

Gravel company officials woo residents over Three Kids Mine

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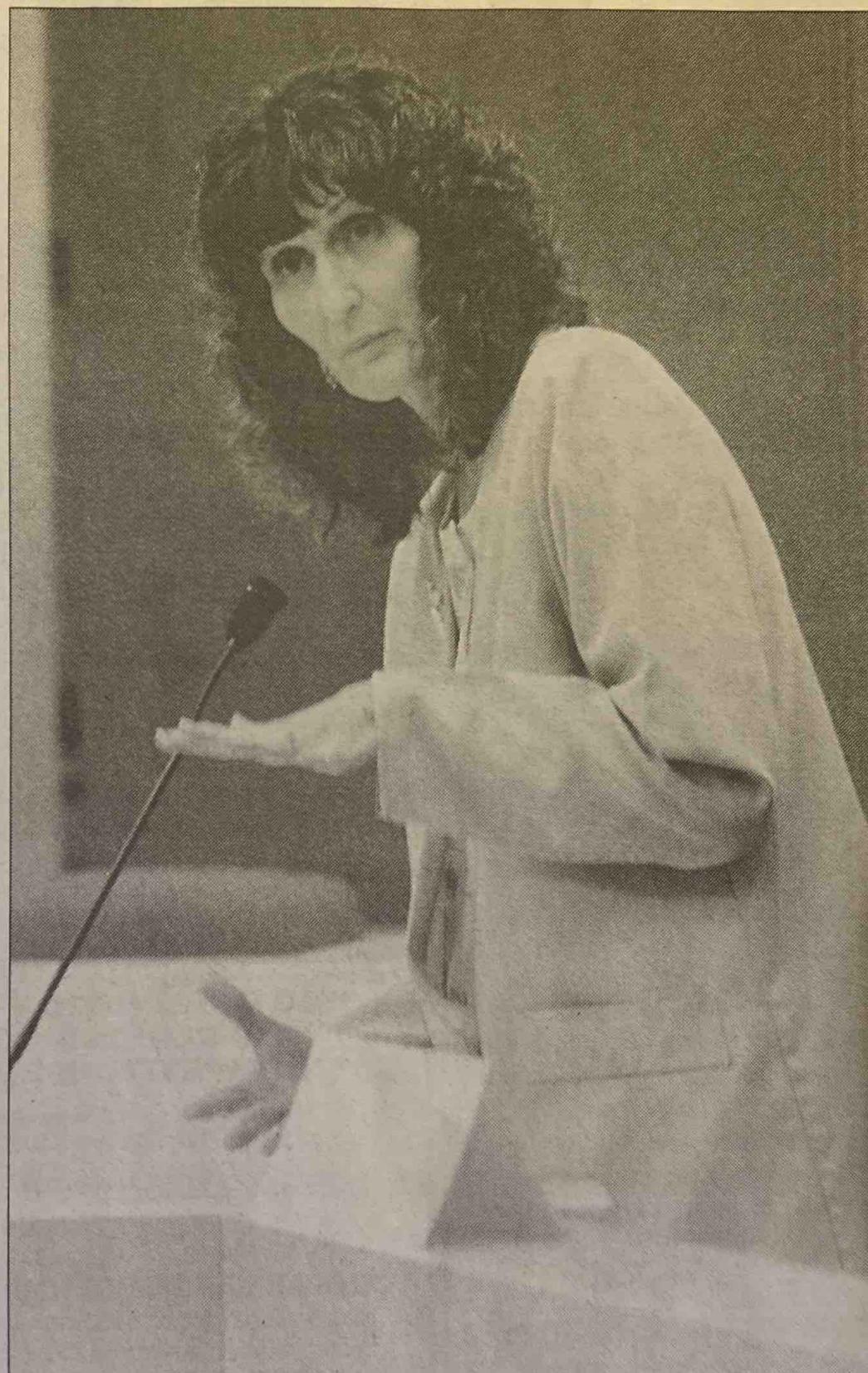
A gravel company seeking state and local permission to clean up a closed manganese mine for future development sought support Wednesday night from skeptical Henderson residents worried about dust and water pollution.

It was a move to woo neighbors of the property — where owners want to begin gravel operations with an eye to building a golf course and custom homes there in 20 years — but little more. Three Kids Mine on Lake Mead Drive is in Clark County, and the Henderson Citizens Advisory Committee has no jurisdiction over any activities there.

However, Committee Chairman Manny Gomez suggested that the Three Kids property owners should apply for annexation into Henderson. Since new housing developments are as close as a mile away from the mine, operations there affect Henderson residents, he said.

Hollywood Gravel Co. Controller Dixie Jackson gave a short presentation about its attempts to get the necessary permits to begin mining gravel, accepting construction debris to fill three enormous pits and then reclaiming the site.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and the Southern Nevada Water Authority are concerned about potential contamination of the ground water. Las Vegas



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