

Monday, May 4, 2015

The regular meeting of the Humboldt County Board of Commissioners was called to order on Monday, May 4, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. in the regular place of meeting at the Courthouse, Winnemucca, Nevada. Those present were Chairman Garley Amos, Jr., Commissioners Marlene Brissenden, Mike Bell, Jim French and Ron Cerri, District Attorney Michael Macdonald, Administrator Dave Mendiola and Clerk of the Board Tami Rae Spero.

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

DISCUSSION & ACTION ON CORRECTION/APPROVAL OF MINUTES - JANUARY 20, 2015, FEBRUARY 2, 2015, FEBRUARY 17, 2015, MARCH 2, 2015, MARCH 16, 2015 & APRIL 2, 2015 REGULAR MEETINGS, AND JANUARY 26, 2015, MARCH 26, 2015, & MARCH 30, 2015

SPECIAL MEETINGS: Chairman Amos asked for corrections/additions for the minutes of January 20, 2015; none offered. The following motion was made by Commissioner Brissenden and passed unanimously:

To approve the January 20, 2015 meeting minutes.

Chairman Amos asked for corrections/additions for the minutes of January 26, 2015; none offered. The following motion was made by Commissioner Brissenden and passed unanimously:

To approve the January 26, 2015 meeting minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

CONSENT AGENDA: The following items were presented under the consent agenda by Administrator Mendiola for the Board's review/action:

1. Appointment to the Pueblo Fire District Board: A request for appointment to the Pueblo Fire District Board had been received from Kreg Breshears. *Recommendation: To appoint Kreg Breshears to the Pueblo Fire District Board.*

The following motion was made by Commissioner Bell and passed unanimously:

To approve the consent agenda as presented.

SOLID WASTE MATTERS: Administrator Mendiola stated that he had nothing on this item.

PUBLIC LANDS PLANNING MATTERS & FORMULATION OF COUNTY POSITION ON BLM, FOREST SERVICE AND THE FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE PROPOSED

ACTIONS: Administrator Mendiola stated that he had nothing on this item.

2015 LEGISLATIVE MATTERS: POSSIBLE FORMULATION OF COUNTY TESTIMONY/INPUT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION, RESPONSE TO LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REQUESTS, NACO LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND

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RELATED MATTERS: Commissioner French reported on the following Legislative bills: SB30, AB106, AB435, SB163, AB227 and SB29. Discussion occurred regarding the sage grouse proposal update and the inclusion in the Governor's proposed budget of an increase to the County cost portion for the preparation of Pre-Sentence Reports and the impact that will have on the County.

ALLIED NEVADA GOLD CORP. ET AL. BANKRUPTCY UPDATE: District Attorney Macdonald indicated that Allied has filed its quarterly budget and some financial statements so the County is just monitoring at this point.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

OTHER INFORMATION AND UPCOMING MEETINGS:

GINA RACKLEY, COUNTY TREASURER WITH CTX REVENUE UPDATE: Treasurer Rackley reviewed the CTX report from February which indicated a continued downward trend and discussed what the effects of that decrease are on the County revenues and what some of the causes are for that decrease.

Comptroller Sondra Schmidt appeared before the Commission and reported on the annual POOL/PACT meeting that she had attended; she also informed the Commission that Humboldt County had won an award for completing the loss prevention program and that the award was both a plaque and a \$3,000.00 check.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS REGARDING OTHER BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

THEY SERVE ON: Commissioner Brissenden offered an update on the Hospital Board meeting she had attended. Commissioner French spoke about the Nevada Association of Counties Board of Directors' meeting he had attended and discussed the litigation involving the Wild Horses/Burros issue. Chairman Amos asked about the proposed wild horse collection in McDermitt. Administrator Mendiola responded that it was still in the approval process. Chairman Amos asked that the matter be checked on.

CLAIMS FOR EXPENDITURES OF COUNTY FUNDS: The following motion was made by Commissioner Brissenden and passed unanimously:

To approve the expenditures as presented.

CONSIDERATION OF NEW EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FORMS FOR

COMMISSION'S APPROVAL: A copy of the proposed employee performance evaluation form was provided to the Board for review. Brenda Willey, Administrative Assistant, appeared before the Commission and reviewed the new form for the Board noting that this is the form recommended by POOL/PACT. Discussion ensued regarding what information the new form captures and how job descriptions and targets are identified for new hires. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner French and passed unanimously:

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To accept the new employee performance evaluation form as presented.

