

MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION
June 3, 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
Jim Barbee, County Manager

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

Those absent were as follows:

None

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 27th day of May 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 – Vice-Chairman Koenig motioned to accept the agenda as submitted. Motion seconded Commissioner Olsen, and carried by unanimous vote.

Minutes – Vice-Chairman Koenig motioned to approve the minutes of May 6, 2021 as submitted. Motion seconded by Commissioner Olsen, 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**).

Chairman Heath asked Gary if he has talked with the supervisor at the Nevada Department of Transportation. He said the Sheriff mentioned that the warning light at Sheckler flashes continually. Chairman Heath said that the sign constantly flashes, and does not give you a warning, so there are many vehicles that blow through the light. He said people get used to it flashing yellow all the time, and they do not even know when it is going to turn going sixty miles an hour.

Civil Deputy DA Ben Shawcroft said the county spoke with NDOT when they were initially designing the stop light. NDOT advised them that the reason they went with the straight flashing light instead of a warning sign is they have found that people will speed up to get through the light, which causes worse accidents because they want to beat the light.

Supervisor Fowkes stated that he would reach out to Paul Harmon from NDOT.

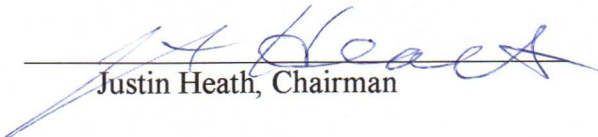
Commissioner Pete Olsen asked Gary if he could inspect the road by the Sorenson Dairy on Allen Road. He advised the road has a deep rut across it, and when driving a semi through there it is bad. Mr. Olsen said that the road by the canal at the Cemetery was caving in, and maybe someday we might think about bringing some of our material in there and raising it six inches. Gary said or perhaps chip seal the road. Mr. Olsen said he did not want to go crazy, but it is in bad shape. Gary said Jorge asked if the road department could blade it a couple of months ago, so we went in and did it.

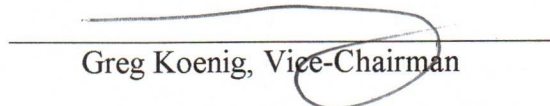
Future Agenda Items – There were no future agenda items.

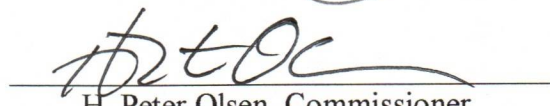
Public Comments – Chairman Heath asked for public comments on issues that were not listed on the agenda, but there were none.

Adjournment - With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Heath declared the meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on July 1, 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