



# Meeting Minutes

## Nevada Tribal Emergency Coordinating Council

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>DATE</b>	Wednesday, November 2, 2022
	<b>TIME</b>	9:00 a.m.
	<b>METHOD</b>	Zoom/Teleconference
	<b>RECORDER</b>	Sherrean Whipple
<b>Voting Membership</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Designated/Appointed Representative:</b>	<b>Attendance Status</b>
Harriett Parker – Co-Chair	Las Vegas Paiute Tribe	X
Sookaaki Charley	Timbisha Shoshone Tribe	ABS
Jackie Conway	Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe	ABS
Alfreida Jake	Elko Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone	ABS
Tashina Jim	Walker River Paiute Tribe	ABS
Duane Masters Sr.	Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe	X
Don Pelt	Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe	X
Marian Perez	Duckwater Shoshone Tribe	ABS
Kenneth Quiner	Washoe Tribes of Nevada/California	X
Ross Rivera	Ely Shoshone Tribe	X
Daniel Thayer	Reno Sparks Indian Colony	X
<b>Non-Voting Membership</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Entity Represented:</b>	<b>Attendance Status</b>
David Fogerson - Co-Chair	Nevada Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security	X
Emily Gould	Nevada Department of Health and Human Resources	X
<b>Non-Member Representatives/Support</b>		
Samantha Ladich	Nevada Office of the Attorney General	X
Sherrean Whipple	Nevada Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security	X

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Co-Chair Harriett Parker, Las Vegas Paiute Tribe, called the meeting to order. Roll call was performed by Sherrean Whipple, Nevada Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security (DEM/HS), and a quorum was established for the meeting.

### 2. Public Comment

Co-Chair Harriett Parker opened the period of public comment for discussion.

### **3. Approval of Minutes**

Co-Chair Harriett Parker called for a motion to amend or approve the draft minutes of the September 6, 2022 NTECC meeting. Ken Quiner, Washoe Tribes of Nevada/California, moved to approve the September 6, 2022 minutes of the NTECC meeting. Ross Rivera, Ely Shoshone Tribe, seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **4. Discussion on the Status of the Nevada Division of Emergency Management/Homeland Security's (DEM/HS) Efforts to Assist our Tribal Nations**

Co-Chair David Fogerson asked the Council for feedback regarding how DEM/HS is helpful as well as how DEM/HS could be more helpful in hopes of becoming a better partner in the emergency management homeland security enterprise through the state with Tribal Nations. Co-Chair Fogerson further indicated his interest in hearing how Jay and Josie are working out as the Tribal liaisons.

Jay Martin, DEM/HS Tribal Liaison, indicated that a majority of tribes would like assistance with planning, particularly because a lot of the tribal emergency managers are new to the field. Mr. Martin explained that avenues to get more help in providing that service are being explored. Mr. Martin next indicated that there will be a new staff member with planning experience coming on board in the southern Nevada and will provide some cross training for both himself and Josie Burnett to ensure that all three liaisons have that skill. Mr. Martin explained that reviews will begin shortly with him working with tribes in the north beginning the following week. Mr. Martin further explained that the review will be followed by liaisons helping tribes through upcoming revisions.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker noted that NTECC is looking for possible members and expressed concern regarding Moapa and Fort Mojave. Co-Chair Parker asked for confirmation that someone has reached out to these two groups and offered her help should it be needed.

Co-Chair David Fogerson concurred with Co-Chair Parker and requested outreach from members of NTECC with the ultimate goal of having representation from every tribe in the state on the Council.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker indicated her willingness to reach out again to both tribes.

### **5. Cyber Security Task Force**

Co-Chair David Fogerson informed the Council that the Cyber Security Infrastructure Administration (CISA) is part of Homeland Security. Co-Chair Fogerson next indicated that in the Infrastructure and Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), funding was provided over a period of three years to 54 states and territories along with tribal nations in order to enhance cybersecurity. Co-Chair Fogerson explained that as part of the IIJA requirements, each state was required to set up a cybersecurity task force and as this was too tall an order for NRAC alone, DEM/HS asked the Governor's office to create the task force, which has been charged with two parts: to provide advice and counsel to the state administrative agent, DEM/HS, on program that can be funded using that investment; and to help the Office of Cyber Defense and Coordination (OCDC) and