CONSIDERATION OF A MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, HUMBOLDT COUNTY AND COUNTY RESIDENT JIM KINNEY WITH A DESIRE TO CREATE, DEVELOP, MANAGE, REGULATE AND PRESERVE AN URBAN FISHING POND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CITIZENS OF HUMBOLDT COUNTY, NEVADA AND VISITORS AT A POND LOCATED IN WINNEMUCCA, NEVADA:

District Attorney Macdonald indicated that this item is before the Commission to obtain approval for the parties to move forward with the urban fishing pond project; he provided an overview of what has occurred to this point on the agreement. Brad Bauman, Fisheries Biologist with the Nevada Department of Wildlife addressed the Board detailing the location and plan for the pond as well as the memorandum of understanding that needs to be done; he noted that the State Attorney General has not yet reviewed the MOU but that he does not see any issues on that end. District Attorney Macdonald noted the need to address liability issues from an insurance standpoint in the MOU. Commissioner French asked about the type of fishery that is going to be in place, who will produce the water to maintain the pond and who is going to provide the initial construction funding. Mr. Bauman explained that it will be both a warm water and cold water fishery and detailed the type of fish that will be stocked and how the stocking will occur; that NDOW has a well across the street at the holding pond and that will be used to maintain the water in this pond and NDOW will construct the pipe for that process. Discussion occurred regarding potential flooding in the area and how that will be addressed. Mr. Bauman pointed out that he has been approaching organizations for funding for this project, that currently the figure is at \$220,000.00 to \$240,000.00 for construction and commitments are continuing to come in, once the commitments are received the rest of the funding would come from NDOW in the form of a habitat conservation fee or a Question One proposal or something of that type. Commissioner French commented that if the Commission can do anything to assist with that let them know. Mr. Bauman observed that when he does the proposals he may request a letter of support to show that the Commission is on board. The following motion was made by Commissioner French and passed unanimously:

To accept the proposal for the Memorandum of Understanding between the Nevada Department of Wildlife and Humboldt County and the Kinney Family as presented today and direct the Administrator to write a letter of support from this Board to the Department of Wildlife.

ROAD MATTERS: Road Superintendent Ben Garrett appeared before the Commission.

REPORT OF PENDING ROAD DEPARTMENT PROJECTS: Superintendent Garrett reported on

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the herbicide application, the mag chloride project and road grading.

MISCELLANEOUS ROAD RELATED MATTERS: Superintendent Garrett reported on the fence project out at the Trap Range that was part of the settlement agreement with Christopher Miller stating that it was completed this past Wednesday but that a couple of the corners were not as Mr. Miller specified so there may be the need for a bit more work but Mr. Miller should be up this week to inspect it and then Superintendent Garrett will know if anything additional is needed. Administrator Mendiola asked if the costs have been determined for the fence on Jungo Road. Superintendent Garrett stated not yet. Discussion occurred regarding the issue.

AMENDMENT OF EXISTING CONTRACT WITH STATE OF NEVADA FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING PROGRAM TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION OF THE CONTRACT FROM JUNE 30, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2016 AT THE COST OF \$115,949 FOR THE FY 2015-2016:

A copy of the proposed amendment #1 to contract number 14005 between the State of Nevada Community Health Nursing Program and Humboldt County was provided to the Board for review. Administrator Mendiola explained that the current contract is due to expire on June 30, 2015, this amendment would extend the contract out to June 30, 2016 and add \$115,949.00 to fund the cost of the extension; he noted that this is an increase of 6% over the prior cost. Commissioner Bell questioned whether the amount paid is for the actuals and was there a cost savings to the County during the period of time that the State did not have a health nurse at this location. Commissioner French asked how the County knows that it is not paying for salaries for positions that are not occupied. Administrator Mendiola commented on discussions that he had with the prior County Administrator regarding those types of concerns and suggested that he or Administrative Assistant Willey could stop by the offices periodically to see if there are people there; he further commented that he has had several discussions with the people in the office about the issue. Commissioner French suggested that rather than a boiler plate extension of the contract that a provision be inserted in the contract that requires the State to inform the County of their staffing and personnel in this location and to keep the County informed through the Administrator or other designee of when those positions are vacated. District Attorney Macdonald agreed that some language could be put together and forwarded to the State for their consideration; he continued that he did not believe the Commission would be in the position to approve this contract based on this discussion and offered language suggestions for the motion. Commissioner Cerri suggested that more than notification, if the positions are not being staffed, there should be some sort of penalty or something. Commissioner Brissenden asked about the knowledge related to the office not being staffed. Administrator Mendiola indicated that is what he had heard, this was in the past, that visits had occurred

