agreed. Mrs. Shank stated that she would hate to hinder economic development in our community when we have worked so hard to get it. Mr. Rackley agreed; however, the property was up for public bid and the County is the only one that participated. Mrs. Hudson stated that it was her understanding when the County purchased the property that they all knew Seven Troughs was interested, and if they wanted it, it could be made available. Mrs. Hudson also stated that the County can't afford to build a new jail at this time anyway. Mrs. Shank thinks that when Mr. Rackley meets with the architects tomorrow, they need to be told to shift gears and look at a plan for the existing property. She also stated that the County doesn't have the funds for a \$12-15 million facility.

Mr. Shields stated that there are several factors in play, including both the County and Seven Troughs obtaining the necessary financing. Both the County and Seven Troughs have a great

opportunity here. Mr. Shields suggested entering into an “Intent Agreement” to purchase the property contingent on those variables. In the meantime, the architect can present two rough proposals for the Law Enforcement Center, one to include the Windmill property and one with the just the existing property across the street. Mrs. Shank would also like the agreement to include timely development of the property.

City of Lovelock Mayor, Michael Giles stated that when he first saw Seven Troughs’ plan, he thought it was something that could help our community. Lovelock has a very small footprint for business opportunities. This is the opportunity to bring people to the other side of the tracks that we have been looking for. This would also help local farmers. Mayor Giles stated that Seven Troughs Distilling belongs in Pershing County.

Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve a Letter of Intent by Seven Troughs Distilling to purchase the property located at 925 Cornell and 950 Dartmouth, known as the Windmill property, and authorized the District Attorney to work out the details with Mr. Adams. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson. Mr. Rackley opposed. Motion carried.

IT DEPARTMENT – Justin Abbott was present.

Mr. Abbott reported that it has been a very busy few weeks. He has been working on replacing workstations in a couple departments. He has also been doing user on-boarding and off-boarding. He has attended some meetings with an Internet Service Provider that is working on coming into the area. They currently have a tower at Chevron and will be bringing fiber to that point and then using a new wireless technology. Mr. Abbott has also been working on internet upgrades at the Library, which have gone very well. The Fiber is live, and he is just waiting on a cable to go from the switch to the fire wall.

Approval to establish a County email for Dave Skelton as Office of Emergency Management, handling IPAWS (Integrated Public Alert and Warning System): Mr. Abbott would ask that Mr. Skelton sign a contract to abide by our IT Policies. Mr. Shields doesn’t understand why Mr. Skelton would need a County email if he isn’t a County employee. Mrs. Shank doesn’t feel this is appropriate. Those emails should be routed to Emergency Management or the Sheriff’s office. Mr. Rackley agreed.

PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS: RETIREMENT, LESLIE STEWARD – The Board presented Ms. Steward with a Certificate and a necklace honoring her many years of service to the Pershing County Sheriff’s Office.

YEARS OF SERVICE, GALEN REESE; RETIREMENT, BETH AND GLEN REID – Although no one was present, Mr. Rackley acknowledged Galen Reese for 10 years of service to the Road Department; Beth Reid’s retirement with 4.1 years in the Assessor’s office; and Glen Reid’s retirement with 12.6 years with the Sheriff’s office.

NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH, APRIL 1, 2021, “COUNTIES MATTER” – Later in the morning, Mrs. Shank made a motion declaring April 2021 National County Government Month, “Counties Matter”. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

PLANNING AND BUILDING / IMLAY WATER: James Evans and Mark Hauenstein were present.

Mr. Evans gave the Board his monthly reports. There is a Planning Commission meeting tonight to consider a lot line adjustment. Mr. Evans also stated that his new employee is doing well and catching on quickly.

REVIEW AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY STANTEC ENGINEERING TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL PLANNING SERVICES FOR THE PERSHING COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND PERSHING COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CODE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$64,200.00 – Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve Stantec Engineering’s proposal to provide Municipal Planning Services for the Pershing County Comprehensive Plan and the Pershing County Development Code in the amount of \$64,200.00. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Mrs. Childs asked to meet with Mr. Evans after the meeting to finalize the budget amount.

