

# Board of County Commissioners

## Lyon County, Nevada

The Honorable Board of Lyon County Commissioners met this day, Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. in the LYON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX, 27 S. MAIN STREET, YERINGTON, NV 89447.

### 1. Roll Call

Present: Chairman Scott Keller, Vice-Chair Tammy Hendrix, Commissioner Robert Jacobson, Commissioner John Cassinelli, and Commissioner David Hockaday

Staff Present: County Manager Andrew Haskin, District Attorney Steve Rye, Deputy Clerk Melissa Colocho

### 2. Invocation given by Garry Leist of Calvary Chapel Dayton Valley

No invocation was given.

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

### 4. Public Participation

Chair Keller asked for public comment.

Jim DeChambeau commented he is waiting for something to be done in front of his house, such as speed bumps, rumble strips, or signs, and there has been no communication.

Robin Biggs commented that the County is using Pandemic guidelines instead of Post-Pandemic Guidelines. She stated County Manager, Andrew Haskin advised her that the DA would be reaching out to the Attorney General's Office to clarify if incorrect Open Meeting Laws are posted.

### 5. For Possible Action: Review and Adoption of Agenda

Chair Keller asked for public comment, and there was none at this time.

County Manager Andrew Haskin stated items 11.h. and 11.i. needed to be removed from the agenda.

Commissioner Jacobson requested 11.e. be pulled for discussion.

Comm. Jacobson moved to approve the agenda, with item 11.e. to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion, and items 11.h. and 11.i. to be pulled from the consent agenda; Comm. Cassinelli seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

### 6. Time Certain

**6.a. Time Certain 9:00am: For Presentation Only: A presentation by Kim Fleming from Waste Management of Nevada, Inc on the the progress of the Silver Springs Transfer Station and other matters properly related thereto.**

Per Commissioner Hendrix' request, Kim Fleming, with Waste Management, gave a presentation with updates on the current progress, scheduled adjustments, and steps completed to accelerate completion of the Silver Springs Transfer Station. She reported the permit to break ground was granted in January, Waste Management is now a member of the Silver Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, a ribbon cutting ceremony is being planned, and Waste Management has been asked by the Chamber of Commerce to speak at the next quarterly membership meeting. Ms. Fleming emphasized Waste Management's commitment to actively pursuing options to bring the facility online sooner if safe and feasible.

Comm. Jacobson thanked the Waste Management team for services provided to Lyon County residents.

Comm. Hendrix thanked Ms. Fleming for presenting at the Advisory Board.

Comm. Cassinelli asked if there will be recycling bins at the Silver Springs facility, and Ms. Fleming confirmed there will be bins available for people to bring their recycling in at no additional cost.

Comm. Hockaday and Chair Keller thanked Ms. Fleming.

## **7. Commissioners/County Manager Reports**

Comm. Hockaday attended the Walker River Irrigation District meeting and discussed the capacity at Topaz and Bridgeport (currently about 79%), attended the Planning Commission meeting by Zoom, the Smith Valley Historical Society meeting, the Smith Valley Cemetery Association meeting, and the Mason Valley Conservation District meeting.

Comm. Cassinelli had a meeting with the developer of the Legacy 49 project in Dayton for discussion on what's pending there. He also met with Jeff Sutich and Dru Simerson of the Nevada Builders Alliance, in hopes of getting them involved with a future workshop currently being worked on. Comm. Cassinelli attended the Lincoln Day Dinner, and had an opportunity to thank Congressman Amodei for his service, congratulating him on his retirement. He also met with a representative of Arevia Power along with Commissioner Keller and County Manager Haskin, attended the first three and a half hours or so of the Planning Commission meeting on Zoom, met with representatives of Winston Energy along with Commissioner Jacobson, attended the CAMPO Board meeting for a presentation on the 2024 Annual Highway Safety Improvement Report, attended the Silver City CAB meeting and met with the representatives of the Silver City Volunteer Fire Department, met with Bill Snyder of the North Lyon County Fire District, and attended the NNDA board meeting.