DEM/HS, through regulatory requirements, to assist during cyber efforts or cyber attacks throughout the state and local government and nonprofit partners. Co-Chair Fogerson described the IT process as discombobulated given the different levels, branches, and systems that need to be involved, noting that there is not simply one person in charge of cybersecurity but rather the task force will bring people together from many different entities. Co-Chair Fogerson next informed the Council that the task force's first order of business will be to develop a strategy, followed by the ability for people to apply for cyber security grants to try and meet that strategy. Co-Chair Fogerson informed the Council that the first meeting will take place the following Monday at 10 am for anyone wishing to join in and indicated that notice of the meeting is being distributed via the Homeland Security listserv.

Co-Chair David Fogerson next discussed the funding provided and the way that it will be divvied up, noting that Nevada has been provided \$2.4 million for the first year with a 90.10 cost share, meaning that funded grants will only need to provide 10 percent of the match. Co-Chair Fogerson noted that in succeeding years, however, the cost share changes significantly, culminating in 65/35 in the third year of the grant. Co-Chair Fogerson reminded the Council that tribes can currently go through the state, but indicated that there will be a specific set aside for tribal nations. Co-Chair Fogerson further indicated that the notice of that funding opportunity has not yet come out, but once it does, DEM/HS will ensure that everyone is aware of it. In the meantime, however, Co-Chair Fogerson noted that if a tribal nation did want to apply for funding, they would be eligible as a sub-grantee through DEM/HS.

Co-Chair David Fogerson next provided some useful information regarding cybersecurity, discussing the importance of user education on things like not clicking on suspicious email and text message links that are actually phishing scams or potentially could download viruses onto computers and/or networks. Co-Chair Fogerson further indicated the importance of beefing up the networks in order to block out nefarious actors and explained that the task force intends to give some strategy on how to move forward on these tasks with the dollars provided.

Co-Chair David Fogerson next explained that the Cyber Security Task Force is also tasked with standing up ESF #13, as well as providing information during an incident to try and alleviate panic for any number of issues that could be caused by a cybersecurity incident. As such, Co-Chair Fogerson indicated the importance of the task force looking at all of these potential issues and investing the money correctly to address them, as well as to engage all the various cyber partners in discussions, the final piece of which is working on a whole-government response to ensure that all are present and accounted for if something does happen, just like in any other emergency.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker asked if Co-Chair Fogerson was at liberty to announce the tribal representatives.

Co-Chair David Fogerson explained that only ten of the 17 members of the Committee have been appointed thus far and as such, Co-Chair Fogerson is currently unsure of the tribal liaison position, noting his belief that it may not have been appointed yet. Co-Chair Fogerson did inform the Council that he will follow up on that and then announce the ones that have been appointed but is not at liberty to discuss those who have not been appointed yet.

## **6. Update the State Disaster Identification Coordination Committee (SDICC)**

Co-Chair David Fogerson informed the Council that DEM/HS is seeking a bill draft request to clean up some issues regarding sharing protect health information related back to HIPAA. Co-Chair Fogerson noted that Nevada's issue began with victim identification and reunification following the October 1 shooting. Co-Chair Fogerson further noted that when looking at the number of shootings and crush injuries nationwide, every state is struggling with how to get that information out from hospitals and healthcare providers in order to reunify family members. Co-Chair Fogerson informed the Council that many of these patients are being treated for traumatic injuries and their identification has been left at the scene, thus creating the problem of identification to reunify these patients with their belongings and their families.

Co-Chair David Fogerson informed the Council that he and ADA Ladich held a discussion with the legal council group at the National Association of Emergency Managers (NEMA) and discovered that this is an issue shared by all states. Co-Chair Fogerson explained that HIPAA provides the ability to share protected health information if state law provides for it and indicated that DEM/HS is trying to find wording broad enough to have the healthcare providers provide that information while still protecting the civil rights to those people that are involved. Co-Chair Fogerson noted that although DEM/HS does not need all of the details, it does need enough details to match people with their families and help the investigation process. Co-Chair Fogerson indicated that Clark County Emergency Management, Nevada Hospital Association, and DEM/HS all worked on the language. Co-Chair Fogerson further indicated that Nevada Hospital Association is in the process of socializing this language and holding discussions with their member hospitals. Co-Chair Fogerson encouraged Council members to comment regarding anything they believe may be missing from the document and noted that anything highlighted is requested changes while anything not highlighted is existing State Nevada Revised Statute language.

