

# Minutes from the March 06, 2018 HIGHWAY Commission Meeting

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March 06, 2018  
10:00 a.m.  
Esmeralda County Courthouse  
Commission Chambers  
233 Crook Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Goldfield, Nevada

**DRAFT  
APPROVED**

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

Ralph Keyes -	Chairman
Delon "De" Winsor -	Vice-Chairman
Michelle Bates -	Commissioner
Robert Glennen -	District Attorney – In Court
Angela Jewell -	Clerk of the Board

**2. Public Comment.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)

None.

**3. \*Approval of Expenditures.**

Commissioner Winsor made the motion to approve the Expenditures.  
Commissioner Bates seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

**4. \*Discussion/Decision/Approval:** Rejected Vendor Bills from Auditor's Office.

None.

**5. \*Approval of Minutes** from the February 20, 2018 Regular and/or Special Meeting of the Esmeralda County Board of Highway Commissioners.

Commissioner Winsor made the motion to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2018 regular and/or special meeting of the Esmeralda County Board of Highway Commissioners.  
Commissioner Bates seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

**6. Update of Current and Future Meetings and Activities of Elected Officials and Department Supervisors.** (This is only an update. No decisions will be made.)

None.

**7. Update of Esmeralda County Road Department Current and Future Projects.** (This is only an update. No decisions will be made.)

## ESMERALDA COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT UPDATE

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1. Crews are currently: removing snow from recent storms in all three districts.

2. Silver Peak Road update:

The recently approved 140' Right of Way has been cleared. We cleared the undisturbed, outside, portions of the area. This is because, per federal requirement, all clearing must be completed before March 1<sup>st</sup> each year in order to comply with the Migratory Bird Act or a qualified biologist must be on site.

We also just received notice that the next phase of the paving for Silver Peak Road has been accepted into the Nevada Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP). We have made a copy of the acceptance letter for each of the Commissioners.

The project is preliminarily programmed for construction funding in Fiscal Year 2021, based on availability of funding. This could change, of course. This timing should allow us time to meet the estimated required 5% match of \$299,450 of which \$180,000 has already been set aside. There is a Reimbursable Agreement which is in the amount of \$3,000.00 which will be executed soon. I am hopeful that actual construction costs might be less, which will reduce our 5% match cost.

3. We are still working on the Silver Peak Road Agreement with Albemarle. The draft has gone back and forth a couple of times and we have made some good progress. It seems to me that the major issue, right now, is concern over how a possible successor to Albemarle might feel about permanent public access across their property, which of course, is of utmost importance to Esmeralda County. We are working on this situation.
4. We had the annual inspection of the Landfill and two drop box facilities. All went well with these inspections, with only some minor recommendations regarding employee training, load inspection reports and gas monitoring.
5. While we are on the subject of the Landfill, we need to expand the fence to the full acreage of the property. Right now, only half of the Landfill area is fenced. There are some natural drainages in the new area that need to be rerouted so that storm water is diverted around the area. This is becoming more of a priority because we are running out of space in the existing area.

Commissioner Keyes made the motion to incorporate Ed's report into the minutes.  
Commissioner Bates seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

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8. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Please consider whether or not to put a 4-way stop at the intersection of Bellevue and Myers. (Ed Rannells)

This was a citizen request. They have children and they stated that people are speeding through this intersection. Ed stated that he has no problem with this request. He stated that there are currently two yield signs on Bellevue.

Commissioner Bates made the motion to give Ed Rannells permission to install a 4-way stop and the intersection of Bellevue and Myers.

Commissioner Winsor seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

9. **Public Comment.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)  
None.

10. **\*Adjournment:**

Commissioner Winsor made the motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Bates seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.