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MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time: April 9, 2024, 10:00 AM

Location: Old Assembly Chambers of the Capitol Building
101 North Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Video Conference Location: 1 Harrahs Court, Governor's Conference Room
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Governor Joe Lombardo
Secretary of State Francisco V. Aguilar
Attorney General Aaron Ford

STAFF PRESENT:

Amy Stephenson, Clerk of the Board
Rosalie Bordelove, Board Counsel

OTHERS PRESENT:

Marni Watkins, Bureau Chief, Office of the Attorney General
Kacey KC, Division Administrator, State Department of Natural Resources
Jim Wells, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Governor: We will go ahead and begin the State of Nevada Board of Examiners' Meeting scheduled for today, April 9, 2024 at 10:00 am. Could I please have the Clerk call the roll?

Clerk of the Board: Governor Lombardo.

Governor: Present.

Clerk of the Board: Secretary of State Aguilar.

Secretary of State: Here.

Clerk of the Board: Attorney General Ford.

Attorney General: Here.

Clerk of the Board: Let the record reflect we have a quorum, sir.

- 2. Public Comment** The first public comment period is limited to comments on items on the agenda. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. The Chair of the Board has imposed a time limit of three minutes. Public comment may be provided in person or via telephone. To provide public comment on an item on the agenda via telephone, dial 775-321-6111 or 702-329-3435. When prompted to provide the meeting ID, please enter 995 493 37#. When the Chair opens the public comment period, dial *5 to request to be unmuted. To resolve any issues related to dialing in to provide public comment for this meeting, please call (775) 684-0222.

Governor: We will move on to agenda item number 2, *Public Comment*. This public comment period is limited to comments on items on the agenda. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under the public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. Please limit your comments to three minutes. Public comment may be provided in person or via telephone. The telephone number is 775-321-6111 or 702-329-3435 and meeting ID number is 995 493 37#.

Do we have any public comment there in Carson City?

Clerk of the Board: No, sir.

Governor: Do we have anyone for public comment here in Las Vegas? Hearing and seeing none.

Do we have anyone on the phone for public comment?

Clerk of the Board: We do not, sir.

Governor: We will close the first opportunity for public comment.

- 3. Approval of the March 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes** (For possible action)

Governor: Agenda item number 3, *Approval of the March 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes*. Do any Board Members have any questions on the Meeting Minutes?

Attorney General: Not here. Move approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

4. State Vehicle Purchases (For possible action)

Pursuant to NRS 334.010, no automobile may be purchased by any department, office, bureau, officer, or employee of the state without prior written consent of the State Board of Examiners.

AGENCY NAME	# OF VEHICLES	NOT TO EXCEED:
Commission on Mineral Resources – Division of Minerals	1	\$52,442
Department of Public Safety – State Fire Marshal Division	1	\$27,386

Governor: We'll move on to agenda item number 4, *State Vehicle Purchases*.

Clerk of the Board: There are two requests under this agenda item. The first request is from the Commission on Mineral Resources, Division of Minerals. The division requests approval to purchase one replacement vehicle for a total amount not to exceed \$52,442.

The second request is from the Department of Public Safety, State Fire Marshal Division. The division requests approval to purchase one replacement vehicle for a total amount not to exceed \$27,386. Are there any questions on any of these items?

Governor: Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

5. Authorization for an Emergency Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee (For possible action)

Governor's Office of Energy

Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 4, the office seeks a favorable recommendation regarding its determination to use the emergency provision to contract with former employee Karen Long to assist in grant and fiscal work for the Governor's Office of Energy through statewide contract #99SWC-NV21-7577 with HAT Limited Partnership dba Manpower.

Governor: Agenda item number 5, *Authorization for an Emergency Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee*.

Clerk of the Board: Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 4, the Governor's Office of Energy seeks a favorable recommendation regarding its determination to use the emergency

provision to contract with the former employee to assist in grant and fiscal work in the Governor's Office of Energy on a part-time basis through Manpower. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Yes, I have a question. It is my understanding that this individual didn't have the 90-day cooling off period as required per statute, is that correct?

