

1 The Honorable Board of Lander County Commissioners met in
2 special session in the Commission Chambers of the Lander County
3 Courthouse in Battle Mountain, Nevada, on January 5, 2015, at
4 9:00 a.m.

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6 **PRESENT:** DEAN BULLOCK, COMMISSIONER
7 DAVID MASON, COMMISSIONER
8 PATSY WAITS, COMMISSIONER
9 SEAN BAKKER, COMMISSIONER
10 ART CLARK III, COMMISSIONER
11 DOUG MILLS, COMMISSIONER
12 SADIE SULLIVAN, COUNTY CLERK
13 THEODORE HERRERA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY
14 BECKY JOHNSON, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

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16 **ABSENT:** BRIAN GARNER, COMMISSIONER
17 STEVEN STIENMETZ, COMMISSIONER
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19 Let the record reflect the presence of a quorum of three
20 commissioners.

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22 Let the record reflect the presence of Austin via telephone
23 conference.

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25 [Meeting commenced on January 5, 2014, at 9:00 a.m.]
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27 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: I'd like to call to order the
28 meeting of the Lander County Commissioners, Town Board of Battle
29 Mountain, and Austin Board of County Highway Commissioners.
30 If we could stand for the pledge.

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32 (Pledge of Allegiance.)
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35 **AGENDA NOTICE**
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37 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Discussion for possible action
38 regarding approval of agenda notice.

39 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I make a motion we approve the special
40 agenda notice.

1 COMMISSIONER MASON: Second.
2 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Any comments?
3 (No comment.)
4 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Those in favor?
5 COMMISSIONER MASON: Aye.
6 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Aye.
7 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Aye.
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10 **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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12 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Discussion for possible action
13 regarding payment of the bills.
14 (No comment.)
15 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Seeing none.
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18 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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20 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: We go on to public comment for
21 non-agendized items only.

22 KEITH WESTENGARD: I wanted to bring up real quick, we had
23 several -- just for the commission's information -- we had a
24 couple water leaks over the weekend, five, that were pretty
25 significant.

26 And we're working on all of them. I spoke with Jake this
27 morning, and he's working with -- working on -- through all of
28 those.

29 We also -- the most significant one is probably going to
30 affect -- it's behind the fire house. And it's probably going
31 to affect, or is going to affect The Owl Club, The Nevada --
32 that whole block right in there. The manager, owners, they're
33 all going to be -- they're all aware of it. Jake's working with
34 them.

35 So if you get calls on it, you can refer them to myself or
36 Jake. But we're -- we're working on it. And it will probably
37 require some water shutoff tomorrow or the next day. But they're
38 fully informed.

39 That's all I have.

40 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Okay. Thanks. Any others?

1) Swearing in of newly-elected officials by the Honorable Max W. Bunch, Justice of the Peace.

VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Now we'll go on to item number one, swearing in of newly elected officials by the Honorable Max W. Bunch, justice of the peace.

(Simultaneous conversations.)

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Okay.

I don't have a big talk like Judge Wagner had so, therefore, I'll just get down to business since we're in a commission meeting.

I'm going ask you to state your name at a certain point and to state your office and just go ahead and do so all at the same time.

So if you'll please raise your right hand.

(Whereupon, the following individuals were sworn in or affirmed:

Sean Bakker, County Commissioner;
Pat Brickley, Hospital Board;
Leslie Bunch, Recorder;
Art Clark III, County Commissioner;
John Davis, School Board;
Doug Mills, County Commissioner; and
Anna Penola, School Board.)

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I -- state your name --

OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: (Speaking.)

