

## MT. CHARLESTON TOWN ADVISORY BOARD Mt. Charleston Library

### 75 Ski Chalet Place

Mt Charleston NV, 89124

January 30, 2025

6:00pm

### AGENDA

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- I. Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call
- II. Public Comment- This is a period devoted to comments by the general public about items on this agenda. No discussion, action, or vote may be taken on this agenda item. You will be afforded the opportunity to speak on individual Public Hearing Items at the time they are presented. If you wish to speak to the Board/Council about items within its jurisdiction but not appearing on this agenda, you must wait until the "Comments by the General Public" period listed at the end of this agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please step up to the speaker's podium, if applicable, clearly state your name and address and please spell your last name for the

record. If any member of the Board/Council wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chairperson or the Board/Council by majority vote.

- III. Approval of Minutes for August 8, 2024 and September 26, 2024. (For possible action)
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for January 30, 2025 and Hold, Combine, or Delete any Items. (For possible action)
- V. Planning and Zoning – none for this meeting
- VI. Informational Items
  - 1. Receive a report from Metro regarding recent activity and other area policing concerns (for discussion only)
  - 2. Receive a report from the Mt. Charleston Fire Protection District & Volunteer Fire Department regarding calls for service and other fire prevention issues (for discussion only)
  - 3. Receive a report from the Las Vegas Valley Water District regarding the status of the water system (for discussion only)
  - 4. Receive a report from Metro Volunteers regarding member activities and events (for discussion only)
  - 5. Receive a report from Nevada Highway Patrol regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns (for discussion only)
  - 6. Receive a report from NV Energy with updates and other service-related concerns (for discussion only)
  - 7. Receive a report from the United States Forest Service regarding current issues and activities and other forest related concerns like fires and closures (for discussion only)
- General Business VII.
  - 1. Nominate Chair and Vice Chair for this year 2025 session
  - 2. Update from the CCSD Assistant Superintendent of Construction on Lundy ES. Lydia Dominguez our New Trustee will be attending.
  - 3. The Mt. Charleston License Plate Grant Program the application process will be open February 1- February 28, 2025
- VIII. Comments by the General Public- A period devoted to comments by the general public about matters relevant to the Board/Council's jurisdiction will be held. No discussion, action, or vote may be taken on this agenda item. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please step up to the speaker's podium, if applicable, clearly state your name and address and please spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board/Council wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chairperson or the Board/Council by majority vote.
  - IX. Next Meeting Date: February 27, 2025
  - Х. Adjournment.

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# Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board

### August 8, 2024

### **MINUTES**

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- I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:04 p.m. Roll call taken
- II. Public Comment None
- III. Approval of March 28, 2024, Minutes Moved by: Dan Chaney Action: Approved subject minutes as corrected Vote: 4/0 - Unanimous
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for May 2, 2024, and Hold, Combine, or Delete any Items (For possible action) Moved by: Janet Masanz Action: Approval Vote: 4/0 - Unanimous
- V. Planning & Zoning

WS-24-0337 – Presentation made by owner Roxanne Kajioka for new garage proposal. The board discussed the height and slope of structure. Neighbor Tamera Taylor opposed due to height, but was explained that they are cutting down the elevation to build which will make the total height under the 17' max. Height and slope necessary for snow load. The owner gave elevation to show height.

Moved by: Dan Chaney Action: Approval of waiver of standards for WS-24-0337

### VI. Informational Items

1. Receive a report from Metro regarding activity and statistics during the past reporting period and other area crime concerns (for discussion only)

Read by Dan Chaney, Sgt. Andy Velasquez reported the following statistics from this reporting period: 67 calls for service, 5 arrests, and 125 citations. Sgt. Velasquez stated that speeding is still the #1 factor for violations on the mountain and they will be increasing enforcement. Sgt. Velasquez wants to continue education on interacting with wildlife. They are working with Highway Patrol and USFS on communication.

2. Receive a report from Mt. Charleston Fire Protection District & Volunteer Fire Department regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues (for discussion only) Chief Douglas shared stats for the previous reporting period and reported 82 calls for service, 67 were medical, 12 were fire, and 3 were assists. Chief Douglas shared big news that they hired the last full time EMT and will have coverage on the mountain 24/7/365. A new ambulance is due in soon along with the ambulance kit that they got on grant. The Fire department is centering in on the current volunteer fire department for the new station. County commission approved \$2M for surveys, reports, design and pre-construction fees. He will give a presentation to the community in aprox 4 months. Coffee with 1<sup>st</sup> Responder @ the cabins will be held again in September. Chief Douglas will post the information along with other safety information in the community boards at the subdivisions.