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by employees of the Administrator's Office and the doors were locked and no one was there but he does not know if that occurred over a few days or just one day. Administrator Mendiola noted that he had been told that when nurses are gone, nurses are brought in from other areas to cover but his point would be that there appears to be a point in time when it was a problem but he does not know if that is an issue currently; he added that he has been having conversations with them about their current office space and how they want to proceed on that. Commissioner Brissenden noted the importance of the Community Health Nurse program and the need to work with them to keep the service here. Commissioner French concurred but noted that if the County is paying for that position, it would only be fair from the taxpayers' perspective that they be there or that arrangements are made to cover the office if they are not. The following motion was made by Commissioner French and passed unanimously:

That the County accept the offer for extension of the existing contract between the State of Nevada for the Community Health Nursing Program to extend the expiration of the contract from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2016 with a provision in this contract that it is agreeable by both parties, that would assure the County that the Community Health Services office is open for business with personnel, who are present and it is reported to the County when positions become vacant.

REQUEST BY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND BUILDING SAFETY FOR APPROVAL OF ENGINEERING ASSESSMENT (APPROXIMATELY \$2,000) FOR THE MCDERMITT COMMUNITY CENTER TO ACQUIRE A SECOND OPINION AS THE SOURCE OF THE CURRENT DAMAGE TO THE FLOORS AND WALLS:

Building Official Bobby Thomas appeared before the Commission. Administrator Mendiola gave an overview of the situation including that a claim had been submitted to POOL/PACT for damage at the McDermitt Community Center, what damage had occurred at the Center, that POOL/PACT had denied the claim and why it had been denied. Building Official Thomas reviewed his findings following an inspection of the issue and his doubts as to the cause and severity of the problem and offered a suggestion that a second opinion would be warranted. Discussion ensued regarding his concerns. Commissioner French asked if the second opinion would allow the County to go back to POOL/PACT for reconsideration and if POOL/PACT has an engineer that handles their side of it. Administrator Mendiola indicated that he had spoken to POOL/PACT about doing a second engineering assessment and they had declined as that is not part of their agreement, that the County would have to do it on their own, hence this request; he continued noting that if the re-assessment supports the Building Official's findings the County can appeal the POOL/PACT decision but given that this is well past the appeal period he is unsure if that would be successful though POOL/PACT

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has indicated that the County is welcome to try but he suggested that the re-assessment may find that the repairs are less costly and it would also make sure that the right repairs are done. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner French and passed unanimously:

To approve the request from the County Administrator and the Building and Safety Department for an engineering assessment in the amount of approximately \$2,000.00 for the McDermitt Community Center to acquire a second opinion relative to the County's POOL/PACT claim.

FIRST READING AND SETTING TO PUBLIC HEARING: An Ordinance amending provisions in Humboldt County Code Title 17 Zoning, Chapter 17.78 Fees, Section 17.78.010 Public Service Fees to increase the fees charged for applications in the County to the Humboldt County Planning Department for services or procedures related to conditional use permits, home-based business permits, parcel maps, large parcel maps, master plan amendments, site plan reviews, subdivisions, variances, zone changes, and street naming and to add fees for record of survey maps, reversion to acreage maps, boundary line adjustment maps, or any combination of such maps and other matters properly relating thereto:

A copy of the proposed ordinance was provided to the Commission for review. Chairman Amos read the title of the item to be set to public hearing. The following motion was made by Commissioner Bell and passed unanimously:

To set to public hearing as presented.

