



# STOREY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017 10:00 A.M.

DISTRICT COURTROOM  
26 SOUTH B STREET, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

## MINUTES

MARSHALL MCBRIDE  
CHAIRMAN  
ATTORNEY

ANNE LANGER  
DISTRICT

LANCE GILMAN  
VICE-CHAIRMAN

JACK MCGUFFEY  
COMMISSIONER  
TREASURER

VANESSA STEPHENS  
CLERK-

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**ROLL CALL:** Chairman McBride, Vice-Chairman McGuffey, Commissioner Gilman, Comptroller Hugh Gallagher, County Manager Pat Whitten, Deputy Clerk & Treasurer Wendy Bacus, Deputy District Attorney Keith Loomis, Sheriff Gerald Antinoro, Fire Chief Gary Hames, Director of Tourism Deny Dotson, Emergency Management Director Joe Curtis, Community Relations Director Cherie Nevin, Director of Security Melanie Keener, Public Works Director Jason VanHavel, Administrative Officer/Planning Director Austin Osborne, Fire Prevention/Life Safety Officer Frederick Klinger

### **1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING AT 10:00 A.M.**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman McBride at 10:00 A.M.

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman McBride led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **3. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approval of Agenda for April 18, 2017

Public Comment:

Mark Joseph Phillips, Virginia City Resident: To be clear, he is looking for a motion on Item #9 that Six Mile Canyon is open as of yesterday.

Chairman McBride: This will be addressed when Item #9 is heard.

**Motion:** Approve Agenda for April 18, 2017, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

### **4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approval of Minutes for March 21, 2017.

**Motion:** Approve Minutes for March 21, 2017, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3

## 5. CONSENT AGENDA

I For possible action, approval of interlocal agreement between Storey County, Nevada and the State of Nevada Department of Transportation for the purpose of defining the maintenance responsibilities and repair service required for the landscaped island areas at the intersections of SR-439 (USA Parkway) and Electric Avenue SR-439 (USA Parkway) and Sydney Drive.

II For possible action, approval of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Virginia Township Justice Court Report.

III For possible action, approval of the Treasurer Report for March 2017.

IV For possible action: Approval of payroll claims in the amount of \$732,057.16 and accounts payable claims in the amount of \$254,929.12.

V For possible action, approval of Business Licenses First Readings:

- A. **SWISSLOG EVOMATIC GmbH** – Contractor / Gewerbepark Ost 6, 4621 Sipbachzell ~ AUSTRIA (equipment)
- B. **AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES, INC.** – General / 5301 Stevens Creek ~ Santa Clara, CA (equipment)
- C. **H2MORGAN** – Professional / 3008 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Place ~ Hillsboro, OR (consultant)
- D. **NK AMERICA, INC.** – Contractor / 777 South Kutner Rd ~ Sydney, OH (millwright)
- E. **AERIAL IMAGING** – General / 1160 Pineridge Dr ~ Reno (aerial photography)
- F. **FS-ELLIOTT CO., LLC** – Contractor / 5710 Mellon Rd ~ Export, PA (equipment)
- G. **VIATECHNIK, LLC** – Professional / 343 West Erie ~ Chicago (consultant)
- H. **SONOSCAN, INC.** – Contractor / 2149 East Pratt Blvd ~ Elk Grove, IL (service provider)
- I. **NICHOLAS & CO. RENO, LLC dba C & M Food Distributing** – General / 7935 Sugar Pine ~ Reno (food)
- J. **ROBERT HALF NEVADA STAFF, INC. dba Accountemps** – General / 5190 Neil Rd ~ Reno (staffing)
- K. **PEACHY FROG, LLC dba Nothing But Skulls** – General / 11 North C (retail) VC
- L. **GREG GRANT dba Silver Sadies Old Time Photos** – General / 116 South C (retail) VC
- M. **SIERRA INDUSTRIAL, LLC** – Contractor / 858 Daniel Drive ~ Reno (rigging contractor)
- N. **GLOBAL RETOOL AMERICA, LLC** – Contractor / 4793 Colt Rd ~ Rockford, IL (tooling company)
- O. **BALANCE TECHNOLOGY, INC.** – Contractor / 7035 Jomar Dr ~ Whitmore Lake, MI (equipment)
- P. **SYNCREON TECHNOLOGY (AMERICA), INC.** – General / 2555 USA Parkway (logistics) TRI
- Q. **ENGINUITY CONTROLS, LLC** – Contractor / 1691 West Hamlin ~ Rochester Hills, MI (equipment)
- R. **THYSSENKRUPP SYSTEM ENG., INC.** – Contractor / 901 Doris Rd ~ Auburn Hills, MI (equipment)
- S. **BIZLINK TECHNOLOGY, INC.** – Contractor / 47211 Bayside Parkway ~ Fremont, CA (equipment)
- T. **ITC SERVICE GROUP** – General / 7777 Greenback Ln ~ Citrus Heights, CA (staffing)
- U. **COMSTOCK PHOTOGRAPHY** – Home Business / 1880 Empire Rd ~ VC Highlands (photo sales)
- V. **ODAWARA ENGINEERING CO., LTD.** – Contractor / 4805 S County Rd ~ Tipp City, OH (equipment)
- W. **ODAWARA AUTOMATION NAGAOKA CO., LTD** – Contractor / 4805 S Co. Rd ~ Tipp City, OH (equip)
- X. **TEKLUS, LLC** – Contractor / 1 East First Street ~ Reno (construction)
- Y. **ECLIPSE AUTOMATION SW, LLC** – Contractor / 4117 Clipper Ct ~ Fremont, CA (equipment)
- Z. **ECLIPSE AUTOMATION, LLC** – Contractor / 4117 Clipper Ct ~ Fremont, CA (equipment)
- AA. **CORE PERFORMANCE CENTER, LLC** – General / 2629 E. Rose Garden Ln ~ Phoenix (yoga instructor)
- BB. **PROLOG AUTOMATION GMBH & CO, KG** – Professional / Neckar, GERMANY (consultant)
- CC. **MARIA PILAR MARTIN RODRIGUEZ** – Contractor / Soria SPAIN (equipment)