Mt Charleston Volunteer Fire Chief Dave Martin asked for more volunteers. They are in need as they only have 3 currently. The VFD does have a meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month and anyone is invited to attend.

3. Receive a report from LVVWD regarding the status of the water system (for discussion only)

Jason Bailey shared updates on the Kyle Canyon Water District. All 4 wells are good levels, and the district remains under sustainable operating conditions. ½" of rain reported for the month of July. We are at 82% in the 15year average for precipitation. That ends in September

An update on the grant money was approved and approved by the senate committee. Now will go to the House. The monies can be approved for all, nothing or anything in between. The conservation plan will be update now for 24' to 29'. It will be available for review on the LVVWD website at the end of August.

Other LVVWD updates on the road work being done. Tom Burns reported LVVWD will piggyback on the current work being done with CCPW through Las Vegas Paving. They will be taking millings from the CCPW road work and clean up Yellow Pine. They will not be doing any work on Aspen or Mahogany. Andrew Tralese with Flood Control stated they don't have any rights on Aspen and the homeowner may need to get a permit to do any improvements.

The Pipes have been fixed to school and there is water to the school. CCSD have been informed.

4. Receive a report from Metro Volunteers regarding activity member activities and events (for discussion only)

Liz Claggett spoke in leu of Donna Thompson; they need more volunteers. They will be putting up the DUI signs on the highway and will have the food drive at Thanksgiving time.

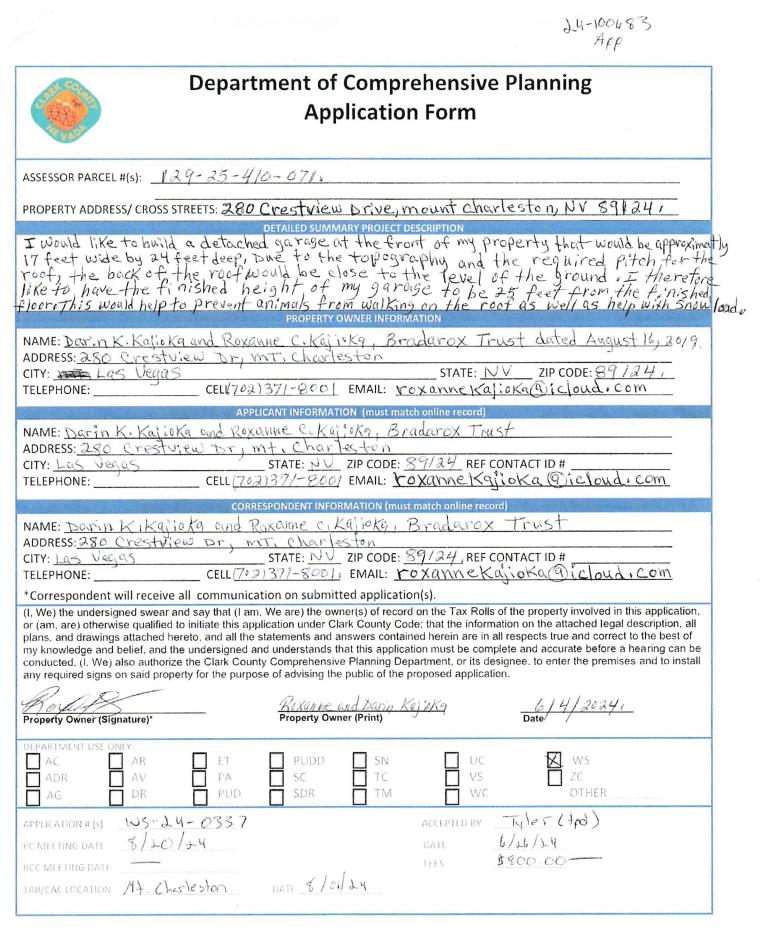
- Receive a report from Nevada State Police regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns (for discussion only) No report
- 6. Receive a report from NV Energy with updates and other service-related concerns (for discussion only) Scott Kauffman provided the following updates for the reporting period: No outages reported, no PSOM events and none scheduled for the 7-day forecast. NV Energy added 5 fire cameras and weather stations. These should be available within the next few weeks to be able to login and monitor. There has been an enhancement added to the PSOM program. This is the Proactive Emergency De-Energization Program. This will turn off the power in an emergency situation. Proactively working for public safety. This is in effect now. VFD asked if they can communicate with water to make sure all wells are full at time of event. LVVWD insured that they do have generators at the wells. Mr. Kauffman also shared NV Energy ongoing and future potential projects. NV Energy has 2 options they are considering for the power lines. Most homeowners want to have the powerlines buried and reminded that it was discussed to go underground about 5 years ago. The future rebuilds NV Energy is considering will be filed in November. There is a recommended solution and alternative solution. 2 options: #1 install a micro-grid with solar PV panel and generator located near the Visitor Center. This will allow them to disconnect the communities from the Angle Peak sub-station. With that they will rebuild all the lines with overhead covered conductor lines. #2 build new sub-station at the bottom of the mountain with new underground lines up to the communities. This will still only give overhead covered conductor lines. There is an aprox. \$50M difference. Suggestion was made to reconsider going underground in the communities. Power is on at the school at this time. CCSD is aware
- 7. Receive a report from United State Forest Service regarding current issues and activities in the forest and other forest-related concerns (for discussion only)

