



ELKO TELEVISION DISTRICT

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Board Meeting Minutes

August 19th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Elko County Courthouse

Board Members:

Present: Dale Lotspeich, Kent LeBarts, Brian Riley, Raymond Mowrey, and Misty Atkins

Absent:

Others Present: Mike Murphy representing Diversified Consulting Services, Cenni Jimenez representing Premier Wireless Services, Paden Hilyard representing Eagle Communications, and Ken Wiley and Marisa Reeves as employees of Elko Television District

Proceedings

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Dale Lotspeich

Public Comment: None

Comments From the Chairman

Nothing to report.

Approval of the Minutes - July 9th, 2026 Meeting

Brian Riley moved to accept the minutes from the July 9th, 2026 meeting. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Approve Treasurer's Report

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

Approval & Ratification of Outstanding Bills for payment

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

Repair Service Report and Site Updates by Ken

Ken noted there have been a few minor outages. The Lamoille Summit transcoder reset 2 times this month. Winnemucca caused an unplanned outage of about 5 hours. The Shelly Nee Media contract was negotiated and signed. The Grindstone building foundation has been completed. The buildings have been anchored and the grounding system is almost complete. Premier Wireless was awarded the project of constructing the Ice Shield Canopy to protect the new buildings. They estimated the completion date for mid-September. The Grindstone Communications Line Tray Pathway project was

awarded to NNE. Ken had traveled to Elko for 9 days, targeting specific immediate needs, such as building cleaning and weed control. Marisa & Ken worked on the HR spreadsheet for the Communications Specialist series. The Technalogix transcoders and equipment were received on Monday. The LPTV licenses have all been submitted. He hopes to receive a Station Temporary status giving the TV District 2 years to turn on the frequencies.

On-Call Engineering Report – DCS, Mike Murphy

Mike reported it was a busy month with all the projects on Grindstone. The road seems to be good. Premier Wireless will be installing canopies and platforms; NNE will be doing the Cable tray. Paden will be getting things ready for the Propane tanks. The Ruby Vista Building is progressing slowly. Mike had a good meeting with the supplier and got it closer to budget for the sewer lift station. He will get an electrician in at Ruby Vista and clean up the mice droppings. Then after that, hopefully the permit will be issued. Mike and Marisa worked together to submit the pre-application for NV Energy for the Ruby Vista Building.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee, Infrastructure Committee, and Translator/Programming Committee
Nothing to report.

Discussion and Possible Action on Premier Wireless and Complete Management Updates on Grindstone and Verizon Lamoille

Cenni reported that, as of right now, the contractor is complete at Lamoille Summit. Cenni did a final inspection and found some minor issues. He is going to go over the drawings and make sure the grounding is in the correct place. Cenni is trying to push them to get the tower extension done by October. But he's not confident it will happen. All equipment is off the old tower, except the microwave, which will be done next week.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Amendments to City of Elko Fire Department and Ruby Vista Lease Agreements

Tabled until the next meeting.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Changing Future Meeting Dates

Dale noted that he has conflicts on Thursday. Dale suggested meeting at 9 am instead of in the evening. Kent said Tuesdays and Thursdays are best for him. Brian said he's retired, so his schedule is open. Dale suggested Tuesday at 9 am. Misty said Tuesdays work for her. Raymond said he did have all the Thursdays off; however, he should be able to move around his schedule to attend. The board then discussed doing the second or third week of the month. Brian Riley moved to change all future meeting dates and times to the second Tuesday of the month at 9 am, pending verification of the availability of the Elko County Commissioners Room with the county scheduler, Michele Petty. Kent LeBarts seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Old Business: Dale noted on the Agenda that was posted for this meeting, it had the correct date, however it listed the day as Thursday, and not Wednesday.

New Business: Dale told Brian to put discussion and plans about solar or wind on a future agenda, preferably during winter.

Public Comment: None

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on September 8th, 2026.