

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

NOVEMBER 19, 2019

PRESENT:

Vaughn Hartung, Chair

Bob Lucey, Vice Chair

Marsha Berkgigler, Commissioner

Kitty Jung, Commissioner

Jeanne Herman, Commissioner

Jan Galassini, Chief Deputy County Clerk

Dave Solaro, Interim County Manager

Nathan Edwards, Deputy District Attorney

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:07 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

19-0891 **AGENDA ITEM 3** Appearance: Bettina Scherer, Conservation District Program Manager Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Presentation by the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Bettina Scherer, Conservation District (CD) Program Manager for the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, conducted a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which was placed on file with the Clerk. She reviewed slides with the following titles: Conservation Districts of Northwestern Nevada; History of Conservation Districts; Statutory Authority; State of Nevada Conservation Districts; Conservation Districts in Washoe County; Washoe County is a diverse County...; and Mission of a Conservation District.

Ms. Scherer mentioned she would transition out of her position as the CD Program Manager on November 27. The new CD Program Manager Zachary Ormsby and Conservation Staff Specialist Melany Aten were present in Chambers.

Ms. Scherer said that state laws, federal laws, and memoranda of understanding were in place to provide a cooperative working relationship with the CDs to aid in the development of local conservation planning. Cooperation ensured federal and state plans incorporated local resource concerns. She noted CDs were entities of local government, which made them subject to Open Meeting Law. She mentioned the CD Board members served without pay but were reimbursed for expenses. She said it was typical for one city and one county appointee to sit on the CD Board, but that varied depending on the

geographic makeup of each CD. She stated the Nevada Association of Conservation Districts and the National Association of Conservation Districts acted as non-profit organizations, and they provided a unified voice for CDs on a state and national level.

Ms. Scherer indicated there were three CDs in Washoe County. She thanked the Board for providing funds for the Vya and Washoe Storey CDs. She outlined the Vya and Washoe Storey CD locations and noted the two CDs encompassed more than four million acres of Great Basin Desert and range land. She mentioned CDs could work across district and county lines as well as multiple jurisdictional boundaries. She reported the Vya CD provided a large amount of priority sage-grouse habitat and pointed out the corresponding area in red on the “Washoe County is a diverse County...” slide map; over three quarters of the CD was sage-grouse habitat. She explained the Vya CD included three critical water sheds and the Washoe Storey CD had four. Many CD plans concerned impacts within the water sheds. She said the CDs could use the divisions to focus funds and coordinate projects on a larger scale. She noted CDs were able to work with a variety of entities. She indicated the responsibility of a CD was to seek local individuals to develop and formalize conservation plans to address district or county-wide natural resource concerns. CDs were also responsible for developing partnerships that could have a positive influence through conservation project delivery.

Ms. Aten continued the presentation and reviewed slides with the following titles: Responsibility of a Conservation District; Examples of Conservation District Work; Conservation Updates (2 slides); In Summary; Learn More about Conservation Districts; and Questions.

Ms. Aten mentioned she was the local technical specialist who worked from Lander County to Washoe County. She facilitated grants, did technical work, and helped develop project ideas. She thanked the Board for the funds contributed to the Vya and Washoe Storey CDs. She reviewed examples of and presented updates on the conservation work in the Vya and Washoe Storey CDs.

Chair Hartung thanked Commissioner Herman for serving on the Boards for the Vya and Washoe Storey CDs.

Ms. Aten noted they were happy to provide project updates as needed. She said she would return to provide an update to the Board when they received the pending grant for Pinyon-juniper removal. She stated Washoe Storey CD’s new cooperative weed management area team would provide an update to the Board when they were established.

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

19-0892 AGENDA ITEM 4 Introduction of new Washoe County Employees.

Interim County Manager Dave Solaro, asked the following employees to introduce themselves to the Board:

Amanda Whitecloud - District Attorney's Office
Stephanie Bair – Treasurer's Office
Marilyn Guzman-Solis – Assessor's Office
Michael Mulreany – Registrar of Voters

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

19-0893 AGENDA ITEM 5 Presentation of Excellence in Public Service Certificates honoring Washoe County employees who have completed essential employee development courses.

