

REGULAR MEETING

PALOMINO VALLEY GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
PO BOX 615, SPARKS, NV 89432-0615

Thursday, January 17, 2019

MINUTES

Trustee Larry Johnson called the regular meeting of the Palomino Valley General Improvement District (PVGID or GID) to order at 6:01 p.m. Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 21555 Pyramid Highway, Reno, Nevada.

1. **Roll Call:** Trustees present were Don Otto, Greg Dennis, Jim Currivan, and Larry Johnson. Also present were Shawn Kelly, Operations Manager; Cathy Glatthar, Assistant to the Board; and Louie Test, Legal Counsel (called in at 6:10 and stated he was available by phone if the Board had any legal questions; no further contact was made with Mr. Test).

2. **Public Comment:**

Trustee Johnson explained this is the time for public comment on matters not listed on this agenda, speakers must state their name and address (he wanted to know if they were a resident of the Valley or not), and there is a three minute limit. He stated that any discussion on horses will be limited to road safety; we are not in a forum to discuss wild horse management or the removals that occurred last week.

Larry Carlson stated he is a resident of the Valley. He said there is an election of officers on the agenda tonight that was voted on last November, and he wanted to know why it is going to be changed this evening?

Trustee Johnson explained the election of officers is on the agenda and he would answer Mr. Carlson's question at that time.

Trustee Johnson asked if there were any further public comments? Hearing no requests, he moved to the next agenda item.

3. **Election of Officers:** Trustee Johnson explained the trustees who were elected to this Board were elected in the general election on November 6[, 2018]. In response to Trustee Johnson's question, Cathy Glatthar explained all terms of office are four years, but they are staggered so you are not replacing the entire board at once. She added that three of the five trustee seats will be open in 2020, and two will be open in 2022. Trustee Johnson stated he would be term-limited-out in 2022 and cannot run for re-election. He explained the election tonight is to elect officers: President, Vice President, [Secretary, and Treasurer].

Nominations were made and the new officers were unanimously voted on, as follows:

President	Larry Johnson
Vice-President	Greg Dennis
Secretary	Don Otto
Treasurer	Jim Currivan

4. **Appointment of Trustee to Fill Open Seat:** Trustee Johnson explained Trustee Mitch Gerlinger resigned as of December 31, 2018. He said we advertised for the open seat and only had one person apply, Marty Breitmeyer, who is a former trustee and is in the audience tonight. Trustee Dennis commented that Mr. Breitmeyer has been very helpful and knows a lot about equipment. Trustee Dennis made a motion to appoint Marty Breitmeyer to the Board. Trustee Otto seconded the motion and hearing no opposition, the motion passed. Trustee Johnson explained that Mr. Breitmeyer will need to sign his oath of office and file some disclosures with the State before he can sit on the Board. Several people thanked Mr. Breitmeyer for volunteering. Trustee Johnson explained these are non-paid positions and trustees give of themselves to try to make our roadway systems better; some donate hundreds and hundreds of hours of their time each year in that endeavor.

5. **Approval of Minutes – December 20, 2018:** Trustee Johnson stated on page 11, item 11, second paragraph, “every” should be “ever”.

Montana Cannon, Grass Valley Road resident, stated that at the last meeting several people rudely spoke over her and many of her words were not in the minutes due to the fact she didn’t believe they were heard or picked up by the recorder. She explained she wrote out her statement and began reading it out loud (see attached statement that is combined with statement for agenda item 7. b.).

Cathy Glatthar explained the minutes are not transcribed word for word, because this is not a court of law. She said the minutes are supposed to reflect the “gist” of what was said especially when the comments pertain to matters the GID is responsible for. She said that is why these minutes do not reflect everything Ms. Cannon said, and just before Ms. Cannon spoke, our legal counsel explained that it was not under the jurisdiction of the GID to make a decision whether to go with Ms. Daane’s fertility control or Ms. Cannon’s idea of removal of the horses to ranches. She said that is why the minutes only briefly reflect what Ms. Cannon said; that was done out of respect for Ms. Cannon.

Trustee Johnson read from the minutes: “Louie Test addressed Larry Johnson and said this is not the GID’s purview; we are here for the health/safety. Referring to the draft letter, he suggested rather than saying “removal or other means in which to reduce,” Ms. Daane could get with BLM, the Tribe, and whoever else. He reiterated that the Board has to address the safety issue, and we don’t have control over how the safety issue is taken care of.” Trustee Johnson said he thought Mr. Test had set the stage quite well. Trustee Johnson said he was restricting comments on this subject to safety issues of horses on roadways.

Pam Roberts asked Cathy Glatthar if someone could submit a letter or statement and request that it be part of the record?

Cathy said that is correct.

Anna Piazza, Hidden Creek resident, asked if the GID does not have jurisdiction, who does have jurisdiction?

Trustee Johnson said we had absolutely nothing to do with the gather. He said his understanding is the gather was conducted by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and questions should be directed to them.

Vincent Del Pizzo asked if the issue of trespass on private land is under the GID’s purview?

Trustee Johnson said no, we do not have jurisdiction over that. He asked if there were any further comments on the minutes?