Ross Rivera indicated that during the COVID pandemic, tracking where people were without identifying them for safety reasons was an issue and asked if that was part of this document.

Co-Chair David Fogerson indicated that the SDICC was used during the pandemic as it was originally written in NRS; how to deal with deceased individuals as opposed to how the victim process identification falls under public health statute.

## **7. Update on the Tribal Health Preparedness Efforts**

Emily Gould, Nevada Department of Health and Human Resources, explained that Nevada the Department is still continuing with normal operations and monitoring the monkey pox cases in the state, with 90 percent of the just over 300 cases located in Clark County. Ms. Gould further indicated that the Department is continuing to monitor normal flu season and COVID cases, noting that PPE and COVID test kits are still

available out of the warehouse in Las Vegas. Ms. Gould noted that since DEM has been able to turn this over to state purchasing, much of this distribution is now focused through DPBH. Ms. Gould next indicated that there are two drought planning workshops scheduled for November 11th in Las Vegas from 9 to 3 at the Orleans Casino and November 15 from 9 to 3 at the Reno Emergency Operations Center in Reno. Ms. Gould encouraged all Council members who are able to do so to attend. Ms. Gould noted that although online registration has technically closed, Council members can RSVP if they'd like to attend in person or use the WebEx link if they are able to attend online. Ms. Gould indicated that one of the intended speakers plans to discuss the link between pediatric cancers and drought.

Daniel Thayer asked how many tribal health centers have now signed up for the Have Bed program, noting that he does forward many of the updates to the director, medical director, and some of the nursing staff at the Reno Sparks Tribal Health Center.

Emily Gould noted that she does not have that information readily available but will report back with a response.

Co-Chair Harriet Parker asked if this program is available to everyone or if it is tribal only.

Emily Gould indicated that all hospitals within the state can join to receive the alerts from DPBH regarding emergencies, noting that the program also allows hospitals to update their bed counts as well as to see what types of beds are available, enabling better communication among hospitals regarding resources.

## **8. Update from the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada (ITCN)**

Clifford Banuelos was unable to attend the NTECC meeting. This item was tabled.

## **9. Update from the Nevada Indian Commission (NIC)**

Sari Nichols, NIC, reminded the Council that NIC works with and supports but does not represent tribes, and informed the members that ITCN Executive Director Desiree Quintana will be joining the Cyber Security Task Force discussed by Co-Chair Fogerson in Item number 5.

## **10. Nevada Public Bodies Updates**

Tribal representatives appointed to the following Nevada public bodies provide an update on their role with each public body, as well as initiatives and projects that impact Nevada Tribes:

### **a. Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee**

Co-Chair, David Fogerson, explained that today's agenda is the same as that of the NRAC meeting and noted that additional items that are specific with the Tribal Nation relationships and NTECC have been added. As such, Co-Chair Fogerson recommended removing this item from future agendas as the same information is

being shared at the larger meetings.