PRESENTATION BY NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NDOT) REGARDING HUMBOLDT COUNTY PROJECTS AND OTHER MATTERS:

Provided to the Commission for review were a Humboldt County Crash Density map for the period of July 1, 2009 to July 1, 2014 including a breakout of the crash data, a NDOT 2015 Transportation Report for Humboldt County and a Corridor Concept Report/Summary related to the I-11 and Intermountain West Corridor Study. Lee Bonner, Local Government Liaison and Sondra Rosenberg, Assistant Planning Director with NDOT appeared before the Board of Commissioners and reviewed a presentation which included a breakout of the annual communication process, information on the number one priority - safety, a graph showing state-wide Nevada fatalities by critical emphasis area, a review of the five year crash density map for Humboldt, the federal and state funding plan for fiscal year 2016 and the planned NDOT work program for Humboldt County for fiscal year 2016 through fiscal year 2019. Discussion ensued regarding the StandUp 4 Transportation Project and the need to ask Congress to fund transportation; Chairman Amos directed Administrator Mendiola to prepare a letter of support for him to sign regarding the project. Discussion occurred regarding the I-11 Corridor Project, the road relinquishment program

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and plans for US 95. The following motion was made by Commissioner Bell and passed unanimously:

To accept the 2015 Transportation Report for Humboldt County from NDOT.

PRESENTATION BY BRIAN DAY, JOHN KASBOHM AND SHANNON LUDWIG FROM SHELDON NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE REGARDING THE AGREEMENT FOR THE VIRGIN VALLEY CAMPGROUND:

John Kasbohm, Project Leader for Sheldon/Hart Mountain National Wildlife Refuges, Shannon Ludwig, Deputy Project Leader and Brian Day, Sheldon Wildlife Refuge Manager appeared before the Commission. Mr. Kasbohm explained that the main reason for coming before the Board today is the long standing agreement entered into in 1996 related to monetary support by the County for maintenance and volunteers at the Virgin Valley campground on the refuge, the agreement expired in 2001 but the County has continued to provide the support, the funding was mainly used to pay stipends to the volunteers but due to recent changes those stipends can no longer be paid, only direct reimbursement can occur so the question is whether the County has an interest in continuing with the agreement. Mr. Kasbohm suggested that if the County would still be interested in participating the funding would be used for maintenance and improvements and a bit for volunteers. Commissioner French asked about the use of volunteers and the maintenance of the site. Mr. Kasbohm responded. The following motion was made by Commissioner French and passed unanimously:

To accept the renewal of the interlocal agreement between the Fish and Wildlife Service on the Sheldon Wildlife Refuge regarding the Virgin Valley Campground.

Commissioner French asked about access on the Sheldon and whether any additional access closures are anticipated. Mr. Kasbohm commented on the approval in 2012 of the comprehensive conservation plan which did call for the closure of some roads that were outlined in the plan but nothing beyond those; he commented that a presentation had been done for the Commission on that plan at that time but he offered to provide a copy of the map that identifies the roads. Discussion occurred regarding campgrounds and the possibility of the Devaney campground being closed as it currently lies within a proposed wilderness area and what is being looked at in relation to that campground and the wilderness designation.

Mr. Day addressed the Board regarding the maintenance of certain roads including 8A. Road Superintendent Garrett addressed the grading schedule for the roads noted but explained that due to the lack of moisture in the area as well as a local water source, little has been done over the past couple of years, as grading dry creates more issues than benefits; he commented that if this winter is dry the problem is going to continue as there are no water sources in the area; he further noted that there are no gravel sources in the area either so maintenance is always going to be a struggle. Mr. Day explained that

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he was not complaining about the condition of the roads but just inquiring about the future of how to deal with the roads and to make sure everyone is on the same page. Chairman Amos stated that the County would do what they can. Superintendent Garrett noted the discussion that will occur later in the meeting related to budgets that will directly affect locations like this and how much can be done, that while grading will occur every year, there is no guarantee that the County will be able to gravel these types of roads; he continued noting that the gravel could be contracted out but there may be issues with finding gravel sources in those areas. Mr. Day commented on the available gravel sources in the area and the possible availability of federal highway funds for those types of projects. Discussion ensued regarding the need to work together on any future projects.

