#### **BOARD OF EUREKA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

August 19, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

STATE OF NEVADA	)
	:SS
COUNTY OF EUREKA	)

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- 1. Approval of the agenda notice with addition of any emergency item and/or deletion of any item. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda, in the direction of the Chair. (For Possible Action)
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board of Eureka County Commissioners met pursuant to law on August 19, 2025. Present were Chairman Rich McKay, Vice Chair Marty Plaskett, Commissioner Mike Schoenwald, District Attorney Ted Beutel and Clerk Recorder Kathy Bowling. The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. The interactive video conferencing system was connected between Crescent Valley and Eureka for the entire meeting.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the meeting agenda, Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Public comment and discussion. Notice: No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. Public comments may be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Public comment may be allowed on "Action" items, in addition to the two times specified on the agenda. (Discussion)

Chairman McKay called for public comment in both Eureka and Crescent Valley, hearing none he proceeded to the next item.

2. Consider items requiring action to be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting. Notice: The public is welcome to request agenda items for future meetings during the Public Comment period or may consult with one or more of the Board of Commissioners to request agenda items for future meetings. (Discussion)

None considered.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes of the August 5,2025 Commission meeting. (For Possible Action)

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the August 5,2025 Commission meeting minutes, Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

# **COUNTY COMPTROLLER** – Kim Todd, Comptroller

1. Payment of expenditures. Notice: Expenditures received after action has been taken under this Comptroller section may be presented and acted upon throughout the day. (For Possible Action)

The Board, along with Comptroller Kim Todd reviewed the expenditures.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve expenditures of \$1,220,830.53 with passthroughs of \$618.46 to Nevada Department Taxation Room Tax, \$147,231.74 to Nevada State Controller School Taxes, \$6,549.12 to Nevada State Controller, \$64,580.00 to Nevada Division of Minerals and \$295.00 to Washoe County Crime Lab. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

2. Review Fund Balance Report. (Discussion)

The Board reviewed the current fund balance report.

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

497

1. Discuss, approve or deny accepting the resignation of contracted Eureka County Public Defender, Kelley Brown, effective January 1, 2026. (For Possible Action)

Public Defender Kelley Brown announced his retirement, his last day will be December 31, 2025.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve accepting the resignation of contracted Eureka County Public Defender, Kelley Brown, effective January 1, 2026. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

2. Discuss, approve or deny posting a request for proposals for a contract Eureka County Public Defender in accordance with the Eureka County Plan for Provision of Indigent Defense Services. (For Possible Action)

The Board discussed posting a request for a contract Eureka County Public Defender on the Indigent Defense Services website. Clerk Recorder Bowling will also reach out to the Indigent

Defense Services for their help in advertising the contract. Comptroller Todd will receive the applications and bring them to a commission meeting for the Board to choose in a public meeting.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve posting a request for proposals for a contract Eureka County Public Defender in accordance with the Eureka County Plan for Provision of Indigent Defense Services. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

**3.** Discuss, approve or deny a Resolution providing for the transfer of the County's 2025 Private Activity Bond Volume Cap in the amount of \$119,813.69 to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority for its Single-Family Programs. **(For Possible Action)** 

Katie Coleman Communications Director for Nevada Rural Housing presented via WebEx, they have served over 11,000 home buyers since 2006. The bond cap is not money or a budget it is a federal allocation and the opportunity to issue tax exempt debt. The board discussed how they could help get the word out to home buyers in Eureka County, they will post on Eureka County's website.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the Resolution providing for the transfer of the County's 2025 Private Activity Bond Volume Cap in the amount of \$119,813.69 to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority for its Single-Family Programs. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

RESOLU	TION	NO.	