Interim County Manager Dave Solaro said Washoe County encouraged life-long learning and the professional development of all employees. He explained the Excellence in Public Service program administered by the Human Resources Department was a series of certificate programs designed to support employee development and performance. The courses were completed over a two-year period and demonstrated employees' commitment to continuous personal and professional improvement and Washoe County's journey of excellence.

Mr. Solaro recognized the following employees:

Promote Yourself! Mini Certificate Program

Alicia Christensen, District Attorney's Office
Carol Hobbs, Assessor's Office

Essentials of High Performing Teams

Casey Berry, Human Services Agency

Essentials of Personal Effectiveness

Casey Berry, Human Services Agency
Karen Sommers, Sheriff's Office
Michael White, Health District

Essentials of SAP for Financial Staff

Kimberly Graham, Health District

Essentials of Support Staff

Casey Berry, Human Services Agency

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

**19-0894 AGENDA ITEM 6 Washoe Leadership Program, Recognition Committee
- Shining Star Recognition Award**

Interim County Manager Dave Solaro said the Shining Star Recognition certificate was awarded by the Washoe County Recognition Committee to employees who were recognized for a third time.

Mr. Solaro recognized the following individuals:

Gracy Flores - Assessor's Office
Tyler LaFinier - Animal Services
Laura Rose - Community Services Department
Stacey Jackson - Assessor's Office
Byron Tam - Technology Services
Patrick Martin - Animal Services
Carmen Mendoza - Health District
Julio Pech-Garcia - Health District
Maria Jimenez - Health District
Victoria Nicolson-Hornblower - Health District
Jackie Chaidez - Health District
Esmeralda Contreras - Human Resources
Elaine Anagnostou - Human Resources
Josh Neuman - Human Services Agency
Sarah Narrell - Community Services Department
Nick McCassie - Community Services Department
Robin Kindred - Community Services Department
Sarah Singleton - Clerk's Office
Tom Schley - Animal Services
Crystal Gomez - Animal Services
Michelle Jachimowicz - Assessor's Office
Jeff Hoppe - District Attorney's Office
Byron Collins - Health District
Virginia McDonald - Health District
Frank Cauble - Health District
Kelly Verling - Health District
Mary Ellen Matzoll - Health District
Mark Dougan - Health District
Katherine Sullivan - Health District
Walter West - Community Services Department
Morja Hauenstein - Community Services Department
Johnna Chism - Community Services Department

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

19-0895 AGENDA ITEM 7 Public Comment.

Ms. Carole Black submitted documents for the Board, copies of which were placed on the record. She noted there was less oversight of short-term rentals than other transient lodging. She mentioned the importance of assessing fire danger when considering occupancy of short-term rentals. She displayed an image of a fire that occurred the prior year in an Incline Village short-term rental which had no smoke detectors on the first floor. She discussed pests carrying disease that might spread from a lack of disinfection or poorly-laundered linens. She asserted there were many public health regulations which were not addressed in the short-term rental ordinance.

Ms. Elise Weatherly mentioned an investment counselor who was a musician. She spoke about stocks from The Eldorado Resort Casino and the Grand Sierra Resort, County employees, and equality.

Ms. Katherine Snedigar indicated she would not take time to speak with anyone who arrived at her property unannounced. She asked County employees to call or send a letter to make arrangements if they wished to speak to her. She spoke about legal residency, citizenship, and her rights.

Ms. Nona Perry said her property was adjacent to the Oxbow Nature Study Area. She expressed concern about the condition of the park. She mentioned she had expressed her concerns to the Reno City Council and was advised to approach the County as well. She noted the foliage in the park was overgrown and dry. She stated there were many homeless individuals camping in the park. She spoke about a recent fire which started in the area near the homeless camps in the park. She stated she loved the park as it was a resource for school children and enjoyed by many people, but the homelessness and foliage needed to be addressed.

Ms. Ronda Tyce spoke about the difficulties Incline Village residents faced when attending Board meetings. She noted attendance was much higher when meetings were held in Incline Village. She requested the Board help make the Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) more useful. She asserted more residents would attend CAB meetings if the agenda items were of general public interest, but the scope of the CAB was very restricted. She read the Nevada Revised Statute regarding the purpose of the CAB in helping the Board govern the town.