Maureen Daane, Vice President of Lucky Star Ranch on Wilcox Ranch Road, asked about the letter discussed at the last meeting regarding removal of the feral horses. She wanted to know why this letter was even being considered when Trustee Johnson just stated the GID did not have jurisdiction?

Trustee Johnson said we stated there was a safety issue; many horses had been struck by vehicles with significant property damage, and one lost life due to a wild horse collision. He said we stated the wild horses on our roadways was a safety issue and the letter was asking for the removal of the horses. He added the letter was not sent.

Ms. Daane said she was going to be allowed to submit a proposal that would alleviate the safety concern.

Trustee Johnson said it is not the purview of this Board to discuss the management of wild horses.

Ms. Daane argued that her proposal is part of a road safety issue.

Trustee Dennis explained that once he knew the round up had occurred, he decided to wait and come back to the Board instead of trying to [amend the] letter.

Ms. Daane said she spoke with one of the Tribe members and found that there were a few people from this Board who talked enough and pushed enough to get the horses removed.

Trustee Dennis said he spoke with no one.

Trustee Johnson disclosed that month's ago he did tell the Deputy Tribal Chairman that there were excess numbers of their horses within Palomino Valley and they were causing a safety issue.

Vincent Del Pizzo asked how Trustee Johnson knew they were the Tribe's horses?

Trustee Johnson said when he said these were feral/stray horses on private property, he was not aware at that time the horses were the private property of the Pyramid Lake Tribe. He said it has been brought to his attention and he believes that is correct to the best of his knowledge.

There was additional discussion regarding ownership of the wild horses.

Ms. Daane said she was told that she could bring back a proposal and Ms. Cannon was also told she could bring back a proposal, and now you are saying we cannot.

Cathy Glatthar said she wanted to read from the minutes about the decision that was made:

“Greg agreed to amend Larry’s draft letter and bring it back to the next meeting. Greg said he would share his amended letter with Ms. Daane and Ms. Cannon for their review prior to the next meeting.”

“Louie Test suggested revising the letter and incorporate comments that have been made here tonight and include Ms. Cannon’s and Ms. Daane’s contact information, and ask the entities to work with these individuals to get horses off the roads.”

Cathy added that the letter is an item on tonight’s agenda.

Trustee Johnson said nowhere in the minutes does it say that we were allowing anyone to come back with proposals.

Ms. Daane was adamant that that is what was said to her and that Trustee Dennis actually came to the door and shook her hand and talked to her privately.

Trustee Dennis said he did not recall doing that.

[Note: It has been determined that Louie Test, legal counsel, was the one who spoke privately with Ms. Daane, not Trustee Dennis.]

Trustee Johnson explained he did not want the draft letter circulated that night, because he did not want people to falsely think that the draft letter was the Board's final decision.

Trustee Dennis made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Trustee Currivan seconded the motion, and hearing no opposition, the motion passed.

6. Financial Reports and Payment of Bills:

a. Financial Reports: Trustee Johnson said Maureen Sidley plans to retire from the Board, so her duties will be split up. He said Cathy Glatthar will probably handle the budgeting reporting and auditing-type items, and he will be interviewing a payroll service next week with Maureen. He said Maureen will be phasing out, but there's a lot of background work that she needs to work with Cathy on. Trustee Johnson said an item for next month's agenda will be the retention of a payroll service.

b. Payment of Bills: Trustee Johnson explained Maureen Sidley was not present due to the storm. He reviewed the transaction report stating the back page lists the bills to be paid this month. He explained that Shawn Kelly has reviewed the invoices and answered any questions Trustee Johnson had. Cathy Glatthar said for the Hoffman, Test bill the description should read "Employee Health Insurance." In answer to Cathy's question, Shawn explained the description for Praxair should be "Supplies." Cathy added the Reno Gazette Journal legal notice was for the vacancy notice.

Trustee Dennis made a motion to approve the bills. Trustee Currivan seconded the motion. Hearing no opposition, the motion passed.

c. Credit Cards: Trustee Johnson explained a credit card policy was agreed on at the last meeting and we have been approved by Wells Fargo. He said there will be two cards available, and he as President, would hold one, and Shawn Kelly as Operations Manager would have the other card. He said we need to establish credit limits for each card. Cathy Glatthar said she spoke with Maureen Sidley who explained that the total between the two cards cannot exceed \$75,000. She reiterated what was discussed at the last meeting regarding limits, which was to have Shawn's limit set at \$10,000 to \$15,000 so he could pay for repairs and other items and get the rewards. She said if Shawn found a piece of equipment that had been previously approved by the Board that exceeded his card limit, Shawn would contact Trustee Johnson and have Trustee Johnson use his card to make the purchase. Shawn explained to Trustee Otto that the plan is to pay off the charges each month so no interest is charged and save some money by getting the rewards. Trustee Dennis made a motion to have a credit card issued to Trustee Johnson with a limit of \$65,000, and one to Shawn Kelly with a limit of \$10,000. Trustee Otto seconded the motion, and hearing no opposition, the motion passed.

7. Road Maintenance Reports:

- a. Road Reports:** Trustee Johnson stated we got some excessive moisture this past week and our roads show it, but everything remains serviceable. He thanked Shawn Kelly for his efforts. He said we have a few drainage issues that need to be addressed, and many roads that are potholed and in need of grading. He said Roadrunner Road was inundated and completely under water. He said more moisture is expected this Sunday, and the roads are too wet to grade right now. He asked for people to be patient and next week we should have two graders out on the roads.