- DD. **DURR ECOCLEAN, GMBH** – Contractor / Filderstadt, GERMANY (equipment)
- EE. **STATE GROUP INDUSTRIAL (USA) LTD.** – Contractor / 13800 N Hwy 57 ~ Evansville, IN (contractor)
- FF. **SHIN TECH LLC** – Contractor / Nakahara, JAPAN (equipment)
- GG. **SEIYU, LIMITED-** Contractor/Chigasaki City, JAPAN (equipment)
- HH. **KIMUDEN COMPANY, LTD.** –Contractor/Hiraisuka City, JAPAN (equipment)
- II. **ASCO POWER SERVICES, INC.-** Contractor^ 60 Park Ave – Fiorham Park, NJ (equipment)
- JJ. **NEMASYSTEMS AUTOMATION GMBH, LLC** – Contractor/Bretzfeld GERMANY (equipment)
- KK. **SELWAY MACHINE TOOL CO., INC.** – Contractor/29250 Union City Blvd – Union City, CA (equip)

Public Comment:  
None

**Motion:** Approve Consent Agenda for April 18, 2017, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

**6. DISCUSSION ONLY (No Action - No Public Comment):** Committee/Staff Reports

**Tourism Director Deny Dotson:**

- May 11<sup>th</sup> has been designated Ambassadors Day in Virginia City, coordinating with the museum and other attractions to provide an opportunity for people who live and work here to visit these properties and be informed - so that this information can be passed on to visitors. Admission will be free on that day. Many exhibits have been updated.
- USA Today has a contest for the “Most Popular Town in the Southwest”. Virginia City is currently 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Go online to vote.
- Everything is ready for the Grand Prix motorcycle races. Notifications will be sent out regarding street closures, no parking areas, and such.

**Community Relations Director Cherie Nevin:**

- Waste Management and Storey County host the annual residential clean-up days, Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> through Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>. Open 8am to 4pm. Items that can be accepted are listed on the Storey County website.
- Work continues with FEMA on the disaster process - progress is being made. This is a long process, taking a lot of hands to get through it.
- Working with St. Mary’s Art Center and the Comstock Cemetery Foundation to secure grant funds for those organizations for needed improvements. This is a grant through the State Historic Preservation Office.
- Kudos to Shaun Griffin and the Community Chest for an excellent concert Friday night. This event featured Rodney Crowell and was sold out.
- May 31<sup>st</sup>, 5PM to 7PM an Open House will be held for the County Museum. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

**IT Director James Deane:**

- As of yesterday all County network links that were down have been fully replaced with 100% service restoration and significant speed increases. This was a major accomplishment.

