

**CARSON CITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**Minutes of the January 3, 2019 Meeting**

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Board of Supervisors was scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 3, 2019 in the Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Robert Crowell  
Supervisor Karen Abowd, Ward 1  
Supervisor Brad Bonkowski, Ward 2  
Supervisor Lori Bagwell, Ward 3  
Supervisor John Barrette, Ward 4

**STAFF:** Nancy Paulson, City Manager  
Adriana Fralick, Deputy City Manager  
Dan Yu, Chief Deputy District Attorney  
Kathleen King, Chief Deputy Clerk

**NOTE:** A recording of these proceedings, the Board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the Clerk, during the meeting, are part of the public record. These materials are available for review, in the Clerk's Office, during regular business hours.

**1 - 4. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (8:31:31) - Mayor Crowell called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. Ms. King called the roll; a quorum was present. Airport Road Church of Christ Pastor Bruce Henderson provided the invocation. At Mayor Crowell's request, Steve Hartman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT** (8:33:37) - Mayor Crowell entertained public comment; however, none was forthcoming.

**6. POSSIBLE ACTION ON ADOPTION OF AGENDA** (8:33:47) - Mayor Crowell entertained modifications to the agenda and, when none were forthcoming, deemed the agenda adopted as published.

**7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION AND UPDATE FOR NATIONAL RADON MONTH** (8:34:50) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and read into the record the language of the Proclamation which was included in the agenda materials. Mayor Crowell presented the original Proclamation to Radon Education Coordinator Nadia Noel. (8:37:57) Ms. Noel thanked the Board for the Proclamation, and presented information regarding radon testing. She advised that radon test kits are available at the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension on Northgate Lane, and she related information for presentations which will take place throughout the state. Ms. Noel responded to questions of clarification. Mayor Crowell thanked Ms. Noel for her attendance and presentation.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

(8:44:05) - Mayor Crowell introduced the consent agenda and entertained requests to hear items separately. When no requests were forthcoming, Mayor Crowell entertained a motion. **Supervisor Bonkowski moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of one item from the Finance Department. Supervisor**

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**Bagwell seconded the motion.** Mayor Crowell called for a vote.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved [5 - 0]
<b>MOVER:</b>	Supervisor Brad Bonkowski
<b>SECOND:</b>	Supervisor Lori Bagwell
<b>AYES:</b>	Supervisors Bonkowski, Bagwell, Abowd, Barrette, and Mayor Crowell
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None

**8. FINANCE DEPARTMENT - POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF EACH FUND IN THE TREASURY AND THE STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, THROUGH DECEMBER 21, 2018, PURSUANT TO NRS 251.030 AND NRS 354.290**

**ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND OTHER ITEMS**

**9. ITEM(S) PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE HEARD AT THIS TIME -** None.

**10. ASSESSOR - POSSIBLE ACTION TO REAPPOINT TWO MEMBERS TO THE CARSON CITY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION BASED UPON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAYOR, PURSUANT TO NRS 361.340, AND FOR THE MAYOR TO DESIGNATE A CHAIR (8:44:34) -** Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Assessor Dave Dawley presented the agenda materials. Mayor Crowell entertained disclosures, and Supervisor Bonkowski read a prepared disclosure statement into the record. Supervisor Bonkowski advised that he would abstain from discussion and action regarding the reappointment of Mallory Wilson. Mayor Crowell entertained a motion to reappoint Jill Rasner to the Carson City Board of Equalization. **Supervisor Bagwell moved to appoint Jill Rasner to the Carson City Board of Equalization. Supervisor Abowd seconded the motion.** Mayor Crowell called for a vote on the pending motion.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved [5 - 0]
<b>MOVER:</b>	Supervisor Lori Bagwell
<b>SECOND:</b>	Supervisor Karen Abowd
<b>AYES:</b>	Supervisors Abowd, Bagwell, Bonkowski, Barrette, and Mayor Crowell
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None

Mayor Crowell entertained a motion regarding the appointment of Mallory Wilson. **Supervisor Abowd moved to reappoint Mallory Wilson to the Carson City Board of Equalization. Supervisor Barrette seconded the motion.** Mayor Crowell called for a vote on the pending motion.