Comm. Hendrix attended the Lincoln Day Dinner, met with Arevia Power, attended the Planning Commission meeting, met with Dr. Shayla Holmes, and attended the Carson Water Subconservancy District Board meeting. Comm. Hendrix has participated in the NACo Rural Energy Academy a couple of times; Lyon County was accepted, and was able to add some team members for a 12-week intensive training. Comm. Keller, Community Development Director Gavin Henderson, and consultant Drew Jeremy, of RCI, will be participating, as well.

Comm. Jacobson attended the Regional Boys and Girls Club meeting with the Northern Nevada clubs, met with Winston Solar, met with Arevia Power, and met with the city of Fernley, North Lyon County Fire and the County Manager. He also attended the Nevada Works meeting, toured TMCC and visited some of their workforce ready programs, and attended the Fernley City Council meeting. Comm. Jacobson wished good luck to the Smith Valley girls and boys, Yerington girls, and the Fernley boys and girls as they march toward the State tournament titles this weekend. He also reported watching North Lyon County Fire trucks escorting the teams safely through town (Fernley) to I-80 with sirens blaring and lights flashing; Comm. Jacobson thanked North Lyon Fire for going above and beyond in making memories for the kids.

Chair Keller attended four Lincoln Day events, the Planning Commission meeting, the Silver Springs Advisory Board meeting, the Fernley City Council meeting. He reported that he already has meetings set with Senators Cortez Masto and Rosen, as well as Congressman Amodei's office. Chair Keller also met with Arevia Power, is looking forward to the privilege of attending the Rural Energy Academy, and is getting ready for the NACo Conference.

County Manager Andrew Haskin reported on progress being made at the Dayton Government Complex, and that the Fernley Justice Complex is nearing completion. He also met with the City of Fernley and North Lyon County Fire, and will be leaving for the NACo Conference.

## **8. Elected Officials' Reports**

Clerk-Treasurer Staci Lindberg reported she might have misstated the filing periods at the last meeting. She clarified the filing period is March 2<sup>nd</sup> through March 13<sup>th</sup>. She advised the mock election will be held in Carson City with all 17 Nevada counties; it is open to the public with Legislators in attendance on Thursday, February 26, 2026, from 2-4 P.M.

Ms. Lindberg also stated the Aurora filing system at is up and running, can be found in the 2026 Election and Candidate Filing section of nvsos.gov, and filings can be put into draft mode until March 2<sup>nd</sup>, when they can be printed and submitted at the Clerk-Treasurer's office.

## **9. Appointed Officials Reports**

Facilities Director Doug Homestead reported holding off the opening of the Fernley Justice Complex until 4/1 to ensure there are no issues with contractors working while court is in session. He gave an update on Dressler Park and ongoing improvements, advised Kay Winters Park in Dayton will be closing March 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> for tree maintenance, and drainage area in Santa Maria Park has been having weekly weed burning, weather permitting. Mr. Homestead had ordered 20 chairs for the Silver Springs Senior Center meeting rooms, and some have arrived and some are delayed. He reported that the City of Yerington will be holding a pesticide applicator's class in March or April and nine employees from the Facilities Department and some from the Roads Department will be attending.

## **10. Advisory Board Reports**

There were none at this time.

## **11. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chair Keller asked for public comment, and there was none at this time.

Item 11.e. was pulled for discussion.

Comm. Hendrix moved to approve the consent agenda items 11.a. through 11.d. and 11.f. through 11.g.; Comm. Cassinelli seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

### **11.a. For Possible Action: Review and accept travel claims.**

Travel claims total was \$5,467.44.

**11.b. For Possible Action: Review and accept claims and financial reports.**

County claims totaled \$3,578,909.15 and payroll totaled \$1,480,047.37. The cash balance was \$ 126,758,316.68.

