

**EUREKA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**March 21, 2011**

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COUNTY OF EUREKA     )

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Eureka County Commissioners met pursuant to law on March 21, 2011. Present were Chairman Leonard Fiorenzi, Vice Chair Mike Page, Member Jim Ithurrealde, District Attorney Theodore Beutel, and Clerk & Treasurer Jackie Berg. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance. The interactive video conference system was connected and utilized between Crescent Valley and Eureka for the entire meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Fiorenzi stated the Assessor’s agenda item would be heard just prior to public comment and discussion or action on the tentative budget was not needed. With those changes Commissioner Ithurrealde motioned to approve the agenda; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

**EUREKA COUNTY ASSESSOR**

Expansion of DMV Services: Eureka County Assessor, Michael Mears, updated the Board regarding the possibility of expanding Department of Motor Vehicle services in Eureka County. Due to the volume of customers, the DMV cannot justify funding extra services at this time, but would support them if the County was willing to purchase the necessary equipment. Driver’s license capabilities could be provided with the purchase of photographic and eye testing equipment. Commissioner Ithurrealde motioned to approve purchasing a camera station, eye testing unit, and machine maintenance through March 2017 in the amount of \$11,500.00; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

This increase in services will not cover testing at this time, but Mr. Mears will continue looking into options, such as having a technician from a neighboring DMV visit periodically to conduct testing.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Fiorenzi called for public comments. Zach Spencer, Manager of External Communications for General Moly, announced that Eureka Moly will hold two Town Hall meetings on April 5<sup>th</sup> at the Opera House. There were no further public comments.

**FINANCE**

Payment of Expenditures: Expenditures were presented for approval by County Recorder & Auditor, Mike Rebaleati. Commissioner Ithurrealde motioned to approve expenditures in the amount of \$1,269,414.86 for accounts payable (which included a pass through to the School District of \$899,322.50) and \$256,911.73 for payroll, for a grand total of \$1,526,326.59; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Page motioned to approve expenditures for Yucca Mountain in the amount of \$5,467.50; Commissioner Ithurrealde seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Auditor’s Report: Mr. Rebaleati presented the Auditor’s Report, noting that it would be reviewed in detail during the upcoming budget meeting.

**COMMISSIONERS**

Update Reports: Commissioner Page traveled to Reno on March 11<sup>th</sup> to meet with representatives of Nevada Works, Nevada Energy, and Ken Pierson, Deputy Director for

Nevada Commission on Economic Development; and on March 17<sup>th</sup> he toured Crescent Valley with Andrea Rossman, Cultural, Tourism, & Economic Development Director, and Trish Reynolds, Economic Development Program Assistant. Commissioner Ithurralde attended the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup> at the Eureka Opera House; the Senior Center Advisory Board meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup>; the Barrick Ruby Hill Mine Community Advisory Committee on March 16<sup>th</sup>; participated in a Central Nevada Regional Water Authority teleconference on March 18<sup>th</sup>; and spoke with Congressman Dean Heller, Governor Brian Sandoval, and Lt. Governor Brian Krolicki, who visited Eureka on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Advertise for Human Resources Analyst: Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to begin advertising for the vacant Human Resources Analyst position, recommending that a Selection Committee be appointed to review candidates; Commissioner Page seconded the motion. Chairman Fiorenzi questioned whether committee review of applicants was in compliance with the Personnel Policy Manual. Mr. Rebaleati stated that guidelines for a committee were not set forth in the manual, adding that such a committee was neither mandatory nor prohibited. The motion carried 2-1, with Chairman Fiorenzi voting against the motion.