Ray Dombrowski, District Fire Manager and Officer for the Spring Mountain National Recreation Area provided a fire report: 5 fires most from lightning, 1 from human. The current fire restrictions on the mountain are still in effect for another 6-8 weeks. Taylor Tims is putting more signs up for trail restrictions. She also shared they are in the planning phases for Mary Jane and Trail Canyon trials. USFS will also be able to put updated information in the community boards on open trails. Meagan Carter Horse & Burro Specialists with the USFS talked about the horses and burros in the Forestry area. These animals are protected by the Federal Government and will not be moving them at this time. If more calls and written complaints come in, they can reconsider. 7 burros were hit in the prior 2 weeks. There are only 8 people with the USFS that can write citations in a 30,000 acre area. A letter from Brenda Talley in her absence was read regarding the wild horses (letter attached). No resolution will be possible until Forestry has permanent leadership. Bear trash cans were suggested to keep the campgrounds cleaner. Forestry is having difficulties with Republic Services providing proper trash enclosures.

- Receive a report from Clark County Administrative Services regarding communications with any updates from Clark County (for discussion only)
   Marcelo Erosa informed the community that there are no answers on the roads in Old Town from Clark County or the D.A.s office. Legally they cannot give a response at this time.
- 9. Receive a report from Clark County Flood Control (for possible action)
  Steven Parish, General Manager for Flood Control gave a presentation on planning and funding agency, not a public works agency. (this agency does not operate any projects, they only plan and design)
  Presentation attached.
  Mr. Parish asked the board to review for any discussion or changes. These plannings are for 100 year events.

Moved by: Randy Soltero Action: Approval on flood design presented Vote: 4/0 - Unanimous

- VIII . Comments by the General Public –
   NDot did not replace barriers at Kyle Canyon before the Echo turn. 3 cars have fallen off the edge, it was asked if the board can ask NDot to replace.
   A couple of the community members asked to be put on the email list for the agenda. It was stated that they can go online to the county website and be added to an email list.
- IX. Next Meeting Date The next regular meeting will be September 26, 2024
- X. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:29 pm.



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### To Clark County Comprehensive Planning Department

I am applying for a waiver of development standards. I would like to build a garage approximately 17 feet wide by 24 feet in depth. The current zoning is restricted to a height of 14 feet per Section 30.02.06, which I would like to have the height increased to 25 1/2 feet from finished grade. Also, i would like to have a waiver for the retaining wall to be 12 feet high per section 30.04.03. The reasons for my request is that due to the topography of my lot and the location of the garage that I would like to build, the finished grade of the garage will be approximately 12 feet below the level of the yard at the back wall of the garage. This would place the roof line close to the level of the yard at the rear of the garage and pose a problem for the snow load on the roof as well as animals (deer, horses, etc.) being able to walk on the roof. The increase in roof height would allow for enough room at the rear of the garage for a proper roof height and pitch as well as prevent animals from walking on the roof. The current fountain that is present will be removed as well as the trees that are needed to be removed as determined from the engineering and grading plan.

