

The Honorable Board of Lyon County Commissioners met this day with the following present: Vice-Chairman Joe Mortensen, Commissioner Ken Gray, and Commissioner Jay Dini. Called in: Chairman Vida Keller,. Also present: County Manager Jeff Page and District Attorney Steve Rye.

1. Roll Call

Comm. Keller requested for Comm. Mortensen to run the meeting.

Present: Jay Dini, Joe Mortensen, and Ken Gray
Phone/Video: Vida Keller, Bob Hastings

2. Invocation given by John Poundstone of Joy Church

Invocation was given by John Poundstone.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Time Certain

4.a. Time Certain at 9:00 A.M. Public Hearing- Bill No. 20-02: For Possible Action: Approve an ordinance amending Lyon County Code Title 4, Chapter 9, Section 5 regarding the tax rate for the improvement of transportation on the privilege of new residential, commercial, industrial and other development; and other matters related thereto.

County Manager Jeff Page stated the history of the previous accounts of proposals for the ordinance presented today. The result is the Board's direction.

Comm. Gray wanted to clarify this was voted on by the community and was approved at 40 cents. This is development paying for development.

County Manager Jeff Page stated that it was voted on prior, and development will be paying for development.

Comm. Gray moved to approve an ordinance amending Lyon County Code Title 4, Chapter 9, Section 5 regarding the tax rate for the improvement of transportation on the privilege of new residential, commercial, industrial and other development; and other matters related thereto.

Comm. Dini seconded.

Comm. Mortensen opened the meeting for public participation.

Public Participation:

Bill Miles stated his concern with the anticipated change in the economy and the unpredictable future. He asked if this could be revisited in the future.

County Manager Jeff Page acknowledged the stress of the unknown economy we could be seeing. However, the road department needs the funding for road maintenance.

Comm. Mortensen closed public participation.

The motion passed 5-0.

4.b. Time Certain at 9:20 A.M. Public Hearing- Bill No. 20-03: For Possible Action: Approve an ordinance amending the Lyon County Code Title 4, Revenue and Taxation, Chapter 4, Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax, Subchapters 01 and 02 by imposing a new and additional five cent (\$0.05) per gallon tax on diesel fuel in Lyon County and providing for the severability, constitutionality and effective date thereof; and other matters properly relating thereto.

County manager Jeff Page reviewed the importance of funding needed to for road maintenance. A Business Impact Statement has been posted. No comments were received. Currently, there is no taxes being received from diesel fuel. The City of Yerington, the City of Fernley, and the County will all receive a portion. This tax can only be used for road maintenance. A portion does go to NDOT for rest stops for the truckers.

Comm. Gray is concerned that the other people utilizing the roads driving through Fernley. He asked were the State is getting funding now for truck stops in other Counties.

County Manager Jeff Page replied that they are utilizing the roads and services. They use the rest stops. He mentioned roads such as Miller Lane and Ramsey Weeks Cutoff that are detreating to the failing status. They have reached out to Google to stop giving direction for roads that are not a truck route. The funding for other County rest stops is not determined. He stated the other concern is there are not areas along the highways where the stops are needed.

Comptroller Josh Foli noted an anticipated loss of 50% in gas taxes. Due in part to the shortage with the pandemic and the population staying at home, the current revenue stream will be affected. The roads are failing at a greater rate than they are being maintained with the funding available.

Comm. Mortensen reported the RTC noted a 70% loss last month from a year ago.

Comm. Keller stated that she's had several conversations with the public. The feedback was in support

Comm. Hastings stated the Legislature is in the position to make the tax fair with other vehicles being taxed. He is in favor to move forward, and this is the best for the community. Road maintenance funding is behind by approximately \$30 million.

Comm. Mortensen stated this vote is for better roads or against better roads, it is a vote for over \$2 million or no funding. This would add funding for the usage.

Comm. Mortensen opened the meeting for public participation.

Public Participation:

Scott Jolcover was in support of the item.

Bill Miles stated that he is in favor. He does own and use several trucks.

Comm. Mortensen closed public participation.

Comm. Dini moved to approve an ordinance amending the Lyon County Code Title 4, Revenue and Taxation, Chapter 4, Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax, Subchapters 01 and 02 by imposing a new and additional five cent (\$0.05) per gallon tax on diesel fuel in Lyon County and providing for the severability, constitutionality and effective date thereof; and other matters properly relating thereto.

Comm. Mortensen seconded.

District Attorney Steve Rye stated there was a business impact statement presented stated no significant impact on businesses.

The motion passed 4-1. Comm. Gray opposed.

4.c. Time Certain at 11:00 A.M: A workshop of the Board of Commissioners to receive a briefing from Farr West Engineering related to three sewer projects in Dayton that will be partially funded by a \$20 Million State Revolving Fund Loan.

Utilities Director David Bruketta stated there is a public outreach requirement and to receive public input.

Farr West representative Damon McAlister gave a PowerPoint presentation of the projects in Dayton and the funding. He reported on the background of the Rolling A Wastewater Treatment Facility, effluent disposal, expansion, proposed site, station upgrades, and costs.

Comm. Gray asked if the over flow pond and have expenses be cut. He is concerned it could be in the hundred year flood plain.

Damon McAllister stated there will be a berm installed for less risk against a flood.

5. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

6. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda

Comm. Dini moved to approve the agenda as presented. Comm. Gray seconded and the motion passed 5-0.