

Assembly

MINUTES

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE -- NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 58th SESSION

January 27, 1975

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Mello at 9:00 A.M. in the Ways and Means Committee Room.

PRESENT: Chairman Mello, Mr. Bremner, Mrs. Brookman, Mr. Dreyer, Mr. Glover, Mr. Howard, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Weise and Mr. Wittenberg.

ALSO PRESENT: John Dolan, Bill Bible, Bruce Arkell and John Sparbel.

Mr. Bible presented a copy of a letter in response to Mr. Wittenberg's question during the January 23, 1975 meeting regarding the average stay of a youth in the Spring Mountain Youth Camp. He also presented an appraisal of the property to be purchased which was also discussed at this meeting.

Mr. Bible began by explaining the Office of Governor's budget which provides salary, operating and support funds for the Office of Governor and is financed 100% by General Fund appropriations.

The recommended salary for the Governor is the amount approved by the last Legislature. Mr. Bible also stated that various agencies could increase the expenditures not approved as they have the ability to revise work programs. Mr. Weise asked of the administration had the authority to use the money for something else other than what it was originally appropriated for and John Dolan stated the agency has the authority to shift funds around.

The industrial insurance proposal is based on an increase in premium. At present, the premium is \$1.56 per \$100 of gross salary. This is anticipated to increase to \$2.33 per \$100 gross salary the first year of the biennium and to \$2.45 per \$100 gross salary the second year of the biennium. The Retirement recommendation is based on a 1% increase in the employer's share of the benefit. Mrs. Brookman asked if the Governor could belong to the Public Employees Retirement System and Chairman Mello stated that the Office of Governor could not qualify with just two terms, but the present Governor has prior rights and could have 10 years vesting.

The Group Insurance rate is expected to increase to \$32 the first year and to \$35.20 the second year.

The In-State Travel increase is the result of a different method of funding the Governor's automobiles. \$5,000 was taken from Other Contract Services and applied to the In-State Travel request, increasing this request to \$15,000.

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Mr. Robinson stated that the Out-of-State travel expense seemed to be a very low figure if it included the entire department and asked where else the travel was being charged. Mr. Bible replied that it was a normal amount and was approximately 90% of the Governor's travel expenses. He stated that the Governor takes a very dim view on Out-of-State travel both for himself and his employees. Mr. Bible stated that if a trip was necessary at the request of a particular agency, then the Governor's expenses would be paid for by that agency.

The communication expenses was explained by Mr. Bible as an increase in freight, telephone and the postage rate was raised from 8 cents to 10 cents.

Mr. Bible then explained the Longevity program to the Committee. This is a Career Incentive Program which provides bonuses of \$250 for ten years up to \$500 for 15 years.

The Mansion Maintenance Budget was discussed. This budget provides for Mansion staff, groceries, and household supplies based on actual expenditures and rising food prices. Also the contractual services will permit the retention of a current prisoner employee who is eligible for parole during the first year of the biennium. Mr. Weise asked why didn't they just start with a new inmate and it was explained by Mr. Bible that the Governor and his family has expressed a desire to retain this individual.

Mr. Bible explained the budget of the Governor's Advisory Council on Children and Youth. There are 21 citizens on this council and some of them have been

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traveling at their own expense and it was felt that they should be reimbursed

The Governor Commission on the Status of Women is a Commission appointed by the Governor for the purpose of preparing a report on the status of women in Nevada. This is being recommended to establish this counsel and provide travel expenses. Chairman Mello asked "if ERA is passed, what impact would it have on the budget?" Mr. Bible replied that it would influence the direction the counsel would take.

Mr. Bruce D. Arkell then explained the Comprehensive Statewide Planning Budget. A handout was given to the Committee members showing the Goals and Objectives of the State Planning Coordinator's Office and the Staff Structure. In March of 1973 the first State Goals Report was mailed to all Legislators. This was the first time they had all major State agencies' activity by Goal and Objective during this biennium. This document is basically the framework within which this Office operates. When a state agency undertakes a new activity, it runs through this office for review and is then submitted to the Budget office. This office has worked with the Department of Law Enforcement, Crime Commission and Department of Human Resources to put together a single funding plan program so that one state agency isn't charged with the responsibility and another agency with the funding.