**Fire Chief Appointee Jeff Nevin:**

- There was a minor spill at Tesla facility yesterday. The problem was mitigated and posed no threat to public health.

**Public Works Director Jason VanHavel:**

- Six Mile Canyon is open with several areas of gravel still in need of pavement.
- Federal Highways has requested more information regarding a permanent fix of the canyon.
- Work is being done to fix flood damage issues on Lousetown Road and Cartwright, including shoulder reconstruction.
- Summer roads program will be focused in Mark Twain this year.
- Work is set to begin in dismantling the remainder of the Black & Howell building.
- The sewer project is out to bid. This project is the comprehensive new sewer lines in Virginia City and Gold Hill.
- Groundbreaking of the sewer project should take place this summer. There will be adverse impact on roads during this project. Contractors will be instructed to “button up” during events.
- Looking at a small chlorine system for the water system near Silver City in order to meet Federal regulations. The current system contains higher chlorine levels for Virginia City so when the water reaches Silver City the level meets the Federal regulations.
- Issues with the pond and culvert off of Lousetown Road are being addressed to see if there is a way to get the culvert lower.
- Bids are being obtained for the repair of chimneys.

**Administrative Officer/Planning Director Austin Osborne:**

- Planning Commission meets Thursday at the Courthouse. The agenda includes updates to Title 17 Zoning, Sub-division and Development Standards, and multi-family complexes. This is a workshop only.
- New health benefits for employees are in place and become effective May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Over the last year or so, claim experiences have impacted income for insurance companies and they are losing money, resulting in a claim increase for the County of approximately 30%
- A committee was put together to review the insurance to create a competitive health benefit for the County. A package was put together and presented to the insurance carrier to work on getting the premium down.
- A new plan was developed after long negotiation - still in the Hometown Health Insurance Company.
- In order to get premiums down, employees will have to participate more in the plan.
- The County previously had PPO and HSA plans. The HSA is more of a self-management plan, money can be added, there are tax deferments, and a lot of involvement by employee.
- The County has created the HSA as the base plan. Every employee will be on a high deductible plan and there will be an HSA account that the employee can have with the County contributing money to that account. The County will also match up to \$100 per month for a family to put money into that account.
- If an employee wants a more lucrative PPO or HSA plan, the employee must “buy up” to that plan - paying a portion of the premium so that it is “cost neutral” to the County.
- This plan resulted in a 6.7% increase rather than 30%. A substantial savings to the County, a very reasonable health benefits plan for employees, and being fiscally responsible to the budget and taxpayers.

**Comptroller Hugh Gallagher:**

- Department Heads have been working to address the budget deficit and the budget committee will be meeting to see where adjustments can be made.
- A very different budget will be presented on May 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Looking at the Department of Taxation figures received after the last meeting, abatements for the County are approximately \$5 million. A great amount for a county this size.
- Working with the Assessor to see what makes up the \$5 million.
- Selections for the new auditor will be made May 8<sup>th</sup>.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter budget review will be May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Deputy District Attorney Keith Loomis:**

- Litigation has been filed regarding the Sutro Springs Road issue. The complaint asks the Federal Court to declare that roadway be part of Mrs. Thomas' property rather than public property.
- Supreme Court argument was heard on the Malfitano case last week. A decision is expected within six months.

Chairman McBride: On Sutro Springs Road, with the court filing, does that stay any order to Public Works to clear that road?

Mr. Loomis: A temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction has been requested to prevent the County from taking any action towards the roadway. This has not yet been ruled on. At this point there is nothing preventing action clearing the roadway. It is expected there will be a hearing on this pretty quickly.

**County Manager Pat Whitten:**

- Brian Staples, Post Commander of the local VFW, has obtained a 12-passenger bus from Fred Dutton. The County is going to work with Brian and Stacey Gilbert, Senior Center manager, to use the van to get vets to and from appointments as well as for the Senior Center, where it will be parked. There will be some sponsorships involved in the bus. The County along with other businesses have signed up as sponsors.
- Dean Haymore would report that things are hopping at TRI. Within the last 10 days, over 18 plan submittals have been made. The team out there has done a great job keeping up under inundated conditions.