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- do solemnly swear --

OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- do solemnly swear --

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- (or affirm) --

OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- (or affirm) --

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- that I will support, --

OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- that I will support, --

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- protect and defend --

OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- protect and defend --

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- the Constitution --

OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- the Constitution --

JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- and government of the United States,

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1 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- and government of the United
2 States, --
3 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- and the constitution and government --
4 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- and the constitution and
5 government --
6 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- of the State of Nevada, --
7 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- of the State of Nevada, --
8 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- against all enemies, --
9 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- against all enemies, --
10 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- whether domestic or foreign, --
11 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- whether domestic or foreign, --
12 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: I will bear true faith, --
13 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: I will bear true faith, --
14 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- allegiance and loyalty --
15 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- allegiance and loyalty --
16 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- to the same, --
17 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- to the same, --
18 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- any ordinance, --
19 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- any ordinance, --
20 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- resolution --
21 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- resolution --
22 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- or law of any state --
23 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- or law of any state --
24 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- notwithstanding, --
25 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- notwithstanding, --
26 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- and that I will well --
27 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- and that I will well --
28 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- and faithfully perform --
29 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- and faithfully perform --
30 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- all the duties --
31 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- all the duties --
32 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- of the office of --
33 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- of the office of --
34 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: State your office.
35 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: (Speaking.)
36 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- on which I'm about to enter --
37 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- on which I'm about to enter --
38 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- so help me God; --
39 OATH TAKERS: -- so help me God; --
40 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: -- under the pains and penalties of

1 perjury.
2 OATH TAKERS/AFFIRMANTS: -- under the pains and penalties
3 of perjury.
4 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Congratulations.
5 And we will get everybody to come and sign.
6 Mr. Mills, you're first.
7 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: I'm out of here. Need to have them
8 come up here. Sadie, if you're going to switch signs, you
9 better do it. If you're going to switch signs, you better do it.
10 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Mr. Bakker.
11 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Have them come up here now.
12 COMMISSIONER MASON: Doug, take your seat.
13 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Yeah. Invite all those new
14 commissioners to please come up here.
15 COMMISSIONER MASON: Congratulations.
16 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Thank you.
17 COMMISSIONER MASON: Enjoy it.
18 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: John Davis.
19 COMMISSIONER MASON: Congratulations.
20 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Thank you.
21 How are you doing, Patsy?
22 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Good.
23 Turn your sign so that --
24 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Is that it?
25 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Yep. You're done.
26 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Have a great day.
27 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: You too. Thanks for coming. Thompson?
28 Wasn't here. Pat Brickley.
29 PAT BRICKLEY: Yes.
30 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Does Dave want this?
31 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Dave?
32 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Dave.
33 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Dave, do you want your nametag?
34 COMMISSIONER MASON: No.
35 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: It's got your name on it.
36 JUDGE MAX BUNCH: Well, we're not going to be able to reuse
37 it.
38 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Doesn't belong to anyone else.
39 Huh?
40 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Dean.

1 COMMISSIONER WAITS: He can take that too.
2 COMMISSIONER MASON: I don't need it.
3 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: I'll bring it to you.
4 COMMISSIONER MASON: What am I going to do with it?
5 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: I'll get it.
6 COMMISSIONER MASON: Put it in my bathroom at home.
7 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Put it your car.
8 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Put it in your car so you remember who
9 you are.
10 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Put it on your car console.
11 COMMISSIONER MASON: Good.
12 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: Bases too?
13 Hey, I need that base, Art.
14 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Thank you much.
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17 **COMMISSIONERS**

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19 2) **Discussion for possible action to elect a chairman and vice**
20 **chairman of the Lander County Board of Commissioners, and**
21 **other matters properly related thereto.**
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23 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Okay. Item number two, discussion
24 for possible action to elect a chairman and vice chairman of the
25 Lander County Board of Commissioners, and other matters properly
26 related thereto.

27 At this time, we'll open up any nominations for the
28 chairman.

29 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Well, I'd like to start and ask -- or
30 make a statement but -- from my perspective, I think either
31 Patsy or Steve should be the chair based on their experience in
32 the position. The rest of us need to learn something probably a
33 little bit first before we jump into something like that.

34 But I'd like to know -- since Steve's not here, at least we
35 can hear from Patsy and find out what your opinion is.

36 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I do know that they have alternated
37 the chair for several years, I think. And it's been around for
38 some time. I know this is Steve's last -- last term. So I know
39 he's been chair several times so. No, I'd be -- I'd be very
40 pleased and honored to be your chair.