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE COUNTY'S 2025 PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND VOLUME CAP TO THE NEVADA RURAL HOUSING AUTHORITY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 348A of the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and Chapter 348A of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC"), there has been allocated to Eureka County, Nevada (the "County"), the amount of \$119,813.69 in tax-exempt private activity bond volume cap for year 2025 (the "2025 Bond Cap"); and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Rural Housing Authority (the "NRHA"), has requested that the County transfer its 2025 Bond Cap to the NRHA for the purpose of providing a means of financing the costs of single family residential housing that will provide decent, safe and sanitary dwellings at affordable prices for persons of low and moderate income ("Single Family Programs"); and

WHEREAS, the County is a local government as defined by NAC 348A.070; and

WHEREAS, Section 348A.180 of the NAC provides a procedure whereby the County may, by resolution, transfer to any other local government located within the same county, all or any portion of its 2025 Bond Cap; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NRS 315.983(1)(a), the NRHA is an instrumentality. local government and political subdivision of the State of Nevada (the "State"); and

WHEREAS, the NRHA is located within the County, pursuant to NRS 315.963, which defines the NRHA's area of operation as "any area of the State which is not included within the corporate limits of a city or town having a population of 150,000 or more."

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of the County does hereby find, resolve, determine and order as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals set forth herein above are true and correct in all respects.

Section 2. Transfer of Private Activity Bond Volume Cap. Pursuant to NAC 348A.180, the County hereby transfers 2025 Bond Cap in the amount of \$119,813.69 to the NRHA for its Single Family Programs.

Section 3. Use of 2025 Bond Cap. The NRHA will use the 2025 Bond Cap for single family purposes in calendar year 2025 or carry forward any remaining amount according to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for such purposes.

- Section 4. Representative of County. Pursuant to NAC 348A.180(1), the Director of the State of Nevada Department of Business and Industry (the "Director") may contact Katherine J. Bowling, Clerk Recorder, Eureka County Board of Commissioners, regarding this Resolution at (775) 237-5263 or in writing at P.O. Box 694, Eureka, NV 89316.
- Section 5. Additional Action. The Chair of the Board of Commissioners and Commissioner Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions as necessary to effectuate the transfer of the 2025 Bond Cap, and carry out the duties of the County hereunder, including the execution of all certificates pertaining to the transfer as required by NAC 348A.
- Section 6. Direction to the NRHA. The NRHA shall notify the Director in writing as soon as practicable of the occurrence or nonoccurrence of any term or condition that would affect the disposition of the 2025 Bond Cap.
- Section 7. Representative of the NRHA. Pursuant to NAC 348A.180(3), the Director may contact Shawn Heusser, Director of Finance of the NRHA regarding this Resolution at (775) 886-7913 or by email at sheusser@NVRural.org or in writing at Nevada Rural Housing Authority, 3695 Desatoya Drive, Carson City, Nevada 89701.
- Section 8. Obligation of the County. This Resolution is not to be construed as a pledge of the faith and credit of or by the County, or of any agency, instrumentality, or subdivision of the County. Nothing in this Resolution obligates or authorizes the County to issue bonds for any project or to grant approvals for a project or constitutes a representation that such bonds will be issued.
- Section 9. Enforceability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution. This Resolution shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.

#### CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER OF VOLUME CAP

I, Katherine Bowling, am the duly qualified Commissioner Clerk of the Eureka County Board of Commissioners of Eureka County, Nevada (the "County") and in the performance of my duties as Commissioner Clerk do hereby certify to the Office of Business Finance and Planning in accordance with Section 348A.260 of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC"), that the 2024 private activity bond volume cap allocated to the County in the amount of \$119,813.69 has been transferred as follows:

\$119,813.69 has been transferred pursuant to NAC 348A.180 from the County, a local government, located in the State of Nevada to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority, a local government, located within Eureka County, for the purpose of providing a means of financing the costs of single family residential housing that will provide decent, safe and sanitary dwellings at affordable prices for persons of low and moderate income.

This certificate is being filed within five (5) days of the transfer being made in accordance with NAC 348.260.

EUREKA COUNTY COMMISSION EUREKA COUNTY, NEVADA

Kathering Bowling, Clerk Recorder

cc: Ashley Jimenez, Nevada Rural Housing Authority

Adopted, Signed and approved this 19 day of Cucust, 2025.