Trustee Dennis said at last meeting we allocated funds for certain roads to receive material and at least ten other loads to be used at the Operations Manager's discretion. He explained by getting the aggregate on these clay road areas, it will stabilize them for a long time.

Trustee Johnson reported that the aggregate placed on the Wilcox Ranch hill is performing extremely well. Trustee Otto asked if that was the Class 2 base? Shawn Kelly said yes, it was all base; there's only a small section that has eroded. Trustee Otto suggested keeping the escapes open on the north side. Shawn said he needs to clean them out but it's too wet right now.

Trustee Johnson said we mistakenly believed the cost to place the gravel on the Wilcox Ranch hill was about \$7,500 but the rest of the bills came in after the last meeting, and, per Shawn, we actually spent about [\$11,600] for materials and trucking on that project. He said at the last meeting the Board approved putting aggregate base on Quaking Aspen, which is twice the distance of the Wilcox hill, and the cost estimate was about \$15,000. He said because of the underestimate of the cost to do the Wilcox hill, it would cost more like \$30,000 to do Quaking Aspen. He suggested, for the Board's consideration, instead of recoating the entire two miles of Quaking Aspen, there are areas with residual base material leftover from last year, so we could still spend up to the approved amount to cover those areas that need it.

Trustee Otto said a couple of years ago Trustee Johnson said his intention was to widen Quaking Aspen. Trustee Otto asked if that should be done before the base is put down?

Trustee Johnson explained we're putting down an inch to two inch veneer of base and we're going to lose it within a two year period. In answer to Trustee Otto's question, Trustee Johnson said widening of Quaking Aspen is way down on the priority list. Shawn Kelly said they have been discussing putting in pull outs. Trustee Johnson said when you meet somebody now, you stop completely and let the other person go by.

In answer to Trustee Dennis' question, Trustee Johnson said the \$15,000 [40 loads] approved at the last meeting would be adequate to touch up Quaking Aspen.

Shawn reported speaking with Rick, the salesman at Martin Marietta, and Rick will hold our prices on material at last year's prices until June 1st, and then the prices will go up significantly. He suggested stockpiling material in the yard.

Trustee Johnson said a reason why he doesn't want too much money spent on material is because he is looking at the capital improvement budget, and there are projects we need to do this coming summer. He said he is trying to be frugal now.

Dave Gunter, Right Hand Canyon resident, asked whatever happened to the Right Hand Canyon Road project at the end of the pavement?

Trustee Johnson replied the flood of 2017 wiped out the money for that project. He said that year we spent our entire budget on ... we just now got our first reimbursement from FEMA for work we did in 2017. He said he hates to continually ask people to be patient, but we have no choice.

Shawn said he traveled that road today and there's a lot of work needed.

Janeene Russo, Whiskey Springs Road resident, asked if the FEMA money would eventually go towards Right Hand Canyon and Piute Creek?

Trustee Johnson said we have a new Board and they will establish priorities for capital improvements.

Trustee Otto said material from the Wayside pit was put down on various areas and performed very well. He wondered why we couldn't rent a dozer and doze down a lot of material and screen it; can we determine what that cost would be and if it would be advantageous for us to do this?

Trustee Dennis confirmed that there is approximately 30% clay in the Wayside pit material, and said it works very well as a topping for sandy soils. He explained the type 2 base has been performing better so far in these clay areas. He said we compared the cost to generate material from our pit and use our trucks to haul it versus purchasing material and having it trucked in, and it came out about the same. He said we are looking at what type of material works best for a particular area. He said Trustee Otto's idea is a good one.

Trustee Johnson said we used material from the Wayside pit to cap portions of Range Land Road, and where aggregate base performs better, we have contracted with outside trucking and commercial pits.

Shawn said he is almost done with the Range Land project cost analysis and hopes to have it done for the next meeting.

Trustee Johnson said the water in the retention pond on the east side of Ironwood is nearly up to the culvert level. He said this storm would have completely inundated that roadway if not for the culvert and retention pond being installed. In response to Trustee Otto's questions, Shawn said this summer he will go in and reconfigure the retention pond and dig it deeper. Trustee Johnson explained they built a berm on the roadside of the pond as a safety measure. Trustee Dennis recommended putting additional delineators at the site.

Trustee Johnson said we have numerous ponding areas adjacent to and on roadways throughout the Valley. He said Shawn has made an inventory of those areas and will be fixing drainage problems in the near future; as soon as Shawn finishes grading 97 miles of roadway. Shawn interjected and said it's 180 miles of dirt roadways; you have to go both ways.

Trustee Otto said at the last meeting someone discussed a steel pipe mailbox structure on Ironwood, and he said he agrees that it is a safety issue. Trustee Johnson asked Trustee Otto to draft a letter on this matter for the Board to review at the next meeting.

Trustee Dennis explained that George Boyce had asked about the drainage on the Cape-sealed section of Range Land Road, and today, the mud puddle filled up and

the water ran across the road just like Mr. Boyce had described. Trustee Dennis said there's not a lot we can do about it at this point in time, but pictures were taken and it will be addressed as a capital improvement in the future. He said he wanted Mr. Boyce to know he wasn't being ignored. Mr. Boyce thanked Trustee Dennis.