19-0896 AGENDA ITEM 8 Announcements/Reports.

Commissioner Jung asked staff to investigate the Oxbow Nature Study Area complaint. She acknowledged the park was dry and requested that the Fire Chief or Health District staff assess the dangers in the park if the City of Reno was unable to do so. She expressed frustration about other jurisdictions redirecting residents to the County without coordinating or communicating with County staff. She was unsure whether the County's authority extended to issues in the park. She wanted a subject matter expert to assess the conditions in the park and write a letter to the Reno City Mayor and the City Manager since it was a City park. She stated the letter could be written on her behalf and she offered to lead the development of a regional approach to communicating with regional taxpayers. She felt redirecting citizens and not providing accurate information was unfair to taxpayers who might not understand jurisdictional boundaries.

Commissioner Berkbigher mentioned she and Commissioner Herman had both previously requested a discussion of the Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) issue. She knew when and why the CABs were changed but many residents commented on the limitations. She opined the CAB in Incline Village was the major connection to the Board and the Board needed a different perspective on the issues in Incline Village. She requested staff agendize the CAB issue for Board discussion.

Commissioner Herman thanked Ms. Tyner for bringing up the CAB issue. She hoped for a return of the former CABs, noting the other Commissioners said the same.

Commissioner Jung said she supported the CABs but believed parameters for the use of CABs needed to be established. She agreed the County was large and acknowledged inclement weather and construction could make it difficult to attend Board meetings, thus making satellite Boards necessary. However, she asserted Commissioners needed to use the CABs correctly. She indicated CABs needed to filter requests and ideas, which the Commissioners would then present to the Board. She believed CABs provided a more democratic approach to filtering ideas. She noted she shared a CAB with Commissioner Herman because most of her district was in the City of Reno. She recalled the CABs were removed because of a lack of funds and the County still had no money. She believed communication was most important when funds were lacking, so she supported the return of the CABs. She pointed out the CABs could be implemented while Commissioners were trained, and she requested the item be agendized once the new manager started.

Chair Hartung identified the images Ms. Black displayed during public comment.

PROCLAMATIONS

19-0897 9A1 Proclaim December 14, 2019 as Veterans Guest House Day.

Commissioner Herman read the Proclamation and presented it to Noreen Leary, Chief Executive Officer of the Veterans Guest House (VGH). Ms. Leary thanked the Board for the Proclamation. She invited the Board to the VGH's anniversary celebration on December 14, which would include a tailgate party and a viewing of the Army vs. Navy football game.

19-0898 9A2 Proclaim gratitude to Washoe County Search and Rescue Volunteers.

Chair Hartung commended the volunteers for their service. He read the Proclamation and presented it to Lieutenant Phil Jones. Sergeant John Hamilton, Supervisor for the Search and Rescue Program, thanked the volunteers who made their mission possible.

Chair Hartung asked the volunteers present in Chambers to introduce themselves, which they did.

Mr. Jones said the Search and Rescue Team was the most inspirational of the many teams he commanded because of their contributions to the community. He thanked the volunteers for their efforts.

19-0899 9A3 Proclaim November 19, 2019 as Grace Church of Reno Day.

Vice Chair Lucey expressed gratitude for the dedication of the Grace Church of Reno (GCR) congregation in its partnership with the Human Services Agency (HSA) to help the community. He read the Proclamation and presented it to Dan Frank, Pastor at Grace Church of Reno.

HSA Director Amber Howell stated the HSA responded to addiction and affordable housing challenges in the community. They sought to decrease reliance on shelters and other substance abuse treatment facilities by finding safer long-term solutions. She said the partnership between the GCR and Washoe County began two years earlier when the church asked how they might become involved. She expressed gratitude for their aid. She indicated the GCR and the HSA shared the goal of wanting to help more people get better. The GCR purchased two homes and renovated four buildings to date. She mentioned the Board would vote on the Jane Aubrey House on another agenda item; this was gifted to Washoe County by Ms. Julia Picetti, who lost her daughter Jane Aubrey to an addiction. Ms. Howell thanked Ms. Picetti for trusting the HSA team to undertake the difficult task of running the program. She expressed her commitment to rescuing others from their addiction. She noted many people believed addiction was a life choice but she did not believe people consciously chose it. She said everyone longed for shelter and support during tough times. She asserted the private/public partnership made the County's

successes possible and the GCR was an example of hope, love, and generosity. She thanked the GCR for being a part of the solution.