**b. Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NCHS)**

Co-Chair, Harriett Parker, indicated that the last meeting was held on September 12 and was Co-Chair Parker's first meeting. Co-Chair Parker discussed the statewide adoption of NIMS, the National Incident Management System and explained according to Chief Fogerson, all adoption processes are already completed, and that DEM/HS, PHP, and DPBH are conducting multiple outreaches regarding providing training and positioning specific classes. Co-Chair Parker explained that these entities were working heavily with Chief Billy Samuels from Clark County Emergency Management, among other partners, to build up robust incident management teams. Co-Chair Parker informed the Council that a request for Urban Area Security Initiative Program de-obligated funds was discussed, with Ms. Suz Coyote advising that the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department applied for funding for a robot dog equipped with cameras, speakers, lights, and a microphone to be used primarily for SWAT operations to carry technical equipment into places too dangerous to send a person when searching for a suspect as well as to facilitate communications with the subject by a crisis negotiation team meant to deescalate the situation, and ultimately to take the suspect into custody safely without endangering the lives of others. Co-Chair Parker further reported that Ms. Coyote indicated that the unit can be easily adapted to additional missions. Co-Chair Parker explained that Metro also requested funds for a wireless radio system that allows the operator of the robot dog to send commands and indicated that the full amount of the request is for \$150,000 from FFY 19 de-obligated funds from the Homeland Security Program.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker further discussed the DEM/HS FEMA audit results from FFY 22, noting that DEM/HS was currently undergoing a state audit by Nevada's contracted CPA firm for the warehouses that were DEM/HS-run and controlled during the pandemic, with the audit intended to be complete following the firm's visit to the Las Vegas warehouse. Co-Chair Parker noted that DEM/HS does not anticipate any exceptions from the audit. Co-Chair Parker further noted that beginning in July of 2021, the same contracted firm conducted an audit on disaster grants, also known as public assistance, an audit that lasted several months and concluded in July of 2022. Co-Chair Parker indicated that the only finding requiring corrective action was in regards to reporting the dollar amount received to the Federal Sub-award Reporting System (FSRS) in a timely manner. Co-Chair Parker informed the Council that in April of 2022, five personnel from FEMA Region IX were in the DEM office for five days conducting an onsite financial monitoring review of numerous grants, a review that ended with no findings and earned DEM the praise of Region IX for the amazing job done by DEM's grant staff.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker explained that school's safety plans were also on the agenda with the report indicating that although a few private and charter schools were late submitting their school safety plans, all 234 plans were received. Co-Chair Parker noted that these plans are written by the local government, school district, or private school district in consultation with the local Emergency Manager, local law enforcement, fire and EMS. Co-Chair Parker further noted that the Health and Human Services Department of Education Emergency Management will be forming a task force to review approximately 150 school safety plans a year until all have

been reviewed within the plan of reviewing them every five years to ensure that they meet NRS.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker concluded her presentation by indicating that Josie Burnett, Tribal Liaison, had reported that the Nevada Tribal Community Resilience Development Workshop held on June 8th was a one-day even that covered several topics, including: grant fundamentals; disaster planning; mitigation review; cybersecurity awareness; mental health; and a psychological first-aid training. Co-Chair Parker reported that approximately 35 participants took part in the workshop.

Co-Chair David Fogerson indicated that the Homeland Security Commission, which is comprised of: the Governor; the Lieutenant Governor; the sheriffs of the two largest counties; the fire chiefs within those two largest counties; the Hospital Association; the Broadcaster Association; the Office of Cyber Defense; the Division of Emergency Management; and some other partners, were provided with an update from Josie Burnett on the resilience efforts to make both Nevada and the tribal nations safer in hopes of providing this highest level of government and all the partners with an understanding of how everyone is working together. Co-Chair Fogerson indicated that this plan came about as the result of the Region IX Tribal Conference, where other states expressed concerns and issues regarding relationships and as such, DEM/HS is trying to highlight the efforts being undertaken to work together in the interest of maintaining relationships.

Co-Chair Harriett Parker noted that this is why it is important for members to bring to DEM/HS's attention anything that is not being done that is needed.

**c. NCHS Finance Committee**

Co-Chair David Fogerson noted that the only things discussed with the finance committee were the same items discussed in Co-Chair Harriett Parker's report and the Division's report on finances that were also provided to the Homeland Security Commission in a report.

**d. Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)**

Lance Chantler, RSIC, informed the Council that the closeout of the Fire Shows West conference in Reno had great attendance and received positive feedback. Mr. Chantler also noted that one of the administrative positions was filled, and that the HMEP Mid-Cycle Grant is remaining open continuously for the moment due to available funding.

**e. Nevada Intrastate Mutual Aid Committee (IMAC)**

Co-Chair David Fogerson reported that there is nothing significant to report under this agenda item, but reminded Council members that the Nevada Intrastate Mutual Aid System can be entered at anytime with a tribal resolution and indicated that DEM/HS does encourage tribes to do so.

**11. Updates from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**

Crystal Harjo, FEMA Region IX Tribal Liaison for Nevada, reminded the Council that monthly tribal meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month. Ms. Harjo indicated that November is Native American Heritage Month and that the meeting is scheduled for November 16 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Harjo discussed opportunities for training, indicating that the Center of Domestic Preparedness is holding their tribal training week from March 11 through 18 in Aniston, Alabama. Ms. Harjo explained that registration is currently open and that there are several training opportunities that cross the gambit from public health to emergency management to public information and law enforcement. Ms. Harjo noted anyone looking for more information to contact either Ms. Harjo herself or David Hall at CDP.