**7. BOARD COMMENT (No Action - No Public Comment)**

**8. DISCUSSION ONLY (No Action):** Discussion and direction to staff regarding legislation or legislative issues proposed by legislators or by other entities permitted by the Nevada State Legislature to submit bill draft requests, or such legislative issues as may be deemed by the Chairman or the Board to be of critical significance to Storey County. Specific bills will include SB 57 which staff has expressed full support and bills SB176, SB244, SB314, AB289, SB271, AB290, SB356, SB469, and AB384.

County Manager Whitten reviewed the following bills:

- SB57: Work session has been completed. This bill was heard, amended, recommended and passed the Assembly and is on its way to the Senate.
- SB438: 5 cent diesel fuel tax bill is still under consideration. Concern has been expressed by some residents. Note, this bill is not to pass this tax, but to enable local government to consider an "up to" 5 cent tax. It could be, 1, 2, or 3 cents. Further, this tax impacts diesel fuel sales only. In Storey County the bulk of diesel fuel is sold in the Tahoe Reno Industrial Center. Washoe and Clark Counties have already established a diesel fuel tax.
- AB153: Economic impact study is "dead", and hopefully stays.
- SB244: Addresses digging in historic/pre-historic areas. Problematic wording has been taken out.
- SB314: Windmills and wind farms. There were significant concerns in Virginia City and Gold Hill relative to windmills being visible to the view-shed. An amendment by Clark County saying, "so long as they conform to the area" is now in the bill.
- A number of bills continued to be tracked, including one regarding voting machines. The current machines are 17 years old - it's time to change machines, but it is also very expensive to change on a statewide basis. Who pays and what changes are being looked at.

- There are two or three bills regarding body cameras. These are a foregone conclusion, the questions are: will this be effective and how will it be paid for.

Mr. Osborne reviewed:

- AB211: Triple pay. If a mistake is made in overtime, the payback would be triple. This is for willful violation only and has passed committee.
- AB267: Workers Compensation Bill. The County would award legal fees, costs, and other items, to a person winning a worker's compensation case. This has moved on.
- AB271: Fact finder-binding bill. This would make it where the "Fact Finder" was the ruling party, nothing else. This is a huge concern and has passed out of committee. This bill has been amended to general employees only, no police/fire.
- AB384: Criminal history bill. The box indicating criminal history background is banned on employment application. The bill would require that all applicants be heard and at the final stage, or at a job offer letter, that person then has opportunity to state criminal history, leaving it up to HR whether the crime was nexus to the job or not. The biggest problem with this bill is if that person is not hired, an attachment is necessary stating why the person was not hired, why the criminal history is a nexus to the job, and other supplementary materials. The person also has the right to an appeal process. This is a very litigious position from an HR standpoint. This has passed out of committee and applies to general employees only, not public safety positions.
- SB289: Out-of-network bill. This would make counties to have to allow employees to go to out-of-network doctors and subsidize the difference. This has passed out of committee. More fiscal analysis is being done on this bill.
- SB477: Residential care bill. This removes a county's ability to deny a special use permit in a residential zone and to define these uses as residential uses for single family use, halfway houses, drug and alcohol centers, and such, as well as disabled homes. This bill is for counties of 100,000 or more. There have been changes to the number of persons in the homes and fire sprinkler requirements.
- Water bills. A number of these bills have died and are being "morphed" into other bills. More information should be available at the next meeting.

**9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Regarding Six Mile Canyon Road action on actual opening date, moneys borrowed to date, and ownership. Item requested by Mark Joseph Phillips.

County Manager Whitten stated this item request was submitted on April 10<sup>th</sup>, the same day Six Mile Canyon Road was reopened later in the day, with advance warnings of some gravel areas.

- The amount of work done is stunning.
- The road will remain open until such time as the asphalt is done, when it will be closed for a short time.
- Moneys borrowed: Zero. Work was funded through the roads budget. The County is hoping for some relief from the Federal Highway Administration.
- Ownership: The County has "presumed" ownership saying the County will maintain responsibility for the road - by practice, if not necessarily by legal ownership at this stage. Research is being conducted regarding legal ownership.
- Mr. Whitten is happy to answer any other questions Mr. Phillips, or anyone else, may have.

Chairman McBride: Any follow-up Mr. Phillips?

Mark Joseph Phillips: Everyone is happy. No further comment.