Clerk of the Board: Yes, that is correct, sir.

Governor: Then, is it also correct that as a result, they did not continue with this individual?

Clerk of the Board: Yes, sir. That is correct.

Governor: If we don't have any other questions, I'll move for an unfavorable recommendation for agenda item number 5.

Secretary of State: I second the motion.

Governor: We have a motion on the floor. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

6. Authorization to Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee (For possible action)

A. Department of Business and Industry – Office of the Labor Commissioner

Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 1, Department of Administration, Purchasing Division requests authority to contract with former employee Lupita Martinez to assist with apprenticeship compliance work for the Department of Business and Industry, Office of the Labor Commissioner through statewide contract #99SWC-NV21-7577 with HAT Limited Partnership, dba Manpower.

B. Department of Public Safety

Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 1, Department of Administration, Purchasing Division requests authority to contract with Robert Plant, a current employee with the Department of Wildlife, to provide motorcycle safety course training for the Department of Public Safety through statewide contract #99SWC-NV21-7576 with Marathon Staffing Group, Inc.

Governor: Move to agenda item number 6, *Authorization to Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee*. Let's take those separately, Ms. Stephenson.

Clerk of the Board: The first request is from the Department of Business and Industry, Office of the Labor Commissioner, through the Department of Administration, Purchasing Division. The office intends to contract with a former employee from April 10, 2024, through

September 29, 2024, on a part-time basis, through Manpower. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Are there any questions?

Attorney General: Not here.

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Clerk of the Board: The second request is from the Department of Public Safety through the Department of Administration, Purchasing Division. The department intends to contract with a former employee from April 15, 2024, through October 15, 2024, on a part-time basis, through Marathon Staffing Group. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Are there questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve item 6.B.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

7. Request for Approval to Pay a Tort Claim from the Tort Claim Fund Pursuant to NRS 41.036

(For possible action)

Pursuant to NRS 41.036, the Office of the Attorney General submits the following Tort Claim request for approval:

Claimant:	Reginald Howard
Claim No:	TC21008
Settlement Amount:	\$150,000
Date of Loss:	September 25, 2015

Governor: Agenda item number 7, *Request for Approval to Pay a Tort Claim from the Tort Claim Fund Pursuant to NRS 41.036*.

Clerk of the Board: Pursuant to NRS 41.036, the Office of the Attorney General submits the following tort claim request for approval. Claimant: Reginald Howard; Claim Number: TC21008; Settlement Amount: 150,000; and Date of Loss is September 25, 2015. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Are there questions?

Secretary of State: I do, and it's totally random question, but why is the Department of Corrections (NDOC) required to pay \$500?

Marni Watkins: Marnie Watkins from Complex Litigation. I did not work on this case and I'm not part of the NDOC but I am aware of the \$500 that they have to pay in the settlement. The first \$500 is NDOC's contract with the state that for any settlement, the first \$500 has to come out of their budget.

Governor: Did that answer your question?

Secretary of State: Yes, I was just more curious than anything. Thank you. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

8. Request for Approval to Pay a Tort Claim from the Statutory Contingency Account Pursuant to NRS 41.036 (For possible action)

Pursuant to NRS 41.036, the Office of the Attorney General submits the following Tort Claim request for approval:

A. Claimant: Bonnie Lopez, Colleen Lackey, Estate of Melody Morgan
Claim No: TC20983
Settlement Amount: \$1,350,000
Date of Loss: April 28, 2018

B. Claimant: Rupert Gamo
Claim No: TC20265
Settlement Amount: \$100,000
Date of Loss: October 1, 2022

Claimant: Adrienn Albert
Claim No: TC20266
Settlement Amount: \$115,000
Date of Loss: October 1, 2022

Governor: *Move to item number 8, Request for Approval to Pay a Tort Claim from the Statutory Contingency Account Pursuant to NRS 41.036. Let's take those separately, please.*

Clerk of the Board: Pursuant to NRS 41.036, the Office of Attorney General submits the following Tort Claim request for approval. Claimant: Bonnie Lopez, Colleen Lackey, Estate of Melody Morgan; Claim Number is TC20983; Settlement Amount: \$1,350,000; Date of Loss: April 28, 2018. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Are there any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Governor: Item 8.B, please.

