

# Minutes from July 21, 2015 Highway Commission Meeting

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July 21, 2015  
Esmeralda County Courthouse  
Commission Chambers  
233 Crook Ave, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
Goldfield, NV 89013

**DRAFT**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

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| Ralph Keyes    | - | Chairman          |
| Michelle Bates | - | Vice-chairman     |
| Nancy Boland   | - | Commissioner      |
| Robert Glennen | - | District Attorney |
| LaCinda Elgan  | - | Clerk             |

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR AND/OR SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ESMERALDA COUNTY BOARD OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS:

None

4. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES:

Commissioner Boland made the motion to approve the expenditures. Commissioner Bates gave the second.

Motion carried.

5. DISCUSSION/DECISION/APPROVAL: REJECTED VENDOR BILLS FROM AUDITOR'S OFFICE:

None

6. DISCUSSION/DECISION: To approve a street closure for Goldfield Days August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 on Columbia Street from Myers Ave. to Crook Ave. for the third consecutive year for the Goldfield Days bed races from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.:

Commissioner Boland so moved. Commissioner Bates gave the second.  
Motion carried.

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7. DISCUSSION/DECISION: to use county road for the following event: "Vegas to Reno" – August 14, 2015. Best In The Desert Racing Association is seeking permission from Esmeralda County to cross county roads and to use county roads. The financial impact to Esmeralda County is tremendous, we sell out rooms, food and gas, restaurants are full and we support auto parts stores, grocery stores, RV parks and other specialty stores. The event will start in Beatty and will travel through Goldfield and Tonopah and continue North:

Casey Folks thanked the Board for allowing him to be here. He is here to seek permission for the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Vegas to Reno event. The event is 545 miles long, it starts in Las Vegas and finish in Reno, the actual start of the Race is in Beatty and the actual finish is in Dayton, Nevada. All permits are in place, BLM, NDOT, NHP; he has been to two other county commission meetings. The race will be on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of August. Best In The Desert always grades the roads the county allows them to do or they pay to have roads graded. They are using the same route the used in 2013. He has spoke with Ed several times.

LaCinda Elgan stated that Ed left message that he had no problems with this.

Casey Folks stated on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary they will be starting in Alamo, Nevada will spend the night in Tonopah, Nevada for an overnight stop and continuing on to Reno, this will be a two day event. They are also looking at revising the Tonopah 300 and he will be back before May 2016.

Commissioner Bates made the motion to allow the Best In The Desert Racing Association to use county roads from the Vegas to Reno Race August 14, 2015. Commissioner Boland gave the second.

Motion carried.

### 8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Commissioner Bates asked about Highway 11.

There were discussions regarding what it is and it basically following Highway 95.

Commissioner Keyes stated this is about 20 to 30 year away.

Commissioner Keyes stated he wanted to make public comments regarding the speed limit in Fish Lake Valley being raised to 70 mph; we have had several accidents since they increase the speed limit.

There were discussions regarding doing a resolution regarding the speed limit.

Sheriff Elgan stated NDOT needs to be made aware of the situation.

### 9. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Boland made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bates gave the second.

Motion carried.