EUREKA COUNTY COMMISSION

By Mich McKay, Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

By Katherine Bowling, Commissioner Clerk

# **SENIOR CENTERS** - Linda Gordon, Senior Center Program Director

1. Report on activities at the Eureka Senior Center and Fannie Komp Senior Center. (Discussion)

Senior Center Program Director Linda Gordon reported the Bells and Bows bingo group in Eureka had their balloon dart toss table at the fair and raised \$250 towards their account. The Crescent Valley Golden Oldies will be going to Las Vegas for their senior group soon. They deposited \$2,558 for the month of July, Eureka served 861 meals and Crescent Valley served 733 meals.

#### IT-Misty Rowley, CIO

1. Discuss, approve or deny the extended endpoint protection limited warranty agreement, which will cover up to \$1 million in breach response expenses in the event of a security incident within the protected environment, at no additional cost to the County for a one-year period. Authorize the IT Director to sign the document outside of the meeting. (For Possible Action)

Jessica Santoyo reported for CIO Misty Rowley; the extended warranty coverage renewal is for Crowdstrike and will extend another year.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the extended endpoint protection limited warranty agreement for 1 year and allow CIO Rowley to sign outside of the meeting. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

2. Discuss, approve or deny the Amended and Restated Broadband Service Agreement with Comnet to renew the 100 Mb Symmetrical Dedicated Internet Access (DIA) connection for the Crescent Valley Medical Clinic at a recurring monthly cost of \$1,125.00. Authorize the CIO to sign the contract outside of the meeting. Note: The agreement has an Initial Service Date of July 1, 2025, with a one-year term and the option to renew for up to two additional one-year terms with written notice provided at least 60 days prior to the contract end date. This agreement aligns with the USAC program funding period through June 30, 2026. (For Possible Action)

The Amended and Restated Broadband Service Agreement with Comnet will renew the 100 Mb Symmetrical Dedicated Internet Access (DIA) connection that is located at the Crescent Valley Medical Clinic. There is a special discount using the rural healthcare finance program.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve the Amended and Restated Broadband Service Agreement with Comnet to renew the 100 Mb Symmetrical Dedicated Internet Access (DIA) connection for the Crescent Valley Medical Clinic at a recurring monthly cost of \$1,125.00 and allow CIO Rowley to sign outside of the meeting. The motion carried 3-0.

#### AMBULANCE AND EMS - Nichole Cooley, EMS Director/Coordinator

1. Report on EMS projects and activities. (Discussion)

EMS Director/Coordinator Nichole Cooley, EMT Griffin Bussian and EMT Brent Jones in Crescent Valley reported to the Board; in July they had a total of 39 runs, 16 in Crescent Valley, 16 in Eureka and 7 with MedEx, they brought in \$13,283.48. EMT Bussian received his instructor license so he can now hold classes up to an advanced level. They provided standby services at the Eureka County Fair and the Eureka High School Rodeo. Central Nevada Health District went to Crescent Valley and provided vaccinations for school aged children; they will also be bringing the flu pod in October to Crescent Valley.

2. Update on contract services activity. (Discussion)

The dentist in Eureka had 43 visits in July, Genesis home health has 5 nursing patients, APRN Tamisha Pena saw 142 patients, the other providers saw 63 and the Crescent Valley clinic saw 17 patients. Director Cooley gave a phone number to the direct line for billing services with William Bee Ririe, 775-289-3001 extension 4, then 1 for billing.

3. Discuss, approve or deny integrating Rims with our image trend CAD and Health Information Hub (HIH) in a not to exceed amount of \$18,500.00 which includes contingency. (For Possible Action)

Item was tabled, the Board suggested EMS services get with the IT department to see what kind of servers they will need, also referred them to the Comptroller to decide which budget account to take the money from.

4. Temporary Credit Card increase of \$500.00 for Nichole Cooley to \$1500.00 for the EMS conference September 16-19 for expenditures and rooms. (For Possible Action)

The EMS conference on September 16-19 will be held in Elko Nevada and they have a total of 7 people signed up to attend. MedEx will cover both stations while they are out of the county. The credit card increase will cover hotel rooms and food for those attending.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve a credit card increase of \$500.00 for Nichole Cooley to \$1500.00 for the EMS conference September 16-19 for expenditures and rooms. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

5. Temporary Credit Card increase of \$500.00 for Griffin Bussian to \$1000.00 for the EMS conference September 16-19 for expenditures. (For Possible Action)