Public Comment:

Mark Joseph Phillips, Virginia City Resident: Looking for a motion and a second that Six Mile Canyon is open effective a week ago Monday. We're proceeding as if it were still closed.

Chairman McBride: There was no motion to close the road - don't understand why a motion is needed to open the road.

Mr. Phillips: You all can't just agree that Six Mile - ah, you can't put that on record? There's nothing on record that Six Mile is open. In fact, there's nothing on record that Six Mile is closed.

Chairman McBride: Agrees that Six Mile is open, it's been posted that it's open. It was posted on the County website.

**10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Opportunity to be added to Presidential Disaster Declaration issued for the February 2017 winter storm and the potential Declaration of Emergency.

Emergency Management Director, Joe Curtis, presented this item and reviewed the issues and problems in Storey County, as well as others, created by recent, significant storms.

- Mr. Curtis has attended a number of briefings which included persons from different agencies dealing with all aspects of emergencies.
- A Declaration of Emergency for Storey County was issued, including the period in January where there were significant losses to County infrastructure.
- In February, Storey County was able to get a little ahead in getting back to order. Other counties did not and had to declare additional emergencies.
- Dry lake beds are filling.
- The concern now is spring runoff with the 250% of normal in water content in the snow pack and is focused on the Truckee, Carson, and Walker river areas. The rivers are already high.
- The briefings are being conducted by State National Guard planning personnel.
- If Lahontan Lake was dry, the runoff could be expected to fill it three times over.
- Fallon is digging 3 canals for the runoff and has the potential of homes being inundated. Carson City is preparing for water to cover golf courses. Douglas County is looking at Highway 395 between Carson and Gardnerville being covered for up to 2 to 3 weeks - likely between May 1<sup>st</sup> and July.
- Lyon County has declared a third emergency related to Wilson Canyon and Smith Valley as it will be underwater.
- Churchill County has declare another emergency in dealing with Lahontan.
- Douglas County is, or has declared another emergency.
- There is potential (flooding) for Highways 580 in Washoe Lake , 95 in Fallon, and 395 in Carson Valley and Gardnerville, along with other roads, that could isolate Northern Nevada.
- Storey County's biggest concern would be Truckee River runoff in the Lockwood area. In addition, with roads closed, there could be significant traffic in this area (Virginia City).
- The State is looking to Storey County as the last county in the group, to make a Declaration for potentially anything that may happen along the Truckee or any other runoff problems.
- The impact of a Declaration of Emergency has to do with whether or not the County can get funding from the Federal government to recoup help expenses.
- The Declaration gives Nevada the capability of obtaining a third Presidential Declaration - bringing more resources to the area.
- The County may want to declare another emergency, possibly in early May, so that everything is in place. The County cannot get Federal funding or resources for anything that occurs prior to declaring the emergency.

- This is not something that has to be done today but will be watched very closely. The State is actually requesting the County to do this fairly soon so that the County is not the one left out of a Presidential Declaration.

Vice Chairman McGuffey: Would this include private properties?

Mr. Curtis: Yes. Similar to what happened in January. Review of properties would be made and information gathered to present to FEMA for the time, effort and cost of the County helping people survive.

Mr. Whitten: Without the Declaration, the County cannot go in and assist private property owners. The Declaration in January is what allowed the County to go in and help in the Highlands.

Mr. Curtis: Essentially this states that the County may be facing a potential problem that it may not be able to handle alone.

Vice Chair McGuffey: Would this cover re-establishment of a washed-out, private road?

Mr. Curtis: Not a private road/driveway. There are State laws stating the County cannot take County equipment onto or benefit the private property. It does help private property owners by providing the ability to obtain assistance through FEMA. The individual in the Highlands stated he was evacuated. Only the Governor can declare evacuation - which was not done. The individual in the Highlands requested evacuation.

Commissioner Gilman: The roads that are in question were repaired by TRI and its consultants within the last month.

Mr. Curtis: Believes it was Commissioner Gilman that actually made this possible - helping this gentleman out. There are very few resources up there and it is private property. The County has no responsibility or legal standing to be of assistance.

Commissioner Gilman: The other road, the extension of Lousetown, TRI repaired as well.

Mr. Curtis: With this gentleman, Mr. Crouch, the decision was made that it was a "life safety" issue and that's why the County went in and got him.

