

Elko Television District

Board Meeting Minutes, October 13th, 2022
6:00 p.m. at the Elko County Court House

Board Members:

Present: Steve Guitar, Kent LeBarts, Misty Atkins, Dale Lotspeich, and Rick Jimenez.

Absent:

Others Present: Paden Hilyard representing Eagle Communications, Cenni Jimenez representing Premier Wireless, Charles Schaer representing himself, Khatlyn Micheli representing Nevada Gold Mines, and Marisa Reeves representing McMullen, McPhee & Co., LLC.

Proceedings

Meeting called to order at 5:57 p.m. by Steve Guitar

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes September 8th, 2022 Regular Meeting

Kent LeBarts moved to accept the minutes from the September 8th, 2022 meeting as written. Rick Jimenez 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 & Ratify of Outstanding Bills for payment

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

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Channel Loss At the Ryndon Site

Steve received 5 calls the other day, he got 2 of them fixed. Charles got two different readings with two different temperatures at Ryndon. He took readings at his house, about one mile from the Ryndon site. Now channels are going out at 10 pm instead of midnight. It is taking longer and longer to turn back on. He took three measurements from the same three spots. The last few nights it's been 20 degrees. Charles put a 30db amplifier on his home and he still couldn't get a signal.

Paden stated they are definitely losing connectivity at 60 degrees. He thinks it's the jumper. The old setup had a 75-ohm cable going into the building and up the tower. That cable is no longer usable. They could get a BHL Omni-antenna. There is a quote for new 50-ohm antennas. Steve said those should have been purchased yesterday since it's under \$5,000. There's no need for another sweep. He doesn't think there are any issues with the feed lines. Cenni thinks it's the jumpers as well. There will not be any height adjustments for the antennas. Steve thinks possibly there could be an issue with the centrepins. Steve wants to get rid of the 75-ohm cables. Steve said if we have to pay extra for expedited shipping, we need to pay for it.

The Channel 8 antenna is two weeks out. Misty wants to see this updated on the website. Steve wants everyone on the board to be updated about the status and to update it on the website and Facebook. Steve said if there's something that you need immediately, call him and he will approve the purchase within reason and he will update the board. Steve would like to have a few spares if the price is lower, like these little antennas. Steve said to get at least one UHF spare.

Repair Service Report and Site Updates

Paden said he is about to do winter PM's. He will be doing all the sites in the next few weeks. There are a few devices to replace due to lightning strikes.

Review and Possible Approval of Updates to Contracts

Verizon Wireless Contract Revisions

Verizon wants to add equipment on Grindstone. Their equipment will bring the loading to 105%. They were going to remove the 6' dish and replace it with a 4' dish.

AT&T Contract Revisions

AT&T is trying to hold firm on their proposed pricing.

Rise Broadband Adding Equipment

Paden got ahold of the new contract administrator. He told them they have a dish that is in trespass.

Barrick/NV Gold Mines Contract Renewal

The board would prefer to add an addendum to the current contract rather than create a new contract, especially since they have been a good customer. They will get an addendum drafted for approval at the next meeting.

Eureka County TV District MOU

Tabled until the next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Skyfiber Video Leasing Space and Putting Up Equipment on Ryndon

Steve doesn't see a problem with them installing a camera. Paden said they are ready to go. The one-rack price will be similar to Lamoille. Dale Lotspeich moved to approve SkyFiber to lease space at Ryndon. Rick Jimenez seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Leasing Conduit Space for Fiber for Anthem Broadband

Paden said Anthem want to access the conduit at the airport and pipe up their conduit into the Verizon Building. Dale thinks it may be good to put in an innerduct. Misty wants Anthem to be supervised if they do any work. They want to install a 2" conduit over 1,000 feet. Cenni said usually conduit is priced by the size and then the length or percentage used. He would highly recommend installing an innerduct. The board asked them to make up some numbers and they will discuss it at the next meeting. Cenni thinks it shouldn't be any lower than \$500/mo. Steve said they will have to get permission from the Airport before they can start any work.

Discussion and Possible Approval of CC Communications Leasing Space at the Fiber Hut

Paden said CC Communications would like to come to the airport, and it would be a splice-connect place for them to go across the highway. Their primary facility will still be on Silver Street. Paden is still waiting on an equipment list.

Discussion and Possible Action of Hiring a Company to Manage the Tenant Lease Contracts

Cenni said they charge \$95/hr and bill in 15-minute increments. They would house the contracts and communicate with the tenants and could do negotiations. They would give a report at each meeting. They could help with licensing and lease agreements with landowners. Misty Atkins moved to start a six-month trial with Complete Management to take over contract management. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Discussion, Updates, and Possible Action on Installation Inspections for the Following Tenants:

SkyFiber

Cenni said they are currently working on repairs. He gave them 60 days, which will be until the end of October.

City of Elko Fire

They were very quick at returning emails. They have until the first part of November to get the repairs completed.

Paden mentioned the brass tags have been ordered.

Discussion and Possible Approval of a Link from Lamoille to Peavey for TV Channel or Security Use Including, But Not Limited to, Building a District Owned Site in Deeth

Paden said there are no licenses available. The TV District license is a 6gig straight shot to Peavey. DOT has a process to lease fiber, the district could lease fiber from Wells to Peavey. They will need at least a 2' dish, possibly a 3' dish.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Old Lamoille Structural Upgrade

Cenni said he should have the steel by the end of this month.

Discussion and Possible Action on Purchasing Shirts for the TV District

They would like the logo on the left chest of a collared shirt with a pocket. We would need to order at least 7 shirts.

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

Updates on New Peavey Generator

The Locator just came in last week. Cenni will go up next week and start getting equipment up there. They are trying to locate the existing conduit so they don't run into it.

Correcting Old Lamoille Tower Overloading, Servicing Adobe Summit Area, and Updates on New Ryndon Tower & Generator

Tabled until the next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Purchasing an IP Stream Device to Connect in Partnership with Eureka to Fiber from Reno

Tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business: Marisa reminded the board to please sign the signature card at the bank.

New Business: None of the power meters work at Grindstone anymore. None of the new models have connectivity without buying a proprietary model on-site. We will need four. Paden has been looking at a monitoring company. Schneider does make a breaker panel that will monitor power usage as well.

Public Comment: None

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on November 10th, 2022.