

Elko Television District

Board Meeting Minutes, June 13th, 2024
6:00 p.m. at the Elko County Court House

Board Members:

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

Absent:

Others Present: Brian Riley representing himself, Crystal Koppe representing Koppe Co., 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 May 7th and May 23rd, 2024 Meetings

Dale Lotspeich moved to accept the minutes from the May 7th and May 23rd, 2024 meetings. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Kent LeBarts moved to accept the Treasurer's report as written. Dale Lotspeich seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Approval & Ratification of Outstanding Bills for payment

Kent LeBarts read aloud the outstanding and ratified bills. Dale Lotspeich moved to accept the outstanding and ratified bills as read. Rick Jimenez seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Review and Approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Pool Insurance Renewal

Dale Lotspeich moved to accept the 2025 Pool Insurance Renewal as presented. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Review and Possible Approval of Updates to Contracts

Eureka County TV District MOU, CC Communications Leasing Space at Fiber Hut, EIP New Contract, NDOT Leasing Space in Peavey Building #2, Elko Fire District Possibly Leasing Space on TV District Sites and Contract Renewals for the Following: Albino Ortega, Elko County School District, Nevada Gold Mines, Skyfiber Video, Wells Rural Electric, White Cloud

Tabled until next meeting.

Dale Lotspeich moved to accept the Koppe Co. contract for the next fiscal year. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

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

Steve mentioned that we need to make sure to add the language in the AT&T contract that they will need to move to the new tower once construction is complete.

Discussion and Possible Approval Quote to Move Old Ryndon Building to Spring Creek Middle School

Dale Lotspeich moved to reject the quote from Premier Wireless Service for moving the old Ryndon Building. Rick Jimenez seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous. Dale wondered if they could get a CAT to move it. Steve said the rental rates are on the website. The building is only 5,400 pounds.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Quote for Building a New Tower on Grindstone

Dale moved to table this agenda item until the board can meet with the contractor face to face and come up with other options. Rick Jimenez seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous. Rick thinks it might be best to move forward in steps. Charles asked if we would also have to get a building and Dale said there was a building at the Elko site, it would just need to be moved. Steve doesn't think there is a need to move the building until there are enough customers.

Repair Service Report and Site Updates

It was stated that there was trouble with Reno channels about a week ago. There was switch equipment that died. Paden with Eagle Communications needs to respond no matter where he is at because there is no option for someone to leave a voicemail. Charles stated there are some issues at Ryndon. Channel 8 signal is not good. Rick feels if there are channels out, we need a response sent out regardless.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Disconnecting the Service from White Cloud

Dale asked why this item was added to the agenda. Marisa explained that the internet service will soon be switching to Lumen from White Cloud, but then issues happened in Reno, so this switch was postponed.

Discussion, Updates, Possible Approval and Creating a Priority List 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, Updating TV District Equipment on Various Sites, 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 Replacing Fence at Peavey, Updates on Purchasing Sitemaster, and Possible Capital Projects: Fix Lighting at Pequops, Pour concrete at Paradise Dr to Control Weeds,
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.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Changing the DMA (Designated Marketing Area) for Elko County from Salt Lake to Reno

This item to be removed from the agenda until further notice.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Public Safety and Communication on TV District Sites

Tabled until next meeting.

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

Tabled until next meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on July 11th, 2024.