1 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Okay. I'm curious about being that
2 you're from Austin, does that hinder your ability to be chair?
3 Is that going to cause you a problem?
4 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I don't think so. If there's
5 something you have to be here for, you're here for it.
6 COMMISSIONER MILLS: All right.
7 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I think since it is Steve's last, I
8 say, I nominate Steve for chair and Patsy for vice chair.
9 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'll second that.
10 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Okay. I have a comment on that. And
11 that is being that Steve has a new job that's prevented him from
12 being here today. Is that going to cause him problems being
13 here when he needs to be?
14 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Well, he has to come home every night
15 so if he has to sign anything, he will be in town.
16 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Mr. Westengard has a statement.
17 KEITH WESTENGARD: I have a statement from Steve here.
18 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Oh, good.
19 KEITH WESTENGARD: He says to let everyone know that he's
20 sorry he can't make the meeting, that he will take the chair and
21 he is interested in it if no one else wants it. Thanks, Steve.
22 Just so you know. I have some other notes for the board
23 and stuff too as well. That's what he wanted me to let you guys
24 know as the, uh -- for that position.
25 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Okay.
26 COMMISSIONER CLARK: We have a motion.
27 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: We have a motion and a second. Any
28 other comments?
29 All those in favor?
30 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Aye.
31 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: And if you'll verbally state it
32 so that way it's --
33 COMMISSIONER CLARK: You have to raise your hand.
34 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: -- in the recording. No, it's
35 actually a verbal one so then it's on the recording.
36 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.
37 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: If you would, please.
38 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Aye.
39 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.
40 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Do -- do I need to abstain since it's

1 on me?
2 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Well, you can --
3 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I can vote?
4 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: You can vote. Absolutely.
5 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay.
6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Either way. You can abstain.
7 You can -- you can say yay. You can say nay.
8 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Okay. Okay. Thank you.
9 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Okay.
10 Those opposed?
11 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Actually I'd like to -- I'd like to
12 vote aye.
13 COMMISSIONER WAITS: I -- I vote no.
14 VICE CHAIRMAN BULLOCK: Okay. Motion carries. It's all
15 yours, Patsy.
16 COMMISSIONER WAITS: Thank you.
17 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Do we need to vote on any --
18 DEAN BULLOCK: The motion was for both of them.
19 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Oh, it was for both of them?
20 DEAN BULLOCK: That's the way that --
21 COMMISSIONER CLARK: That's the motion.
22 DEAN BULLOCK: -- it was stated.
23 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Did we do a vice chair?
24 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: You voted aye.
25 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: That was in the motion itself.
26 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Right?
27 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I just wanted to be sure about the
28 vice chair part or the co-chair, whatever the --
29 COMMISSIONER CLARK: You combined them, right, Sean?
30 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Yes.
31 COMMISSIONER CLARK: That was your motion?
32 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Yes.
33 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.
34 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: So to make it clear on the record,
35 if you don't mind. I have Steve Stienmetz as the chairman.
36 Patsy Waits as vice chairman. Art, yay. Sean, yay. Doug, yay.
37 Patsy, nay. And Steve is absent. Is that correct?
38 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Yes.
39 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Yes.
40 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Thank you.

1 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I think we need to move down.
2 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)
3 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Austin, did you have any comment?
4 MITESHELL LANHAM: No.
5 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Okay. Thank you.
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7 3) Discussion for possible action regarding appointment of a
8 Lander County Commissioners to the various 2014-2015 advisory
9 boards, categories 1, 2, 3, and 4, and other matters properly
10 related thereto.
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12 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. With that, then we are
13 moving down to number three, which is discussion for possible
14 action regarding appointment of Lander County commissioners to
15 the various 2014/2015 advisory boards, categories one, two,
16 three, and four, and other matters properly related thereto.

17 Have my fellow commissioners had a chance to actually look at
18 the different categories and see if something they might have a
19 particular interest in?

20 I know in years previously, when there's just one or two
21 commissioners that have been replaced, very often they have
22 replaced the same type of boards that the one they are replacing
23 on or sitting on. But since there's so many changes this year,
24 it's kind of nice to see what you might really have an interest in
25 and what type of board you might be interested in serving in. We
26 also need some alternates in some of these.

27 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I have a question. The people that
28 are assigned from the community, they're volunteers?

29 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Yes.

30 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.

31 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Yes, they are.

