

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING  
WINNEMUCCA CITY COUNCIL / HUMBOLDT COUNTY COMMISSION /  
WINNEMUCCA CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S AUTHORITY  
NOVEMBER 18, 2013**

The Winnemucca City Council met in a special joint meeting with the Humboldt County Commission and the Winnemucca Convention and Visitors Authority (WCVA) on Monday, November 18 at 10:45 a.m. in the Humboldt County Courthouse meeting room at 25 West Fifth Street. City Officials present: Mayor Di An Putnam, Councilman Mike Owens, Doug Cain, Ken Tipton, Jim Billingsley and Paige Brooks. Staff present: City Manager Steve West, City Attorney Kent Maher and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund. County Officials present: Commission Chairman Jim French, Commissioners Mike Bell, Garley Amos, Dan Cassinelli and Marlene Brissenden. County Staff present: County Administrator Bill Deist, District Attorney Mike Macdonald and County Clerk Tami Spero. WCVA Officials present: Chairman Rodd Stowell, Board members Don Stoker, Dan Cassinelli and Jim Billingsley.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Putnam called the City Council portion of the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

**PUBLIC-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION**

There were no public or personal communications.

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS & OTHER REPORTS:**

**BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION**

After review and consideration of the effect each item could potentially have on a "business," as the term is defined by statute, the Council agreed that no item on this agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or appears to directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business. Councilman Cain moved to make a finding that no item on this agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or appears to directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business. Motion carried unanimously.

**LANDFILL / SOLID WASTE ACCEPTANCE FROM MCDERMITT INDIAN RESERVATION**

Commission Chairman French presented a proposed joint resolution to allow for the acceptance of municipal solid waste from the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation for disposal at the Humboldt County Regional Landfill. French noted this matter was discussed at the last two Landfill Committee meetings and the committee agreed to recommend accepting solid waste from the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation transported by the tribe to the landfill for an initial one-year period. Councilman Brooks questioned how much waste is anticipated. City Attorney Maher said it will be the household waste only from approximately 133 residences and payment will be based on a set amount per residence. Councilman Owens moved to adopt the proposed resolution as presented to accept the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation solid waste for a period of one year. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Bell moved for the County to adopt the proposed resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONTRIBUTION REQUEST / RECREATION FACILITIES-BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

Chairman Stowell called the WCVA portion of the meeting to order.

Commission Chairman French stated a request was received from the Winnemucca Community Improvement Group for a \$45,000 donation to conduct a community needs assessment for recreation and youth facilities, and, if approved, the contribution will be split three ways between the County, the City and the WCVA. French introduced Rusty Bahr, CEO of the Boys and Girls Club of Elko, who has been instrumental in helping communities build youth facilities around the United States and the Northern Nevada region. Bahr said the \$45,000 will be used as seed money for a community assessment and feasibility study in order to identify the community's needs. The study will be geared towards identifying the need for youth development services, community health and wellness, educational advancement, sports, and community recreation. The Winnemucca Community Improvement Group is looking to improve the quality of life for area residents by providing youth development services, recreational opportunities, health enhancement services, and community development through services that build a healthier spirit, mind and body for all individuals. Bahr said the group is committed to conducting the due diligence necessary for a successful project and to insure that the community has input on this important project. Bahr estimated the community assessment will be completed by January 15 and at that time they will bring information back to the boards to share with them what the community thinks. WCVA Chairman Stowell asked if this assessment will prove beneficial to all three entities. Bahr says it will provide a snapshot of what the community wants, what the community needs, and it will focus on services that are accessible to all people in the Winnemucca community. Mayor Putnam stated this is an opportunity to enhance the quality of life for all Winnemucca residents and allow us to better compete for future business growth and tourism. Chad Peters, Lowry HS Athletic Director, said it benefits the WCVA by bringing big tournaments back and by potentially being able to bring in additional events. Councilman Brooks asked if the performing arts community assessment results can be included in this process. Putnam stated this assessment is more related to recreation issues but some of the community information may be incorporated. Bahr reiterated the assessment will identify and prioritize what this community wants or needs and will include a fee structure test to see how many people will utilize the facility to ensure financial sustainability. Council Owens stated this community needs something to retain young families here. Commissioner Bell said this proposal is overdue; we need to get it started and finished. Commission Chairman French stated that it has been proven that Boys and Girls clubs have a positive impact on communities, especially the high school graduation rates. Councilman Cain moved to approve a City contribution in the amount of \$15,000 towards the community assessment study for youth development services. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Bell moved to approve a County contribution in the amount of \$15,000. Motion carried unanimously. WCVA board member Stoker moved to approve a WCVA contribution in the amount of \$15,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Bahr complimented all three boards for their ability to work together on this project.

**PUBLIC-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION**

There were no public or personal communications.

Mayor Putnam adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

**NOT APPROVED**

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Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund  
City Clerk

**PASSED AND ADOPTED:** December 17, 2013.

**VOTE OF COUNCIL:**

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>Councilmen</b>	<u>Owens, Cain, Tipton, Billingsley, Brooks</u>
<b>NAYS:</b>	<b>Councilmen</b>	_____
<b>NOT VOTING:</b>	<b>Councilmen</b>	_____
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>Councilmen</b>	_____

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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Di An Putnam  
Mayor

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Lorrie Haaglund  
City Clerk