

MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION
December 1, 2022

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 Heath presiding.

Those present were as follows:

Justin Heath, Chairman
H. Bus Scharmann-Commissioner
Joe Sanford, District Attorney's Office

Gary Fowkes, Road Supervisor
Sherry Wideman, Comptroller
Bobbie King, Clerical Specialist

Those absent were as follows:

H. Pete Olsen, Commissioner
Jim Barbee, County Manager
Naomi Steele, Secretary

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

Verification of the posting of the agenda – Clerical Specialist King verified the agenda was posted in accordance with NRS 241 on the 22nd day of November 2022 between the hours of 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 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 – No public comments.

Agenda – Commissioner Scharmann motioned to accept the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Chairman Heath and carried by a unanimous vote.

Minutes – Chairman Heath motioned to approve the minutes of November 3, 2022, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Scharmann and carried by a 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 none.

Public Comments – Dell Lufte lives at 2805 Desert View Dr. stated this is his fourth attempt to get his road fixed that Northern Nevada Enterprises (NNE) tore up. He said he was here so hopefully someone will help him get that evaluated, looked at, and come up with a plan to get it fixed. I don't want it better than it was, just put it back the way it was. It was all gravel, well-groomed and we spent a lot of money on it.

Gary asked Mr. Lufte whom he spoke with regarding his road.

He said he contacted CC Communications and was told to wait until the job was completed. He waited and they tore up the road some more.

When they were done, he called again and they sent Stewart out, Stewart showed up with an attitude, he said we're not going to do anything. So, he tried to get ahold of the county manager and suggested he come here. He is here to see if we can come up with some remedies. He and his neighbor have a lot of money on this road, and he just wants it back like it was.

Chairman Heath asked where the road was Mr. Lufte said it was off Powerline Road if you were on Sheckler Rd. stay on the left and it takes you to Desert View. Gary asked if it crossed the cattle guard. Mr. Lufte said yes. He said he has been trying for 3 years to get the cattle guard fixed.

Chairman Heath asked Gary if this was our road and Gary stated it was not a county-maintained road.

Mr. Lufte says they were digging on the west side, they tore up vegetation and piled up sand. The problem is the wind blows the sand on the road. Before they were done, Fed Ex got stuck in the sand pile they made.

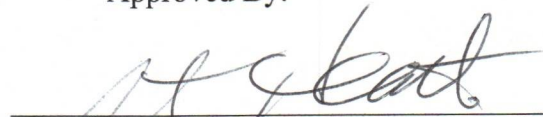
He has drug the road twice since they've been done, and he hasn't had any luck bringing the gravel back up.

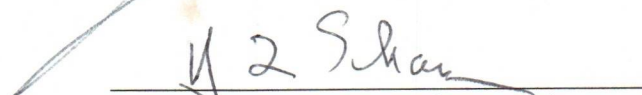
Gary said he would go look at the road but if we see that it needs attention it will be up to CC Communications to have NNE fix the road. The road department can't go in there and do it.

Mr. Sanford asked Mr. Lufte if he could stay for the CC Communications meeting that was coming up next. After a small discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Lufte would stay and voice his concerns with CC Communications since they contracted NNE to do the work.

Adjournment - With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Heath declared the meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on January 3, 2023, 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


Harry Scharmann, Commissioner