

Minutes from the August 07, 2018 HIGHWAY Commission Meeting

August 07, 2018
10:00 a.m.
Esmeralda County Courthouse
Commission Chambers
233 Crook Ave., 2nd Floor
Goldfield, Nevada

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.

Ralph Keyes -	Chairman
Delon "De" Winsor -	Vice-Chairman
Michelle Bates -	Commissioner – not present
Robert Glennen -	District Attorney
LaCinda Elgan -	Clerk of the Board

APPROVED

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.)

Ed Rannells came up and stated that item #20 on the regular meeting agenda that should be on the Road agenda.

Analisa Eipert with the Ryolite Ridge Project came up to introduce the project. She works for Newfields, speaking on behalf of Paradigm Minerals, with is a proposed lithium boron mine called Ryolite Ridge near Mineral Ridge and Coyote Hole. They are hoping by 2021 it will be in operation and will provide a couple of hundred jobs in the area. They are currently conducting in-field drilling and have drillers out there 24 hours a day and have had some road wash-outs. They have Tony Tipton working for them, helping with grading and other tasks. They wanted to request that the county allow Tony to help with repair on the road so they don't have to go on stand-by.

3. *APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES.

Commissioner Winsor made the motion to approve the expenditures.
Commissioner Keyes seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

4. *DISCUSSION/DECISION/APPROVAL: Rejected Vendor Bills from Auditor's Office.

Commissioner Keyes read 7 rejected vendor bills into the record. They were for the following:

Steve's Auto Parts:	\$152.12
Cashman:	\$650.12
Steve's Auto Parts:	\$349.95
Steve's Auto Parts:	\$98.54
Steve's Auto Parts:	\$44.99
Steve's Auto Parts:	\$67.00

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5. I wanted to take a moment to comment on the Road Department equipment situation. During recent weeks, we have had to work a considerable amount of overtime due to flash flooding. During this time, we had to scramble a lot to meet the task at hand. The old backhoes and some of the loaders, as well as the remaining older 772 motor grader in Fish Lake Valley are getting very tired and require frequent "tinkering" just to get them going. We are doing the best we can with what we have, and because of the financial situation with the department, we will continue to do so. However, this isn't an efficient way to operate. We also lost an engine on one of the Silver Peak motor graders, which will be discussed later today.

10. **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.)

Analisa came up and asked if it was possible to allow private assistance in road grading in order to help the county when they are overwhelmed with repaired. She will put this on a future agenda.

11. ***ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Winsor made the motion to adjourn.

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