The credit card increase for Griffin Bussian will also help cover expenditures for the EMS conference in September.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve a credit card increase of \$500.00 for Griffin Bussian to \$1000.00 for the EMS conference September 16-19 for expenditures. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

6. Review Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking contracted ambulance/emergency response services for Crescent Valley and Northern Eureka County, including approval to proceed with advertising the RFP and finalizing the schedule in relation to response deadline, evaluation of responses, and award of contract pending successful negotiations. (For Possible Action)

The Board discussed the timeline for the requests for proposals seeking contracted ambulance/emergency response services for Crescent Valley and Northern Eureka County. They will send the request for proposals (RFP) notice to the newspaper on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. August 28<sup>th</sup> will be the notice issue date, it will run in the paper for 2 weeks, September 10<sup>th</sup> will be the last day in the newspaper. September 11 will be the pre-publication proposal conference, any potential bidders can ask questions and get clarification, September 30<sup>th</sup> will be the deadline. October 7<sup>th</sup> will be the proposal deadline; the Board will open the proposals and give direction to Director Cooley to proceed with contract negotiations with the top candidate.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the 2-week timeline requesting proposals for contracted ambulance/emergency response services for Crescent Valley and Northern Eureka County. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES-**

1. Review and consider approval of updated Public Works Technician I, II, III and Senior Job Description. (For Possible Action)

Public Works Director Rowley explained the changes made to the Public Works Technician I, II, III and Senior job descriptions, recognizing the building specific duties and expectations for the supervision of staff in that department.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve the updated Public Works Technician I, II, III and Senior job descriptions. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

 Review Promotion Request form and consider authorizing Public Works to promote a Public Works employee to Senior Public Works Technician. (For Possible Action)

The Senior Public Works Technician has been promoted to Assistant Public Works Director; they will promote a Public Works employee to fill the vacant job.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve a Promotion Request form and authorize Public Works to promote a Public Works employee to Senior Public Works Technician. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

3. Discuss, approve or deny an updated Sheriff's Office Detective job description. (For Possible Action)

Undersheriff Cobb explained to the Board the Detective recently resigned; they found areas in the job description that needed some changes. The changes include chain of command and changing the job to a multi-use position. The changes have been reported to the Operating Engineers Local 3 Union.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the updates to the Sheriff's Office Detective job description. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

4. Discuss, approve or deny a Casual Civil Processor job description. (For Possible Action)

The Causal Civil Processor job description was budgeted for FY2025-2026. The position will be in Crescent Valley; they will work both in Public Works and the Sheriff's office. The position will provide a notary service, public works billing service, and reporting for the Sheriff's office.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve the Casual Civil Processor job description. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

5. Discuss, approve or deny a Hiring Freeze Waiver to fill the Casual Civil Processor. Note: *This position was budgeted for FY2026 and will be located in Crescent Valley.* (For Possible Action)

The Causal Civil Processor position will be 19 hours a week year-round, non-benefited and non pers eligible.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve a Hiring Freeze Waiver to fill the Casual Civil Processor. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

### SHERIFF- Miles Umina, Sheriff

1. Report on Sheriff's Office projects and activities. (Discussion)

Undersheriff Cobb reported for Sheriff Umina, they currently have 3 arrests and in custody, in the last 19 days they have done 191 traffic stops and wrote 58 citations county wide.

 Discuss, approve or deny a one-time credit card increase for Sgt. Dave Hicks of \$1,000.00 (\$2,000.00 Total) for the month of October to attend RIMS conference in Lake Tahoe. (For Possible Action)

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve a one-time credit card increase for Sgt. Dave Hicks of \$1,000.00 (\$2,000.00 Total) for the month of October to attend RIMS conference in Lake Tahoe. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

The Board took a 15- minute break. Chairman McKay opened the public hearing at 11:01 a.m.

#### PUBLIC HEARING-EUREKA COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY

Notice was given that a public hearing would be held on August 19, 2025, beginning at 11:00 a.m. (local time) in the Eureka Commission Chambers in the County Courthouse at 10 South Main Street in Eureka, Nevada. The reason for said hearing is to invite comments and provide clarification and/or take further action to adopt (as written or as modified) a resolution amending the Eureka County Personnel Policy. Supporting materials can be requested from or reviewed at the Office of the County Clerk.

