

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL AND HUMBOLDT COUNTY COMMISSION  
JUNE 1, 2015**

The Winnemucca City Council met in a special joint meeting with the Humboldt County Commission on Monday, June 1, 2015 at 11:40 a.m. in the Humboldt County Courthouse meeting room at 25 West Fifth Street. City Officials present: Mayor Di An Putnam, Councilmen Theresa Mavity, Jim Billingsley, Ken Tipton, and Paige Brooks. Councilman Mike Owens was absent. City Staff present: City Manager Steve West, City Attorney Kent Maher and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund. County Officials present: Commission Chairman Garley Amos, Commissioners Mike Bell, Jim French, Ron Cerri, and Marlene Brissenden. County Staff present: County Administrator Dave Mendiola, County Clerk Tami Spero and District Attorney Mike Macdonald.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Putnam called the City Council portion of the meeting to order at 11:40 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 Tipton 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 FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 COST SHARE AGREEMENT**

Mayor Putnam said the joint meeting is to discuss the annual City-County cost sharing agreement, which results in cost savings for both entities. City Manager West said this cost share agreement between the County and the City is unique within the state and saves the local tax payers approximately \$1 million per year. It was the cooperative funding effort for the Winnemucca Recreation Center project that impressed the Pennington Foundation and influenced their decision to contribute \$3.25 million to the Boy's and Girl's Club building project. The joint agreement has been in place since the mid-1980's and has only been slightly modified over the years. The fiscal year 2014-2015 numbers have been updated (by the City) and the shared costs projected for the fiscal year 2015-2016 budget were adjusted. The agreement shares are calculated on a net operating cost basis using the following percentages for the City: Planning Department 25%, Animal Control 50%, Spay/Neuter Program 50%, County Building Inspector 35%, Dispatch Center 30%, Airport (including capital costs) 50% and Cemetery 75%. The Parks and Golf Course have been separated into their own accounts. The City cost share of the Parks / Golf / Pools / and Recreation is 60%, Insect Control is 50% and the Shooting Park is 50%. West noted a substantial cost savings in the Airport budget this past year due to having no snow removal or asphalt crack filling costs. The fiscal year 2015-2016 Airport budget includes \$9,000 for professional cleaning of the aviation fuel tanks. The Cemetery lead man resigned this year and was replaced with a lower salaried person (the position no longer

performs building maintenance functions). West explained the parks and golf course irrigation system previously had one water meter, but a new meter has been installed in order to separate the water costs. West also noted the management agreement with the Boys and Girls Club has resulted in a substantial saving in the Pools and Recreation Departments. The local government share of the pools and recreation costs now include only building maintenance and utility costs. The Boys and Girls Club will be responsible for all the operating costs for the pools and recreation departments and will retain all fees collected. With the more energy efficient Animal Control building there may be a decrease in utility costs, even though it is larger. West stated the Insect Control budget is hard to predict and is subject to river flow rates, but the cost share is 50%. Airport construction FAA projects for FY 15/16 include environmental clearance work for the planned taxiway and wind cone projects with a 6.25% grant match from City-County. Administrator Mendiola reported that the dispatch center numbers are down quite a bit and that, in the future, the County will modify its shared cost budget estimates at the end of the year. The dispatch center always has a high rate of employee turn-over, making the salary and benefits hard to predict. Putnam said the shared cost percentages are proposed to remain the same this year. Putnam commended the governing boards for taking a proactive stance with regard to their budgets and the cost share agreement. Staff recommends the governing boards approve the revised amounts for the current year and the budgeted amounts for next year. Councilman Tipton moved for approval of the City-County Cost Share Agreement for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and the payment of the FY 2014-2015 adjusted amounts. Motion carried unanimously.

The County unanimously adopted a similar motion.

**PUBLIC-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION**

There were no public or personal communications.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund  
City Clerk

**PASSED AND ADOPTED:** June 23, 2015

**VOTE OF COUNCIL:**

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

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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Di An Putnam  
Mayor

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Lorrie Haaglund  
City Clerk