Pastor Frank said the GCR was grateful for the opportunity to be part of the solution. He noted they were not aware of the magnitude of the problem when they first became involved, but they felt compelled to help when they learned more about the addiction issues in the community. He mentioned the contributions made by the GCR were not made by a corporation, but by individuals who sacrificed to help fund HopeFirst.

Ms. Picetti expressed gratitude for the collaboration of the GCR and the community toward providing resources for addiction sufferers. She said she was unable to find a place within Washoe County for her daughter to heal from her addiction. She was heartened by the knowledge that others received the help they needed to recover and have a chance to live a healthy life. GCR Executive Director Karen Durst expressed gratitude for the accomplishments of the GCR congregation. GCR Executive Director of Finance Russ Ruiz introduced himself to the Board.

Vice Chair Lucey noted the GCR parishioners genuinely cared about the community. He said they always put the HopeFirst message forward by their actions. He expressed gratitude for their efforts and financial contributions in support of the community.

HSA Division Director Steve McBride expressed gratitude for the partnership and support of the GCR in filling this need in the community. Behavioral Health Program Coordinator Frankie Lemus expressed appreciation for the GCR and the Crossroads program.

Chair Hartung noted the GCR always gave to the county and were a blessing for the community.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Berkbighler, seconded by Commissioner Herman, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Items 9A to 9C be adopted.

DONATIONS

19-0900

10A Recommendation to accept monetary donations to Washoe County Regional Animal Services [\$8,342.00] received from July 1, 2019 to September 30, 2019 to be used for the humane care and treatment of sick and/or injured, stray, abandoned, or at risk animals received; express appreciation for these thoughtful contributions; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. Animal Services (All Commission Districts)

- 19-0901** **10B** Recommendation to accept the donation of a 2013 Ford E-350 Econoline Van [VIN#1FBNE3BL7DDB13494] from Keolis Transit America for use by Washoe County Senior Services in the Incline Village area [total estimated value of \$10,672.00; maintenance and service-related costs are approximately \$1,560.00 annually]; approve the transfer of the vehicle to the Human Services Agency fleet managed by Equipment Services; and direct the Comptroller's Office to capitalize the donation as a fixed asset. Manager's Office. (Commission District 1.)
- 19-0902** **10C1** Recommendation to accept a donation [\$1,500.00] from the Reno Air Racing Association, Inc., to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the Citizen Corps Program (CCP), including funds to be used for food & equipment purchases, and, if approved, authorize Comptroller's Office to make appropriate budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 19-0903** **10C2** Recommendation to accept a donation of [\$1,000.00] from the Hot August Nights Inc., to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the Citizen Corps Program (CCP), including funds to be used for food purchases, and, if approved, authorize Comptroller's Office to make appropriate budget amendments. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts)

Vice Chair Lucey read the donations and thanked the donors.

Chair Hartung mentioned Keolis Transit America, Inc. was the transit provider for the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC). He thanked them for putting the van back into use.

Commissioner Berkbigler thanked the RTC for the van, which was needed in Incline Village. She expressed appreciation for citizen donations to Regional Animal Services and stated existing programs would not be possible without public support.

There was no response to the call for public comment.

On motion by Vice Chair Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Berkbigler, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Items 10A through 10C2 be accepted.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – 11A THROUGH 11C3

- 19-0904** **11A** Approval of minutes for the Board of County Commissioners' regular meetings of October 8, 2019, October 15, 2019, and October 22, 2019, and the Board of County Commissioners' concurrent meeting of November 5, 2019. Clerk. (All Commission Districts.)