CONTINUED REVIEW AND PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION FROM MARK HAUENSTEIN REFERENCE FROST LINE DEPTH AND SOILS INFORMATION FOR PERSHING COUNTY TO EITHER KEEP THE EXISTING 36" PRESCRIPTIVE FOOTING DEPTH OR MOVE TO CHANGE THE DEPTH TO 24" OR A COMBINATION OF DEPTHS DEPENDING ON THE OUTCOME OF DISCUSSIONS – Mr. Hauenstein stated that he tried contacting Mr. Campbell after the last meeting to obtain additional information regarding the project he claimed was held up for 3 months, but he never returned any calls.

Mr. Hauenstein is recommending that the Board adopt the 2018 code and as part of the adoption, change the frost depth to 24" below 5,000 and 36" above 5,000. The 2018 Building Code requires a Geotechnical soil report as part of the project design, or that a Geotechnical Engineer be onsite during excavation to determine the adequacy of the soils prior to setting the foundation.

The Board asked what the cost for a Geotech soil report is. Mr. Evans estimated \$2,000. The Board was concerned about this additional cost to a homeowner.

Bart Campbell stated that the only county currently requiring a soil report is Washoe County. This would significantly increase the cost of a foundation. His cost would go up \$15,000. He also stated that it is almost impossible to get someone to come out here to do the report.

Mr. Shields suggested that the Board postpone making a decision until they have had time to review the information Mr. Hauenstein presented.

BURNING MAN PROJECT: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF THE FIRST INSTALLMENT PAYMENT DUE TO PERSHING COUNTY FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY FOR THE 2021 BURNING MAN EVENT UNTIL MAY 15, 2021, DUE TO THE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS – Marnie Benson spoke via Zoom.

Ms. Benson stated that last April they canceled their 2020 event due to the Pandemic. Much more is known about the virus now and things are starting to open up. With cautious optimism they have been planning the 2021 event. The SRP (Special Recreation Permit) was submitted to the BLM (Bureau of Land Management). Under the current funding agreement, the first installment would be due to Pershing County on April 1st.

The Board did not have any questions or concerns about extending the due date.

Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the one time extension on the first installment payment until May 15, 2021. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, CONT.D – Heidi Lusby-Angvick and Ted Bendure were present.

Reorganization of the joint Economic Development and Community Center Board; Request to split the two boards / reduction in members for the Economic Development Board: Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that she has scheduled two meetings the last month and did not have a quorum for either one.

Mrs. Shank stated that there are several other boards that need amendments, so she would suggest doing one Ordinance to make all those changes.

A new Ordinance needs to be introduced. There was discussion about reducing the board members from nine to five or seven members. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick would recommend seven, since they currently have 6 participating members. Mr. Shields will work on it for a first introduction.

In regard to removing the Community Center from PCEDA oversight, Mrs. Shank thinks the person selected as the Community Center Coordinator should just report to the Commission Liaison.

Update on I-80 Regional Development Authority / Letter of Support: Mrs. Lusby-Angvick stated that at the City Council meeting last night, Kent Maher thought this was premature. He recommended the City wait until May. This will be moved to the Commission's May agenda as well.

Brownfields grant project update: Mrs. Lusby-Angvick reported that the Tolsa Warehouse and Processing Facility joined the project yesterday. She has also been working with Tim Dutra, as he is also in the Industrial Park. They have completed 19 assessments, with a target of 21. There are 3 more Phase I's planned or underway. They have also completed 12 Phase II assessments, with a target of 12, and an additional 4 pending. They are also working on the clean-up plans and the group will be discussing applying for the next round of funding.

Review and adopt the PCEDA Strategic 2021-22 Work Plan: There was no discussion.

MUSEUM BOARD: Board members Barb Rackley and Bonnie Skoglie were present.

