

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE  
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND  
MINING**

**Seventy-Fourth Session  
February 14, 2007**

The Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining was called to order by Chair Jerry D. Claborn at 1:57 p.m., on Wednesday, February 14, 2007, in Room 3161 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)), the Attendance Roster ([Exhibit B](#)), and other substantive exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at [www.leg.state.nv.us/74th/committees/](http://www.leg.state.nv.us/74th/committees/). In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: [publications@lcb.state.nv.us](mailto:publications@lcb.state.nv.us); telephone: 775-684-6835).

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Jerry D. Claborn, Chair  
Mr. Joseph Hogan, Vice Chair  
Mr. Kelvin Atkinson  
Mr. David Bobzien  
Mr. John C. Carpenter  
Mr. Pete Goicoechea  
Mr. Tom Grady  
Mr. Ruben Kihuen  
Mr. John W. Marvel  
Mr. James Ohrenschall  
Mrs. Debbie Smith

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jennifer Ruedy, Committee Policy Analyst  
Randy Stephenson, Committee Counsel  
Betty Francis, Committee Secretary



**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Pamela B. Wilcox, Administrator, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

John J. Slaughter, Management Services Director, Washoe County

**Assembly Bill 22: Authorizes the State Land Registrar to transfer certain real property owned by the State of Nevada to Washoe County and the Sierra Fire Protection District. (BDR S-367)**

**Chair Claborn:**

Will the Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining please come to order. We welcome everyone in the audience and also listening in on the Internet. Committee Secretary, will you let the record show that we have a quorum and everybody is present. We were going to hear bill A.B. 22, and Mrs. Wilcox was going to give a presentation. Would you like to come back on another date?

**Pam Wilcox, Administrator, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources:**  
That will be fine, we will come back.

**Chair Claborn:**

We will begin with A.B. 22. Will the proponent of the bill, please step up.

**John Slaughter, Management Services Director, Washoe County:**

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is a bill that Washoe County asked the Legislature to take a look at this session. The bill is seeking legislative authorization to transfer two parcels of state land, one parcel to the Sierra Fire Protection District. It is a fire station on Joy Lake Road. The second parcel of land is a small parcel. It is part of the parking lot of the Verdi Justice Court. The justice court has merged with the Reno Justice Court. That court closed in 2005. We are seeking to have that parking lot owned by the State transferred to the County. It is our intention to work with the Verdi Historical Preservation Society, a non-profit organization, to have that property turned into a museum for that community. You have two handouts before you. One is prepared by the Division of State Lands. Pam Wilcox is here to answer any questions. I think that handout goes through both parcels. I won't read that because I know you are pressed for time today. The second handout I have is the two page handout. That gives you a brief outline of the Verdi property. During the fire evacuation, members of the Historical Preservation Society made two corrections on some of the dates in this handout. I would like to put those into the record. One is where we say in 1925 the building was moved. That should be 1952. In 1966 the Fire District Quonset Hut was relocated and that

Quonset Hut was torn down. The fire district moved to Bridge Street. In summary, we have two pieces of property that are owned by the State, and we are seeking to have those transferred to, in one case, the fire station transferred to the Fire Protection District, and in the second case, to have a portion of the parcel in Verdi transferred to the County. It is our full intention that we will work with that preservation society to transfer that property to that non-profit group for use as a community museum. I would be happy to answer any questions, and Pam Wilcox is in the audience to answer any of the State Lands' questions.

**Chair Claborn:**

Any questions? [none]

ASSEMBLYMAN MARVEL MOVED TO DO PASS ASSEMBLY BILL 22.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Chair Claborn:**

Pam, you have time to give your presentation, or do you want to come back later?

**Ms. Wilcox:**

If there are no questions, I can probably do it in 20 minutes. Is it better to do it later?

**Chair Claborn:**

Let's leave it as it stands and schedule it at another time. This meeting is adjourned.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Betty Francis  
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Assemblyman Jerry D. Claborn, Chair

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBITS**

**Committee Name:** Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture,  
and Mining

**Date:** February 14, 2007

**Time of Meeting:** 1:30 p.m.

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Witness / Agency</b>	<b>Description</b>
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	B	NATRAM	Sign-in Roster