

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
JOINT MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL AND HUMBOLDT COUNTY COMMISSION  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022**

The Winnemucca City Council met in a joint session with the Humboldt County Commission on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. in-person and via video conference and teleconference. City Officials-Staff present: Mayor Richard Stone; Council members Theresa Mavity, Jim Billingsley, Vince Mendiola and Pam Coats; City Manager Alicia Heiser; and, City Clerk Ruth Fitzpatrick. County Officials-Staff present: Board Chairman Jim French; Commissioners Jesse Hill, Tom Hoss, Ron Cerri and Ken Tipton; County Manager Dave Mendiola; and, Deputy District Attorney Wendy Maddox. Present via video conference: County Comptroller Gina Rackley; County Clerk Tami Spero; Michelle Cook; and, County Treasurer Rhona Lecumberry.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Stone called the City Council portion of the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:**

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 Mavity 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.

**INSECT CONTROL PROPOSAL**

Jay Sandridge, Vector Disease Control International (VDCI) Business Development Director, said they provide mosquito control services for government entities with an integrated mosquito management program that encompasses multiple components and is surveillance based with a scientific approach. If aircraft control is needed, they have 14 aircraft available with the closest being in Salt Lake City and Sacramento. Jason Williams, VDCI Regional Director, added he is looking forward to continuing the work that Robin Gray has been doing for the city and county and stated that Gray agreed to stay on as a consultant if needed.

Commissioner Hill asked about the contract recommendation of two adult aerial flights and two larvae aerial flights per year which would bring the contract total to \$494,636.50. Sandridge said they based the recommended flights off historical data provided by Gray, noting there have not been any aerial applications in the last two years, so he thought it was best to have the separate contract for aerial applications, if needed.

City Manager Heiser asked if the potential costs for aerial missions will be less if they do smaller blocks on a per acre basis rather than the whole area. Williams confirmed that there are four blocks for aerial missions and if it is not necessary to do all four blocks at one time, then it would be priced per acre. The provided price is to show a maximum cost if needed.

Mayor Stone asked if there will be two separate contracts, the basic contract at the \$386,075 and an aerial applications contract. Sandridge confirmed that is correct, aerial application is not included in the base contract as it is more of an as-needed service.

Commissioner Hill added that, although it was stated earlier, he would like to see an obligation in the contract that someone is stationed here full time.

County Manager Mendiola added that he reached out to other current customers of VDCI and received all positive feedback.

Commissioner Hill recommended to the board to make a motion for the \$494,636.50 as that is the potential maximum cost with the aerial application costs included. Deputy DA Wendy Maddox said there is no legal concern with a higher dollar number than is on the agenda.

Commissioner Hill moved for the county to approve the proposal from Vector Disease Control International to provide mosquito and blackfly mitigation for the city and county in the amount of \$386,075 and an additional agreement for aerial applications in the amount of \$108,561.50. Motion carried unanimously.

Council member Mendiola made the same motion for the city. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

Mayor Stone adjourned the Winnemucca City Council meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandy Grimm  
Administrative Assistant II

The federal mandated non-discrimination statement is set out in entirety on the publicly posted meeting agenda for this meeting and is incorporated by reference pursuant to 41 CFR part 60, and is available in the City Clerk Office, 90 W Fourth St, Winnemucca, NV.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED:** October 04, 2022

**VOTE OF COUNCIL:**

**AYES:** Mavity, Mendiola, Billingsley, Coats  
**NAYS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ABSTAIN:** Owens  
**ABSENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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Richard D. Stone  
Mayor

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Ruth Fitzpatrick  
City Clerk