

MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION
May 6, 2021

The Board of County Highway Commissioners met in regular session on the above date at 1:15 p.m. at the Churchill County Commissioners Chambers, 155 N. Taylor St, Fallon, NV, with Chairman Scharmann presiding.

Those present were as follows:

Justin Heath, Chairman
Greg Koenig, Vice-Chairman
Ben Shawcroft, District Attorney's Office
Sherry Wideman, Comptroller

H. Pete Olsen, Commissioner
Gary Fowkes, Road Supervisor
Naomi Steele, Secretary

Those absent were as follows:

Jim Barbee, County Manager

Call to order – Chairman Heath called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Verification of the posting of the agenda - Secretary Steele verified the agenda was posted in accordance with NRS 241 on the 29th day of April 2021 between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the locations listed on the agenda. Those locations include the Churchill County Road Department, Churchill County Complex Building, Churchill County Web Site, and the State of Nevada Website.

Public Comment – Chairman Heath asked for public comments on issues that were not listed on the agenda, but there were none.

Agenda – Commissioner Olsen motioned to accept the agenda as submitted. Motion seconded Vice-Chairman Koenig, and carried by unanimous vote.

Minutes – Commissioner Olsen motioned to approve the minutes of April 1, 2021 as submitted. Motion seconded by Vice-Chairman Koenig, and carried by unanimous vote.

Department Reports-

Monthly departmental report - Road Supervisor Gary Fowkes reported on Road Department matters, accomplishments, and projects (A complete report is attached to the original packet).

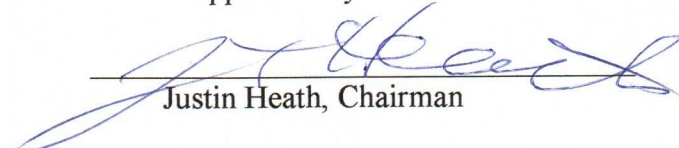
Future Agenda Items – There were no future agenda items.

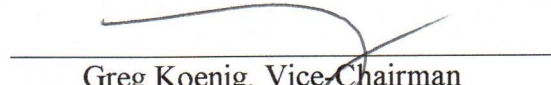
Public Comments – Chairman Heath asked for public comments on issues that were not listed on the agenda. Resident Conrad Lowrey stated his name for the record. The previous commissioner told him that if he wanted the road paved, he should attend the Regional Transportation meetings. At the last meeting, he distributed five pages of a petition, which he has also brought to the meeting today. However, the board said they would not pave his road. There were not any commissioner's at the meeting, the mayor called the meeting to order and asked for a copy of the paperwork that he distributed at today's meeting. Now, the RTC has a copy and each of the commissioner's in attendance today has a copy.

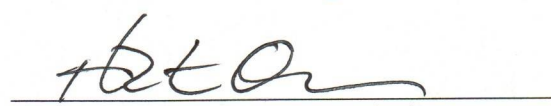
Each resident that lives on the road has signed the first page. The second page has signatures of the people that use the road, such as UPS, the mail carrier, Fed Ex, Waste Management, Budget Septic, and the ambulance, sign the second page. Page 3 is the business's that use the road, although not all of them would sign it, citing a conflict of interest. The fourth page is an aerial photo of the road he lives on. The final page is an aerial view of the area. The part he has circled is of the expanded area where he lives. He said there are no homes, fence posts, buildings, intersections, no nothing, it is all open prairie, and the road department paved 2.7 miles of road out there. There is no traffic or people out there and they paved it. He said they could have paved our road 5 ½ times, for what they paved that for. He informed the board that he went out there on a Monday morning at 9 o'clock, and sat in the middle of the road, and no one passed. He went out again on Tuesday at noon, sat there for an hour, and nobody passed him going either way. On Wednesday, he went out at 3 o'clock, and nobody passed him. He was told that the people out there need access to Highway 50, but there is nobody out there that needs access. Then they paved two miles of Reservoir Road, and there is only one residence there. He believes that nobody lives there; they only park a bunch of equipment. Instead of paving the two miles there, they could have paved his road four times. Although there is some traffic on Reservoir, there is more traffic on his road. Last, they paved one mile on Wildes Road, and the bad thing about that is, Wildes Road was already paved. He said they would have given anything to have that pavement they paved over. He then thanked the board for their time. A copy of the paperwork is attached for the record.

Adjournment - With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Heath declared the meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on June 3, 2021 at the Churchill County Administrative Complex, 155 N. Taylor Street, Commissioner's Chambers, Fallon, NV at 1:15 p.m.

Approved By:


Justin Heath, Chairman


Greg Koenig, Vice-Chairman


H. Peter Olsen, Commissioner