BOARD OF EUREKA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST 4, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

STATE OF NEVADA)
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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 4, 2026. 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 9:29 a.m. The interactive video conferencing system was connected between Crescent Valley and Eureka for the entire meeting.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the agenda with moving the Treasurer item up to after public comment, 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 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, Crescent Valley resident Forest Anderson commented they have been having issues with the US Postal Service and were recently told they were no longer going to be issuing new addresses. Mr. Anderson is going to work on following procedure and doing a petition to see if there is anything they can do, he wanted to inform the Commissioners on the problems.

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)**

Nothing was considered.

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 meeting expenditures.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve expenditures is the amount of $3,618,522.20, Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

2. Review Fund Balance Report. **(Discussion)**

The board reviewed the current fund balance report.

TREASURER – Pernecia Johnson, Treasurer

1. Review of Treasurer's Report for June 2026. **(Discussion)**

The board reviewed the Treasurers report for June 2026.

IT - Misty Rowley, CIO

1. Report on IT projects and activities. **(Discussion)**

CIO Misty Rowley reported her office installed several new workstations and printers, they worked on the county newsletter, social media and worked with the Market Share PR firm. They worked with the Sheriffs office on planning and installing the new fiber circuit to replace the copper lines that connect the 911 VESTAS system. They fixed issues with the public computers not connecting to the internet or the Assessors website.

COMMISSIONERS –

1. Discuss, approve, or deny waiver of the following Personnel Policies under the Catastrophic Leave Program: (a) Policy 6.3.1.2.a. which limits the amount (to 20 hours) and limits the times per year (to once) that an employee may donate to the catastrophic leave program; and (b) Policy 6.3.1.2.c. which limits the amount of time an employee may draw from the individual catastrophic leave donations to 120 hours per event. *If approved, this waiver is for an individual employee for a specific event and is not a blanket waiver of policy. All donations are strictly voluntary and must still meet the other guidelines set forth in the policy* **(For Possible Action)**

Commissioner McKay informed the room there are 2 employees requesting to draw from the individual catastrophic leave donations. The personnel policy limits the amount an employee may donate and how many times a year they can donate to the program. The board discussed how long the event would be and chose to revisit it in 3 months and decide if they need to extend the event. The board decided the waiver would be for this specific event only.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve waving the 120-hour maximum sick leave donation per employee to the Catastrophic Leave Program and reevaluate in 3 months and to also waive the limit on the amount of time an employee may draw from the program. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

2.	Discuss, approve or deny signing the 7th Judicial Tri-County Cooperative Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. **(For Possible Action)**

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve signing the 7th Judicial Tri-County Cooperative Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

3.	Discuss, approve or deny adjusting the Senior Center Directors salary to an E20 in order to better align with other Directors in the county and utilize Commission funds for this fiscal year. **(For Possible Action)**

The board discussed the previously approved temporary pause to individual compensations to allow an accurate and timely salary study. The board discussed prioritizing the Senior Center Directors salary during the salary study to ensure her job description reflects clearly.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to engage HR with the Senior Center Director and make it the top priority during the salary study. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

MYBRARY – Kassie Antonucci, Director

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

Director Kassie Antonucci reported the combined stats for the Eureka and Crescent Valley locations for April, May, and June were 728 visits with 696 items checked out and 135 internet sessions. There were 37 programs with 117 visits to those programs.

NEVADA RURAL HOUSING – Katie Coleman, Director of Communications

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

Nevada Rural Housing Director of Communications Katie Coleman reported that Eureka has provided $1.2 million in total private activity bond cap transfers, she explained it is not funding from the budget but federal allocation that can be used to help expand homeownership opportunities. The private activity bond cap is exclusively used to support the Launchpad Homeownership Program and provide below-market interest rates paired with down payment assistance. In the past year they assisted a Eureka homebuyer with a $319,000 mortgage.