After meeting with State Emergency Management, the County may be requested to do the Declaration now. This information will be provided shortly.

Mr. Whitten: There is a proposed motion on the Staff Report to declare a State of Emergency for the time period of February 5 through 22 - is that needed?

Cherie Nevin: This has been a confusing process - looking at three Presidential Declarations. The County was on the first one - the one being dealt with now. The second, in February, was basically for Washoe, Humbolt, and Elko counties. The State has come back to counties not included asking if the counties had any damages during that time to be added to the Declaration. Basically, the County is being added in after the fact. Emergency Management does not believe the County has met the threshold in damages during that time. Everything is running together. Ms. Nevin feels that being added to the February Declaration is "off". The County needs to go with the potential spring runoff (Declaration).



Mr. Whitten: Would a Declaration for the February period help residents, specifically Steve Musser, that had significant runoff issues qualify for subsidized loans.

Ms. Nevin: It would - SBA. Probably because of all the snow during the January event. There is a deadline to apply. It is a process.

Mr. Curtis: As a County, the damages suffered were below the dollar threshold for the County to receive anything (under the February Declaration). A Declaration can be made for the February period in the event damages are found that would exceed the threshold. There is no penalty for approving a Declaration.

Mr. Curtis suggests approving the February Declaration and entering into the Presidential Declaration, even though it may not do anything for the County.

Mr. Whitten: "In the day" being indiscriminate in a declaration was viewed negatively. Is there any potential for that in this case?

Mr. Curtis: The State is coming to the County asking to do this as an option after the fact.

Mr. Whitten: If the State is asking, the County should oblige.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to declare a State of Emergency in Storey County due to a severe weather event for the time period of February 5 through the 22, 2017, and the potential of additional flooding due to the projected Spring 2017 snowmelt runoff, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

**11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approval of Resolution #17-454 declaring May 2017 as Wildfire Awareness Month in Storey County.

Fritz Klingler, Storey County Fire Marshal, introduced Jamie Roice-Gomes from UNR Cooperative Extension-Community Outreach Program, and Patty Blakely, Storey County Fire. With all of the rain this year, there will be an increase in cheat grass and flammable materials. Along with Cooperative Extension with its funding and materials, declaring Wildfire Awareness Month and educating the public provides information for reducing risk on properties.

Fire Marshal Klingler reminded Storey County residents of the Fire Department's "you call, we haul" program. Residents call and the Fire Department will drop the trailer off and pick it up when it's full. This program is for disposal of vegetation, not trash.

Patty Blakely read the Resolution:

Whereas, wildfire significantly impacts Nevada's environmental, economic and social well-being, and  
Whereas, homeowners should ensure proper management of vegetation surrounding the home and appropriate home construction and maintenance to resist ignition; and

Whereas, residents can save precious time in an evacuation by preparing a to-go bag and family evacuation plan ahead of time; and

Whereas, communities should create well designed fuel breaks, ensure good access for emergency vehicles and consider multiple evacuation routes; and

Whereas, residents should evacuate immediately when asked by emergency responders. Therefore be it proclaimed, that the Storey County Board of County Commissioners supports the month of May, 2017 as Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month and this year's theme:

WILDFIRE!

Prepare, Anticipate, Evacuate

as a means for education and a call for residents of Storey County to take action to reduce the wildfire threat and prepare their homes, families and community for wildfire, anticipate a possible evacuation and to evacuate their homes when asked.

Ms. Roice-Gomes reviewed the theme for this May.

- Residents can prepare by creating defensible space, using fire resistant building materials, a family evacuation plan, and provide access for emergency personnel.
- In anticipation, residents should have "to-go" bags and disaster supply kits.
- Residents should evacuate quickly and safely when asked.
- Along with Storey County Fire, Cooperative Extension will be at Hillside Elementary on May 17<sup>th</sup> and Hugh Gallagher Elementary on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to approve Resolution #17-454 declaring May 2017 as Wildfire Awareness Month in Storey County, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

**12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Amendment to the General Business License for Richard Connell from Fire House Creamery to Fire House BBQ. Business is located at 171 South C Street, Virginia City, Nevada.

Sheriff Gerald Antinoro presented this item. This is a re-structuring of Mr. Connell's current business license from Fire House Creamery to Fire House BBQ.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to approve amendment to the General Business License for Richard Connell, 171 S C St., Virginia City, NV, from Fire House Creamery to Fire House BBQ, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

**13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approve second reading for the general license for the Gold Hill Hotel & Crown Point Restaurant, 1540 Main St., Gold Hill, Nevada.