## **LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**

2011 Legislation: The County continues watching legislation that could affect Eureka County, including changes in mining legislation. EMS Coordinator, Mike Sullivan, provided an update and written comments on AB139 and SB138, legislation related to emergency medical services provided in certain counties, noting that he is meeting with Assemblyman Pete Goicoechea later in the week. Jake Tibbitts reported that the Assemblyman may be planning on withdrawing this legislation from the Assembly side. The Board indicated that Mr. Sullivan's written comments were appropriate and directed him to speak with Lobbyist, Bjorn Selinder, regarding the latest status of these bills. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to authorize EMS Coordinator, Mike Sullivan, to submit comments to the 2011 Nevada Legislature related to AB139 and SB138; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

Architectural Contract for Crescent Valley Road Shop: Ganthner Melby, LLC, was approved at the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting as architectural firm for design of the Crescent Valley Road Shop. Public Works Director, Ron Damele, presented the architectural contract for approval. Commissioner Page motioned to approve the contract with Ganthner Melby, LLC, for the design and development phase of the Crescent Valley Road Shop, not to exceed \$48,775.00; Commissioner Ithurralde seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Engineering Contract for Highway Approaches at Eureka Canyon Subdivision: Mr. Damele reported that the contract has been forwarded to Summit Engineering for signatures and should be returned within the week. Commissioner Page motioned to approve the contract with Summit Engineering for engineering services related to highway approaches for the Eureka Canyon Subdivision, including authorization for the Chairman to sign the contract outside of the meeting; Commissioner Ithurralde seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Gust Electric Proposal for Backup Generator: Mr. Damele explained that a backup generator for the Courthouse was approved at the March 8<sup>th</sup> budget meeting. Gust Electric submitted a proposal for installation of a 250K diesel generator, 600 amp transfer switch, and all connections and wiring. Commissioner Page motioned to approve the proposal from Gust Electric for installation of a backup generator at the County Courthouse, not to exceed \$98,460.00; Commissioner Ithurralde seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Engineering for Concrete Box Culverts: Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to authorize engineering to begin on concrete box culverts located on Galena Street, Silver Street, Bateman Street, Bullion Street, Silver West Street, and Richmond Street in the Town of Eureka, and

Street "D" in the Eureka Canyon Development; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Revised Notice of Grant Award for CDBG Program: Mr. Damele explained that the CDBG grant for the digital x-ray machine had an unspent balance of \$706.00 and the CDBG Program requires documentation from the County to de-obligate those funds. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned that the Chairman sign a revised notice of grant award for the CDBG Program to de-obligate the remaining \$706.00 related to the grant for the digital x-ray upgrade; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

## **COUNTY FACILITIES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Update Report: Andrea Rossman, Cultural, Tourism & Economic Development Director, reported on activities for the Eureka Opera House, Sentinel Museum, and Economic Development Program. Ms. Rossman has attended several meetings and also toured Beowawe and Crescent Valley with Commissioner Page. Economic Development is working on the upcoming car show; visitorship at the museum is picking up for the season; and the Opera House sponsored a Shakespearean Festival on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

Downtown Business Survey: Twenty surveys were sent out and nearly half were returned with comments. There were some good comments, but opinions regarding retail at the Eureka Canyon Subdivision were mixed. The survey didn't really answer the Commissioners' question whether existing businesses should have an opportunity to migrate or expand to the site.

## **AMBULANCE & EMS**

Update Report: EMS Coordinator, Mike Sullivan, reported on emergency services during the past month. Eureka received 10 calls for service (20 year-to-date) and Crescent Valley had two calls (six year-to-date). Volunteer/staffing levels remain unchanged, although one Basic EMT student passed the national registry test and will be certified as soon as the paperwork is received from the State. Continuing education was held in Eureka on March 7<sup>th</sup> and Crescent Valley on March 10<sup>th</sup>. The next classes will be on March 28<sup>th</sup> in Eureka and March 31<sup>st</sup> in Crescent Valley. Mr. Sullivan will be in Crescent Valley every weekend until conclusion of the EMT class on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Japan Nuclear Reactor Disaster: Mr. Sullivan, who has some radioactive/nuclear fission training in his background, stated he received several calls from citizens concerned over the earthquake, resulting tsunami, and nuclear disaster in Japan. Mr. Sullivan briefed the Board on the chain reaction that occurred at the nuclear plants, what exposure the United States might expect, and use of potassium iodide (which is not recommended and can actually be dangerous).