2.	Discuss, approve or deny the Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Eureka County, Nevada Providing for the Transfer of the County's 2026 PRIVATE Activity Bond Volume Cap to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority; and other matters related thereto. **(For Possible Action)**

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Eureka County, Nevada Providing for the Transfer of the County's 2026 PRIVATE Activity Bond Volume Cap to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

GOLDEN OLDIES – Forest Anderson, Chairman

1. Discuss, approve or deny a fee waiver for the use of the Crescent Valley Community Center Snack Shack for the Crescent Valley Community Sale on October 3, 2026. **(For Possible Action)**

Forest Anderson Chairman of the Golden Oldies went before the board to ask for a fee waiver for the use of the Crescent Valley Community Center for the Crescent Valley Community Sale on October 3, 2026. Discussion ensued over coordinating with the health district to get a health certificate if food will be served out of the cook shack.

Commissioner Schoenwald motioned to approve waiving the fees for the Crescent Valley Community Center for the Crescent Vally Community Sale October 2nd through October 4th. Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

HUMAN RESOURCES - Cristina Lopez, Human Resources Director

1. Report on Human Resources projects and activities. **(Discussion)**

Human Resources Director Cristina Lopez reported she has posted the Human Resources Generalist/Manager position announcement. Director Lopez reported 4 FMLA cases. The 4x10 midpoint survey went out to all the employees the day prior. Director Lopez met with Paypoint HR to discuss the upcoming compensation study and discussed pricing and preparations.

2. Discuss, approve, or deny increasing the authorized work schedule for Board of County Commissioners Casual Employee Annette Broad from 19 hours per week to 29 hours per week pursuant to Section 3.23.2 of the Eureka County Personnel Policy. **(For Possible Action)**

During the transitioning in the HR department and the summer internship ending Director Lopez requested increasing her Casual Employees hours per week from 19 to 29.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve increasing the authorized work schedule for Board of County Commissioners Casual Employee Annette Broad from 19 hours per week to 29 hours per week. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

JUSTICE COURT – Judge Dorothy Rowley

1. Discuss, approve, or deny allowing the Office of Justice of the Peace to continue to receive certain fees collected as compensation pursuant to NRS 6.060(4) and reported monthly to the Commission as required by NRS 4.100. **(For Possible Action)**

Judge Dorothy Rowley explained to the board that following their audit in November 2025 they were recommended to attain authorization from the board specifically referencing that the Justice of the Peace could retain a portion of the collected fees for compensation. Judge Rowley explained the portion retained would be from their marriage fees.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the Office of Justice of the Peace continuing to receive certain fees collected as compensation pursuant to NRS 6.060(4) and report monthly to the Commission as required by NRS 4.100. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

SHERIFF - Miles Umina, Sheriff

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

Sheriff Miles Umina reported he has been working with EMS and several other mental health organization on a Crisis Response Intervention Team. The Sheriff office is prepping for National Night Out in Eureka on the 4th and in Crescent Valley on the 6th.

2. Discuss, approve or deny quote #SA013486 v1 from Goserco, Inc for an upgrade to the Eureka County Sheriff's Office Recording system for an amount not to exceed $41,006.10. **(For Possible Action)**

The current 911 recording system is reaching its end of life, the quote from Goserco will cover the hardware, software and services for 6 years.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the quote #SA013486 v1 from Goserco, Inc for an upgrade to the Eureka County Sheriff's Office Recording system for an amount not to exceed $41,006.10. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

3. Discuss, approve or deny accepting the 2026-2027 Joining Forces Traffic Enforcement grant in the amount of $23,000 for the Sheriff Office. **(For Possible Action)**

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve accepting the 2026-2027 Joining Forces Traffic Enforcement grant in the amount of $23,000 for the Sheriff Office. Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

ROAD DEPARTMENT – Scooter Mentaberry, Road Supervisor

1. Report on Road Department projects and activities. **(Discussion)**

Road Supervisor Scooter Mentaberry reported on the roads the crews finished grading, they responded with a grader and water truck to a few fires. The CDL training has continued and they have a guy scheduled to take his test. The crew has been busy getting the Fair Grounds ready for the upcoming events.