Clerk of the Board: For the two claims, Claimants: Rupert Gamo and Adrienn Albert; Claim No: TC20265 and TC20266; Settlement Amount: \$215,000; Date of Loss: October 1, 2022. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

9. Request for a Recommendation of Approval to the Interim Finance Committee for a Grant or Loan from the Disaster Relief Account
(For possible action)

Office of the Military – Division of Emergency Management – Disaster Response and Recovery Act

Pursuant to NRS 353.274, section 2, the division requests an approval of grant funds in the amount of \$120,689 from the Disaster Relief Account to cover emergency response and management costs associated with Hurricane Hillary.

Governor: Agenda item number 9, *Request for a Recommendation of Approval to the Interim Finance Committee for a Grant or Loan from the Disaster Relief Account.*

Clerk of the Board: Pursuant to NRS 353.274, section 2, the Office of the Military, Division of Emergency Management requests an approval of grant funds from the Disaster Relief Account to cover emergency response and management costs associated with Hurricane Hilary. Please note the requested amount of \$120,689 has been revised to \$115,892. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Then, that's alright with the lower revision amount?

Rosalie Bordelove: Right. If you're approving a payment amount, it's okay to approve an amount less than but not more.

Governor: Do we have any questions on this item?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

10. Request for the Allocation and Disbursement of Funds for Salary Adjustments (For possible action)

The 2023 Legislature, through Assembly Bill 522, made appropriations from the General Fund and the Highway Fund to the Board of Examiners to meet salary deficiencies that may be created between the appropriated money of the State’s respective departments, commissions, and agencies and the salary requirements for the personnel of those departments, commissions, and agencies. The Board of Examiners, upon recommendation of the Director of the Governor’s Finance Office, may allocate and disburse amounts, from the appropriate fund, to the departments, commissions, and agencies of the State for the purpose of paying personnel salary deficiencies.

The following department, commission, and agency requests for allocations from the General Fund and/or Highway Fund salary adjustment accounts are recommended by the Director of Finance:

A. Nevada System of Higher Education

Pursuant to AB 522, section 22, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the system requests funds for salary increases for its sworn positions.

BA#	BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME	GENERAL FUND ADJUSTMENT
2980	University of Nevada, Reno	\$185,181
	Total	\$185,181

B. Nevada System of Higher Education

Pursuant to AB 522, section 7, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the system requests funds for salary increases.

BA#	BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME	GENERAL FUND ADJUSTMENT
3010	Desert Research Institute	\$573,244
3018	Truckee Meadows Community College	\$3,201,992
	Total	\$3,775,236

Governor: *Request for the Allocation and Disbursement of Funds for Salary Adjustments.* We’ll take these separately.

Clerk of the Board: The 2023 Legislature, through Assembly Bill 522, made appropriations from the General Fund and the Highway Fund to the Board of Examiners to meet salary

deficiencies that may be created between the appropriated money of the State's respective departments, commissions, and agencies and the salary requirements for the personnel of those departments, commissions, and agencies. The following request for allocation from the General Fund and or Highway Fund Salary Adjustment Account is recommended.

The first request is from the Nevada System of Higher Education in the amount of \$185,181 in General Funds for salary increases for its sworn positions. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: No, no question, but a comment, Ms. Stephenson. So we have not seen UNLV's request for the two grade upgrade. Is that pending? Are we going up against any deadline that would have an adjustment of that?