**11.c. For Possible Action: Approve the changes on Assessor's tax roll due to correction in assessments and review of tax roll changes.**

The secured factual corrections totaled \$3,652.62. The unsecured factual corrections totaled \$310.43.

**11.d. For Possible Action: Approve the February 5, 2026 minutes.**

**11.e. For Possible Action: Approve a Grant Agreement with the William N. Pennington Foundation in the amount of \$185,434.00 to assist the Lyon County Sheriff's Office with the purchase to equip 2 (two) Emergency Response Vehicles.**

The Board and Emergency Management and Government Affairs Director, Taylor Allison discussed finding a way to provide recognition to the Pennington Foundation in appreciation of their generosity with this grant, as well as funding toward the Dayton Boys and Girls Club Early Learning Center, and the Silver Springs Boys and Girls Club and possibly the Early Learning Center.

Comm. Jacobson moved to approve a Grant Agreement with the William N. Pennington Foundation in the amount of \$185,434.00 to assist the Lyon County Sheriff's Office with the purchase to equip 2 (two) Emergency Response Vehicles; Comm. Cassinelli seconded, and the motion passed 5-0

**11.f. For Possible Action: Approve the change order to purchase lidars in the amount of \$3,500 with the Office of Traffic Safety grant from the Nevada Department of Public Safety.**

**11.g. For Possible Action: Approve a contract for services with Something to Believe in Counseling for the Lyon County Sheriff's Office Peer Support Team.**

**11.h. For Possible action: Approve a contract for Ledezma-Aguilar Garden Services for the amount of \$800 per month for the maintenance of the medians on Dayton Valley Road.**

This item was removed.

**11.i. For Possible Action: Approve a contract with Ledezma-Aguilar Garden Services for the amount of \$800 per month for the maintenance of the north sidewalk on Dayton Valley Road.**

This item was removed.

**\*\*END OF CONSENT AGENDA\*\***

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**12. Facilities**

**12.a. For Possible Action: Accept the donation of 228 tons of DG material and the delivery of it valued at \$6,270 from Cinderlite for the Dressler Park new Little League field. The Smith Valley**

**Park and Recreation Board recommended at their February 2, 2026 meeting that the BOCC accept this donation. (Facilities Director, Doug Homestead)**

Facilities Director Doug Homestead acknowledged CinderLite for their donation.

Comm. Hockaday showed appreciation for the donation to get the baseball field ready for the season.

Chair Keller asked for public comment and there was none.

Comm. Hockaday moved to accept the donation of 228 tons of DG material and the delivery of it valued at \$6,270 from Cinderlite for the Dressler Park new Little League field. The Smith Valley Park and Recreation Board recommended at their February 2, 2026 meeting that the BOCC accept this donation; Comm. Cassinelli seconded, and the motion passed 5-0

**13. Advisory Board**

**13.a For Possible Action: Approve a change of meeting date for the Dayton Regional Citizen Advisory Board from the first Wednesday of each month to the second Wednesday of each month beginning April 8, 2026. (County Manager, Andrew Haskin)**

County Manager Andrew Haskin stated he received a request for this item from the Dayton CAB.

The Dayton CAB's Chairman, Jim Davis, was present via Zoom, but there were no questions.

Chair Keller asked for public comment and there was none.

Comm. Cassinelli moved to approve a change of meeting date for the Dayton Regional Citizen Advisory Board from the first Wednesday of each month to the second Wednesday of each month beginning April 8, 2026; Comm. Hockaday seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

**13.b For Possible Action: Appoint up to 2 members to the Central Lyon County Park & Recreation Board with terms expiring December 31, 2026 and December 31, 2027.**

Board Liaison, Martha Tapia, advised Alberto Gonzalez was the only applicant.

Chair Keller asked for public comment and there was none.

Comm. Jacobson moved to appoint Alberto Gonzalez to the Central Lyon County Park & Recreation Board with term expiring December 31, 2027; Comm. Hockaday seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

**13.c For Possible Action: Appoint up to 1 member to the Animal Control Advisory Board with a term expiring December 31, 2029.**

Board Liaison, Martha Tapia, advised Joseph Sanchez was the only applicant.