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<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved [4 - 0 - 1]
<b>MOVER:</b>	Supervisor Karen Abowd
<b>SECOND:</b>	Supervisor John Barrette
<b>AYES:</b>	Supervisors Abowd, Barrette, Bagwell, and Mayor Crowell
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Supervisor Brad Bonkowski

Pursuant to NRS 361.340, Mayor Crowell appointed Jed Block as chair of the Carson City Board of Equalization. In response to a question, Mr. Dawley provided a brief overview of last year's Board of Equalization process. He advised that two appeal forms were sent out for 2019.

**11. PUBLIC GUARDIAN - PRESENTATION OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN ON THE PROGRESS OF THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN AND THE STATUS OF OPEN CASES OF PROTECTED PERSONS (8:47:49)** - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and Public Guardian Jean Perpich presented the agenda materials. In response to a question, Ms. Perpich advised of 73 active cases. Mayor Crowell entertained questions or comments and, when none were forthcoming, thanked Ms. Perpich for her report.

**12. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, PLANNING DIVISION**

**12(A) POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT BILL NO. 124, ON SECOND READING, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CHANGE OF ZONING FROM RETAIL COMMERCIAL AND SINGLE FAMILY ONE ACRE TO RETAIL COMMERCIAL, ON PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 4530 AND 4580 COCHISE STREET, APNs 009-265-01, -02, -03 AND 009-267-06 AND -07 (8:51:56)** - Mayor Crowell introduced this item and, in response to a question, Community Development Director Lee Plemel advised of no changes to the proposed ordinance, since introduction on first reading. Mayor Crowell entertained Board member and public comments and, when none were forthcoming, a motion. **Supervisor Abowd moved to adopt Bill No. 124, Ordinance No. 2019-1, on second reading. Supervisor Bagwell seconded the motion.** Mayor Crowell entertained discussion on the motion. Supervisor Bonkowski advised that he was unable to make finding number 2, and would be voting against the motion. Mayor Crowell entertained additional discussion on the motion and, when none was forthcoming, called for a vote.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved [4 - 1]
<b>MOVER:</b>	Supervisor Karen Abowd
<b>SECOND:</b>	Supervisor Lori Bagwell
<b>AYES:</b>	Supervisors Abowd, Bagwell, Barrette, and Mayor Crowell
<b>NAYS:</b>	Supervisor Brad Bonkowski
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None

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**12(B) POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT BILL NO. 125, ON SECOND READING, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CHANGE OF ZONING FOR A 119.1-ACRE SITE, FROM GENERAL INDUSTRIAL TO SINGLE FAMILY 6,000 FOR APPROXIMATELY 68.3 ACRES; MULTI-FAMILY APARTMENT FOR APPROXIMATELY 18.0 ACRES; GENERAL COMMERCIAL FOR APPROXIMATELY 13.9 ACRES; AND PUBLIC REGIONAL FOR APPROXIMATELY 18.9 ACRES, FOR PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF US HIGHWAY 50 AND NORTHEAST OF DEER RUN ROAD, WITHIN THE V&T SPECIFIC PLAN AREA, APNs 008-521-54, -55, -89, -90; 008-522-16, -17, -18; 008-531-59 AND -60 (8:53:58) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item and entertained public comment. When no public comment was forthcoming, Mayor Crowell entertained a motion. **Supervisor Bonkowski moved to adopt Bill No. 125, Ordinance No. 2019-2, on second reading. Supervisor Bagwell seconded the motion.** Planning Manager Hope Sullivan acknowledged no changes to the proposed ordinance since introduction, on first reading. Mayor Crowell entertained discussion on the motion and, when none was forthcoming, called for a vote.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved [5 - 0]
<b>MOVER:</b>	Supervisor Brad Bonkowski
<b>SECOND:</b>	Supervisor Lori Bagwell
<b>AYES:</b>	Supervisors Bonkowski, Bagwell, Barrette, Abowd, and Mayor Crowell
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None