Clerk of the Board: I will reach out and follow up, sir. I don't have an answer right now but I'll get back to you.

Governor: Do we have any questions on agenda item number 10.A?

Secretary of State: No questions.

Attorney General: Not here. Move approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Clerk of the Board: The second request is from the Nevada System of Higher Education in the amount of \$3,775,236 in General Funds for salary increases. Are there any questions on this item?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Attorney General: Not here.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

11. Request for a Recommendation of Approval to the Interim Finance Committee for an Allocation Amount from the Contingency Account
(For possible action)

A. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Division of Forestry

Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the division requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$114,156 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account for maintenance, utilities, and communications expenditures.

B. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Division of Forestry

Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the division requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$6,404,612 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to fund an increase in fire suppression costs.

C. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources – Division of Water Resources

Pursuant to NRS 532.230, the division requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$250,000 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to restore funds in the Channel Clearance Account for the channel clearance, maintenance, restoration, surveying, and monumenting program for channel clearance activities.

D. Department of Education

Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the department requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$38,729 in fiscal year 24 and \$120,126 in fiscal year 25 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to fund the addition of one new classified Education Programs Supervisor.

E. Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation – Rehabilitation Division

Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the department requests an allocation of \$492,216 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to cover a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Governor: Agenda item number 11, *Request for a Recommendation of Approval to the Interim Finance Committee for an Allocation Amount from the Contingency Account.* We will take them separately.

Clerk of the Board: There are five requests under this agenda item. The first request is from State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry. Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the division requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$114,156 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account for maintenance, utilities, and communications expenditures. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Any questions?

Attorney General: Not here. Move approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Clerk of the Board: The second request is from the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry. Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the division requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$6,404,612 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to fund an increase in fire suppression costs. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: I have a question. Does this cover the total amount expected? Are you aware?

Kacey KC: Good morning, Governor, Members of the Board. This is Kacey KC for the record. I'm State Forester Fire Warden. No, we anticipate we'll be back here in June as well. We're looking at probably closer to \$9 or \$10 million, depending on how the fire season shapes up to the end of the year. This was our best projection at the time with the bills we had on hand and the projections that we use of a five-year average of what would get us to the end of the year. Since that timeframe, it has grown to \$1 million in bills today.

Governor: So, it's sufficient for you to continue business as usual with approval of today's amount?

Kacey KC: This will pay \$6.4 million in bills and we will continue to push other bills until we have the next contingency account request. In this account, we do have an override, so, if we don't have the sufficient authority, we can override some of the payments.

Governor: Thank you, Kacey. Are there any other questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Clerk of the Board: The third request is from the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources. Pursuant to NRS 532.230, the division requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$250,000 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to restore funds in the Channel Clearance Account for the channel clearance, maintenance, restoration, surveying, and monumenting program for channel clearance activities. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Do we have any questions or a motion?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion for approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Clerk of the Board: This next request is from the Department of Education. Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the department requests a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee for an allocation of \$38,729 in fiscal year 2024 and \$120,126 in fiscal year 2025 from the

Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to fund the addition of one new classified Education Programs Supervisor. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion for approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Clerk of the Board: This last request is from the Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation, Rehabilitation Division. Pursuant to NRS 353.268, the Department requests an allocation of \$492,216 from the Interim Finance Committee Contingency Account to cover a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions. Motion for approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

12. Approval of Proposed Leases (For possible action)

Governor: Agenda item number 12, *Approval of Proposed Leases*.

Clerk of the Board: There are four leases on the agenda under item number 12 for approval by the Board today. Are there any questions on any of these leases?

Governor: Do we have any questions.

Attorney General: None here.

Governor: Hearing none. I'll entertain a for a motion for approval.

Attorney General: So moved.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

13. Approval of Proposed Contracts (For possible action)

Governor: Agenda item number 13, *Approval of Proposed Contracts*.