REQUEST BY HUMBOLDT COUNTY SPECIALTY COURTS (6TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT) TO HAVE THE COMMISSION CONSIDER ENTERING INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 534 SOUTH BRIDGE STREET FOR USE AS A PROFESSIONAL BUILDING THAT WOULD HOUSE TREATMENT OFFICES FOR THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY SPECIALTY COURT COUNSELING STAFF:

Brooke O'Byrne, Specialty Court Coordinator appeared before the Commission and explained that the Specialty Court Counseling staff is currently housed in the JOIN offices but due to changes with that entity, they believe they will need to leave those offices by the middle of summer; she continued discussing their search for a new location, what amenities they would like to have in the facility including space and a location near the courthouse and their interest in the Hubbard House which the County owns. Ms. O'Byrne discussed the time line they had created for doing repairs to the building as well as possible funding sources and provided a handout related to those issues to the Commission for review. Discussion occurred regarding the space issue with the building and how the building would be utilized. Commissioner Bell noted that the Commission had already authorized an agreement for the building with the Downtown Business Association (DBA). Administrator Mendiola discussed what had occurred at a prior meeting with relation to the agreement with the DBA as well as Judge Montero's query about the use of the building. Commissioner French commented on the motion made and what was being considered as the building was vacant and unoccupied noting that at that time no one else had expressed an interest, that the DBA as well as the County was going to look into the condition of the building and whether the issues with it could be addressed, so while there may have been an understanding to move forward to determine whether there should be an agreement, he does not believe that an agreement was entered. Jacy Jackson of the Downtown Business Association appeared before the Board and commented on what had taken place to this point related to their accessing the building to look at it including that Administrator

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Mendiola, Building & Grounds Director Cain and District Attorney Macdonald were supposed to get together to determine what needed to be done but that has not yet occurred; she continued stating that the Association still believes that the building is something that they really want to utilize and explained why. Commissioner French noted the dilemma of not having a proposal from either group. Director Cain commented on what had occurred with the building to this point related to removing the artwork. Commissioner French commented that what is being discussed is one party that just wants to move into the building while the other party is offering to lease the building and make needed repairs and given the issue with the County's budget that is something that needs to be looked at, however, he still understands that the DBA made the first request; he suggested that it would not be possible to make a decision without having a reasonable proposal from both sides. Ms. Jackson responded that the DBA was also looking at making repairs but first they had to determine what needed to be done to figure the costs. Commissioner French stated that in all fairness the Commission needs to look at proposals from both entities to determine what is in the best interest of the public. Chairman Amos asked if there were any other locations available downtown such as in the Professional Building. Director Cain stated he believed the building was pretty much full. Administrator Mendiola suggested that the Commission table this matter to give him, Director Cain and District Attorney Macdonald an opportunity to go through the building and figure out what needs to be done as was previously discussed with the DBA. Commissioner French agreed as long as it is done in a timely manner. Ms. O'Byrne commented on the proposed time line for work on the building if they were approved for leasing the building. Discussion ensued. The following motion was made by Commissioner French:

To table this and direct staff to follow through with the agreed to activities that the Downtown Business Association requested previously and to schedule this item for another date when the Commission can look at the projects, sooner rather than later.

Coordinator O'Byrne noted an upcoming Drug Court graduation ceremony that the Commission had been invited to on Monday, May 11, 2015. Commissioners French and Brissenden confirmed their intent to attend. Chairman Amos called Commissioner French's motion to a vote and it passed unanimously.

Chairman Amos recessed the meeting at 11:51 a.m. to reconvene at 1:15 p.m.

ADDITIONAL FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET WORKSHOPS: Comptroller Sondra Schmidt appeared before the Commission.

OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT: Administrator Mendiola reviewed the funding available in the Other General Government section of the budget. Commissioner Bell noted that the Professional

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Services line item had previously been reduced by \$120,000.00; he suggested that the \$50,000.00 that is identified for a water plan is not needed, that now is not the time. Commissioner Brissenden disagreed. Commissioner French suggested that it be put into the contingency with the thought that if NDEP comes to the County with the latest data on the Grass Valley situation so that, funding would be available if the County determines that this is the year the situation has to be addressed, rather than slamming the door on it. Discussion ensued regarding the issue including that the water plan was identified as a priority during the retreat along with the CSI project. The following motion was made by Commissioner Bell:

To remove \$50,000.00 for water plan.