- b. Letter Documenting Safety Issues From Horses on Roadways:** Louie Test, legal counsel, phoned in earlier in the meeting and stated the GID is limited to safety issues of the roads and that's all that can be addressed on this issue. Trustee Johnson explained we had this matter on the agenda last month and he presented to the Board a draft letter that the Board decided to modify. He said that letter was to be modified and shared with a couple of the horse advocacy representatives. He said that letter was not finalized because shortly after the last meeting, the horse roundup occurred. He said he thought it was important for us to document that the horses on our roadways are a safety issue; especially since an individual has been killed. Someone in the audience asked who was killed, and another audience member said Aaron(?) Baird. Trustee Johnson continued and stated he drafted a second letter for the Board to review and he read it into the record (see attached the actual letter sent). He then asked for comments from the Board.

Trustee Otto said the letter looked good to him and he thought the letter covered it; the Tribe removed the safety threat to our residents, and that's our purview.

Trustee Dennis said we have addressed the issue that was in front of us as a Board which was public safety. He said the removal of the horses, the handling of the horses, and the different bureaucracies that deal with managing of the horses, he acknowledged not knowing a lot about those matters, but this letter is being written to notify the Tribe that we accept the removal of the horse for safety reasons.

Trustee Currihan said the letter does the job and thanks the Tribe for taking care of that safety threat.

Trustee Johnson opened public comment.

Vincent Del Pizzo opined that the issue of driver safety is part and parcel of the open range law; it is the responsibility of the driver not to hit stray animals. He said if the Board is not competent to address the issue of open range in Palomino Valley, then the Board can't isolate one part of that law and discuss that and not the rest of it.

Trustee Johnson said he believed courts have issued decisions that Palomino Valley is not open range. He said he believed it was a decision by Judge Breen.

There was some discussion on when Judge Breen's court case took place and was estimated to be around 1987 and that a court document search would have to be made. Several audience members commented that when they purchased their property they had to sign a document that stated Palomino Valley was open range.

George Boyce, Range Land Road resident, said he thought the Board was getting the bad end of this deal. He said he comes to a lot of these meetings where he's the only [audience member]. He said the Board has discussed these safety issues many times in the past.

Montana Cannon, Grass Valley Road resident, began reading a statement into the record about a meeting of concerned residents held on January 4th at the Model Event Ranch (see attached). She stated this proposal was voted on by the group at that meeting.

Trustee Johnson let Ms. Cannon know her time was up and said she could submit her written statement and it would be included with the minutes.

In answer to Ronny Elrod's question, Trustee Johnson stated the PVGID does not have jurisdiction to enforce speed limits. He explained the Washoe County Sheriff's Department will not enforce speed limits on our roads. He explained that law enforcement only enforces the speed limit on roads that are on rights-of-way owned by the cities, counties, or state. He said that is not the case with our roads, the private property owner owns to the center line of the road.

Janeene Russo relayed a story of her car being purposefully hit by a motorcyclist on Grass Valley Road, and when she contacted the Sheriff's Office she was told Grass Valley Road is private property with public access and unless there is physical damage to her or her vehicle, the Sheriff's Office will not come out here and no crime has been committed.

Maureen Daane requested the first letter be amended even though the horses were removed, and add her group's proposal for temporary fertility control.

There was discussion about dropping the letter. Shawn Kelly said he wished this was never brought up because the Tribe took care of the problem and we technically didn't even need to get involved with it.

Kathryn Carlson said she has a non-profit animal sanctuary here in Palomino Valley and she wished the Board had talked to her about the safety issue with the horses. She asked that if this happens in the future, to please contact them and they will get the horses to a safe place.

Trustee Johnson asked Ms. Carlson if she did not see the hundred horses walking down Whiskey Springs every night?

Ms. Carlson said she did not because she lives on Wilcox Ranch Road.

Pam Roberts said regarding the horses and the safety issue, the Board first placed it on the agenda as an item under "Cattle Guard Striping," and the Board discussed sending a letter requesting the removal of the wild horses because of safety concerns. She stated the cattle guard striping on [Whiskey Springs Road] was just installed, so it wasn't known how effective it was. She said a resident, Gretchen Miller, was present at that meeting and raised the concern that there were people who cared about the wild horses and wished to participate in the discussion about the letter. She said the Board might recall that she brought up the fact that the letter was not properly agendaized. She said in that conversation, [Trustee] Johnson had stated the matter was discussed in October when the GID's legal counsel was present, and she said she has looked at the minutes and did not see the discussion in those minutes. She continued and stated the matter was on the December agenda, and was listed as "Letter Requesting Removal of the Feral Horses." She said in reviewing the minutes of that meeting it's very clear that it was reported that the [virtual] cattle guard was working and the horses were no longer on Whiskey Springs. She said a whole month had expired and the safety issue that the letter was supposed to address was not happening and the letter was no longer necessary. She said now a month later, we are discussing a variation of that letter that documents a safety concern that no longer exists because the [virtual] cattle guard was effective and because, allegedly, there was an illegal roundup. She said to [Trustee] Johnson's credit, he disclosed today that several months ago he had a

conversation with the Deputy Tribal Chairman about the excessive number of Tribal horses in the Palomino Valley and that it was a safety issue. She said it seemed to her that this Board and Trustee Johnson as the President, has been concerned about it and there is no longer a safety concern and she doesn't believe the letter is necessary other than as a "CYA."