## **SWIMMING POOL / PARKS / RECREATION**

Update Report: Parks, Recreation & Facilities Director, Cindy Adams, reported on activities over the past month. The pool had 314 total swimmers, which included participants in the exercise class and lap swimming, five birthday parties, the local Boy Scouts, students from Duckwater Elementary, and performers from the Shakespearean Festival. Ms. Adams reported on cleaning, maintenance, painting, and snow removal completed by staff for buildings and grounds.

Pool Cover Price Quotes: Ms. Adams provided a report on energy smart management of pools. As indicated during an earlier budget meeting, a pool cover was recommended to decrease energy loss through heat evaporation. A total of four quotes were received and Ms. Adams recommended purchasing from the lowest bidder. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve the capital outlay purchase of a cover for the Eureka Swimming Pool from Lincoln

Equipment not to exceed \$9,342.00; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Variable Frequency Drive Price Quote: A proposal was obtained from Gust Electric for installation of a variable frequency drive at the Eureka Swimming Pool, which will save energy costs as well as wear and tear on the 10 HP water pump. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to accept the proposal from Gust Electric for installation of a variable frequency drive at the Eureka Swimming Pool not to exceed \$4,810.00; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

### **SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD**

Board Appointment: Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to reappoint Robin Evans as the non-senior representative on the Senior Center Advisory Board; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

### **YUCCA MOUNTAIN**

Update Report: Nuclear Waste Advisor, Abby Johnson, reported that Eureka County recently received a small amount of oversight funding through the continuing resolution process in Congress. The United States Board of Appeals is currently presenting oral arguments in Washington, DC, related to the suit brought against the Department of Energy challenging their right to withdraw the license application. Work continues on the Lessons Learned project and video interviews are being conducted. The conclusions and summary chapter will be submitted to the Blue Ribbon Commission before the end of March, to be followed up later with the full and final report. Regarding the disaster in Japan, this will likely cause the regulators to examine and plan for low probability but high consequence events in relation to nuclear plants and repositories in the United States.

Eureka County Lessons Learned: Summary of Findings and Recommendations Report: Ms. Johnson submitted the draft *“Eureka County, Nevada, Lessons Learned: Summary of Findings and Recommendations Report”* for the Board’s review and approval. Ms. Johnson thanked the team that worked with her on the report, which included: Public Works Director, Ron Damele; Licensing Attorney, Diane Curran; Transportation Advisor, Richard Moore; NWOP Consulting, Lorene Pitchford; and Latir Energy Consultants, John Gervers. Ms. Johnson concluded that the recommendations from the report are to respect the legitimate interest of affected local governments and the host state; to promote a coordinated and transparent process for evaluation of repository risk and mitigation measures under the National Environmental Policy Act; to recognize, value, and encourage the broad involvement of interested parties in the licensing process; to support ongoing publicly accessible information; and to adapt to new techniques for the life of the project.

Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve the final draft *“Eureka County, Nevada, Lessons Learned: Summary of Findings and Recommendations Report”* for submission to the Blue Ribbon Commission on America’s Nuclear Future; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Report Transmittal Letter: Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve signing a letter of transmittal to convey the *“Eureka County, Nevada, Lessons Learned: Summary of Findings and Recommendations Report”* to the Blue Ribbon Commission; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

### **NEVADA RURAL HOUSING AUTHORITY**

\$1 HUD Home – 585 El Cajon: Rehab work has begun on the home purchased from HUD; this is a 20-day project with an expected end date of April 8<sup>th</sup> and then the home will be marketed.

General Updates on Eureka Canyon Subdivision: Dave Craig, Real Estate Manager, stated that he had heard feedback that there were concerns in the community regarding availability of work for local contractors and he wanted to assure everyone that all contractors were welcome to participate in the bid process.

Construction, Financing, & Development Documents for Phase 1: Jack White, JL White & Associates, reported that he and Mr. Craig will meet with the attorneys in Reno on March 23<sup>rd</sup> to go over the draft documents for the multifamily portion and single family portion of Phase 1 of the Eureka Canyon Subdivision. The drafts will then be emailed to the Housing Core Group and will be reviewed with the Commissioners at the budget meeting set for March 28<sup>th</sup> with the goal of obtaining final approval at the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. On March 24<sup>th</sup> the project timelines, particularly in relation to bid schedules, will be reviewed with the project architect. NRHA is also working with Summit Engineering to develop and finalize the engineering contract.

