

NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

Annual Business Meeting

September 26, 2019

8:00 a.m.

Sparks Nugget

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1100 Nugget Ave.

Sparks, NV 89431

ADOPTED MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: President Waits, President Elect French, Douglas County Commissioner Rice, Elko County Commissioner Dahl, Elko County Commissioner Steninger, Humboldt County Commissioner Tipton, Lander County Commissioner Allan, Lander County Commissioner Ancho, Lincoln County Commissioner Lister, Lincoln County Commissioner Higbee, Lincoln County Commissioner Pearson, Lyon County Commissioner Keller, Mineral County Commissioner Price, Nye County Commissioner Wichman, Pershing County Commissioner Shank, Storey County Commissioner Gilman, Washoe County Commissioner Hartung, Washoe County Commissioner Lucey and NACO Staff (Dagny Stapleton and Vinson Guthreau)

OTHER ATTENDANCE: Nevada State Senator, Pete Goicoechea; Elko County Manager, Rob Stokes; Humboldt County Manager, Dave Mendiola; Washoe County Assistant Manager, Kate Thomas and Lee Bonner, NDOT

The meeting was called to order by President Waits at 8:02 a.m.

1. **Public Comment.** None was given.
2. **Approval of Agenda.** The agenda was approved on a motion by Commissioner Hartung with second by Commissioner Wichman.
3. **Approval of the Minutes of the November 14th, 2018 NACO Annual Business Meeting.** The minutes were approved on a motion by Commissioner Hartung with second by Commissioner Price.
4. **President's Report.** President Waits acknowledged the privilege of serving as the NACO President and thanked the members of the Board for their commitment to NACO and the efforts of the Association's staff. She informed the Board that there is an Earth Day Network that will be celebrating their 50th anniversary in April of 2020 and encouraged participation in the celebration.
5. **Executive Director's Report.** Dagny thanked the members for their support and efforts throughout the year, and summarized the activities of the Association for 2019. She informed the group that the Association is in a strong fiscal position, that the budget format was adjusted to make it more user friendly, and that new capitalization and investment policies were approved by the Board of Directors in August. She discussed the Association's success during the 2019 Legislative Session and noted that five of the six NACO bills were signed by the Governor. She concluded her remarks by informing the group that visits have been made to most of the County Commissions to discuss the work and goals of the Association and that those counties that haven't been visited yet would be by January. .

6. **Election of NACO Officers for 2020.** President Waits noted that Nomination Committee Chair, Clark County Commissioner Kirkpatrick was not able to attend due to a family emergency. Dagny gave an overview of the By-Laws, how the Nominating Committee works and the ascension to the office of President. She informed the group that the Nominating Committee is always chaired by the current Vice President and the other members of the Committee for the year were Storey County Commissioner Gilman and Lyon County Commissioner Hunewill. The names submitted to the Committee were Washoe County Commissioner Lucey, Pershing County Commissioner Shank and Lyon County Commissioner Keller and the Committee put forth Commissioner Lucey as the nominee. Nominations for the NACO Vice President were ceased on a motion by Commissioner Lister with second by Commissioner Higbee. Washoe County Commissioner Bob Lucey was elected to the office of NACO Vice President on a motion by Commissioner Hartung with second by Commissioner Shank. Commissioner Lucey thanked the Commissioners for their support and told the group that he is honored to serve.

7. **Discussion and Updates Related to the 2020 U.S. Census.** Dagny informed the Commissioners that regular updates are given to the Board of Directors and encouraged the counties present to share what their county is doing to support a complete Census count. She also encouraged those counties that have yet to create a Complete Count Committee do so. Elko County Manager Stokes informed the group that they have an item on their next commission agenda to do so, as does Humboldt County, per President Elect French. Commissioner Shank noted that a tri-county coalition exists that have representatives from several different organizations and that she is working with Kim Burgess of the Census Bureau to engage the coalition in census efforts. Conversation included whether the committees would be subject to the Open Meeting Law and Dagny noted that it is good for them to be subject to the law as the whole intent of the committee's is public outreach. She also informed the group that \$5 million was appropriated by the Legislature for Census outreach and that grants will be available to counties to support individual census efforts. Commissioner Gilman noted that individuals in Storey County have already been assigned areas to conduct outreach in and that their County Manager is holding town halls and workshops in each neighborhood to discuss the Census. Ms. Thomas informed the group that they have a dedicated staff member that is working on the issue and that Washoe County will be solidifying their committee and efforts soon.

8. **Public Comment.** None was given.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 a.m.