Trustee Johnson said in actuality, that virtual cattle guard was effective in dispersing the horses; they were still observed along Whiskey Springs, along Amy, along Right Hand Canyon; the safety issue continued. In answer to Mr. Gunter's question, Trustee Johnson said he believed just like a steep drop off, just like a ditch being eroded across the road, the horses on the road are a safety issue.

Trustee Curriuan made a motion to send the letter. Trustee Dennis seconded the motion. Hearing no opposition, the motion passed.

Trustee Johnson said the final copy of the letter will be made available to the public.

Trustee Dennis said Ms. Daane and others need to work with the BLM, the Tribe, the people who have legal custody, theoretically, of these animals; coming to the GID is not going to solve all the issues they want to solve, but thank you for showing up and giving us your input.

Trustee Johnson addressed Ms. Daane's group regarding the efficacy of PZP contraceptives when horse populations are greatly reduced. He wished Ms. Daane's group all the luck in the world.

Deb Walker, Nevada Field Rep for the American Wild Horse Campaign, thanked Trustee Johnson and stated their group has been successful.

c. Report on Flood Repairs and Mitigation and FEMA and State Disaster Funding: Trustee Johnson stated we are still waiting for FEMA reimbursement for the last two projects.

d. Status of Pasture View Road Diversion of Natural Drainage: Trustee Johnson said this matter would be deferred.

e. Water Truck Replacement: Shawn Kelly said he needed more time because he will probably need to "build" a water truck that would be adequate for our roads. In answer to Trustee Otto's question, Shawn said he would not get rid of the Peterbilt water truck because it's a backup and there may be times when there are two graders on the roads and he'll need two water trucks. He said he will probably take the water tank off the '05 truck and put it on a different chassis.

Marshall Todd mentioned the Hawthorne Army Depot has a lot of surplus equipment and you might be able to get a tactical water truck; that's what you need around here.

Mr. Todd was thanked for his suggestion.

f. Operations Manager's Report: Shawn Kelly said last month they had the holidays and they took some time off, there was a lot of rain, he said he was able to get some paperwork done, and they have been doing some repair work. He said they will get back to grading roads when they can.

Laura Dasmann, Bootstrap Lane resident, said there is a segment of road that is northeast of Whiskey Springs Road and she doesn't know if it is called Amy or Bootstrap, but it has not been touched in the two years she has lived there. She said

she heard it's not part of the GID map, but everybody uses it, and she wondered if it could be added to the map?

Shawn clarified that it is at the north end of Amy Road, and it is a shortcut that the contractors and others started using, but it's the property owner's road.

Trustee Johnson said to be brought to the Board for consideration to accept that section of road for maintenance, it would have to be brought up to the GID's standards. He said quite frankly, we cannot maintain the 97 miles we have now, and he believed this Board would be very reluctant to take on additional roadways, and the users are forced to maintain it just like a private driveway.

Ms. Dasmann asked about the portion that is part of the GID map, because that hasn't been maintained either since she moved in?

Trustee Johnson asked Ms. Dasmann to send us a road maintenance request and we would get it prioritized.

Shawn said to please wait until it dries up some. Ms. Dasmann said she understood.

Trustee Otto suggested that everyone vary their [tire] tracks as they drive and the ruts won't be as pronounced; the roads will last longer.

Trustee Johnson said he realizes Shawn has flagged areas where water is ponding on the road, and several of those areas could be fixed with a little bit of backhoe work. Shawn said today they were out there surveying and doing some shovel work and trying to establish what got annihilated and there's a lot; he showed the Board a list of some of the problem areas.

8. **Old Business:**

- a. **Status of Draft Agreement with LW Land Company:** Trustee Johnson reported he submitted Agency Review comments for LW Land Company's Development Agreement which is scheduled to be heard at the Board of County Commissioner's (BCC's) meeting on February 12th. Trustee Johnson reviewed the comments (see attached) and stated he would be in attendance at the BCC meeting.
- b. **Washoe County Proposed Refund of SPA Developer Fees and Master Plan Amendment:** Cathy Glatthar reported the removal of the financing plan from the Warm Springs Specific Plan was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting on January 2nd, and the [Commission] approved the [resolution] to move the matter forward. She added there was a lot of discussion by the Commission and the public about updating the Warm Springs Specific Plan, and Trevor Lloyd, the new [Planning Manager], stated this was one of his Department's highest priorities after the Regional Plan is updated.
- c. **Report from Subcommittee to Explore Revenue Generation:** Trustee Johnson said we have a meeting with the Washoe County Manager, the head of the [Planning and Building Department], and the head of Engineering on February 1st, and they will report back at the next meeting.

9. **New Business:** None

10. **Judicial/Government Affairs:** Louie Test was not present.

11. Calendar Review: Cathy Glatthar reviewed the upcoming items:

- Shawn Kelly will need to provide the Board with his equipment and vehicle budget for the next fiscal year at the next meeting.
- Cathy stated we will begin the budgeting process next month and will also be discussing the tax rate.
- Maureen Sidley will need to submit the Quarterly Economic Survey by February 14th.
- Louie Test must file a Tort Claims Report with Cathy (Assistant to the Board) by February 1st (Per NRS41.0385 - Eff. 2/1/2014).