 Open public hearing and invite comments on amendments to the Eureka County Personnel Policy. (Discussion)

The Board along with department heads and employees discussed changes to the Eureka County Personnel Policy. Clerk Recorder Bowling commented on the wording regarding the phone policy and phones only being used at rest and meal periods, the staff in her office use their phones for the 2-step authenticator, communication between staff as well as medical reasons tracking diabetes. Jessica Santoyo echoed Clerk Recorder Bowling's comment on the use of phones in the IT department. Discussion ensued and the Board decided to remove the whole sentence; "These activities are restricted to authorized rest and meal periods, except under obvious emergency situations". Natural Resources Director Tibbitts commented on the wording regarding social media contacts and reporting to the immediate supervisor prior to responding to media inquiries. Discussion ensued surrounding the wording and the Board decided to change the word reported to directed reading; "All media inquiries must be directed to the immediate supervisor, manager, human resources prior to responding on behalf of the employer." Public Works Director Rowley brought attention to a wording change regarding the volunteer status and complying with federal state and local laws. Director Rowley commented on the minimum number of days an employee can give leave notice, he would like to see it stay at 15 days. He commented that it doesn't refer to emergencies or sick leave but for long scheduled leave, 5 days is too short to rearrange the schedule. Clerk Recorder Bowling echoed in support of Director Rowley's comment. Discussion ensued and the Board decided to leave the minimum days' notice at 15. Discussion ensued over the area of sick leave to include adding the eye doctor. Jessica Santoyo commented on the educational assistance and the suggestion to cut the dollar amount in half, she commented that doing so could prevent the turnover rate, and keeping our talent keeps critical roles filled. She also commented in the IT world you have to train them from the bottom and offering educational assistance is very important. EMs Director Nichole Cooley also commented that if the public is wanting the EMT's to continue their education and become an advanced or go to paramedic school, it can be very pricy and the chances of them leaving could be greater. The Board discussed creating a max amount and finding which budget account they will use the money from.

#### Chairman McKay closed the public hearing at 12:21 p.m.

2. Discuss, approve or deny adopting (as written or as modified) a resolution amending the Eureka County Personnel Policy. (For Possible Action)

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve changes and adopt a resolution amending the Eureka County Personnel Policy. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Eureka, Nevada

Proposed August 5, 2025 Adopted August 19, 2025

# RESOLUTION AMENDING THE EUREKA COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY

WHEREAS, the Eureka County Personnel Policy has been updated and amended pursuant to the procedure contained in the Eureka County Code, Title 2, Chapter 50; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Eureka County Commissioners have been presented by the Human Resources Office with various updates and amendments of the policy for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the updated Policy (with the changes to be considered already incorporated) is available to view at the County's website: https://www.eurekacountynv.gov/; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED this Resolution was proposed on the 5th day of August, 2025, and circulated to the Commissioners for their review and modification that same day; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED the Comptroller's Office will circulate this Resolution for review to all departments electronically, for distribution to County employees, requesting comment on the proposed changes to the Policy; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED a public hearing will be conducted August 19, 2025 beginning at 11:00 am or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard in the County Commission chambers, following publication of the hearing in The Eureka County Star once at least ten (10) days before the hearing; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED at that public hearing, and any additional public hearings if deemed necessary, the Commissioners may adopt, reject, or adopt with revisions or amendments one, some, or all of these proposed changes to the Policy. The effective date of the changes will be August 19, 2025.

Chairman of the Board

Eureka County Commissioners

Attest:

Clerk/Recorder

# BID OPENING – EUREKA TOWNSITE TANK REPAINTING PROJECT

Notice was given that sealed bids for the Eureka Townsite Tank Repainting Project for the Eureka Town Water System would be received on or before 11:00 a.m. (local time) on August 19, 2025, at the Eureka County Courthouse, 10 South Main Street, Eureka, Nevada.

