

Minutes from the September 03, 2019 HIGHWAY Commission Meeting

September 03, 2019
10:00 a.m.
Esmeralda County Courthouse
Commission Chambers
233 Crook Ave., 2nd Floor
Goldfield, Nevada

APPROVED

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.**

Ralph Keyes -	Chairman
Delon "De" Winsor -	Vice-Chairman
Timothy Hipp -	Commissioner
Robert Glennen -	District Attorney – In Court
Sandy Roper -	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 Hipp seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

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

None.

5. **UPDATE OF CURRENT AND FUTURE MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS.** (This is only an update. No decisions will be made.)

Commissioner Keyes stated he did drive around town and he said it looks good to him. He hopes it lasts.

6. **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

September 3rd, 2019

1. Currently, Silver Peak crew: Mitch, our lead operator is going to part-time (19 hrs. a week) without benefits to help out until we get our new hire trained. We are interviewing a possible new hire for SP on Thursday. Mitch is on Race Repair along Alkali Flats to Tonopah. Fish Lake Valley: this crew is on stand-by at this time due to Eddie Pratt filling in at solid waste. When the operator is back, Eddie will be working

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on Race Repairs in FLV. We haven't received any applicants for either of the FLV open positions as of this date. Goldfield: We have completed Phase 1 of the Slurry Seal process and have sent Mr. Gano out to Race Repair in the Tokop area. All districts will need to be patient with us as we are adjusting to race repair from the Slurry Seal project.

2. Solid Waste: As mentioned above, our landfill operator has been out, so we have had to adjust by our FLV operator filling in until the landfill operator is able to return to work, hopefully by next week. We are in the process of training our new solid waste operator, who has been boots on the ground and things are looking good, so far.
3. Silver Peak shop has had two incidents of late with fuel being stolen (about 90 gallons) from a motor-grader and, most recently, one of our vehicles at the county yard was vandalized, with the Master Switch being torn out. With these latest incidents, we are looking to the Commissioners to advise us on security options.
4. As mentioned, the Goldfield Historic Roads Repair slurry seal project has been completed. Many thanks to Susan Dudley, Mike Anderson's crew, Lee Jacoby and Jeff Giese from Horrocks, and Ed Rannells without whom this would not have been possible.
5. In Goldfield, we have started cleaning the entire shop area inside and out.

Equipment-wise, we are in the process of purchasing a grader and are looking at a lease option on a new loader which may be on an upcoming agenda.

7. ***FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discuss and determine if all sick, comp and any monies related to Ed Rannells last check are correct. If not, direct and approve payment of any monies owed. Funds from both Road and Solid Waste budgets should apply. (Commissioner Keyes/Dan McArthur)

Running concurrently with Item #13 on the BOCC meeting. See #8 next.

8. ***FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Ed Rannells would like to receive all of his annual leave accrued before he left Esmeralda County and all matters related thereto. (Ed Rannells)

Running concurrently with Item #13 on the BOCC meeting.

Vera Boyer stated that he feels he should be paid his entire 287 vacation hours, as well as his sick time, but she paid him his 240 standard hours. Commissioner Hipp said as Dan said there is

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some wiggle room there. Vera said we have always paid at the 240 maximum hours. The policy specifically states "up to 240 hours".

Commissioner Keyes stated we also have the Highway open for a similar subject. He made a motion to reopen and run concurrently the Highway commission. Commissioner Hipp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Keyes made the motion to stand with the policy of 240 maximum hours. He said he would like to give a bonus but we need to stick with the policy. Commissioner Hipp 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.

Commissioner Hipp made a motion to recess back to the regular Board of County Commission meeting. Commissioner Winsor seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

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10. ***ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Hipp made the motion to adjourn.

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