- 19-0905** **11B** Recommendation to approve a Gift Deed between Grace Community Church of Reno (Grace Church), Grantor, and Washoe County, Grantee, to accomplish the transfer of a physical property located at 3908 Belmore Way, Reno, Nevada, (APN 001-174-04) from Grace Church to Washoe County for use as a Recovery Home through Washoe County's Crossroads program; and if approved, authorize the County Manager to execute the Gift Deed upon successful completion of identified renovations within the property. Human Services Agency. (All Commission Districts.)
- 19-0906** **11C1** Recommendation to approve Sheriff's Security Agreement between Hayfed LLC and the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to provide uniformed Deputy Sheriffs for security [estimated cost of \$7,500 to be reimbursed by Hayfed LLC] at events being held at the Wild West Motorsports Park located at 12005 Mustang Rd. Exit 23 in Sparks, NV for the retroactive period of September 11, 2019 to December 31, 2021. Sheriff. (Commission District 4.)
- 19-0907** **11C2** Recommendation to approve the Interlocal Agreement Extraditions between County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and the City of Sparks on behalf of the Sparks Police Department in an amount not to exceed [\$35,000.00] to be paid to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Consolidated Extraditions Unit for the processing of extraditions and transportation of prisoners for the Sparks Police Department, for the period of the date of execution to June 30, 2020. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
- 19-0908** **11C3** Recommendation to approve the NLTFPD Interlocal Agreement - RAVEN Fire Training, Monitoring and Suppression Personnel and Equipment between the County of Washoe on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office and North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District in the amount of [\$10,000], for the period of execution by all parties through June 30, 2020, for the provision, when requested of a helicopter or other aircraft and personnel and approve reimbursement for services rendered throughout the year by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to be paid in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Regional Aviation Unit (RAVEN). Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)
There was no public comment on the Consent Agenda Items listed above.

On motion by Commissioner Berkbighler, seconded by Vice Chair Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Consent Agenda Items 11A through 11C3 be approved. Any and all Interlocal Agreements pertinent to Consent Agenda Items 11A through 11C3 are attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

19-0909 **AGENDA ITEM 12** Recommendation to increase fiscal year costs associated with the Joinder Agreement between Washoe County, Nevada and Axon Enterprise, Inc. to purchase additional Body Worn Cameras (BWC), investigative licenses, and technological services. Estimated additional expenditures are [\$1,261,755.00] per the contract term, not to exceed [\$1,387,930.50]. If approved, authorize Purchasing and Contracts Manager to execute all relevant contractual documents and agreements. Sheriff. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no response to the call for public comment.

Chief Deputy Clerk Jan Galassini stated she received email correspondence from Ms. Annemarie Grant, a copy of which was placed on the record for the meeting.

On motion by Commissioner Berkbighler, seconded by Vice Chair Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Agenda Item 12 be increased and authorized.

19-0910 **AGENDA ITEM 13** Recommendation to approve and execute an ordinance authorizing the issuance by Washoe County of its fully registered Washoe County, Nevada, Highway Revenue (Fuel Tax) Refunding Bonds, Series 2019 or Series 2020 in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$75,000,000 for the purpose of refinancing outstanding obligations; providing the form, terms and conditions of the bonds and the security therefor, and other details in connection therewith; and providing for its adoption as if an emergency exists and providing the effective date hereof. Manager's Office. (All Commission Districts.)

Chair Hartung noted the refunding proposed in Agenda Item 13 was anticipated to save \$23.6 million, which was a significant fiscal impact. He expressed appreciation for the efforts of staff who paid attention to the market and responded effectively, saving taxpayer dollars.

Assistant County Manager Christine Vuletich said the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) passed a resolution during their November 15 meeting which prompted the bond refunding. She explained the agenda item was a request to refinance the outstanding Washoe County Revenue (Fuel Tax) Refunding Bonds. She said the RTC wanted to take advantage of lower interest rates. She stated the outstanding bonds were the 2010 series B & C bonds with interest rates ranging from 6 to 7 percent, which was high in the existing market. The interest rate expected after refinancing was in the 3 percent range, which would save more than \$23 million in gross debt service. The net present value savings was \$13.6 million, which equated to approximately \$1.25 million per year. She emphasized the refinancing would not change the term of the bond, so it would still mature in February 2040. There were no new taxes used to repay the bond as the repayment source was from existing fuel taxes on motor vehicles. She asserted the established revenue source for repayment of the bonds was very stable. She said the RTC

pledged \$92 million in revenue for the current fiscal year. The outstanding debt for the RTC totaled \$326 million. She noted the aggregate debt service payments would be approximately \$22 million per year with the proposed refunding. She said the RTC had more than sufficient debt service coverage; projections were more than four times the needed coverage. She mentioned the RTC's general fund balance was approximately \$88 million, which was 171 percent of their operating expenses for fiscal year 2019. She indicated the refunding presented minimal to no risk for the County.