1. At 11:30 a.m. or upon conclusion of the Public Hearing scheduled at 11:00 a.m. (whichever time occurs first), bids received by the advertised 11:00 a.m. deadline for the Eureka Townsite Tank Repainting Project will be opened, acknowledged, and accepted into the record by motion of the Board, with direction to Public Works and the County Engineer to review bid documents and return later in the meeting with a recommendation for award. (For Possible Action)

Public Works Director Jeb Rowley, Assistant Public Works Director Lester Porter and County Engineer Jonathan Lesprance with Loomis and Associates opened the bids they received for the Eureka Townsite Tank Repainting Project. They received only 1 bid from Resource Development Company for \$767,300.00. Jonathan Lesprance reported the bid appeared in good condition, responsive and conforming to the requirements.

No action was taken.

#### BID AWARD – EUREKA TOWNSITE TANK REPAINTING PROJECT

 Consider recommendations related to bid evaluations and approve or deny awarding bid/contract for the Eureka Townsite Tank Repainting Project to the most responsible and responsive bidder. (For Possible Action)

Resource Development Company was the only bid received and came in at \$767,300 which was under the budgeted amount of \$800,000.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve the bid from Resource Development Company for the Eureka Townsite Tank Repainting Project. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

The Board recessed for lunch.

Chairman McKay called the meeting back to order at 12:44 p.m.

#### NACO PRESENTATION-Vinson Guthreau, Executive Director

1. Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) Presentation by Vinson Guthreau, Executive Director.

Vinson Guthreau the Executive Director of Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) presented to the Board the benefits NACO provides to county commissioners. NACO works closely not only with the commissioners but also Natural Resource Manager Jake Tibbitts, Clerk Recorder Kathy Bowling, Assessor Michael Mears and Caleb Cage the County legislative representative. NACO helps counties by being an advocate at the state level, interact with legislators and provide health and human services support.

# <u>PUBLIC WORKS/COUNTY FACILITIES</u> – Jeb Rowley, Public Works Director

1. Report on Public Works/County Facilities projects and activities. (Discussion)

Public Works Director Jeb Rowley reported to the Board, they filled the operation casual assistant position, they are still advertising the pool supervisor position. The Opera house had 69 people attending events and 154 visitors for July. The swimming pool had 199 daily swimmers, 10 private lessons and 30 seniors. The landfill had 599 deliveries that brought in 173 tons of municipal waste. They had public works and road department staff working the County Fair and High School Rodeo.

2. Discuss, approve or deny the purchase of a ¾ Ton Full Size Standard Cab: Cab & Chassis from Champion Chevrolet in an amount not to exceed \$48,355.92 (includes 5% contingency), utilizing funds budgeted for capital outlay (020-106-55010-000) in the Road Department budget. (For Possible Action)

The purchase of a ¾ Ton Full Size Standard Cab: Cab & Chassis from Champion Chevrolet, fuel tank, and flatbed will all be purchased from the Nevada Gold Mines MOU. The Board approved items 2, 3 and 4 all at the same time.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve the purchase of a ¾ Ton Full Size Standard Cab: Cab & Chassis from Champion Chevrolet in an amount not to exceed \$48,355.92 (includes 5% contingency), a Fuel Tank from Grainger in an amount not to exceed \$1,458.60 (includes 5% contingency), and a Flat Bed from Reading Truck in an amount not to exceed \$5,683.13 (includes 5% contingency)), utilizing funds budgeted for capital outlay (020-106-55010-000) in the Road Department budget. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

3. Discuss, approve or deny quotation 2061551757 from Grainger for the purchase of a Fuel Tank in an amount not to exceed \$1,458.60 (includes 5% contingency), utilizing funds budgeted for capital outlay (020-106-55010-000) in the Road Department budget. (For Possible Action)

Item approved with item #2.

**4.** Discuss, approve or deny quotation JRB00652 from Reading Truck for the purchase of a Flat Bed in an amount not to exceed \$5,683.13 (includes 5% contingency), utilizing funds budgeted for capital outlay (020-106-55010-000) in the Road Department budget. (For Possible Action)

Item approved with item #2.