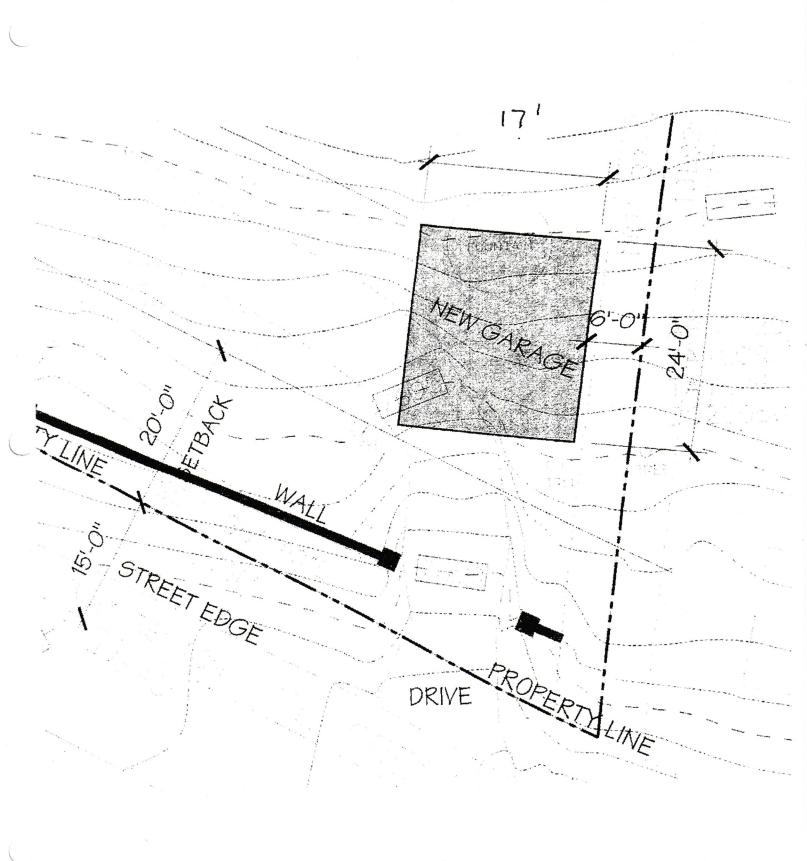
Thank you,

Roxanne and Darin Kajioka

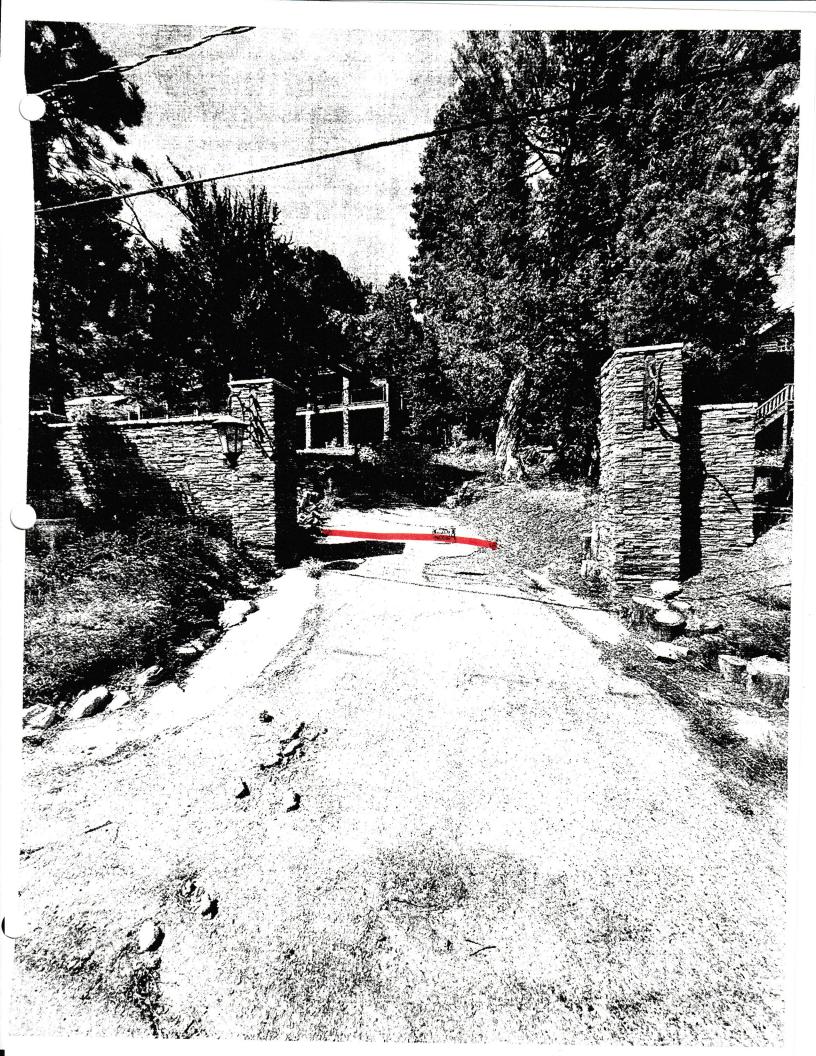


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From: Peace Anlove peace\_anlove@yahoo.com

Subject: Wild/ferel horse controversy

- Date: Aug 5, 2024 at 8:49:40 AM
  - To: Chris Giunchigliani giunchigliani@aol.com, Ernie Freggiaro ernie.freggiaro@gmail.com
  - Cc: Tims, Taylor FS, NV taylor.tims@usda.gov

# Hi Chris and Ernie,

I am not able to attend the TAB scheduled for this Thursday. I have real concerns about the horses I would like this read into the record, if one of you could, I understand you might not have the same opinion regarding the horses as I do, but would like this put into the record. I have attached two documents among the tremendous amount of information that showed the same that lead me to believe horses need to be removed. Here is my comments for the meeting:

As a horse lover, and initially happy having the feral horses here, I have changed my mind. Seeing horses get hit in the road, eating plastic containers from our garbage cans and scattering garbage all down our street on trash day, seeing visitors feeding them twinkies and candy bars and as a previous long time horse owner, knowing the damage that can do to a horse, seeing visitors putting toddlers on the back of a horse for a photo, and more importantly seeing the decline in our deer, I feel in the best interest for the horses and our endemic species which the horses are not, the horses need to be removed to a safer environment.

There are many studies that show wild and feral horses damage the habitat of mule deer in a study from January 2024 it concluded when looking at the impact of wild/ feral horses as compared to wildfires on deer concluded that wildfires in forested ecosystems benefit mule deer and added to the literature indicating that feral horse use of a site negatively impacts mule deer. Managers where feral horses and mule deer overlap, need to increase the management of feral horse herds to benefit mule deer. Please remember our ecosystems depend on balance. When the horses started populating this area, it damaged the balance to the detriment of the deer. I have attached two of the many documents I have researched and believe the horses should be moved to an official herd area, or a private property approved by BLM and FS. Brenda Talley