## **12. Updates from the DEM/HS Tribal Liaison Staff**

Josie Burnett, DEM/HS Tribal Liaison and Jay Martin, DEM/HS Tribal Liaison

### **a. Upcoming Tribal Site Visits**

Josie Burnett indicated that she is currently in the process of visiting all of the tribal health clinics across the state in order to get to know the community, assess the tribal communities' needs, and discuss how she and Jay Martin, Tribal Liaisons, can best support the communities and meet their needs. Ms. Burnett indicated that these site visits should conclude between late fall and early winter, weather permitting, and then another tribal tour will begin in spring of 2023.

### **b. Three NV Preparedness Regional Workshops (to be discussed in Agenda Item #16)**

### **c. Coordination of Senior Leader Training**

Jay Martin indicated that the GE 402 NIMS overview for senior officials will be provided regularly both by the state and directly to tribal events and/or communities in order for tribal leadership to maintain awareness, knowledge, and active protocol knowledge of ICS and NIMS.

### **d. Communication Boxes – Initial Planning**

Jay Martin noted that there is currently a committee comprised of several people at DEM/HS who are trying to provide the best efforts towards replacing the outdated satellite internet receivers, in which several Tribal emergency managers have noted faultiness in the past. Mr. Martin explained that several complaints were received about SATCOM, the company that had been used in the past, and as such, a switch will be made to a new carrier, hopefully Star Lake. Mr. Martin further noted the importance of ensuring that all radios provided in the communication boxes are active and tailored to the needs of the specific geolocations of the tribal community. Mr. Martin informed the council that surveys have not been done for the radio communication frequencies necessary per tribal community and as such, these surveys will hopefully be conducted as soon as possible in order to inform what the best device use including ease of programming the radios for each tribal community. In addition, Mr. Martin



noted that one last annual subscription will be provided to the satellite phones and that this will need to be staggered between grants for funding reasons.

**e. 2022 ITCN Convention**

Jay Martin explained that the 2022 ITCN (Intertribal Council of Nevada) will be held at the Grand Sierra Resort and Casino (GSR) beginning on December 11, will be a full five-day schedule, and will include some emergency management sessions. Mr. Martin indicated that the agenda is still a work in progress and that a meeting is scheduled for later this week to finalize those plans. Mr. Martin explained that the goal is to educate and inspire tribal leaders, administrators, and emergency managers. Mr. Martin noted that topics will include: part of the tribal curriculum offered by FEMA; a tribal emergency management course; and a health component including discussions regarding suicide prevention offered by Josie Burnett. Mr. Martin encouraged any council members with questions to reach out to himself or to Ms. Burnett.

### **13. State of Nevada's After-Action Report and Improvement Plans**

Megan Hall, DEM/HS, indicated that one of the things noted is that a lot of the improvement planning, tracking, and corrective action planning was not being tracked particularly well. As such, Ms. Hall explained that DEM/HS is moving to work better with partners and stakeholders to ensure that improvement planning is being implemented, that corrective action points are taken care of, and that exercises in incidents are improving things in Nevada. Ms. Hall indicated that this process will not be open to the general public and will not be posted on the website in order to discourage access by nefarious people. Ms. Hall noted that ESF10 will be the main partner because that is DEM/HS's hazmat partner.

Megan Hall next demonstrated the dashboard, which highlights corrective action points and improvement planning and will be driven from each exercise and incident. Ms. Hall explained that if DEM/HS is involved in an exercise or incident and there is a corrective action point for DEM/HS, there will be a separate place to track that. Ms. Hall discussed the Planning, Organization, Equipment, Training, and Exercise (POETE) model. Ms. Hall further indicated that in some cases, the solutions may lie outside of DEM/HS with other partners or stakeholders, and that too is being tracked via the dashboard. In addition, Ms. Hall explained that core capability and where the corrective action points lie in core capabilities is one of the areas which DEM/HS is tracking, and the intent is to break things down by event. As such, Ms. Hall indicated that there are clickable links that point to the different areas of the dashboard. Ms. Hall further indicated that one of the differences about the incident or exercise-specific dashboard is that the corrective action points and primary responsible organization are listed out and include start and completion dates, as well as progress and percentage of progress made using the POETE model. Ms. Hall concluded her presentation by informing the Council that as the exercises and incidents involving DEM/HS build, the list on the dashboard will grow,

providing a macro view that can then be viewed by event.