5. Discuss, approve or deny the purchase of a 1 Ton Full Size Standard Cab: Cab & Chassis from Champion Chevrolet in an amount not to exceed \$86,458.32 (includes 5% contingency), utilizing funds budgeted for capital outlay (020-106-55010-000) in the Road Department budget. (For Possible Action)

Public Works Director Rowley informed the Board the amount \$86,458.32 for the 1 Ton Full Size Standard Cab: Cab & Chassis also includes a bed and lift gate.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the purchase of a 1 Ton Full Size Standard Cab: Cab & Chassis, bed and lift gate from Champion Chevrolet in an amount not to exceed \$86,458.32 (including a 5% contingency), utilizing funds budgeted for capital outlay (020-106-55010-000) in the Road Department budget. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

# NATURAL RESOURCES - Jake Tibbitts, Natural Resources Manager

Natural Resources Manager Jake Tibbitts reported the BLM hosted their NEPA kick off meeting for Nevada Gold Mines Cortez pit expansion process, they are submitting their application for their water pollution control permit. I-80 Gold held their community town hall meeting, they will be moving forward with their Archimedes underground project and will be adding 40 people. Once they are up and mining, they will add another 120 employees. I-80 Gold will also move forward with their Mineral Point project which is a large-scale open pit adjacent to their current pit, it would add another 600-650 employees by 2032. The Diamond Valley Rodent Control Board met Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>, they will be sending out mail to those interested in the 50/50 cost share program. Manager Tibbitts and Commissioner Plaskett met with ORLA mining that is developing the South Railroad

project, it straddles the line between Spring Creek and Pine Valley. The Humboldt River Basin Water Authority has protested a couple of the water rights for ORLA mining and will be giving a presentation to the HRWBA board on September 12<sup>th</sup>. On August 28<sup>th</sup> the N6 Grazing Board will

1. Report on current and emerging natural resource issues affecting Eureka County. (Discussion)

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

have a meeting.

1. Review correspondence. (Discussion)

Clerk Recorder Kathy Bowling read the meeting correspondence, Nevada Housing Division invitation to Housing & Homelessness Cross-Sector Convening August 20<sup>th</sup>, NHD Grant information, NACO Early Bird Registration for Annual Conference Sept 23-25 Fallon Range Training Complex IEC Committee Participation Form, Governor Lombardo Press Release on Use of Nevada National Guard to Support US Department of Homeland Security, Governor Lombardo

to host ceremonial bill signing of landmark education bill at Mountain View Elementary in Las Vegas on August 18<sup>th</sup>, Nevada Gold Mine (NGM) notice of major modification for Cortez Pit Expansion Project Cortez Hills Project Water Pollution Control Permit, Save the Date and registration form for Fallon Range Training Complex intergovernmental Executive committee meeting to be held Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, NDEP Response to Comments, Work Plan for Petrofix Injections at Sam's Corner Store in Crescent Valley, NV, NDEP Notification of New Case officer for Sam's Corner Store in CV, NV Diamond Valley Rodent Control Dist. Meeting Agenda held Friday, Aug. 15th NRAC Meeting Agenda to be held Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, Eureka County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife Board Agenda Held Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, CVTAB meeting Agenda to be held Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>.

2. Commissioner reports on pertinent correspondence or other matters. (Discussion)

Commissioner Schoenwald reported the new Geothermal Plant that will be going in Crescent Valley is giving a presentation at the Crescent Valley Town Board meeting on August 20<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Public comment and discussion. Notice: No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. Public comment may be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Public comment may be allowed on "Action" items, in addition to the two times specified on the agenda. (Discussion)

Chairman McKay called for public comment in both Eureka and Crescent Valley, hearing none he proceeded to the next item.

2. Consider items requiring action to be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting. Notice:

The public is welcome to request agenda items for future meetings during the Public Comment period or may consult with one or more of the Board of Commissioners to request agenda items for future meetings. (Discussion)

None considered.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

1. Adjournment of meeting.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

#### Meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

Prepared and submitted by Deputy Clerk Recorder, Katelyn Ziemann. Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025 by the Board of Eureka County Commissioners.

Chairman, Rich McKay

ATTEST: County Clerk Recorder, Kathy Bowling

Page 15 of 15 BOCC August 19, 2025