Sheriff Antinoro said this is a standard general license for the Gold Hill Hotel & Crown Point Restaurant.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to approve Patrick McNamee, business owner, second reading of the General Business License for the Gold Hill Hotel & Crown Point Restaurant, 1540 Main St., Gold Hill, Nevada, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

#### 14. RECESS TO CONVENE AS THE STOREY COUNTY LIQUOR LICENSE BOARD

**15. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Amendment to the Liquor License for Richard Connell, from Fire House Creamery to Fire House BBQ. Business is located at 171 South C Street, Virginia City, Nevada.

Sheriff Antinoro stated there is no real change to this license, other than name and location.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to approve amendment to the Liquor License for Richard Connell, 171 S C St., Virginia City, NV, from Fire House Creamery to Fire House BBQ, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

**16. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approve second reading for the liquor on-sale license & cabaret license for the Gold Hill Hotel & Crown Point Restaurant, 1540 Main St., Gold Hill, Nevada.

Sheriff Antinoro: A background investigation of applicants has been completed. The background is in business. Applicants seem to be interested in the community and will be living on-site. The business will be operated under a lease of premises from Comstock Realty. There is nothing in the background that would preclude applicants from having a business or liquor license. Approval is recommended.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to approve Patrick McNamee, business owner, second reading of the liquor on-sale license and cabaret license for the Gold Hill Hotel & Crown Point Restaurant, 1540 Main St., Gold Hill, Nevada, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

#### 17. ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS THE STOREY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**18. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Possible action for first reading ordinance 17-274 to repeal chapter 8.32 of Storey County Code addressing materials and toxic substances.

Deputy District Attorney Keith Loomis presented this item. This is a continuation from the last Board meeting. At that time, Emergency Management Director Joe Curtis and Fire Chief Gary Hames, concurred that this was an appropriate way of addressing chapter 8.32.

Mr. Loomis read the Title:

An ordinance deleting chapter 8.32 to the Storey County Code which addresses the presence and use of hazardous and toxic materials in Storey County and providing for other matters properly related thereto.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** I move to hear the first reading of Ordinance 17-274, and to require publishing and hearing of the ordinance as required by statute, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey,

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:**  
Yes=3)

**19. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION :** Licensing Board Second Readings:

- A. SOUL HOSPITALITY, LLC (THE) dba The Soul from Seoul** - General / 2325 Kietzke ~ Reno (food)
- B. BAXTER & SON MECHANICAL CO., INC** . - Contractor / 35 Stokes Dr ~ Moundhouse (contractor)
- C. DOS CO., LTD** - Contractor / 1-15-27 Nishi-ku, Osaka City JAPAN (contractor)
- D. SQUAW VALLEY SKI CORP** - General / 1901 Chamonix Place ~ Olympic Valley, CA (promos)
- E. REP PLUMBING, LLC** - Contractor / 2528 Business Pkwy ~ Minden (contractor)
- F. MINO AUTOMATION USA, INC** . - Professional / 1670 Harmon Rd ~ Auburn Hills, MI (consulting)
- G. PHOENIX INSTALL. & MGMT CO, INC** . - Contractor / 347 Have a Hill Rd ~ Shelbyville, KY (equip)
- H. NIKON METROLOGY, INC** . - Professional / 12701 Grand River Rd ~ Brighton, MI (consulting)
- I. CARDINAL CONTRACTING, LLC** - Contractor / 2300 S Tibbs Ave ~ Indianapolis, IN (contractor)
- J. EAST FORK ROOFING, LLC** - Contractor / 260 Freeport Blvd ~ Sparks (contractor)
- K. VARIATION REDUCTION SOLUTIONS** - Professional / 14901 Galleon Ct ~ Plymouth, MI (engineer)
- L. JSJ VENTURES, INC** . - Contractor / 1111 S Roop ~ Carson City (septic system cleaning)
- M. MERCIER ELECT & MECHANICAL, INC.** - Contractor / 115 Mayhew St ~ W Point, MS (contractor)
- N. CSC SERVICWORKS, INC.** - General / 303 Sunnyside Blvd ~ Plainview, NY (coin oper. machinery)
- O. TEAMTECHNIK MASCHINEN UND ANLAGEN GMBH, LLC** - Prof. / Planckstr 40, GERMANY (consult)
- P. ODAWARA AUTOMATION, INC.** - Contractor / 4805 S County Rd ~ Tipp City, OH (machinery)
- Q. RSI INSTALLATIONS, INC.** - General / 13524 Vintage Place ~ Chino, CA (staffing)
- R. DERIK JONATHAN MURILLO-VAZQUEZ** - Contractor / 1850 Selmi Dr ~ Reno (contractor)
- S. FULL OF HEART SPIRITUAL HEALING** - General / **164A South C St (life coach) VC\***
- T. SILVER SPOON EATERY, LLC dba Silver Spoon Eatery** - General / **171 South C St (restaurant) VC**
- U. PACIFIC INTEGRATED HANDLING, INC.** - Contractor / 10215 Portland Ave ~ Tacoma, WA (cont)
- V. IMES GROUP, LLC** - Professional / 6601 Vaught Ranch Rd ~ Austin, TX (engineer)
- W. PENTA BUILDING GROUP, LLC (THE)** - Contractor / 181 East Warm Springs ~ Las Vegas (cont)
- X. KING BEE CONSTRUCTION, INC.** - Contractor / 804 Mill Street ~ Reno (contractor)
- Y. TEAMTECHNIK PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY, LLC** - Contractor / UL ZA GORA 23, PL 32-040 POLAND (contractor)