Mr. Arkell explained the amounts of technical assistance to numerous agencies in preparing or updating plans. In addition, this Commission is asking that two existing positions, the public service intern and the career aid III slot be changed to Senior Account Clerk and Clerk Typist positions. Mr. Wittenberg requested a report outlining the amount of dollars and amount of time spent on preparing the State Goals Report.

Chairman Mello asked the Committee to review the One-Shot item of \$100,000 on Comprehensive Statewide Planning appropriation. Chairman Mello stated that the Governor is recommending Federal Funds and the agency is not. Mr. Arkell stated that the activities are state activities and not related to federal activities. Chairman Mello replied that if Mr. Arkell is going to be of any help to the people of Nevada, he should find all federal funds he could possibly get and not ask for general fund money when federal funds are available. Chairman Mello feels that this is Mr. Arkell's job to find federal funds. Mr. Arkell replied that this has been done and Federal Funds have been recommended. Chairman Mello stated that the Federal Government starts many of these programs and then drops them, leaving them to the State and several of them are probably not needed.

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Mrs. Brookman asked what happened when the Federal Government drops out of a program and the State has to pick up the entire amount. Chairman Mello stated that it would be up to this Committee to decide whether to keep the program or not.

Mr. Arkell stated that various estimates on population growth have been done. Agencies base their programs on population estimates. Duplication will be eliminated by making one estimate to be used by all state agencies.

Mr. Weise stated that in Carson City a planning was done with Federal Funds. A planner was hired, hearings were held for two years and it was abandoned. The people of Carson City were told that the plan was not accepted but not to worry because it wasn't their money. Chairman Mello stated that Federal Funds are our funds and cannot be thrown away. If these funds are thrown away, our taxes will go up Federally the same as if state funds are thrown away, our State taxes will go up. He could not understand why the Planning Board could not operate with Federal funds and do a good job.

Dr. Robinson stated that the Department of Human Resources is a state agency with their plans and questioned why we needed another state agency to coordinate the plans of the statewide agency that should be coming up with their own plans.

Bill Bible then explained the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board budget. Funds are requested to employ judges, purchase materials, hire labor for set-up and provide for a good educational program. The inclusions of these programs into the responsibilities of the Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board will necessitate some minor changes in the law and Mr. Bible stated that a bill will be presented.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 A.M.

Juvenile Court Services

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7 October 1974

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Dear Mr. Wahrenbrock:

Your letter to Mr. James Carmany dated October 2nd, 1974, was forwarded to me by Mr. Carmany for completion of the section dealing with Spring Mountain Youth Camp information. Responses to the items requested in Mr. Alastuey's memo to you are as follows:

1. A copy of the current Spring Mountain budget is enclosed.
2. The camp capacity is 80 boys.
3. The average stay per boy is 5½ months.
4. Almost all Spring Mountain Youth Camp placements come from Clark County. Our current population is 75 boys, all of whom are Clark County placements.
5. It is expected that all boys at the Camp during the next biennium will be State-paid.

I hope that the above supplies the information you require.

Yours very truly,


Richard G. Ries, Director
SPRING MOUNTAIN YOUTH CAMP

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cc: Richard Vincent

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July 25, 1974

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
Administrator of Purchasing
Carson City, Nevada

ATTN: Mr. Terry Sullivan

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

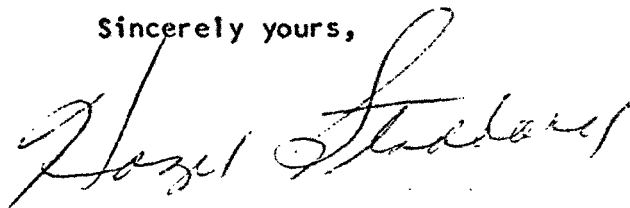
Please let this letter serve as a confirmation of our telcon of yesterday regarding the information and purchase price of our property located at 1054 S. Commerce Street, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102.

Enclosed is a copy of an appraisal on the property in 1971 by Glen Buck. I contacted Mr. Buck and he informs me the appraisal will stand approximately the same today as it did at that time. Our selling price to you is \$140,000.00 which you will note is approximately \$25,000.00 under the appraised value.

Note on the appraisal there is a parcel 4-1-6 and 4-1-9. 4-1-9 is the only one that has reference to 1054 S. Commerce. I could not separate this information.

Hope this will suffice for the purpose of your presentation.

Sincerely yours,



Hazel Stoddard

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