Site for Temporary Construction Worker Housing: Mr. White noted that Eureka Moly has indicated their temporary construction worker housing needs will be somewhere between 250 to 350 beds. Mr. White reviewed the area set aside for temporary construction worker housing utilizing a combination of a mini-mancamp and trailer approach. In regards to density, while still meeting mobile home park standards and other State requirements, this area would realistically allow for 252 to 286 beds. This was presented to Eureka Moly and Mr. White and Mr. Craig will meet with Pat Rogers and Manfred Daut on March 22<sup>nd</sup> to further discuss this and related issues.

## **NATURAL RESOURCES**

Activity Report: Natural Resources Manager, Jake Tibbitts attended the following meetings: Pinion Juniper Workshop on March 7<sup>th</sup>; Eureka Firewise and Crescent Valley Firewise meetings on March 8<sup>th</sup>; Natural Resources Advisory Commission (NRAC) meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>; Central Nevada Regional Water Authority meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>; Mt. Hope conference call on March 15<sup>th</sup>; and participated in a Central Nevada Regional Water Authority phone conference on March 18<sup>th</sup>. On March 16<sup>th</sup> Mr. Tibbitts traveled to Carson City to meet with different groups regarding the new wild horse and burro strategy proposal from the BLM, followed by a brief meeting with Senator John Lee regarding Eureka County's bill, SB68. On March 17<sup>th</sup>, he met with Nevada Division of Wildlife in Reno regarding local budgeting and other issues. The NRAC meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> was attended by Gary Medlan, Field Manager for the Ely BLM, and he discussed the recent Western Watersheds lawsuit that will affect grazing allotments adjacent to Eureka County.

Upcoming Meetings: Upcoming meetings include a Weed District Board meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>; a BLM Northeast Great Basin Resource Advisory Commission meeting in Ely on March 24<sup>th</sup>; a NACO Public Lands Resource Committee meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>; a Mt. Hope conference call on March 29<sup>th</sup>; and a meeting with the Elko BLM weed specialist on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

BLM's Proposed Strategy for Future Management of America's Wild Horses & Burros: Mr. Tibbitts provided a basic overview of this proposed strategy. Eureka County had submitted comments regarding this in August 2010, and Mr. Tibbitts proposed sending a letter again outlining these comments and concerns. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve sending the response letter to the BLM regarding the Proposed Strategy for Future Management of America's Wild Horses and Burros, and that it be copied to Congressional delegates and State legislators; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

NRAC Appointment: The Natural Resources Advisory Commission received a letter from Claire Morrow stating her interest in serving on the Commission. The Board recommended that Mr. Tibbitts and one or two existing members meet with Ms. Morrow regarding NRAC duties. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to table this item; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

**Weed Control:** Mr. Tibbitts stated that the Nevada Division of Forestry honor camp crews have been used in the past to do hand spraying of weeds. It costs approximately \$450.00 each day and they are sometimes not available. The Bootstraps Program has a weed crew of five individuals and a crew boss and they have submitted a proposal for five weeks of work. Since the spraying will be on public lands, the BLM will cover the cost of the herbicide. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve the proposal from the Bootstraps Program for five weeks of weed control to be paid from the Weed District budget, not to exceed \$18,000.00; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

**NEPA COMMITTEE**

**Update Report:** Mr. Tibbitts and Abby Johnson, EIS Coordinator, reported on NEPA activities. The next Administrative Draft EIS is expected in one to two weeks and the Natural Resources office will make sure it is distributed to the appropriate parties for comment.