12. Correspondence: None

13. Public Comment:

George Boyce asked where things stand with getting some of this gas tax back?

Trustee Johnson said that will be discussed [at the meeting with the County].

Trustee Johnson asked if there were any further public comments? Hearing no requests, he moved to the next agenda item.

14. Board Member and Staff Items:

- Trustee Otto and Shawn Kelly will work up a cost comparison of generating material from the GID pit and hauling it using GID equipment versus purchasing the same material commercially and having it hauled in, and present it to the Board at the next meeting.
- Shawn Kelly asked to have the Washoe County Employee Health Insurance matter put on next month's agenda.

15. Adjournment: Greg Dennis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Currivan seconded the motion, and hearing no opposition, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

PALOMINO VALLEY GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
 BANK & DISBURSEMENT RECONCILIATION
 @ January 17, 2019

Total of all Bank Accounts:	Balance'@ January 17, 2019 - Money Market - #5010	379,446.46
	Balance'@ January 17, 2019 - PR/Petty Csh - #4430	17,000.00
	Balance'@ January 17, 2019 - General Ckng - #4179	<u>222.64</u>
	<i>Total Cash IN All Accounts</i>	<u><u>396,669.10</u></u>

<u>WELLS FARGO-ALMOST CD #5010</u>		Balance'@ December 20, 2018	368,194.78
Income for the Month			
Consolidated Tax	33,877.44		
Ad Valorem	54.94		
LGTA	<u>2,470.05</u>		
Total Income	36,402.43		
Interest Income	12.24		
			36,414.67
Transfer to Wells Fargo #4430	(8,412.99)		
Transfer to Wells Fargo #4179	(16,750.00)		
		'Balance'@ January 17, 2019	<u><u>379,446.46</u></u>

<u>Wells Fargo - PettyCsh/P/R Acct#4430</u>		Balance'@ December 20, 2018	17,000.00
Transfer from Wells Fargo #5010	8,412.99	Deposit	
Interest	0.30		8,413.29
Net Payroll	6,308.41	Net Payroll	
Wells Fargo - PERS Deposit	5892 1,098.12	PERS Deposit	
Wells Fargo - 941 Deposit	EFTPS <u>1,006.76</u>	Payroll Taxes	
	<u><u>\$8,413.29</u></u>		<u><u>(\$8,413.29)</u></u>
		'Balance'@ January 17, 2019	<u><u>17,000.00</u></u>

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NAME	CK #	DESCRIPTION	
<u>WELLS FARGO-GENERAL #4179</u>			Balance'@ December 20, 2018 479.20
Transfer from W.F.#5010	16,750.00		
Interest Income	0.16		
Refund Les Schwab	2,869.70		19,619.86
PUBLIC WORKS			
American Truck & Trailer Repair	9605	901.97 Hard Start - Installed New Sensor	
Catherine Glatthar	9589	1,446.66 Monthly Work, Office Supplies	
Flyers Energy	9590	1,311.12 Fuel	
Hoffman, Test	9591	555.00 Monthly Retainer - Conference w/county regarding Empl. Health Insurance	
Martin Marietta Materials	9602	6,736.36 3/4 Class B Material	
Maureen Sidley	9604	433.50 Monthly Work	
Nv Energy	9603	254.97 Office Utilities	
Peterbilt	9593	78.62 Hose / Fittings	
Praxair	9594	339.00 Supplies	
Prominence Health	9595	1,592.61 Employee Health Insurance	
Reno Gazette Journal	9596	163.00 Legal Notice - Vacancy	
Sani Hut	9597	259.74 2 monthly charges	
Sierra Rental & Transport	9598	5,700.00 Transportation of Materials	
Verizon	9599	38.85 Mobile Phone	
Waste Management	9600	65.02 Waste Removal	
TOTAL		<u>19,876.42</u>	<u>(19,876.42)</u>
		'Balance'@ January 17, 2019	<u><u>222.64</u></u>

Palomino Valley General Improvement District

P.O. Box 615, Sparks, Nevada 89432

January 17, 2019

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
Attention: Alan Mandell
208 Capitol Hill
Nixon, NV 89424

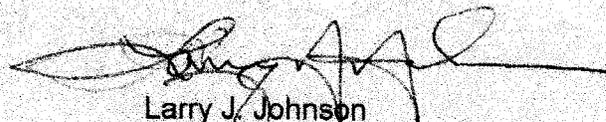
Dear Mr. Mandell:

In the December Board of Trustees' meeting of the Palomino Valley General Improvement District, a letter to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and the Nevada State Department of Agriculture was authorized requesting these agencies decide the jurisdiction of the horses within Palomino Valley, formulate a plan for removal, and implement this plan as soon as possible.

The letter outlined the safety threats these horses present daily on roadways within our jurisdiction. Several times yearly vehicle/horse collisions occur; in 2018 at least six (6) horses were struck and killed. Vehicles have sustained severe damage and are often a total loss. We have experienced one human fatality to date.

The removal of these horses by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe has proactively removed this safety threat to our residents.