32 And they are also -- under our ordinance, they are allowed to
33 collect per diem and travel.

34 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.

35 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: That that goes forward on those.

36 Before we start on the category one, I just wanted to give
37 you a background on the ordinance in case you have haven't had a
38 chance to take a look at it. It's chapter 1.08 under County
39 Advisory Boards. We have several, as you see under the
40 categories. A statutory board, which is required by the Nevada

1 Revised Statutes to be established in several counties. And then
2 we have the statutory advisory boards, which is category two. And
3 then we have county advisory boards, which go into number three
4 and number four.

5 So right off the bat, the first one we have, is the Lander
6 County Board of Equalization. And there are three members on
7 that. And I think we might be changing one at some point. But
8 right now, Dave Mason is the one that was the outgoing
9 commissioner representing us on that board. So is there someone
10 that has an interest in the Board of Equalization, which will be
11 working with our assessor?

12 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: This is -- this meeting is once or
13 twice a year, roughly, depending on the outcome of the Board of
14 Equalization. And it's held in February.

15 Pardon me?

16 UNIDENTIFIED PARTICIPANT: (Indiscernible.)

17 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Well hearing none, Dave Mason was
18 the one that was representing it. So Sean, do you have a
19 problem representing that one?

20 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: No, I'll take it.

21 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. We'll put Sean on that one.
22 Commissioner Bakker is stepping in.

23 The next one is Lander County Debt Management Commission.
24 And the representative was Dean Bullock.

25 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I -- I'll take that.

26 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. Commissioner Art Clark will
27 be stepping in on that one.

28 Third one is Lander County Convention and Tourism Authority.
29 And we had Brian Garner and the alternate was Steve Stienmetz.
30 And I believe Steve did have a --

31 KEITH WESTENGARD: Commissioner Steinmetz requested that he
32 replace Commissioner Garner on the board as the main
33 representative.

34 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Um, Doug, do you want to take that
35 one though? It's up to you.

36 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'm concerned on that one being that
37 I'm in the -- I can't remember what it's called. I'm on the
38 board of Chamber of Commerce. And they receive grant money from
39 Convention and Tourism. I'm concerned there may be a conflict
40 of interest if I participate in that board.

1 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Is that a conflict (indiscernible)?
2 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: There may be a conflict of
3 interest. It's -- I don't think there's an automatic conflict
4 of interest.
5 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Right.
6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: But there's certainly a
7 potential conflict of interest.
8 COMMISSIONER MILLS: And I would prefer to avoid any
9 potential appearance of conflict or anything there. So if I
10 could pass on that one, --
11 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: That's fine.
12 COMMISSIONER MILLS: -- that'd be best.
13 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Well, Steve said -- Steve said he
14 would step up to be the representative. So the only one I would
15 need would be an alternate if one of you would like to --
16 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I'll take the alternate.
17 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. Thank you, Commissioner
18 Bakker.
19 We're still in category one. The next one is the Lander
20 County Regional Transportation Commission. There are two of us
21 that actually sit on that, myself and Brian Garner. And then we
22 have an alternate. Dean Bullock was the alternate on that. So
23 I will go ahead and stay on that one. So is there someone else
24 who would like to step in the RTC?
25 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll step in on that one.
26 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Thank you. Commissioner Mills.
27 And I do need an alternate.
28 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I'll take the alternate, Patsy,
29 unless Art wants it.
30 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay, thank you. And Commissioner
31 Bakker for --
32 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Want to do it?
33 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- the alternate.
34 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: If you don't want it.
35 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Commissioner Bakker?
36 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Yep.
37 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. Lander County Planning
38 Commission. Dave Mason sat in on that one. And that's an
39 ever-popular one and serving the growth of our community. We
40 also have an alternate. And that was Dean Bullock.

1 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I can -- I can be the commissioner on
2 that.

3 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I'll take the alternate, Patsy.

4 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.

5 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Commissioner Clark is stepping in
6 as our replacement. And the alternate will be Commissioner
7 Bakker. Thank you.

8 Under category two, we don't have any that actually are
9 serving on that, which is Lander County Advisory Board to Manage
10 Wildlife. We do have some terms expiring. So that will probably
11 be on our agenda at some point later for our volunteers in the
12 community.