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MDWG Fact Sheet 29 Wild Horse Burros Web (2).pdf 2.5 MB



# Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board

### September 26, 2024

### **MINUTES**

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### I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:05 p.m. Roll call taken

### II. Public Comment

**Guest Shannon Bilbray** – spoke about running for County Commissioner **Community Residents** – talked about horse issues. Liz Claggett made points on the advantages and disadvantages of the horses in residential areas. The trash problem and dangers of people contact were discussed.

- III. Approval of August 8, 2024, Minutes was suspended until next meeting Moved by: Dan Chaney Action: none Vote: 4/0 - Unanimous
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for September 26, 2024 Moved by: Dan Chaney Action: Approval Vote: 4/0 - Unanimous
- V. Planning & Zoning None

### VI. Informational Items

 Receive a report from Metro regarding activity and statistics during the past reporting period and other area crime concerns (for discussion only)
 Sgt. Andy Velasquez reported the following statistics from this reporting period: 35 calls for service, 3 arrests (not crime related), and 88 citations. Speed is still the #1 factor on the mountain. Sgt. Velasquez is trying to get the radars for the speed guns replaced. Snow Trax and a new generator were approved and will be installed. Metro had to euthanize 2 deer and 1 burro due to people hitting the animals. A Code Pink was called in Indian Springs (Code Pink means a protest), this will be happening October 13-19, 2025 from 6am to 6pm. Neighborhood Watch presentation offered. Sgt Andy Velasquez has accepted a promotion to Lieutenant and introduced Sgt Kevin S to take his place. He is recommending the Neighborhood Watch program for the mountain neighborhoods. Talked about shelter in place and the department can come check your home and help with that.