Co-Chair David Fogerson noted that this is something that DEM/HS did in the past and as Ms. Hall noted, because of some employee turnover, tracking improvement plans devolved somewhat. In addition to the dashboard, Co-Chair Fogerson noted that DEM/HS is also rolling out a process whereby a policy group will be the key leaders that were involved with incidents and will meet following the incident to determine the external stakeholder written AAR. Following this process, Co-Chair Fogerson explained that an improvement planning process group will then meet with key stakeholders involved in the process in order to begin signing out the necessary improvement plans. Co-Chair Fogerson further indicated that following this process, DEM/HS will report back to NTECC and NRAC on progress on the items. Co-Chair Fogerson concurred with Ms. Hall regarding the decision not to share these issues publicly but assured the Council that DEM/HS wishes to be transparent regarding its strengths and weaknesses. Co-Chair Fogerson concluded his statement by noting that the policy group for the COVID AAR will be the first to test drive the new rollout of the system and indicated that DEM/HS will bring the results back to the Council at the next meeting.

#### **14. Discussion of Potential Legislative Requests for the 2023 Session**

Co-Chair David Fogerson noted that the next meeting will update this agenda item to discuss legislative items that have been submitted, including the SDICC change. Co-Chair Fogerson noted that DEM/HS is requesting that some of the language on the incident management be changed, including the language around volunteers, funding changes, and due dates of school safety plans. Co-Chair Fogerson requested that members with ideas or needs reach out to him in order to fit these into one of the legislative bills.

#### **15. Grant Status Report**

Samantha Hill-Cruz, DEM/HS, indicated that the grant status report is attached to the meeting materials. Ms. Hill-Cruz noted that all grant programs with open sub-awards are listed in the report, which shows the sub-recipient agency, the project, the original award amount, re-obligated funds received, amounts spent as of the last report, the funding stream or grant, any de-obligated amounts, and the percentage of the award spent as of the last report received. Ms. Hill-Cruz explained that the FFY 22 HSGP grants have been issued through Zoom Grants as of October 19, the FFY 21 EPPWG grant was issued through Zoom Grants as of October 21, the FFY 22 EPWG grants will be issued in the next few weeks, the FFY 22 NSGP grants have been issued through Zoom Grants as of October 25, and the FFY 22 EMPG grants were issued through Zoom Grants as of October 25. Ms. Hill-Cruz indicated that DEM/HS is preparing the applications for the state local cyber security grant program, and that is due out to the Feds by November 15.

## **16. Regional Preparedness Workshops**

Bill Elliott, DEM/HS, informed the Council that in September and October, three week-long regional workshops were held: one in Elko; one in Carson City; and one in Las Vegas. Each one involved tribal participation and each participated in the Threat and Hazards Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), along with the stakeholder preparedness report. Mr. Elliott explained that the emergency support functions that reported out included NDOT, Hazard Mitigation, and the National Guard. Mr. Elliott further explained that each workshop included tabletop exercises and grant reporting requirements were discussed. Mr. Elliott indicated that because the workshop was held, and THIRA and tabletop exercises were done, this satisfied the EPG grant requirements. Mr. Elliott next opened the floor for questions and comments.

## **17. Public Comment**

Co-Chair, Harriett Parker opened the floor for public comment.

Daniel Thayer noted that he would like to see a roundtable, informal, collaborative, and informational discussion between tribal emergency managers and clinic emergency managers added to the agenda.

Jay Martin noted that Tribal healthcare is separate from emergency management, and as such, Mr. Martin does not include tribal healthcare facilities on the monthly informal calls, as they are meant to be collaborative, but could be included going forward. Mr. Martin indicated his support for cross-communication, collaboration, and coordination between tribal healthcare systems and as such, this is something that will be actively promoted. Mr. Martin further indicated that COVID exposed many of the weak points of things that were not yet in place and noted that this cross-communication and coordination would certainly be beneficial to all parties involved.

## **18. Adjournment**

Co-Chair, Harriett Parker called for a motion for adjournment.

Daniel Thayer, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don Pelt, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.