13 And listed as category three, Austin Airport Advisory Board.
14 And I don't imagine any of my fellow commissioners want to travel
15 to Austin for a monthly meeting. So I'll stay on that, if that's
16 all right with everyone.

17 Okay. Battle Mountain Livestock Events Center. And that was
18 Brian Garner. Who might have an interest in the Livestock Events
19 Center to represent us?

20 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll step in on that one.

21 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Thank you, Commissioner Mills.
22 Next is the Lander County Public Lands Use Advisory Planning
23 Commission. I was the representative for the last couple of
24 years. And Steve Stienmetz was our alternate. Did he have any
25 preference on that one?

26 KEITH WESTENGARD: He requests to stay as the alternate.

27 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: As the alternate? Okay. Then -- I
28 think it would be really nice to have some representation with
29 some ranching background, if --

30 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Oh, I'll --

31 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- commissioner Bakker is that
32 something you might be interested in?

33 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Art, do you want that one?

34 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Yeah.

35 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Yeah. Art can take it.

36 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: You want to take that one?

37 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Yeah.

38 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay.

39 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Is he taking your place, Patsy, and
40 then leaving Steve as alternate?

1 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Steve Stienmetz will stay as the
2 alternate. Yes.
3 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Thank you.
4 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: We're still in category three,
5 Lander Economic Development Authority or LEDA. That was Dean
6 Bullock and an alternate of Steve Stienmetz.
7 COMMISSIONER MILLS: That's what I'm interested in if --
8 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Be my guest.
9 COMMISSIONER MILLS: -- you want that one?
10 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Yes. You want to flip a coin?
11 KEITH WESTENGARD: Commissioner Waits. Commissioner Waits.
12 Commissioner Stienmetz has asked to be replaced as the
13 alternate. So you actually have two spots there.
14 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay, Commissioner Mills, how about
15 LEDA for you on that one. And then we'll leave the alternate as
16 Commissioner Stienmetz.
17 KEITH WESTENGARD: No, he's asked --
18 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: No.
19 KEITH WESTENGARD: -- to be replaced.
20 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: He wants to be --
21 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yeah.
22 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- replaced. Okay. Then we'll
23 Commissioner Bakker as the alternate?
24 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Is that all right with you or --
25 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: You want to do that?
26 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'm good with that.
27 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Okay, we'll do it that way.
28 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. Commissioner Mills is our
29 representative and Commissioner Bakker the alternate.
30 Going to category four. Great Basin Development District.
31 And Dean Bullock was our representative on that.
32 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'll take it.
33 DEAN BULLOCK: Just -- can I put a word of caution here?
34 Dean Bullock for the record. That is part of the LEDA. It
35 helps if you have the same person on the LEDA be on the Great
36 Basin Development Authority because you're relaying messages
37 from LEDA.
38 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Okay.
39 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. We'll keep Commissioner
40 Mills on that. Thank you.

1 Lander County Advisory Resource Conservation and
2 Development District. Dave Mason was our representative. And
3 the alternate was Brian Garner.
4 Is that the one that you sat on?
5 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Yeah. It says vacant though. But
6 I'll take over for Dave.
7 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: And an alternate?
8 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll do an alternate on that.
9 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. We have Commissioner Bakker
10 as our representative and the alternate, Commissioner Mills.
11 Thank you.
12 Next is our local emergency planning commission. And does
13 Steve have any information on that?
14 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes, he'd like to stay on that board.
15 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. We'll keep Commissioner
16 Stienmetz on that one.
17 And Nevada Works. That was Dean Bullock as our
18 representative. The alternate was Steve Stienmetz.
19 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'll take it.
20 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. We have Commissioner Clark.
21 And how about the alternate? Steve going to stay on?
22 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes. He would like to stay.
23 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay, thank you.
24 Humboldt River Basin Water Authority. And that was Steve
25 Stienmetz with the alternate of Dave Mason.
26 KEITH WESTENGARD: And he has asked to be replaced on that
27 board.
28 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: On the Humboldt River Basin Water
29 Authority?
30 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I'll replace him because Dave was the
31 alternate, so --
32 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll -- I'll be alternate on that.
33 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. So we have Commissioner
34 Bakker replacing Steve. And then Commissioner Mills is our
35 alternate, right?
36 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Right.
37 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Mills is the alternate?
38 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Uh-huh.
39 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Okay.
40 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Next we have the Central Nevada

1 Regional Water Authority. And Steve and I both sit on that one.
2 And Steve's preference?

3 KEITH WESTENGARD: He's asked to be replaced.

4 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Take that one on the water too? No?