**Response to Various Items in the Mt. Hope Project EIS:** Mr. Tibbitts submitted a cover letter for transmittal of Eureka County’s comments on the Mt. Hope Project EIS. Eureka County still has concerns over air quality issues, water analysis, groundwater modeling, and inclusion of the various alternatives for the Mt. Hope Project. Mr. Tibbitts continues to request the groundwater flow model files, but has only received the three technical memorandums. Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve the response letter regarding analyses, groundwater modeling, and project alternatives for the Mt. Hope Project EIS; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

**RECESS FOR LUNCH**

The Board recessed for lunch from 12:05 to 1:00 p.m.

**RESOLUTION HONORING LONGTIME EMPLOYEE, WALLY CUCHINE**

**Adoption of Resolution:** Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to adopt a resolution honoring longtime employee, Wally Cuchine, upon his retirement; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0. The Board congratulated Mr. Cuchine on his retirement and thanked him for his service to Eureka County.

*Eureka, Nevada*

*March 21, 2011*

**RESOLUTION**

**COMMENDING WALTER CUCHINE FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS OF COUNTY SERVICE**

*WHEREAS, the Board of Eureka County Commissioners wishes to commend long-time employee, Wally Cuchine, upon his retirement; and*

*WHEREAS, Eureka County acknowledges the following information: Wally Cuchine came to Eureka in 1993, when he joined the County as Facilities Director, a position that was later expanded to Cultural, Tourism & Economic Development Director. His many responsibilities included managing the Eureka Opera House, Sentinel Museum, Economic Development Program, and arranging for display of the many art collections that graced the walls of the Gallery Hall of the historic Eureka County Courthouse.*

*Renovation of the Opera House was underway when Wally first came on board and he utilized his artistic eye and knowledge of history to oversee conclusion of the renovation and add the final touches that enhance the uniqueness of the Eureka Opera House. The variety and quality of cultural events and performing arts garnered under Wally’s management have given the Opera House notoriety not only State-wide, but nationally. Music, poetry, theater, festivals, big-name celebrity entertainment, and interactive events for the local schools have allowed Eureka to experience a level of arts only rivaled in communities with much larger populations. The permanent art collection and photographic tribute to performers at the Eureka Opera House will live on long past Wally’s retirement.*

*Wally worked to make the Sentinel Museum a reflection of Eureka County's distinctive history, as well as a venue for other interests that add to our State's western heritage. Wally has left his touch on the economic development of our County as well. He has successfully procured grants for tourism and economic development which have helped advance local activities like the Eureka walking tour and events such as the annual car show.*

*Wally has devoted much of his time to supporting cultural life in rural Nevada. As humanist-in-residence, a position sponsored by the Nevada Humanities Committee, he helped to preserve and celebrate the history of several rural communities in Nevada. Through his work with the Rural Presenters Network, Nevada Commission on Tourism, and other cultural institutions, he has encouraged arts and humanities in Nevada's outlying areas, which aren't typically included in the finer cultural pursuits. In 2006, Wally was selected by the Nevada System of Higher Education, Board of Regents, as one of two Distinguished Nevadans. More recently, Wally was recognized by the Governor's Arts Awards Program and received the 2011 Judith Winzeler Award for Excellence in Humanities bestowed by the Nevada Humanities Board.*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Eureka County Commissioners wishes to honor Wally Cuchine for his dedicated service and to acclaim other contributions he has made in Eureka and throughout the State;*

*NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Eureka County Commissioners recognizes these lifetime accomplishments and honors Wally Cuchine for 18 years of committed service to Eureka County;*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be provided to Wally Cuchine and be published in the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners to remain a part of the permanent records of Eureka County.*

*ADOPTED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2011.*

*/s/ Leonard Fiorenzi*

*Leonard Fiorenzi, Chairman*

*/s/ Mike Page*

*Mike Page, Vice Chairman*

*/s/ J.P. Ithurrealde*

*J.P. Ithurrealde, Member*

*ATTEST: /s/ Jackie Berg*

*Jackie Berg, Eureka County Clerk*

### **CRESCENT VALLEY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD**

#### **2011 National Community & Environment Sustainability Summit of Mining Communities:**

The Crescent Valley Town Advisory Board requested authorization to send one or two members to the Mining Summit being held in Elko beginning April 4<sup>th</sup>. Registration is \$250.00 per attendee. Commissioner Ithurrealde motioned to authorize two CVTAB members to attend the 2011 National Community & Environment Sustainability Summit of Mining Communities in Elko in April; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0. Chairman Fiorenzi requested that if two members attend, a notice be posted for the benefit of the public.