Commissioner Cerri questioned if there were other ways to address the water plan by using plans already developed by other Counties and being diligent in protesting anything that has an effect on the water in the County; he noted his concern about leaving this amount in the budget given the current status of the budget. Commissioner French explained that was why he had suggested it be left in as a contingency so that if the opportunity/need arose the Commission would have the ability to consider it; he explained his thoughts on how it could be done in a less expensive manner. Commissioner Cerri stated he could support Commissioner French's suggestions as long as the Commission would have the opportunity to vote on it prior to spending any dollars. Administrator Mendiola noted that if the Commission chose to remove the line item identified for the water plan, there would still be funds available in other line items such as professional services to cover the costs if it became necessary. Commissioner French stated he would support removing the \$50,000.00 with the understanding that the Commission could come back and look at this later and have the funding available elsewhere. Commissioner Bell concurred noting that if the Commission is going to be asking the other Departments to make cuts, they need to be willing to cut as well and set an example; he stated that he would withdraw the prior motion. Commissioner Bell offered the following motion:

To remove the line-item of \$50,000.00 for the water plan with the understanding that there are other contingency funds if it is deemed necessary by the Commission.

Commissioner Brissenden spoke to the importance of and need for a water plan. After discussion Chairman Amos called Commissioner Bell's motion to a vote and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Sheriff Mike Allen appeared before the Commission.

SHERIFF (030): Commissioner French noted his request in the prior budget hearings for everyone to look at what a 10% cut would look like for their budgets; he asked what the Sheriff had found with his budgets. Sheriff Allen responded that at the last meeting five fully equipped patrol vehicles were cut from the budget for a total savings of \$275,000.00; he noted his disagreement with that decision and

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explained his concerns; he continued noting that ten tasers were cut which would be the equivalent of \$10,000.00. Sheriff Allen addressed comments made in the media and by Commissioner Cerri related to overtime in the Sheriff's Office noting that if he were to cut overtime by 15% it would result in the loss of a representative to Drug Court at a cost of \$9,500 per year, a Truancy Court representative \$9,500 per year, the DARE Program at a cost of \$9,800 per year and assistance provided to the City Police Department for Run-a-Mucca at a cost of \$6,201. Discussion ensued regarding the funding provided by the WCVA to the City to assist with overtime costs for Run-a-mucca and that the County has not made that request. Sheriff Allen continued noting that under his administration he believes the overtime budget will begin to diminish as he is using it only for emergency or exigent circumstances and mandatory training requirements. Discussion occurred regarding the overtime built in based on the two person staffing of night shift. Sheriff Allen continued reviewing what the percentage was of his identified reductions and offered other possible solutions related to vehicle maintenance. Commissioner Cerri explained how he had obtained the figures related to the Sheriff's overtime costs and discussed the current overtime figures. Commissioner Bell asked about including the costs for Run-a-Mucca in the Cost Share Agreement with the City. Commissioner Cerri suggested that a request be made to the WCVA like the City does. Commissioner Bell asked if the reductions indicated were done at the original budget hearings or if these are additional cuts. Sheriff Allen indicated that had been his question, whether the 10% would be off of the requested amount or the ending amount following budget hearings and he had been told that it would be off of the requested amount so that was what was done; he continued stating that without reducing workforce, he does not see where he can cut any further. Commissioner Bell asked about the ability to do something about built-in overtime. Sheriff Allen stated that built-in overtime has been eliminated at the Detention Center. Captain Kevin Malone addressed the Board and explained that the built-in overtime has been eliminated except for the night shift. Discussion occurred regarding the reduction of the Services & Supplies line item by removing the request for the tasers. Discussion occurred about the Radio Contract line item, the RIM contract billing and issues with the billing and the ongoing maintenance/contract costs. The amounts of the reductions for the tasers, the overtime and the vehicles as well as the associated line items were reviewed. Sheriff Allen commented on the request for a new fingerprint system, stating that a request has been put into the State for that purchase but if that request is declined then the County would need to purchase it as the current system needs to be replaced. Discussion occurred regarding the other line item requests in the budget. Commissioner Brissenden noted her concerns related to the loss of the DARE program. Commissioner Cerri commented on the need to make tough decisions now to hopefully avoid layoffs in the future. Commissioner Bell questioned

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whether the Court could pay the costs for having a Deputy attend Drug Court. Commissioner French concurred with Commissioner Bell's suggestion and stated that he would like the DARE Program kept on the radar but that he would rather lose the program than lose a deputy. Discussion occurred regarding the vehicle issue. Sheriff Allen commented on the 12 hour shifts used and why they are the most cost efficient. Discussion occurred regarding furloughs and how the collective bargaining agreements would potentially impact the process. Chairman Amos commented that departments including the Sheriff's Office can be run on a shoestring as it has happened in the past. Discussion occurred regarding comp time, issues with comp time, flex time and salary reductions.