Sincerely,



Larry J. Johnson
President

LJJ/tj

Proposal from We the People Wild Horse Parks and Ranches through founder Montana Cannon of Palomino Valley -

For the January 17th 2019 GID meeting of Palomino Valley regarding item C. Letter Requesting Removal of Ferrel Horses.

1st - Before last months' meeting words are approved - I must magnify words that were not typed properly. I spoke the following words which were not written down; due to the fact there were several people who rudely and unprofessionally kept speaking over me. Many of my words were NOT even written in the minutes, due to the fact I don't believe they were heard. Cathy is too professional to do this but it was because 4 voices were speaking at once.

It is paramountly important the un-notified illegal gathering the non-native horses of Palomino Valley by Paiutes with questionable DoA = (Department of Agriculture) authority, I NEVER AGREED TO. Why would I after working with 120 - 150 of them to be ready for our veteran run ranches. I did NOT agree to Larry Johnson or the GID board sending any letter or request to DoA and the Paiute Tribe. What I DID SAY was that 1,000 fenced in acres here in the valley which was offered to me for getting the horses out of harms way. After seeing how fierce Larry Johnson's face was about the birth control darting. I immediately offered gently gathering to these said acres. Because I didn't want to loose all the time I had put into bonding and training them to help heal the veterans. Proof in pictures, videos and my movie.

What was not heard:

1. Depending on the next January 17th meeting, if it was deemed for complete removal of free roaming/domesticated horses of PV, we'd put the horses behind the fences. The horses could be baited calmly to insure their safety so there would never be a need for any gathering to these groups or a letter even sent. (It was extremely obvious on Larry Johnson's face and his words that he had absolutely no belief in the effectiveness of Maureen Dane's/AWHC generous offer of free birth control. He loudly spoke of being on a wild horse board for over 10 years and he did NOT see any effectiveness in this options' numbers.)

1.A Each one of these horses will bring in money for decades for all the veterans obtaining health and healing at our future nearby ranch. 38 million in 15 years. Even the handicap and senior horses will become super starts with our guests, will bring in 100 times their slaughter prices. 2 1/2 years were sacrificed to daily sociological observation studies were accomplished to deem what herds would help with what issues the veterans were dealing with.

1.B We would have held meetings to insure no removal of any free roaming horses that were beloved by residents in the valley. Who were willing to help them title, brand and keep them if they needed land. Thereby all the 150 horses we would have taken from the valley were each voted upon.

1.C We have been completely following the listed steps of action given to us by a Branding Inspector to officially take the 150 horses to the main ranch. We had to design a brand logo,

order a freeze brand from TX, title and purchase our 3 year bonded with 11 herds who trusted me. This purchase would be accomplished with ceremony over at the Paiute Tribe. Establishing a great PR event for Palomino Valley, the DoA and the Lake Pyramid Paiute Tribe, because we had obtained all their permission to do this and even had the BLM thumbs up for what we are doing. Shoot we even have the thumbs up of the Northern NV Cattlemen's' approval too.

Proposal results of January 4th meeting with concerned neighbors at the Model Event Ranch.

First note of business. The legal library downtown from the court house laws showed: deer/horses/Pronghorn antelope have more rights to be in the valley than cars. Because the GID posted the speed limit of 35 mph, the physics of impact prove the speed of which the animal was hit was way above speed limit. The legal rights to sue a speeder hitting an animal (horse) actually falls to the GID or PVA because you put the speed limits up. The speeder can try to do whatever they deem in an attempt to sue, but the law will fall to the Open Range animal on privately owned roads. GID can sue the speeder because you deem the speed on the roads. NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND. The judge could rule to the speeders a fine if it was unavoidable up to a \$3,000. If it was a deliberately murder up to \$10,000 per animal. When the older man with the grey hair driving on white Ford deliberately killed 3 of the yearlings; the GID would have made \$30,000 from that speeder. Minus the cost of burial which I think should be at \$70 per horse, for gas and wear and tear on vehicles. Again posting the laws and fine for consequences of injuring wildlife right at each entrance again emphasizes the legal rights of the GID hands to sue speeders who injury animals or humans. Which again means you'd get the money the judge awards, minus the burial costs for the animals. Even with the horses illegally removed on our privately owned roads we still have worries of loose: cattle, dogs, privately owned horses, llamas, and pedestrians. I've almost been hit walking as well as people I know riding their bikes.

1. This problem of horses in the road would not have been an issue, if a certain farmer fenced in his fields the last few decades; and there was not consistent water source away from the roads. When I went over to offer solutions to Farmer Pratt, I was told the land was sold for development. Plus I was told, "If it was up to him, he'd shoot every last one of them." Which shocked me coming from a Christian man. A mans righteousness is viewed by how he treats his animals. Side note, several times I have chased horses away from Pratts' back field. I walked the back fences looking for wounded horses and never did I see cut fence line. JFYI there are way more horse lovers than I in this area.

2. The fake cattle guard has worked 100%. Only 1 horse walked down from Grass Valley Road down Pyramid road to get to the alfalfa field. Right after the cattle guard was installed, all the horses had moved down the valley, because of their inability to pass this obstacle. They moved down the valley because the fires had not burnt the lower valley. Which placed the majority of horses past the main traffic.