**13. CITY MANAGER - POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT ONE PERSON TO THE CULTURE AND TOURISM AUTHORITY BOARD IN THE HOTEL / MOTEL OPERATOR POSITION, TO FILL AN UNEXPIRED TERM THAT WILL EXPIRE IN JULY 2020 (8:55:31) - Mayor Crowell introduced this item, and entertained a motion. Supervisor Bagwell moved to appoint Trish Trenoweth to the Culture and Tourism Authority Board to represent the hotel and motel industry operator in Carson City. Supervisor Barrette seconded the motion.** Mayor Crowell called for a vote on the pending motion.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved [5 - 0]
<b>MOVER:</b>	Supervisor Lori Bagwell
<b>SECOND:</b>	Supervisor John Barrette
<b>AYES:</b>	Supervisors Bagwell, Barrette, Abowd, Bonkowski, and Mayor Crowell
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	None

Mayor Crowell welcomed Trish Trenoweth to the meeting table. (8:56:32) Ms. Trenoweth thanked the Board for the appointment, and expressed excitement for the opportunity.

**14. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NON-ACTION ITEMS:  
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

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**STATUS REVIEW OF PROJECTS**

**INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**STATUS REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS (8:57:14)** - Mayor Crowell reminded everyone of the swearing-in ceremony scheduled for 12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> in the Third Floor Courthouse Specialty Court. Mayor Crowell advised that the Governor's Inauguration is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.

**STAFF COMMENTS AND STATUS REPORTS**

**15. PUBLIC COMMENT (8:58:40)** - At Mayor Crowell's request, the Board members moved to the meeting floor. Mayor Crowell presented Supervisor Abowd with two framed photographs, and read into the record the inscription of a plaque affixed to one of the photographs. Mayor Crowell provided the Board members an opportunity to comment. Supervisor Bonkowski referenced his comments made at the December 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to have served with Supervisor Abowd. Supervisor Bagwell expressed appreciation for the opportunity to have served with Supervisor Abowd. She wished Supervisor Abowd and her husband, Charlie Abowd, well in their future endeavors. Supervisor Barrette thanked Supervisor Abowd and her husband, Charlie, for their service to the City. Mayor Crowell commended Supervisor Abowd's work ethic, and thanked her for her service to the City.

(9:03:18) Charlie Abowd recalled his attendance at Supervisor Abowd's first Board of Supervisors meeting where he presented her with a bouquet of flowers. He had placed a beautiful bouquet on a pedestal in front of Supervisor Abowd's chair at the dais prior to the start of the meeting. "In between these bouquets of flowers, the first day Karen sat on that chair, she had a vision, she had a plan. She has the style which she carried through her full eight years, being able to work evenly with politically and life-marginalized people the same as she would with any politically established power brokers to achieve an agreement that worked for all. I got to see her do this on a daily basis. Me, personally, I'm not surprised. Our 47 years have been nothing but that kind of activity so I knew she was the right person at the right time. Too often in politics, we do a lot of studies, we do a lot of talking, we don't do a lot of doing and, through the last eight years, with this Board of Supervisors and the previous Board that she worked with, there was a lot accomplished. There's a place for animals. There's a safe and complete place for the children of Carson City. There is a revitalized downtown area that's going to be a gift that's going to keep on giving. We've got the south corridor, the east corridor and the north corridor all on schedule. But ... the least acknowledged or the quietest thing that she did, worked with a lot of people, to establish a safe and complete service for women who have been sexually assaulted, the SART program, which is a big deal. So me, personally, this is the woman I married and I expect to spend a lot of time with her in the future and, yes, she's not going away."

(9:06:27) Steve Hartman advised of having known Charlie and Karen "since they've been in town. I was remarking that I remembered when I first starting going to supervisor meetings ... we had three members and they were across from [the Mayor's] old law office on Telegraph Street. ... But I think having served