### **WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD**

**Wildlife Enhancement Projects:** Wildlife Chairman, Jim Evans; Member, Chad Bliss; and Jake Tibbitts noted that \$40,000.00 was provided in the current year's budget for the Wildlife Advisory Board to implement a pinion/juniper tree thinning project around select wildlife springs, water sources, and habitat. This included funds to obtain the necessary clearances from the

BLM. The Wildlife Advisory Board has been steadily working towards this goal with the BLM, but things are moving slow on the federal side. With the intent of utilizing funds in the current fiscal year, the members noted there are areas in which treatment would be equally beneficial to wildlife, but they are on deeded land. With Commission approval, they would like to pursue treatment on deeded land during the current fiscal year and continue working with the BLM for a project in the next fiscal year on public land. An impartial set of criteria will be set forth for selection and prioritization of the areas that could be treated on private land.

After a lengthy discussion, Chairman Fiorenzi stated that he understood and supported the intent, but had concerns that even with an unbiased and well-documented selection process, the taxpayers would criticize money being spent on private property.

Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to authorize the Wildlife Advisory Board to move forward in the current fiscal year with implementation of a Wildlife Enhancement Project on deeded lands as outlined; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 2-1 with Chairman Fiorenzi voting against the motion for the reasons stated. Commissioner Ithurralde made an additional motion that the County Commissioners would not be involved in the selection or prioritization of grounds to be treated and that implementation of the project will be coordinated by the Wildlife Advisory Board; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 2-1 with Chairman Fiorenzi voting against the motion.

### **CLERK & TREASURER**

February Treasurer's Report: The monthly Treasurer's Report was presented for review by Clerk & Treasurer, Jackie Berg. Ending balance for the month was \$53,681,930.60.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was received from: Public Works, Ron Damele (4); Natural Resources, Kathy Porter; EMS Coordinator, Mike Sullivan; Eureka County Economic Development Program (2); Eureka County Health Insurance Committee; Eureka County Fair Board; Eureka County Recreation Board; Senior Center Advisory Board; Crescent Valley Town Advisory Board (2); Gloria Sharrow; Allison, MacKenzie, et al; Gust Electric, Inc. (2); General Moly, Pat Rogers; MolyBits newsletter; Nevada Assoc. of Counties; Tri-County Meeting; Central Nevada Regional Water Authority (2); Austin/Tonopah US Forest Service Ranger Districts; Nevada Humanities; Nevada Div. of Forestry; Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau; Nevada Pool/Pact; Nevada Tax Commission; Nevada Dept. of Motor Vehicles; Nevada Gaming Control Board; Nevada Energy; Nevada Commission on Economic Development; Nevada Dept. of Agriculture; Nevada Dept. of Transportation; NDOT Centerline; Nevada Connections; Economy in Brief; Western Counties Alliance; and National Assoc. of Counties (2).

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

February 22, 2011: Commissioner Ithurralde motioned to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2011, Commissioner meeting; Commissioner Page seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

### **EUREKA COUNTY FAIR BOARD**

Fair Board Appointments: The Commissioners requested that all letters of interest be reviewed by the Fair Board with a recommendation to the Commissioners before appointments are made. The Clerk will relay this request to the Fair Board and ask that they make a recommendation regarding the letter from Brigitte Nunley.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Fiorenzi opened the floor for public comments. Commissioner Ithurralde heard that the doctor recruited by Nevada Rural Health Centers had to decline the position. Commissioner Page stated that nothing has been resolved concerning the Post Office in

Crescent Valley; also, someone has leased the old school with plans to start a steel fabrication business that will employ three to five people. There were no further public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Page motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 p.m.; Commissioner Ithurralde seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

/s/ Leonard Fiorenzi

Leonard Fiorenzi, Chairman

Attest: /s/ Jackie Berg

Jackie Berg, Clerk