Joseph Sanchez stated he works directly with Animal Control often and noted how his experience as a Code Enforcement Officer will benefit the Animal Control Advisory Board.

Chair Keller asked for public comment and there was none.

Chair. Keller moved to appoint Joseph Sanchez to the Animal Control Advisory Board with a term expiring December 31, 2029; Comm. Hendrix seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

#### **14. County Manager**

**14.a For Possible Action: Discussion and provide direction to staff on the possible sale of parcel 008-043-07 in Silver City currently owned by the County to the Comstock Foundation for History and Culture. (County Manager, Andrew Haskin)**

County Manager, Andrew Haskin, the Board, District Attorney Steve Rye, and Director & Volunteer at Comstock Foundation, Don Bergstrom, discussed the possible sale of parcel 008-043-07 to the Comstock Foundation for History and Culture, processes involved, potential uses, potential zoning changes, plans for the property, and the possibility of legally gifting it to the Foundation.

Chair Keller asked for public comment.

Jim DeChambeau commented that at 2600 sq. ft., the property ought to just be gifted.

Chair Keller moved that staff research if the property can be donated, if not check into what the associated costs would be, zoning it for what they're trying to do, make sure it's correct before they receive the property, and then bring it back for future agenda item; Comm. Cassinelli seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

**14.b For Possible Action: Approve a letter of support on behalf of the Board of Commissioners for North Lyon County Fire Protection District for federal funding assistance to acquire a replacement aerial ladder truck. (County Manager, Andrew Haskin)**

County Manager, Andrew Haskin, clarified North Lyon Fire Protection District is collecting letters of support for funding applications.

Battalion Chief of North Lyon Fire District, Joe Mendoza, explained that current repair estimates are more than what the current truck would bring at auction, and the Department is looking for a letter of support for purchasing a new ladder truck with equipment.

Chair Keller asked for public comment.

Micah Triplett openly requested the Commissioners support the letter, because North Lyon Fire District definitely needs aerial platforms for the growing infrastructure.

Comm. Jacobson moved to approve a letter of support on behalf of the Board of Commissioners for North Lyon County Fire Protection District for federal funding assistance to acquire a replacement aerial ladder truck; Comm. Hendrix seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

#### **15. Agenda Requests**

Comm. Jacobson had none.

Comm. Hendrix had none.

Comm. Cassinelli had none.

Comm. Hockaday had none.

Chair Keller requested a future item regarding the length of driveways in subdivisions.

City of Fernley Councilman and Fire Chief, Joe Mendoza, requested a future agenda item relating to having a standing committee based on Chapter 7 of the Lyon County Master Plan as amended on June 2, 2022. He stated he will submit the request in writing.

**16. Commissioner Comments**

Comm. Jacobson commented Lyon County School District built an incredible gym, and will host a State tournament. He wished the Smith Valley, Yerington, and Fernley teams luck.

Comm. Hendrix had none.

Comm. Cassinelli stated he may have a future agenda request and asks the Commissioners to think about roads or routes for OHV access and designated OHV routes to allow people to traverse the paved roads from home to BLM land or off-road land.

Comm. Hockaday stated the Boys & Girls Club Award Dinner will be on February 21<sup>st</sup> 2026, and wished good luck to the teams.

Chair Keller had none.

**21. Public Participation**

Chair Keller asked for public comment. There was none.

**22. Closed Session pursuant to NRS 241.015(3)(b)(2)**

There was none.

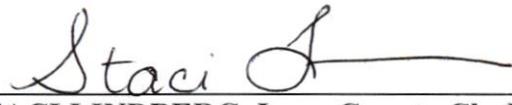
**23. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 A.M.

**LYON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

  
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**SCOTT KELLER, Chairman**

**ATTEST**

  
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**STACI LINDBERG, Lyon County Clerk/Treasurer**