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on Redevelopment and Open Space, I have a pretty decent understanding of what it takes to make things click in this community. And Karen had that thing that is very difficult to put your finger on. It's what Charlie knew all along and that is, to talk about a plan or a program and visualize what it's going to look like when it's done. That's a very, very uncommon attribute to have that ability. And I think Karen has done that to the nth degree. And ... Charlie named off a whole lot of stuff. But I think the one thing, the biggie as I see it, not to diminish the importance of the others, is The Greenhouse Project and what that has done for this community. Unbelievable. Just an amazing thing. But I think that the piece that goes with that is kind of what Charlie was saying and that is, we all have been involved who've been in government or in planning and development and all that. It's really easy to come up with an idea. It's really a lot harder to make it happen and, for those of us who have a bent for the outdoors, that takes what I call a camp boss. That takes somebody who's going to stay on task and make it happen. And very frankly, with a lot of the open space, a lot of the stuff that all of you have been involved with, in terms of improving downtown, which is a big kudo to all of you, you need that camp boss that just keeps plowing ahead. And that's not easy to do because there's a lot of people who say you can't do this and you can't do that but there's not a lot of them who say ... we can all do this together. So, you're an amazing lady. Good job!"

(9:10:28) Don Carlson advised that his approach would be "a bit different because I am a bit different. As an up-close participant, as well as a research-based observer, of Nevada's elected public servants, I've had the good fortune, both time and resources for over four decades, to be a student of the Silver State's political class. My appearance today is to state two insightful observations about the political character of Supervisor Karen Abowd. In so doing, I will draw from the work about character by the late Duke University Political Science Professor James David Barber; his thesis, "Character is the Determinant of Job Performance." Supervisor Abowd is one of the too few elected Nevadans with the active, positive characteristic of productiveness, adaptiveness, rational mastery and success. In applying Barber's model, the active, positive character is why Karen not only sees herself but how she orients herself toward life and experience, not for the moment but enduringly. My other observation is linked to the late Columbia University Sociologist Robert Merton. Among many of Merton's conclusions, a most timely and noteworthy one is about bureaucrats who too often focus on rules and regulations to the point of undermining the organization's goals. Merton entitled this belief as a bureaucratic ritualism. I recognize and thank Supervisor Abowd, as a member of the Carson City political class, for not being a bureaucratic ritualist. Lastly, I express my appreciation for Supervisor Abowd's eight-year tenure resulting in long-standing achievements for our Carson City. Thank you!"

(9:13:12) Karl Neathammer advised that his father was a Naval officer "and taught me the three Ls. First you listen, you learn, and you can lead. You've done that. You've never compromised your own principles, but you were always working for a compromise. You did listen to an old, ugly jackass like me and we owe you a lot. Thank you!"

(9:14:42) Gary Ailes thanked Supervisor Abowd for everything she has done. "I understand how to plan surgeries. I couldn't plan a city on a bet. But you've been so thorough in the work that you do and being sure that you understood every aspect of it that I've just been amazed. So, I really appreciate you and I honor you."

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(9:15:20) Mark Rotter advised of having been involved “with the Board of Supervisors in one way or another, normally on the other side of the table, for close to 30 years ... But in all the people that I’ve watched up here, it’s unique that everybody has their own personalities, their own approaches, and Karen’s character, integrity, all of those words that get overused, is unbelievable. Every time she works through something, she’s super thoughtful. Her honesty and integrity is just unbelievable again. Most importantly, ... she got attacked by a lot of people over her time. And she just stayed the course, continued to do what was right. She’s done wonderful things for this City and ... anybody that, as they come on the Board, could take her as an example of how you do this. Thank you very much!”

Mayor Crowell entertained additional public comment. He commended the gentlemen on their thoughtful comments. (9:17:14) Supervisor Abowd thanked everyone. “To the people that I’ve worked with that have given their personal best every day, it was a gift to be able to work with all of you. And to the wisdom in this room, many of whom have spoken today, I couldn’t have done it without you. And to my family who has supported me, through good, bad, and otherwise, talking to myself about things, I’m so and forever appreciative. It was a privilege to have served this community. I’m glad to have helped make a difference. I didn’t do it alone and I’m grateful for all of you that made it happen. Thank you!”

The Board members, City staff, and citizens present applauded. Mayor Crowell entertained additional public comment; however, none was forthcoming.

**16. ACTION TO ADJOURN** (9:20:20) - Mayor Crowell wished everyone Happy New Year, and adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

The Minutes of the January 3, 2019 Carson City Board of Supervisors meeting are so approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February, 2019.

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ROBERT L. CROWELL, Mayor

ATTEST:

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AUBREY ROWLATT, Clerk - Recorder