On behalf of Community Development, Pat Whitten requested that items A. through Y. be approved.

Public Comment:

None

**Motion:** Approve all items A. through Y., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Vice Chairman McGuffey, **Seconded by:** Commissioner Gilman, **Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote, **(Summary:** Yes=3)

## 20. CORRESPONDENCE

I Agenda Request from Bobby Kittle.

Mr. Whitten: This was addressed in Item 9 regarding Six Mile Canyon closure. Mr. Kittle has been advised that the road is open.

## 21. PUBLIC COMMENT (No Action)

Sheriff Antinoro: To clarify the record, under Item 16, Gold Hill is actually operating under lease from Comstock Realty, Inc.

Nicole Barde, Storey County Resident: Asked when details on the Google purchase would be public.

County Manager Whitten: From a County perspective, it cannot be confirmed that it is Google. Joe Hart from Channel 4 is reporting that a representative from Google did say it was. Mr. Whitten understands it would seem that what is in the press is somewhat accurate. There was a transaction done in the Recorder's office on Friday - there is a process for the Recorder to release those documents. Whether it's Google or not, we'll see.

Ms. Barde: Whether Google or any other company - when do the abatements and deals go public from the Governor's Office?

Mr. Whitten: Whenever there is application or ability. If an EDD is created, that legislation is already there. Again, it is speculative because it is not known what they're going to do or what products or processes might be eligible.

Ms. Barde: As of today, based on what is known, there is no abatement?

Mr. Whitten: Correct.

Commissioner Gilman: The sellers, and all associated consultants - including Storey County, are under a non-disclosure agreement specifically requested by the buyers. All notifications are on hold pending formal announcements from the Corporate Chair through the Governor's Office. Until that time there can be no discussion regarding the transaction.

Ms. Barde: Once it is announced, abatements given will be public record - right?

Commissioner Gilman: The transaction will be a private transaction between seller and buyer. All transactional documents are in a "non-disclosed folder". Items that will be available will be public items that are recorded on behalf of the transaction. That will be the status of the transaction up to and until the time of a formal announcement by the company. At this point there are no packages submitted to the State, the buyer has asked for no offsets of any kind. The transaction at this point is "on hold" from information in the public realm. It is a private transaction between buyer and seller with the County. All public documents are available - there is no other information. Except for an article written by RGJ, reportedly from an announcement by the Governor. The Governor's Office confirmed there had been no request for tax abatements.

## **22. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 11:45 AM

## **23. CLOSED SESSION**

Call to Order Closed Session meeting pursuant to NRS 288.220 for the purpose of conferring with County management and legal counsel regarding labor negotiations with the Storey County Firefighters Association IAFF Local 4277 and Storey County Sheriff's Office Employees Association NAPSO Local 9110. This meeting will commence immediately following the regular commission meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Vanessa Stephens Clerk-Treasurer