UPDATE ON CURRENT AND FUTURE PROJECTS AT THE MARZEN HOUSE MUSEUM; APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE DONATION OF A 1930s RAILROAD HOUSE AND AN ICEHOUSE, AND APPROVAL OF BUILDINGS TO BE PLACED ON THE MUSEUM GROUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00 TO BE PAID FROM THE MUSEUM GIFT FUND – Mrs. Rackley and Mrs. Skoglie spoke about all the projects they have done and have in the works. The current board is super enthusiastic. They will not open at their usual time as they are doing some reorganizing, cleaning and painting. The blacksmith building that Coeur is moving down from Packard is on target and the pad will be poured by the County this month. Mr. Fisk has completely overhauled the Assay building.

Mrs. Skoglie found the house on Facebook. The owners have agreed to donate it to the Museum, but they would have to pay to move it here. It has four separate rooms and they plan on setting each one up with a different display. Mrs. Rackley stated that they are working on sending out donation request letters as well. Mrs. Rackley also stated that Frank Fisk has agreed to donate his family's icehouse.

Mrs. Rackley also spoke about increasing the hours the administrative staff works. They would like to be open 4 days a week for 10 ½ months. The Museum also needs two new ADA toilets and the security cameras are not sufficient.

Mrs. Childs stated that there is no money left in the Building Fund for security cameras.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the change of use of the funds allocated for painting and windows to use for the transportation of the 1930s Railroad House and the Icehouse. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank and passed.

UNCLASSIFIED DEPARTMENTS, CONT.D:

COMMUNITY CENTER – Appointment of David Skelton to be Acting Interim Community Center Coordinator until position is filled: Mrs. Hudson stated that Mr. Skelton has volunteered, as he is on the PCEDA Board. Mrs. Shank asked if he was taking on more than just the coordination. Mrs. Hudson stated that he is supervising the custodian and checking the phones. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick is also providing support. Mrs. Childs stated that she needs a memo stating who is allowed to submit vouchers and sign them. Mr. Rackley would like Mrs. Childs to do it. Mrs. Lusby-Angvick still has the templates for all the vouchers. She will draw them up and Mrs. Childs will sign them.

Mr. Shields doesn't feel a contract is necessary. Mr. Skelton is not being paid or being reimbursed for his time.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to appoint David Skelton as the Acting Interim Community Center Coordinator on a volunteer basis until the position has been filled. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank. Mr. Abbott asked about access to the Community Center's email, calendar, etc. Mrs. Shank suggested giving access to Mrs. Lusby-Angvick instead, since she is a County employee.

Motion carried.

Update on applications received and request to extend the application period if no applications have been received: No applications have been received. There was discussion in the budget workshops about combining this position with an Ambulance position and making it full time.

PUBLIC DEFENDER – Mr. Cochran submitted a written report.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Mrs. Machado didn't have anything to report, but would like to know how often she should report to the Board. The Board felt quarterly was sufficient, unless something comes up.

Mr. Rackley stated he attended the City Council meeting last night and they have several addresses that need attention, but they don't have Code Enforcement. He suggested it be discussed at our next joint meeting.

ELECTED DEPARTMENTS:

LACEY DONALDSON, CLERK-TREASURER – *Approval of Corrections/Changes to the Tax Roll:* Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the corrections as submitted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Salary Resolution, P. Stewart: Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the Salary Resolution for Perri Stewart, Initial Employment at an Advanced Step, starting as an Administrative Clerk II, Range 26, Step 2 effective April 5, 2021. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

Credit Card increase to \$5,000.00 for James Evans, Planning & Building Department: Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the credit card increase to \$5,000 for James Evans. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

RENE CHILDS, RECORDER-AUDITOR – Mrs. Childs gave the Board the Month-End reports.

LAURI BASSO-CERINI, ASSESSOR – Mrs. Basso-Cerini submitted a written report.

JERRY ALLEN, SHERIFF – Sheriff Allen reported that he currently has 0 inmates in custody. He will be deploying the electronic sign boards for the next COVID-19 Vaccination event at the Senior Center. There will be one at the Senior Center parking lot and one on Cornell. Mr. Rackley stated this event is a FEMA project and will be the single dose Janssen vaccine. The event is April 16th.

