

**Eureka County Planning Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 2, 2016**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. on May 2, 2016 by Chair Russell Conley.

**Roll Call**

Roll call was conducted and members present were: Chair Russell Conley; Vice Chair Robin Hicks; Secretary/Treasurer Cecil Wright; Member Moll; Member Brown; Member Rowley and Alternate Jim Ithurrealde.

Member Benson was absent.

Also present was Natural Resources Manager, Jake Tibbitts, and Consulting Hydrogeologist to Eureka County, Dale Bugenig.

**Public Comment**

None

**Approval of Minutes**

Member Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2016 meeting as presented. Secretary/Treasurer Cecil Wright seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 6-0.

**Correspondence**

Correspondence was reviewed and included a letter of interest for the current Alternate vacancy. This letter of interest was received from Jim Evans.

**Member Appointment**

After reviewing the single letter of interest received from Jim Evans, Member Brown made a motion to recommend to the Board of Eureka County Commissioners that Jim Evans be appointed to the vacant Alternate member position. Vice Chair Robin Hicks seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 6-0. Chair Russell Conley recommended referencing in the letter of recommendation that the Planning Commission is aware this appointment will heavily weight the Board in Districts one (1) and two (2). However, given that this vacancy has been advertised in all County districts since January 2016 it would be in the Boards best interest to fill this vacancy with interested individual Jim Evans.

**Eureka County Water Resources Master Plan**

Natural Resources Manager, Jake Tibbitts, and Consulting Hydrogeologist for Eureka County, Dale Bugenig, came forward to review with the Board changes made to the draft Water Resources Master Plan as discussed at the last meeting. Mr. Bugenig stated that he also added, for review and discussion, Section 8 to the draft Water Resources Master Plan which pertains to management of this plan. Mr. Tibbitts added that options for management alternatives are given in this section since there is no zoning or mandates in Eureka County which provide the County authority to enforce any specific management or policy. The management alternatives in this section range from adopting land use regulations consistent with NRS 278 to taking no action and relying solely on State and Federal agencies to manage water-related resources in Eureka County. Mr. Tibbitts recommended leaving this section with these alternatives which will give the option to choose the best suited alternative at a later date. In order to give members of the Board additional time to review Section 8 of the draft this item would be on the next agenda for further discussion/action.

**Board Member Comments**

None

**Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for May 18, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

**Public Comment**

None

**Adjournment**

Alternate Ithurrealde made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:52 p.m. Vice Chair Hicks seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Anne Kniefel, Department Assistant

Board Approved on May 18, 2016, by:

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Russell Conley, Chair