

Elko Television District

Board Meeting Minutes, March 12th, 2024
6:00 p.m. at the Elko County Court House

Board Members:

Present: Steve Guitar, Kent LeBarts, Rick Jimenez, and Charles Schaer

Absent: Dale Lotspeich

Others Present: Crystal Koppe representing Koppe Co., LLC and Marisa Reeves representing McMullen, McPhee & Co., LLC

Proceedings

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Steve Guitar

Public Comment: None

Approval of the Minutes February 1st, 2024 Meeting

Charles Schaer moved to accept the minutes from the February 1st, 2024 meeting. Rick Jimenez seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Charles Schaer moved to accept the Treasurer's report as written. Rick Jimenez seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Approval & Ratification of Outstanding Bills for payment

Kent LeBarts read aloud the outstanding and ratified bills. Charles Schaer moved to accept the outstanding and ratified bills as read. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Discussion and Action Regarding Property Tax Rate in Fiscal Year 2025

Elko County wants to come after the 5 cents the TV District received last year. They want the TV District to give everything back and if the TV district is "good" they 'might' give two cents back. Steve is pretty sure they would not give anything back. Charles requests that the county come to the TV District as a board, and not a singular person. The TV District obtained that 5 cents legally. Rick states there are a lot of projects, the TV District couldn't afford to give anything back. Charles mentioned that the TV District is more than just TV. There is Verizon, AT&T and others that the TV District supports. There are several towers that are overloaded and need to be updated. Kent LeBarts moved to keep the current property tax rate. Charles Schaer seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Steve mentioned the school board lost two funding elections. They can't figure out why they lost. Only 15% of voters voted. Charles stated that if they don't come to the board to answer his questions, he will not vote.

Review and Possible Approval of Updates to Contracts

Eureka County TV District MOU, CC Communications Leasing Space at Fiber Hut, Skyfiber Locating to Grindstone, EIP New Contract, NDOT Leasing Space in Peavey Building #2, Rise Broadband Adding 2 Dishes and Contract Renewals for the Following: Coach USA, Elko Broadcasting Company, Nevada Department of Information Technology, Nevada Department of Transportation, and Premier Wireless Services

Tabled until next meeting.

Discussion and Updates of Lumen Fiber Connection for Salt Lake

Tabled until next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Removing Temporary Pole at Elko Airport Fiber Hut

Tabled until next meeting.

Updates and Possible Action Regarding Verizon Wireless Modifications on Lamoille & Grindstone, Lease Contract Changes and All Matters Related Thereto

Tabled until next meeting.

Updates and Possible Action Regarding AT&T Installing a Generator at Grindstone and All Matters Related Thereto

Tabled until next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Creation of a Local Public Access Channel for Elko County

Tabled until next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Current and Future Capital Projects as Follows but Not Limited To:

Grindstone Grounding Issues, New Site on Top of Elko Snowbowl, Building a New Tower on Grindstone, Creating a Power Policy, Link from Lamoille to Peavey for TV Channel or Security Use, Updates on IP Stream Device to Connect to Fiber, Updates on New Peavey Generator, Updates on Replacing Fence at Peavey and Updates on Purchasing Sitemaster

Tabled until next meeting.

Repair Service Report and Site Updates

Tabled until next meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on April 9th, 2024.