# 2. Receive a report from Mt. Charleston Fire Protection District & Volunteer Fire Department regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues (for discussion only)

Chief Jason Douglas shared stats for the previous reporting period: 31 calls for service, 25 were medical, 6 were fire or assists. Chief Douglas announced Coffee with a Cop and Firefighter on Saturday at 9am. They want to do this quarterly. The new ambulance is getting set up and will be on the Kyle Canyon side soon. The department is still in the design stage for the new station. Improvements have been started at the Lee Canyon station.

Volunteer Chief Dave Martin shared 6 people are interested in volunteering for fire fighter on the mountain, 2 from here on the mountain. Due to lack of cellular service, there are 2 phones, land lines, located at the upper meadows and the entrance of Old Mill Rd. The fire department is working with AT&T to get boosters installed. Keep in mind not to leave fires unattended, even in your own yard.

#### 3. Receive a report from LVVWD regarding the status of the water system (for discussion only)

Jason Bailey shared updates on the Kyle Canyon Water District. All 4 wells are at sustainable levels, and the district remains under sustainable operating conditions. 1½" of rain reported for the summer months. We are at 80% in the 15year average for precipitation. The conservation plan is now closed, and the new programs will go forward. Other LVVWD updates, there will be changes in rules in October 2024 and are incorporated in county code. 1. Defining water waste 2. Non-essential water use, restriction of water features 3. Penalties and fees for water theft. This is a business impact statement and really will not affect the residents here on the mountain. Update on the grant community project for the Rainbow Construction Pipeline for \$2M; Approved by the Senate, but now in the next phase of approvals. Residents asked if the new houses are going to affect our mountain water wells, Jason assured that those houses will use the valley water supply. Randy Soltero asked about Mahogany Rd being paved (in Old Town).

# 4. Receive a report from Metro Volunteers regarding activity member activities and events (for discussion only)

Brenda Talley spoke in leu of Donna Thompson; they need more volunteers. There is a lot of training available and would help the community.

- 5. Receive a report from Nevada State Police regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns (for discussion only) None
- 6. Receive a report from NV Energy with updates and other service-related concerns (for discussion only)

Scott Kauffman provided the following updates for the reporting period: No outages reported, no PSOM events and none scheduled for the 7-day forecast. High fire risk currently. NV Energy started construction on the Angel Peak cable replacement. Vegetation clearing will continue. In the next couple of months BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

there will be some pole replacement. NV Energy will file the first amendment to the Natural Disaster Protection Plan. This is slated to be filed around October 21, 2024. Scott will make a proposal and send it to the board and should be posted on the website. He can also send notification to Marcello on the dates. The sessions are open to the public. A group called BCP (Bureau Customer Protection) will represent and advocate on any issue for individuals or groups of customers. They are possibly part of the AG's office, but a State of Nevada function. They are reaching for the 180 days with approval on the plan. The plan will contemplate 2 options 1. Micro grid near the Visitors Center with a solar station and rebuilding the wire with new covered conductor, insulated and more fire safe. 2. Brand new substation. No underground options are in the plans. Brenda Talley asked about power at Lundy ES. Scott confirmed the power has been restored to Lundy ES and the generator that is on site likely belongs to CCSD and is not kept by NV Energy. Scott introduced Johnathan Fisora (spelling unknown) as the director of the grid operations, essentially the control center.

7. Receive a report from United State Forest Service regarding current issues and activities in the forest and other forest-related concerns (for discussion only)

Katy Gulley is the acting area manager for the USFS. The wood sale will be September 30 to October 4, 2024. There are 70 cords available, and they will send out the information for the permits to pick up the wood. Deer Creek picnic area is getting cleaned up and ready to open. USFS is working on getting Cathedral Trial finished to open all the way. There is an injured burro in Lee Canyon, and they are working on getting him adopted out to get medical treatment. Katy is aware of the wild horse and burro management and is working on getting an emergency assessment which will allow movement of the animals. There will be a permanent position for area manager posted by the time Katy's acting term is done. There will not be any hiring for seasonal hires, Katy is not worried due to rearranging people and volunteers. Ray D reports 5 fires in the Lee, Cold Creek, Wheelers Pass and Big Timbers area due to lightning. Fire restrictions are still HIGH.

- 8. Receive a report from Clark County Administrative Services regarding communications with any updates from Clark County (for discussion only) None
- VIII. Comments by the General Public Shannon Bilbray closed.
- IX. Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting will be January 30, 2025

### X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:35 pm.