5 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Right. That's the Central Nevada
6 Water. They only have met once to my knowledge. They've met at
7 the same time. Usually they're different meetings. And I will
8 stay on that one and --

9 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Art, do you want that one?

10 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Which one, Sean?

11 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Water authority.

12 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Central Nevada Regional Water
13 Authority.

14 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I don't really know anything about
15 that.

16 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I don't either. What is it about,
17 Patsy?

18 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Actually, it's -- it's a
19 combination of the northern counties that stay on top of the
20 different water issues. They meet about quarterly and have
21 several things from well monitoring, reports of the other
22 states. They're -- they're very active in -- in protecting our
23 water resources and water levels here in -- in the coordinating
24 counties. And part of that, of course, is trying to keep the --
25 the Las Vegas area from picking up the water --

26 COMMISSIONER MILLS: From stealing our water.

27 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- from White Pine. Right. But a
28 lot of it's mostly just reporting and staying on top of things.
29 We also present bills. We work very closely with the state
30 water engineer.

31 COMMISSIONER MILLS: How closely does that work with the
32 Humboldt River Basin Water Authority?

33 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: You know Steve sat on both of them.
34 And maybe, Dean, you can share a little bit. Because I'm really
35 not as familiar with the Humboldt on the reports that Steve
36 gives us. So I'm not sure. Do you know offhand?

37 DEAN BULLOCK: They're both dealing with the same issues.
38 I mean, it's just --

39 COMMISSIONER MILLS: That's what --

40 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Right, but this is more specified

1 because it's us right here --
2 DEAN BULLOCK: Yeah.
3 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- right? Where the other one is a
4 bit more general.
5 DEAN BULLOCK: Well, you've got the Central, which goes
6 clear to Austin and on down that way, where the Humboldt is
7 strictly where the Humboldt flows.
8 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: That's what it says, it's more
9 specific to just here on the Humboldt side.
10 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I'll -- I'll take Steve's spot.
11 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. Commissioner Bakker will be
12 replacing Commissioner Stienmetz. Thank you.
13 We will be changing Nevada Home Health Services. So I
14 imagine just for the record we could go ahead and put in Abby
15 Burkhart.
16 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: Actually she --
17 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: As --
18 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: That one there for the Nevada Home
19 Health Service is Sandra Smith. Pa- --
20 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Does that stay the same?
21 COUNTY CLERK SULLIVAN: That one does stay the same.
22 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. NACO board is next. And I
23 do sit on the NACO board representing you. I would like to
24 continue to do that. But I do need an alternate. Dave Mason
25 was the alternate.
26 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I'll stay on. I'll take Dave's spot.
27 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. My alternate would be
28 Commissioner Bakker. Thank you.
29 State Land Use Planning Advisory Committee. And that was
30 -- (indiscernible) -- which was Steve Stienmetz and the
31 alternate was Dave Mason. Keith, --
32 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'll be the alternate on that.
33 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- did you have some input on that?
34 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yeah, Dave -- or I'm sorry -- Steve said
35 he would like to stay. He's got another year on it.
36 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: He's going to stay on that one?
37 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes.
38 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. And then the alternate,
39 Commissioner Clark said he would --
40 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Oh, yeah, I'll --