3. But this problem of wildlife on the roads has been around for decades. Years ago, why hasn't there been a mandatory use of high beams signs posted on these roads? You can't see taller animals with low beams.

3. A. Why hasn't there been reflective decals on the wild horse crossing signs?

3. B. Why hasn't there been additional antelope and deer signs posted decades ago?

3. C Why hasn't there, at all entrance points, been postings of the legal fines when a speeder hits an animal on our private roads? Possible money loss would instantly cool the jets of these ridiculous speeders. We are sure that Scott or your other workers can tell tales of we were almost hit by..... Now that the horses are gone, people are speeding even more.

Larry Johnson stopped me here.

Thank you for hearing what would have been our options.

After relentlessly insuring the return of our deemed ranch horses, we came across some new facts. Upon hearing with my own ears, the tribe was relentlessly called by a few key people from Palomino Valley, scaring them they'd be sued due to the horses being hit. We absolutely know some of the very people sitting here worked with the top Branding Inspector, who is very vocal of his desire to "kill 98% of all wild horses. Letting the wild horse advocates fight over the remaining 2 %". We know you insured this illegal gathering hiding behind others.

Yet here's the math. 88% of the public love wild horses. These sweetest of abandon horses in 15 years at the ranch would've healed hundreds and hundreds of veterans. They'd draw in \$38 million every 15 years for one ranch can do a ton of good for veterans. What do you have against eliminating the debt to the cities, counties, states and nation of the wild horses cost, by them making continuous money, not just a one time slaughter profit? What do you have against helping veterans have the support to heal and become whole thriving citizens again? What do you have against the guests having life changing experiences and inspirations visiting our ranches? You are under generational beguilement of death/slaughter is the only options. That is the limit of your creative thinking. Because well... that's how my grandpa did it and his grandpa and his grandpa. You didn't even allow us to have options for our valleys horses till the past 17th meeting. So congratulations! You have become just like those who took down the statues in the South. You have become killers of our national symbols of independence and freedom. Helping those who are trying to erase our true history so they can control our future generations! We are not done insuring what was done in secret will be shouted from the roof tops. Ridiculous!!

PVGID OPERATIONS REPORT

Report Period 12-17-2018 to 1-13-2019

ATTACHMENT: 1/17/2019 Meeting Agenda Item 7. f.

NOTE: The road crew took vacation from December 24th through January 1st

ROADS GRADED:

1. Prep Wilcox Ranch from Goodher to Mid
2. Wilcox Ranch from Goodher to Mid Imported 849 Yards Type II Base
3. Peak E-W

OTHER ROAD WORK:

1. Install painted brick pavers for virtual cattle guard to continue lines
2. Plowed snow: Axe Handle, Curnow Cyn - All, Ironwood - All, Whiskey Springs - Pyramid to Amy
3. Ironwood Reinstall two culvert markers
4. Right Hand Canyon Cut rebar that was sticking out of road
5. Grass Valley (East) at Pyramid, Cattle guard - Cut old damaged metal and weld in new rails
6. Road Survey Report - Verify and/or correct mileage and end of road GPS readings; GPS all culverts on Ironwood to update records
7. Chantry Flats - Imported 48 yards Wayside pit material
8. Yellow Tail - Import 12 yards Wayside pit material
9. Big Dog - Import 24 yards Wayside pit material

OTHER:

1. Wayside pit - open more ground with dozer
2. Stock pile Type II Base and Class E at Wayside yard

EQUIPMENT:

1. '05 International water truck - new cam sensor
2. Pony motor on Vactor - repair starter solenoid
3. 1995 Peterbilt water truck - replace fuel hose
4. 1980 Ford - repair electrical problems
5. 1980 Ford - (Warranty) rear axle seal leaking
6. Ironwood well generator, no start - Clean and tighten cables, check solar output charging good, started generator - all OK

January 4, 2019

Roger Pelham, Senior Planner
Washoe County Community Services Department
Planning and Building Division
Via E-mail: rpelham@washoecounty.us

Re: Agency Review of LW Land Company's Development Agreement

Mr. Pelham:

The Palomino Valley General Improvement District (PVGID) offers the following comments:

1. The primary access from this development is to connect to Ironwood Road which is outside the Specific Plan Area (SPA).
2. This connection does not comply with Section 110.226.25 which requires PVGID approval (appropriate entity) for this access. Proponent has never sought PVGID approval for this access.
3. The PVGID has serious concerns of this proposal:
 - a) Ironwood Road is a narrow (20' wide) meandering rural road on which additional traffic (particularly construction trucks) create unsafe conditions for our residents.
 - b) The surfacing of Ironwood Road consists of a thin (0.5 inch thick) Cape seal applied directly over the native soils (no aggregate base course). This thin veneer is not designed to perform under construction (truck) traffic and is expected to rapidly deteriorate if subjected to such.
4. The proponent owns several hundred acres of additional land that could be similarly developed by serial parcel mapping thereby greatly exacerbating this issue.
5. If the proponent is to be granted the right to utilize Ironwood Road as its access point, he should be required to improve Ironwood Road to Washoe County Standards out to the Pyramid Highway. Anything less greatly impacts the existing residents of the valley.

Sincerely,

Larry J. Johnson
President