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the course of this entire affair. I think the people need to understand that we're in touch with reality and we know those things. We went from joining the compact, where we'd been told we would be the site, and we became the site, sure enough. Then the whole time the contract was being negotiated I said to myself, and I said to some other people, but I was just a private citizen who cared, this is not being very well done. This contract will mean something. We will have to abide by it. A contract is a contract. But we just kind of went into it. And I'm sure I offend somebody when I say I don't think it was very well done, but I don't, so I might as well tell the truth. So then we're in the site. All kinds of our leaders, people who should be explaining and showing the citizenry how government works are continuing to fan the expectations of...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...people in Boyd County and in that area, where I happen to have some relatives, we're playing with those people. Senator Dierks has done nothing wrong. He is representing his district, I respect and admire it. Those people have done nothing wrong, they opposed this in their district. Governmental decisions don't always go the way we want them to go. Decisions sometimes go against us. It's part of coming together for the common good, and this is one where, frankly, Boyd County at the time wasn't able to muster what it needed to muster at the point it needed to muster it to not be the site. I take no delight in that, but sometimes you just have to deal with the reality of the situation. You cannot forever protest and whine that which has already gone beyond you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time. Senator Wehrbein, on AM1424 to LB 530.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Perhaps, I'm going to wander, because I wonder what to do on this, and I'm going to wander around in what I'm going to say, because I really don't know the answers to this. Senator Brashear made some very good comments, and I concur with nearly all of what he said, if not all, because I might have missed a word or two, Senator Brashear. Somewhere...this has bothered me because of