Commissioner Herman asked a series of questions from constituents, including: why only certain areas benefitted from fuel taxes; was the motor vehicle tax only for RTC roads; why were repairs and maintenance lacking; was there a misuse of funds or poor management; was borrowing by issuing bonds basically stealing from people; did refunding bonds simply divert money to alternate uses; how would refunding benefit the community; was the County borrowing against money it had not yet received; and could \$76 million not easily drain the swamp in Lemmon Valley.

Chair Hartung asked staff to explain ballot question RTC-5, which was a voter-approved tax. RTC Director of Finance and CFO Stephanie Haddock said the bonds under discussion were the pledged revenue fuel tax given specifically to the RTC. She explained fuel tax was county-wide and portions went to the RTC, the County, and the City of Reno. She said it was the base of nine cents per gallon levied on all motor vehicle fuel plus the yearly indexing. Voters approved annual indexing against the producer price index (PPI) when they voted for RTC-5. Fuel tax increased annually for the RTC, the county, and the cities, but the pledged revenue for the bond refunding was only the RTC's portion. She confirmed the RTC's portion of the fuel tax was used for the regional road system as outlined in the regional transportation document. She noted the County and the Cities decided how to spend their portion of the fuel tax for local roads. She clarified that refunding a bond was just like refinancing a house loan in that there would be no new money to put into roads but there would be less debt. The debt was acquired at a higher interest rate in 2010. She said the existing bond market allowed for a lower interest rate so it was a good time to resell the bonds and lower the debt service. She noted the debt service was approximately \$27 million dollars and it would be reduced to \$22 million dollars per year after the refunding. She mentioned it would be the second refunding because the 2009 and 2013 bonds were refunded the prior year, saving an additional \$3.5 million on that annual debt service.

Ms. Vuletich reiterated the refunding was simply refinancing existing debt to a lower interest rate and the savings provided additional funding for regional roads.

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said Ordinance.

On the call for public comment, Ms. Katherine Snedigar said bonds were supposed to be voted on. She asked what the Board would do about the misappropriation of funds. She indicated she had a letter from Assistant District Attorney Paul Lipparelli saying the fuel tax from March 2019 was used to pay for debts, not road maintenance. She

expressed concern about the amount of debt the Board incurred on behalf of residents. She asked why voters had not voted on the tax and why the Ordinance was processed as if an emergency existed. She inquired about a County administrative manual outlining the process of bond refunding.

Chief Deputy County Clerk Jan Galassini read the title for Bill No. 1832, Ordinance No. 1645.

On motion by Commissioner Berkbighler, seconded by Vice Chair Lucey, which motion duly carried on a 5-0 vote, it was ordered that Bill No. 1832, Ordinance No. 1645, be adopted, approved and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

19-0911 **AGENDA ITEM 14** Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations with Washoe County and Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District per NRS 288.220.

Interim County Manager Dave Solaro indicated a closed session was not needed.

11:46 a.m. **Commissioner Berkbighler left the meeting.**

19-0912 **AGENDA ITEM 15** Public Comment.

Ms. Katherine Snedigar expressed frustration about the Board's approval of Agenda Item 13. She opined it represented excessive taxation and said the Board overstepped their authority.

19-0913 **AGENDA ITEM 16** Announcements/Reports.

Interim County Manager Dave Solaro thanked the Board for the previous few months. He welcomed new County Manager Eric Brown, whose first day would be Monday, November 25.

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11:50 a.m. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned without objection.

VAUGHN HARTUNG, Chair
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

NANCY PARENT, County Clerk and
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Minutes Prepared by:
Carolina Stickley, Deputy County Clerk