Clerk of the Board: There are 53 contracts on the agenda under item number 13 for approval by the Board today. Please note that contract number 51 with the Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation in Douglas County is no longer contingent upon

an IFC Work Program as it has been determined there is sufficient budgetary authority available. Also, please note contract number 40 has been withdrawn by the agency. Are there any questions on any of these contracts?

Governor: If there are no questions, I will entertain a motion.

Secretary of State: Motion to approve.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

14. Approval of Proposed Master Service Agreements (For possible action)

Governor: Agenda item number 14, *Approval of Proposed Master Service Agreements*.

Clerk of the Board: There are five Master Service Agreements on the agenda item under number 14 for approval by the Board. Please note that the Master Service Agreement number 5 with Reno Behavioral Healthcare Hospital has been withdrawn by the Purchasing Division. Are there any questions on these items?

Governor: Any questions? I'll entertain a motion for approval.

Attorney General: Move approval.

Governor: We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

15. Information Item – Clerk of the Board Contracts

Pursuant to NRS 333.700, the Clerk of the Board may approve all contract transactions for amounts less than \$100,000. Per direction from the September 14, 2021 meeting of the Board of Examiners, the Board wished to receive an informational item listing all approvals applicable to the new threshold (\$10,000 - \$99,999). Attached is a list of all applicable approvals for contracts and amendments approved from February 14, 2024 through March 12, 2024.

Governor: Agenda item number 15, *Information Item – Clerk of the Board Contracts*.

Clerk of the Board: There are 54 contracts over \$10,000 and under the \$100,000 threshold that were approved by the Clerk of the Board from February 14, 2024 through March 12, 2024. This item is informational. Are there any questions on any of these items?

Attorney General: None here.

Governor: I understand this is informational only but on contract numbers 17 and 18, are these contracts separate projects or did they split one project into two contracts?

Clerk of the Board: These are two separate projects. Bidding assistance is related to the Railroad Museum and Visitor Center that is currently out to bid, and the AP Visitor Center Master Plan is for the land behind the Future Visitor Center. So, these are two separate projects.

Governor: Any other questions or concerns?

Hearing none, we will close agenda item number 15.

16. Information Item Reports

Governor's Finance Office – Budget Division

Pursuant to NRS Chapter 353, the Governor's Finance Office, Budget Division presents a reconciled fund balance report for the Tort Claim Fund, Statutory Contingency Account, Stale Claims Account, Emergency Account, Disaster Relief Account, IFC Unrestricted Contingency Funds, and the IFC Contingency Fund as of March 10, 2024.

Below is the available balance for each account prior to any projected outstanding claims.

Tort Claim Fund	\$ 911,355.91
Statutory Contingency Account	\$ 7,787,230.80
Stale Claims Account	\$ 3,766,981.70
Emergency Account	\$ 500,000.00
Disaster Relief Account	\$ 11,045,555.03
IFC Contingency Unrestricted General Fund	\$ 24,279,651.39
IFC Contingency Unrestricted Highway Fund	\$ 1,184,685.35
IFC Contingency Restricted General Fund	\$ 340,311,182.00
IFC Contingency Restricted Highway Fund	\$ 27,384,820.00

Governor: Agenda item number 16, *Information Item Reports, Governor's Finance Office, Budget Division.*

Clerk of the Board: There is one report under this agenda item from the Governor's Finance Office, Budget Division. Pursuant to NRS Chapter 353, the Governor's Finance Office, Budget Division presents a reconciled fund balance report for the Tort Claim Fund, Statutory Contingency Account, Stale Claims Account, Emergency Account, Disaster Relief Account, IFC Unrestricted Contingency Fund, and the IFC Contingency Fund as of March 10, 2024.