CARES FUNDING: APPROVAL TO PURCHASE THE “SHERIFF APP” NOTIFICATION APPLICATION FOR THE NOTIFICATION OF THE PUBLIC OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY NOTIFICATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,270 – Sheriff Allen stated that he and Mr. Shields reviewed the application information and feel it is an appropriate use of CARES funding.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the purchase of the “Sheriff App” Notification Application for the notification of the public of Law Enforcement and Public Safety notifications in the amount of \$18,270.00, to be paid with CARES Funding, Commissary Funds, and Forfeiture funds. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank and passed.

UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF SITE LOCATION, DESIGN, FUNDING, AMENITIES AND CONSTRUCTION OF FUTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER: There was no discussion about this item.

DERBY FIELD AIRPORT: No report was given.

911 SURCHARGE COMMITTEE: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FOLLOW THE LEGISLATIVE GUIDELINES AND MEET ANNUALLY – Mrs. Shank stated that this is one of the things that she suggested be included in a blanket board amendment. Mr. Shields stated that the requirement is

currently quarterly. Mr. Shields did some research and there isn't another county that is only meeting once a year.

Mrs. Shank made a motion to leave the meeting requirement for the 911 Surcharge Committee as is. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS: WEED BOARD – A letter of Resignation was received from Bill Renfroe, as well as a letter of interest from Joe Gottschalk.

Mrs. Hudson made a motion to accept the resignation of Bill Renfroe from the Weed District Board and appoint Joe Gottschalk in his place. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank and passed.

911 ADVISORY BOARD – A letter of interest was received from Thomas Bjerke.

Mrs. Shank made a motion to appoint Thomas Bjerke to the 911 Advisory Board. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES REQUEST TO LEVY A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON THE GROUNDWATER BASINS WITHIN PERSHING COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022: HUALAPAI FLAT (024) \$631.87; BLACK ROCK DESERT (028) \$95.30; DESERT VALLEY (031) \$4.07; GRASS VALLEY (071) \$14,710.95; IMLAY AREA (072) \$7,410.49; DIXIE VALLEY (128) \$1,382.53; BUENA VISTA (129) \$5,945.42; BUFFALO VALLEY (131) \$1,246.11; LOVELOCK VALLEY (73 & 73a) \$11187.89 FOR A TOTAL OF \$42,614.63 – Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the request by the Division of Water Resources to levy a special assessment on the Groundwater Basins within Pershing County for Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 as presented. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

UPDATE ON 2021 LEGISLATIVE MATTERS: DISCUSSION REGARDING BILL DRAFT RELATING TO INNOVATION ZONES AND SB10 RELATING TO THE CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN PARTIAL ABATEMENTS OF PROPERTY TAXES – Mrs. Shank made a motion to send a letter opposing Innovation Zones and in support of SB10, relating to the calculation of certain partial abatements of property taxes. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COVER LETTER AND PERSHING COUNTY'S COVID TRANSITION RECOVERY PLAN: Mrs. Shank made a motion to approve the Cover Letter along with the Pershing County COVID Transition Recovery Plan. Motion seconded by Mrs. Hudson and passed.

REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT / HR REP: Mrs. Wesner did not have anything to report.

REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL: Mr. Shields did not have anything to report.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS: No additional items were discussed.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no additional correspondence.

MATTERS OF THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION; BOARD MEMBER REPORTS; BOARD LIAISON REPORTS: Mrs. Hudson thanked Mrs. Lusby-Angvick for all her hard work in Economic Development and stepping up to help at the Community Center. Mrs. Hudson will be participating in the Central Nevada Water Authority meeting via Zoom on Friday.

Mrs. Shank didn't have anything to report.

Mr. Rackley reported that he finally made a successful trip to Toulon Peak on Friday. Channel 8 is back up and working, but not perfect. He and Mr. Powell are going back up this Friday.

PUBLIC INPUT: There was no public input at this time.

VOUCHERS: Mrs. Hudson made a motion to approve the vouchers as submitted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Shank and passed.

As there was nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Approved 5/5/21: _____
Larry Rackley, Chairman

Attest: _____
Lacey Donaldson, Clerk