

Monday January 3, 2011

The regular meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Commissioners was called to order on Monday, January 3, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in the regular place of meeting at the Courthouse, Winnemucca, Nevada. Those present were Vice-Chairman Garley Amos Jr., Commissioners Mike Bell, Dan Cassinelli, Tom Fransway and Jim French, District Attorney Michael Macdonald, Administrator Bill Deist and Clerk of the Board Tami Rae Spero.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Vice-Chairman Amos asked for public comment. Jean McCoy addressed the Board and thanked them for rejecting the proposal placed before it at the last Commission meeting, she stated that she was not a member of NAG or the initiative committee though she has supported them whenever possible, that the rejection of the proposal reflects the will of 70% of the citizens in Humboldt County and she commended the Commission highly for presenting the proposals in an open meeting and in rejecting them. Ms. McCoy continued responding to Commissioner Bell's assertions that those residents that have exercised their prerogatives as citizens and worked against the landfill have put the County in legal and financial jeopardy stating that no resident of Humboldt County is currently suing the County, Recology is, that no resident opposed to Recology's activities even heard about the proposed landfill until nearly two years into the process to approve the project, that it is disingenuous to label those who have consistently opposed Recology's plans for Humboldt County as the cause of Recology's lawsuit against the County government and its elected representatives; she continued commenting on Commissioner Bell's concerns at the prior meeting that while 70% of the people are mad now, 100% will be angry at possible future legal expenses noting that the County is not being sued because somebody is angry, they are being sued because permits that were initially granted were subsequently revoked and that if Recology's proposal had been publicly vetted at the beginning it is difficult to believe that we would be sitting here today; she informed Commissioner Bell that it is Recology that is threatening him with legal action not the voters of Humboldt County, that it is her hope that the Commissioners will continue with their decision to fight for what it is right, that litigation and the courts are the institutions we have in this Country for doing this, that we should not be cowed into submission at every hint of a lawsuit or threat of a legal action; she commented on what is expected from leaders. No further public comment offered.

Administrator Deist addressed the Board and explained the reason that the County Commission is having a regular meeting on this date and a special meeting tomorrow, January 4th stating that he had forgot that there was a holiday on Friday and as he was visiting with District Attorney Macdonald they became aware of the problem; that following discussion with the District Attorney and the Attorney General's Office

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it was determined that the Commission had to meet today per Statute as it is the first judicial day in an odd numbered year, so it was decided to hold the regular meeting today without any action items and hold a special meeting on the 4th which could be properly agendized in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.

ANNUAL SERVICE AWARDS PRESENTATION TO COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES:

Vice-Chairman Amos presented annual service awards to the following County Officials and employees:

25 YEAR PLAQUE

TV/Communications - Paul Burkholder

20 YEAR PLAQUE

Assessor's Office - Kristi Scheidt

Buildings & Grounds - Douglas Cain

Convention Center - Mario Orozco (not present)

Juvenile Department - Leticia Bernal (not present)

Library - Leanne Autrey

Library - Victoria Easterday

Road Department - Larry Swanger

Sheriff's Office - Shauna Del Soldato

15 YEAR PLAQUE

Buildings & Grounds - Teresita Douglas

Convention Center - Kim Petersen

Justice Court - Ginger Gabiola

Road Department - Michelle Manske

Sheriff's Office - Eva Tregallas

Sheriff's Office - Andrew Rorex

10 YEAR PLAQUE

Co-Operative Extension - Constance Beck

Library - Virginia Dufurrena

Sheriff's Office - Darlene Thon

Sheriff's Office - Carole Duncan (not present)

Sheriff's Office - Christine Marshall (not present)

5 YEAR CERTIFICATE

Assessor's Office - Armando Ruiz

Buildings & Grounds - Bryan Casalez (not present)
 District Attorney's Office - Russell Smith (not present)
 Justice Court - Carmen Gomez
 Justice Court - Donna Prather
 Juvenile Department - Kipper Horton (not present)
 Juvenile Department - Stana Hunt (not present)
 Library - Rosio Andrade
 Sheriff's Office - Luis Landa (not present)
 Sheriff's Office - William Bourland
 Sheriff's Office - Brandon Esch (not present)
 TV/Communications - Matthew Zimmerman (not present)
 Treasurer's Office - Pamela Brooks

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Vice-Chairman Amos asked for public comments. None were offered.

ADJOURNMENT: Vice-Chairman Amos adjourned the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

ATTESTED: _____



Clerk

APPROVED: _____



Vice-Chairman

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