1 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- step up for Dave.
2 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'll help out on that.
3 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Is that okay?
4 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Sounds good to me.
5 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: All right.
6 Is this housekeeping then, Sadie, for the Lander County
7 budget director to change that to Nan Ancho? And our county
8 custodian of records to Leslie Bunch?
9 KEITH WESTENGARD: Yes.
10 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Lander County emergency response
11 coordinator, Ron Unger, sheriff. Lander County health officer,
12 Dr. Mark Myers. And the Lander County Hospital District?
13 KEITH WESTENGARD: Steve would like to stay on that.
14 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Going to stay on that one. Okay.
15 So that would be Steve Stienmetz.
16 Advisory committee is still Jan Morrison under community
17 development.
18 And the DOE board representative? And that's myself with
19 an alternate of Dean Bullock.
20 COMMISSIONER MILLS: That's the Department of Energy.
21 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Yes.
22 COMMISSIONER MILLS: I'll do that one if no one else wants
23 to.
24 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. As alternate?
25 COMMISSIONER MILLS: As alternate.
26 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Okay. Thank you. That will be --
27 I'll stay on as representative. The alternate will be
28 Commissioner Mills.
29 And the Lander County Safety Committee?
30 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I'd like to do that. Anybody want to
31 be alternate?
32 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: We don't have an alternate on that
33 one. That one's fine.
34 COMMISSIONER CLARK: It's just one person.
35 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: So that's Commissioner Clark.
36 And there's one more. And that's POOL/PACT, right? Is
37 that the only one that we missed?
38 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Which was?
39 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: POOL/PACT representative.
40 COMMISSIONER CLARK: POOL/PACT. Yeah.

1 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Yeah. I would like to go on as the
2 POOL/PACT representative, if that's okay with everyone.

3 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Sounds good to me.

4 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Is there anything else that we
5 missed?

6 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Does that one need an alternate?

7 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: No.

8 COMMISSIONER MILLS: No.

9 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: We have our -- our administration
10 people that are also there.

11 I think what we need is an -- perhaps a motion to accept all
12 the appointments and alternates.

13 COMMISSIONER CLARK: I make a motion that we accept all the
14 commissioners and the alternates that we just discussed.

15 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I second it.

16 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: It's been moved and seconded. Any
17 public comment at all?

18 (No comment.)

19 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: All those in the favor?

20 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.

21 COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Aye.

22 COMMISSIONER MILLS: Aye.

23 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Aye.

24 Any opposed?

25 (No comment.)

26 COMMISSIONER CLARK: Was there anything you would like to
27 do, Mr. Forgeron? Volunteer for?

28 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERRERA: Go back to my office and get to
29 work.

30 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Thank you, gentlemen. That takes
31 care of our business for today.

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34 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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36 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: We are now open for public comment
37 for any non-agendized items.

38 (No comment.)

39 Nope?

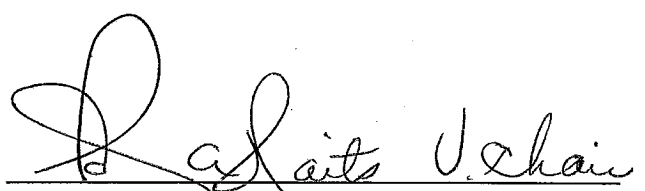
40 VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Hearing none, I'll entertain a

1 motion to adjourn.

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ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER CLARK: Second that.
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: No, I'll entertain a motion --
COMMISSIONER BAKKER: I make a motion to adjourn.
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Thank you.
COMMISSIONER CLARK: Oh, okay.
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Moved by Commissioner Bakker,
seconded --
COMMISSIONER CLARK: Second.
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: -- by Commissioner Clark.
Any public comment?
(No comment.)
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: All those in favor?
COMMISSIONER CLARK: Aye.
COMMISSIONER BAKKER: Aye.
COMMISSIONER MILLS: Aye.
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Any opposed?
(No comment.)
VICE CHAIRWOMAN WAITS: Thank you, gentlemen.


**CHAIRMAN OR VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE
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COMMISSIONERS AND THE LANDER
COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD**

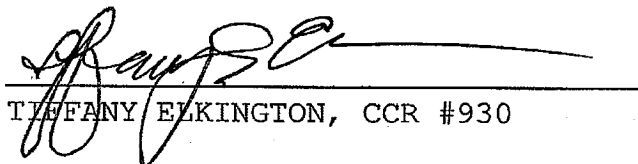
ATTEST: 
LANDER COUNTY CLERK

Note: The Board of Lander County Commissioners serves as the Town Board for the unincorporated towns of Battle Mountain and Austin, Nevada.

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