PUBLIC WORKS – Jeb Rowley, Public Works Director

1.	Report on Public Works projects and activities. **(Discussion)**

Public Works Director Jeb Rowley reported he will begin hiring for the vacant road shop mechanic position, and the road crew has been covering at the landfill. They have been running updates on credit card readers at various locations and looking into other options that could be more convenient. The Courthouse painting project is scheduled to begin on September 1st. The jail assessment proposals are starting to come in, so there should be an update on that soon.

2.	Discuss, approve or deny the quote from Westmark Trailers. Utilizing Sourcewell Purchasing Contract # 092922-CER to Purchase a 7000-Gallon Water Tanker, in an amount not to exceed $155,974.26, utilizing monies from capital outlay in the Road Fund (020-106-55010-000). **(For Possible Action)**

The Memorandum of Understanding with Nevada Golds Mines continues to fund the grader and water truck running on the JD Ranch Road, the purchase of a new 7000- Gallon water tanker would be included.

Commissioner Plaskett motioned to approve the quote from Westmark Trailers. Utilizing Sourcewell Purchasing Contract # 092922-CER to Purchase a 7000-Gallon Water Tanker, in an amount not to exceed $155,974.26, utilizing monies from capital outlay in the Road Fund (020-106-55010-000). Commissioner Schoenwald seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

3.	Discuss, approve or deny the quote from Peterbilt Truck Parts & Equipment, utilizing Sourcewell Purchasing Contract # 032824 to purchase a Peterbilt Truck Model 567, in an amount not to exceed $198,872.00 utilizing monies from capital outlay in the Road Fund (020-106-55010-000). **(For Possible Action)**

The Peterbilt Truck Model 567 is the truck for the water tanker.

Commissioner Schoewnald motioned to approve the quote from Peterbilt Truck Parts & Equipment, utilizing Sourcewell Purchasing Contract # 032824 to purchase a Peterbilt Truck Model 567, in an amount not to exceed $198,872.00 utilizing monies from capital outlay in the Road Fund (020-106-55010-000). Commissioner Plaskett seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

NATURAL RESOURCES – Jake Tibbitts, Natural Resources Manager

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

Natural Resources Manager Jake Tibbitts reported the Callahan Complex horse gather was completed on July 26th and they gathered and removed 2,000 horses. The Board received the Record of Decision for the Mount Hope Project. The supplemental EIS for the Greenlink North project was issued on July 25th, the communities of Kingston and Austin will hold meetings to discuss the projects on the 12th and 19th of August. Manager Tibbitts attended the kickoff meeting for the Nevada Gold Rail project. The State Land Use Planning Advisory Council is meeting in Battle Mountain on August 5th. The County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will meet on the 10th and the Legislative Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources has a working session on the 12th.

CORRESPONDENCE

1.	Review correspondence. **(Discussion)**

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection termination of IUC long term permit GU07RL, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection public notice of public hearing. Nevada Division of Environmental Protection notice of proposed action, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection notice of workshop, Nevada state director review of Record of Decision for the Mount Hope project. NACO Conference Early Bird Registration announcement, NACO virtual energy forum, NACO July 24 Newsletter, NACO board of directors July 2026 agenda packet. Poll for September 2026 IEC meeting date, August 3 Rodent Board agenda, Rec Board July 28 agenda.

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

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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)**

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ADJOURNMENT

1.	Adjournment of meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:56am.

Prepared and submitted by Deputy Clerk Recorder Katleyn Ziemann.
Approved this 1st day of September 2026 by the Board of Eureka County Commissioners.

Rich McKay
Chairman, Rich McKay

ATTEST: Kathy Bowling
Clerk Recorder Kathy Bowling