

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
CITY COUNCIL AND HUMBOLDT COUNTY COMMISSION
MAY 6, 2019**

The Winnemucca City Council met in a special joint meeting with the Humboldt County Commission on Monday, May 6, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Humboldt County Courthouse meeting room at 25 West Fifth Street. City Officials-Staff present: Mayor Richard Stone; Council members Mike Owens, Theresa Mavity, Vince Mendiola, Jim Billingsley and Paige Brooks; and, City Manager Alicia Heiser, City Attorney Kent Maher and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund; County Officials-Staff present: Commission Chairman Jim French; Commissioners Mike Bell, Ron Cerri and Marlene Brissenden; and, County Manager Dave Mendiola, County Clerk Tami Spero, Deputy District Attorney Wendy Maddox and County Comptroller Gina Rackley. Commissioner Ken Tipton was absent.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Stone called the City Council portion of the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

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 and Council member Owens moved to make a finding that no item on the 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.

CITY-COUNTY SHARED COST AGREEMENT / FY 2019-2020

City Manager Heiser reviewed the proposed City-County cost sharing agreement for fiscal year 2019-2020, which provides for sharing of the net operating cost costs for various City-County functions calculated as a previously agreed upon percentage for each entity as follows: Airport Operations net cost \$88,350, City 50%; Cemetery net cost \$163,000, City 75%; Parks net cost \$514,100, City 60%; Golf Course net cost \$219,600, City 60%; Swimming Pool net cost \$264,500 (includes \$100,000 for a possible feasibility study), City 60%; Recreation net cost \$81,900, City 60%; Animal Control net cost \$40,550, City 50%; Spay/Neuter program net cost \$60,000, City 50%; Building Inspector net cost \$36,885, City 35%; Planning Department net cost \$20,444, City 25%; and, Dispatch Center net cost \$302,538, City 30%. The Insect Control program, the Airport Capital Improvements and the Shooting Park assistance (all shared 50-50) are billed as they occur throughout the year, not as part of the cost share agreement.

County Comptroller Rackley commented that the amounts represented an increase to the City of \$12,555 and a decrease to the County of \$1,628 which reflects a total County revenue reduction of 22.2%. The total contribution by the County is \$475,890 and the City owes the County \$359,836. Rackley noted that there is a very cooperative working relationship with the cost share agreement.

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Council member Owens moved to approve the City-County Cost Share Agreement for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Bell made the same motion for the County. Motion carried unanimously.

AIRPORT INDUSTRIAL PARK INCENTIVE POLICY

Jan Morrison, Northeastern Nevada Regional Development Authority (NNRDA) representative, said the Humboldt Development Authority (HDA) and NNRDA recommend changes to the Airport Industrial Park incentive policy, including elimination of the requirement that over 50% of the goods/services produced must be exported out of state and an update to the qualified hourly wage for job creation to reflect the latest numbers from the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR).

Council member Brooks moved to approve the recommended changes to the Airport Industrial Park incentive policy as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Bell made the same motion for the County. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY AND COUNTY JOB CREATION INCENTIVE POLICY

Jan Morrison, NNRDA representative, explained that the HDA and NNRDA recommend that the City and County adopt incentive policies similar to the Airport Industrial Park incentive policy that can be applied to any City and County owned properties. The proposal is to have each economic development opportunity analyzed on a case-by-case basis with the governing entity having the final say whether they want the incentive applied.

Council member Owens moved to approve the proposed incentive policy as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Bell made the same motion for the County. Motion carried unanimously.

HYCROFT MINING PRESENTATION

Nigel Bain, General Manager of Hycroft Mining, provided an update on the current mine activity and plans going forward.

No action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk

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PASSED AND ADOPTED: June 4, 2019

VOTE OF COUNCIL:

AYES: Owens, Mavity, Mendiola, Billingsley, Brooks
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Richard Stone
Mayor

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk