

be voting for this resolution. I've had contact from people in Keya Paha County who do not think the Game Commission needs any more land in that area. They are disturbed by the fact that not always does the Game Commission act as a good neighbor, that there have been times when the roads have not been mowed and that sort of thing. However, in anticipation of the fact that the resolution may pass, I have specifically asked to read into the record a letter. One of the concerns, big concerns about this particular piece of property is the fact that there is a community water line that goes across this property and feeds five ranches including the Marcotte property and the people...some of the people in the area are concerned with the future of that water line which leads from a well to the north of the property and travels south down through the property to feed these other ranches. I did contact the Game and Parks Commission about this, brought it to their attention and they have tried to reassure the people with this letter which I would like to make a part of the record. It is addressed to Senator Howard Lamb. Dear Senator Lamb: We have reviewed the bylaws of Keya Paha Community Pipeline Incorporated and have attached a photocopy for your use. Should the Legislature and Governor approve of the land donation of the Marcotte property, we certainly will live by the terms and conditions specified in the bylaws. It is our intent to make any necessary repairs to the pipeline should such become necessary on the Marcotte property. In addition, we shall pay all costs associated with water which we might use. Please be assured that it is our intent to be good neighbors to other users of the pipeline. Feel free to convey a copy of this letter to other users of the Keya Paha Community Pipeline. We shall be pleased to answer any questions which you or they might have. Signed, Rex Amack, Director. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, Senator Lamb, Senator Johnson, a few questions if I might, both with regard to this specific obligation with regard to the process generally. I have a copy of the particular letter that you just read, Senator Lamb, and the statements in here begin by saying, we will certainly live by the terms and conditions specified in the bylaws. And I pulled a copy of the bylaws and if I'm reading this correctly, this is not a public entity of any kind. This is simply some kind of private group that has gotten together and made some kind of water sharing arrangement