DETENTION (031): Sheriff Allen reviewed the Detention budget and discussed the causes for overtime in the department including issues with deputies subpoenaed for court and handling defendants' attorney meetings. It was noted that the services and supplies line item would be reduced by \$10,000.00 due to the removal of the tasers requested. Discussion ensued regarding the request for a new camera system for the Detention Center at a cost of \$175,000.00. Commissioner Bell suggested there could be a less expensive solution available. Commissioner French stated that this was not the year for that type of project. Discussion ensued between Commissioner Cerri and Sheriff Allen regarding the travel and training line item and Sheriff Allen agreed that it could be reduced and that they would work within the budgeted amount. Commissioner Bell suggested that the entire amount identified in the machinery line item could be cut. Sheriff Allen spoke in opposition to removing funding for the new transport van for the Detention Center and noted the \$10,000.00 funding contribution offered by the Justice Court. Captain Andy Rorex addressed the Commission and explained the need for the installation of the new camera system and the transport van. After discussion the following motion was made by Commissioner French:

To accept the Sheriff's budget for department 031, Detention and that we modify the 520 category by ten percent of the \$269,605.00, that we modify the 521 by ten percent of \$110,500.00 and that we delete the \$235,000.00 from the machinery side of it.

Discussion occurred regarding the 10% cut and how it could be accomplished. Sheriff Allen asked if issues arise later due to those cuts, can the matter can be brought back. Commissioner French agreed it could be but noted it could happen the other way as well, if the revenue side of it comes in even lower than expected, there could be additional cuts requested. Commissioner French and Commissioner Cerri discussed the 10% cut and the effort to avoid cutting staff. Sheriff Allen stated for the record that the budgets being discussed are detention and dispatch and these are required services that have to be provided and that he honestly believes that they are at bare minimum staffing right now and that they are at bare minimum for the items that are being requested, that the request is not for anything over and above

what he feels is needed to reduce the liability and risk and to prevent lawsuits. Commissioner Cerri observed that even with the 10% cut the amount requested is above last year's budget and there are certain items such as PERS that the County has no control over but something has to be done. Sheriff Allen stated his understanding of what the Commission is saying but again noted that the departments are at bare minimum staffing and that the County needs to be prepared for the fact that when the economy goes down the activities the Sheriff's Office deals with will go up. Administrator Mendiola commented on the actuals for the budgets of 2013 and 2014 and the status of this year's budget and offered the opinion that the requests for this year and next year should not create a budget issue with the reductions identified in Commissioner French's motion. Sheriff Allen confirmed that the van and cameras are cut and noted for the record that he had made the request so any liability issues would not sit with him. Commissioner French stated that would be so noted and further suggested that POOL/PACT be contacted to determine their thoughts and he suggested that the Sheriff research other options related to the camera issue to see if there is a way to expand the current system to meet the needs. Sheriff Allen stated they would be looking at that. Discussion occurred regarding the motion on the floor being related only to Detention and Commissioner French withdrew said motion so a single motion could be made covering the Sheriff's budget as a whole.

Chairman Amos stated that the Board would proceed with item 14 on the agenda and then return to the budget workshops.

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION FOR THE AUCTION RETURN OF SALE FROM THE COUNTY TREASURER:

A copy of the proposed resolution and a list of the properties sold at the April 17, 2015 Delinquent Tax Auction showing the total proceeds at \$184,850.00 were provided to the Commission for review (see attached list). County Treasurer Gina Rackley appeared before the Commission and reviewed the results of the tax auction including the amount the properties sold for and the amount that the County retains and asked for approval to record the deeds; she noted that 12 properties in Golconda were not sold. The following motion was made by Commissioner Brissenden and passed unanimously:

To adopt the resolution for the auction return of sale from the County Treasurer for 2015.

(Resolution No. 05-04-15)

CONTINUED PUBLIC SAFETY:

DISPATCH (032): Sheriff Allen reviewed the Dispatch budget including an offered reduction in the professional services line item to take it to \$15,000.00 and noting that the approval of additional

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