

EUREKA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 11, 2017 – Budget Meeting

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COUNTY OF EUREKA)

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Eureka County Commissioners met pursuant to law on April 11, 2017. Present were Chairman J.J. Goicoechea; Vice Chairman Michael Sharkozy; Commissioner Fred Etchegaray; District Attorney, Ted Beutel; and Commissioner Clerk, Jackie Berg. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance. The interactive video conferencing system was connected and utilized between Crescent Valley and Eureka for the entire meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Sharkozy motioned to approve the agenda as posted; Commissioner Etchegaray seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Goicoechea opened the floor for public comments. EMS Coordinator, Mike Sullivan, informed the Board that he received notification from Nevada Public Agency Insurance Pool/Public Agency Compensation Trust that the Risk Management Grant was awarded for purchase of a power cot for the Crescent Valley ambulance. Due to production time, the cot may not be delivered until the next fiscal year, so Mr. Sullivan wanted the Board to be aware that the matching funds may have to come from the following year’s budget. He will do everything he can to encourage delivery in the current fiscal year.

FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET

Review of Tentative Budgets: The Board of County Commissioners is responsible for filing a Tentative Budget by April 15th of each year for the following Eureka County entities: *Eureka County (overall County); Eureka Town; Crescent Valley Town; Devil’s Gate GID; Diamond Valley Weed District; Diamond Valley Rodent District; and Eureka County Television District.* Assistant Comptroller, Kim Todd, reviewed each of the budgets, as follows:

Entity	Tentative Budget	Projected Revenues
Eureka County (general County)	\$22.3 million	\$17.3 million
Eureka Town	\$109,000.00	\$108,000.00
Crescent Valley Town	\$134,000.00	\$34,500.00
Television District	\$146,900.00	\$151,900.00
Devil’s Gate General Improvement Dist.	\$496,900.00	\$49,650.00
Diamond Valley Weed District	\$66,600.00	\$68,000.00
Diamond Valley Rodent District	\$87,000.00	\$16,000.00

Sign Top Sheets: Commissioner Etchegaray motioned to sign the departmental top sheets and to file the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Tentative Budget with the Nevada Department of Taxation; Commissioner Sharkozy seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

SENIOR CENTERS

Hiring Freeze Waiver: Senior Centers Program Director, Millie Oram, submitted a Hiring Freeze Waiver Justification form, explaining that her Cook recently resigned. Commissioner Sharkozy motioned to authorize hiring of a Cook for the Eureka Senior Center; Commissioner Etchegaray seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

EUREKA COUNTY SHERIFF

Annual Walk Through of Justice Facility & Detention Center: Sergeant Kenny Sanders was in attendance to let the Board know that he would accompany them on the annual walk-through and inspection of the Justice Facility and Detention Center in Eureka upon adjournment of the meeting. *Note: The inspection was conducted by the Commissioners immediately following adjournment and no issues were noted.*

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was received from: District Attorney, Ted Beutel; Natural Resource Manager, Jake Tibbitts; Eureka County Recreation Board; Eureka Owl Club; Crescent Valley Town Advisory Board; Nevada Assoc. of Counties; Rehab Services of Nevada; NPAIP/PACT; Alternative Services Concepts (NPAIP); Erickson, Thorpe & Swainston, Ltd.; Nevada Dept. of Transportation; and National Assoc. of Counties.

As an addition to correspondence, the Chairman informed that notifications were received from the Attorney General's office and the attorneys for the sage grouse litigation (appeal of the BLM/US Forest Service Greater Sage Grouse Land Use Plan Amendments in US District Court, Reno) that settlement talks were scheduled in Denver, Colorado, on April 13th. It was later learned that it was actually more of a policy meeting and would be a collaboration between the agencies and involved western states. Chairman Goicoechea and Natural Resources Manager, Jake Tibbitts, attempted to schedule flights, but it was difficult on such short notice, so they will attend by teleconference. Eureka County will be represented by their attorneys, so this should be sufficient.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Goicoechea opened the floor for public comments. The Board had agreed to begin the process of dissolving the Devil's Gate General Improvement District upon completion of the budget. Everyone agreed to reinvigorate this multi-step process, which will involve efforts by the District Attorney, Public Works, and the Board. Public Works will begin by updating the proposed County-wide water rates and presenting them at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sharkozy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:22 p.m.; Commissioner Etchegaray seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Approved by vote of the Board this 8th day of May, 2017.

/s/ J.J. Goicoechea

J.J. Goicoechea, Chairman

I, Jackie Berg, Commissioner Clerk, attest that these are a true, correct, and duly approved minutes of the April 11th, 2017, meeting of the Board of Eureka County Commissioners.

/s/ Jackie Berg

Jackie Berg, Commissioner Clerk

I, Beverly Conley, Clerk & Treasurer of Eureka County, acknowledge and accept the attached minutes as approved by the Board of Eureka County Commissioners and attested to by the Commissioner Clerk.

/s/ Beverly Conley

Beverly Conley, Clerk & Treasurer