The following is the available balance for each account prior to any projected outstanding claims. Tort Claim Fund \$911,355.91; Statutory Contingency Account \$7,787,230.80; Stale Claims Account \$3,766,981.70; Emergency Account \$500,000.00; Disaster Relief Account \$11,045,555.03; IFC Contingency Unrestricted General Fund \$24,279,651.39; IFC Contingency Unrestricted Highway Fund \$1,184,685.35; IFC Contingency Restricted

General Fund \$340,311,182.00; IFC Contingency Restricted Highway Fund \$27,384,820.00. Are there any questions on this item?

Governor: Yes, Ms. Stephenson. In reference to agenda item 11 being the \$6.4 million and then a projection of a possible additional 4 million, does that fall under the IFC Contingency Unrestricted General Fund?

Clerk of the Board: Yes, sir, it does.

Governor: So, with what was approved for recommendation today, I see that we may be in a future precarious position. Is that correct?

Clerk of the Board: That is correct, sir.

Governor: I just wanted to make sure the other Board Members are aware that if we were to run out of funds prior to the next legislative session, it would require a special session to allocate funds. So, I just want you both to be fully aware if we don't make it to the next legislative session. Do you have any questions or concerns on that or comment?

Secretary of State: I guess not.

Governor: Hearing none. Any other questions?

Attorney General: Governor, I did have a question. So, are we in danger of depleting? I know the Tort Claims Fund is very low, and we're going to need more money for the Tort Claim Fund before the year is out. There's no question about that. So, is it your contention then that replenishing the Tort Claim Fund is going to require a special session or am I misunderstanding?

Governor: I'm not sure. I'll have to get an opinion on that because I agree with you. I don't think we're going to make it to June of next year depending on what comes out of your Office and then out of the emergency declarations associated with fire and other issues we deal with as the State. So, we will keep informed as we work through this but I think it's important that the situation we are in is understood.

Attorney General: I appreciate that. I do know the Tort Claim Fund needs substantially more money than what we have. We have a lot of claims pending in settlement conferences with Federal Courts, in State Courts that are going to be requiring funds. We want to be cognizant of that fact and I do appreciate the notice there. We can work offline, Governor, as we have in the past, to be sure that we can do what's best for the State on these types of claims.

Governor: If I look back through the documents from today, we awarded \$150,000 out of that particular account. You're looking at 760,000 available. The Budget Office will obviously be in constant contact as we work through this process. Alright?

Attorney General: Alright.

Governor: Any other comments?

Secretary of State: I have another random question. I know it's a random question. What's the cash management on this and is there interest earnings on these accounts?

Clerk of the Board: I don't know the answer to that. I don't believe that they earn interest, but I can find out for you.

Governor: Is Mr. Wells in attendance there? Is he able to answer that question?

Jim Wells: Good morning. Jim Wells, Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Lombardo. These accounts do not earn interest. The interest from these accounts goes to the General Fund portfolio.

Secretary of State: Thank you, Mr. Wells.

Governor: If there are no further questions, I will close agenda item number 16.

17. Public Comment

This public comment period is for any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the public body. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an action item. The Chair of the Board has imposed a time limit of three minutes. Public comment may be provided in person or via telephone. To provide public comment on an item on the agenda via telephone, dial 775-321-6111 or 702-329-3435. When prompted to provide the meeting ID, please enter 995 493 37#. When the Chair opens the public comment period, dial *5 to request to be unmuted. To resolve any issues related to dialing in to provide public comment for this meeting, please call (775) 684-0222.

Governor: Agenda item number 17, *Public Comment*. This is the second opportunity for Public Comment. Same phone call-in information to dial if needed. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

Do we have any public comment there in Carson City?

Clerk of the Board: We do not, sir.

Governor: Do we have anyone here in Las Vegas? Hearing none.

Do we have anybody on the phone?

Clerk of the Board: We do not, sir.

Governor: We will close public comment.

18. Adjournment (For possible action)

Governor: Agenda item number 18, *Adjournment*.

Motion to adjourn. All in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

Thank you. Everybody have a great day.