

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

A meeting of the Regional Transportation Commission was held on April 14, 2020, at 8:30 a.m. in White Pine County Library Conference Room, 950 Campton Street, Ely, Nevada.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Wayne Cameron, Chairman
 Richard Howe, WPC Commission
 Jim Alworth, City of Ely

ALSO PRESENT:

Bill Calderwood, WPC Public Works Director
 Mike Cracraft, City of Ely (via Zoom)
 Mike Sturgeon, City of Ely (via Zoom)
 Janette Trask, City of Ely (via Zoom)
 Steve Baer, NDOT Representative (8:40 am)
 BJ Almberg, Basin Engineering (via Zoom)
 Naomi Harris, Recording Secretary

 Wayne Cameron called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

***COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Minute Time Limit): - none**

DISCUSSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – PUBLIC TRANSIT BUDGET FY21 –

Bill Calderwood said he wanted to clarify some questions on the Public Transit FY21 budget presented at the last RTC meeting. He referred to the summary page of the budget presented and explained it:

PUBLIC TRANSIT	TOTAL PUBLIC TRANSIT		CITY OF ELY		WP COUNTY	
FY 2019 ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$	2,155,773	\$	384,266	\$	1,771,506
FY 20 AVERAGE REVENUES	\$	600,000	\$	175,800	\$	424,200
FY 20 BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$	(1,037,748)	\$	(219,248)	\$	(818,500)
FY 20 BUDGETED ELY BUS EXPENSES	\$	(57,000)	\$	(16,701)	\$	(40,299)
FY 2020 PROJECTED ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$	1,661,025	\$	324,117	\$	1,336,907
FY 21 REQUESTED BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$	(1,056,100)	\$	-	\$	(1,056,100)
FY 21 REQUESTED BUDGETED ELY BUS EXPENSES	\$	(27,000)	\$	(7,911)	\$	(19,089)
FY 21 ESTIMATED AVERAGE REVENUES	\$	600,000	\$	175,800	\$	424,200
FY 2021 PROJECTED ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$	1,177,925	\$	492,006	\$	685,918

The spreadsheet shows the audited FY19 ending fund balances, the projected revenues and projected ending fund balances for the City of Ely and White Pine County. The only number missing on the worksheet is the City of Ely's budget request for FY21. Janette Trask from the City of Ely said they are requesting \$147,880. Bill Calderwood explained that the City's ending fund balance will be the \$492,006 - \$147,880 requested for FY21 if they spend everything in this fiscal year and next fiscal year.

Richard Howe made a motion to approve Public Transit Budget FY21. Jim Alworth seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

DISCUSSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – RTC BUDGET FY21 – Bill Calderwood referred to the summary page presented for RTC FY21:

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FY 2019 ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,280,783
FY 20 ESTIMATED AVERAGE REVENUES	\$ 650,000
FY 20 BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ (1,093,550)
FY 2020 PROJECTED ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,837,233
FY21 REQUESTED BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ (1,438,910)
FY21 ESTIMATED AVERAGE REVENUES	\$ 650,000
FY 2021 PROJECTED ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,048,323

The RTC FY21 breakdown shows the audited FY19 ending fund balance, the projected revenues and projected ending fund balance for FY21 if all funds budgeted are used by the City of Ely and the County. The balance does not include the diesel tax which he believes was projected at ±\$500,000. He believes the local NDOT gets 10% of that. The FY21 projected ending fund balance will increase by whatever that dollar amount ends up being for the diesel tax.

Wayne Cameron wanted clarification on the amount of diesel tax expected. Bill Calderwood said they have never received it so no one is sure. He said 2 years ago the revenue was estimated to be right at \$500,000. Richard Howe said he thought it was estimated at \$490,000 based on the 2016-2017 years. Richard Howe thinks the revenues for 2020-2021 will be substantially higher than that.

Jim Alworth made a motion to approve RTC Budget FY21. Richard Howe seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

DISCUSSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE BAKER MULTI-USE TRAIL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$58,200 –

Bill Calderwood said this is the LTAP grant that the RTC Board supported. The additional money is for oversight of the project. When they did the application they followed NDOT's guidelines

but since the project is so far away from anyone else, they have an additional oversight cost of \$58,200. They will have someone on the ground for an estimated 12 weeks on a 4-10's schedule. That individual will come from Las Vegas.

Richard Howe asked if that individual is an NDOT employee. Bill Calderwood said no, it will be a Civil Science employee. They are the engineering firm selected for this project.

Richard Howe asked Steve Baer if NDOT has a scheduled start-up date for the project. Steve Baer said he has not heard from LTAP so nothing is scheduled as of yet. Bill Calderwood said the design is scheduled to be done this current year, put out to bid this winter and under construction next spring. Richard Howe asked if funding will come out of the FY21-FY22 budget year. Bill Calderwood said no, funding will come out of this budget cycle.

Richard Howe made a motion to approve the additional funding for the Baker Multi-Use Trail in an amount not to exceed \$58,200. Jim Alworth seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

DISCUSSION – SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING – After some discussion it was decided that the next meeting should be scheduled for July 16, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. in the White Pine County Library Conference Room.

***APPROVAL OF RTC MINUTES (02/20/2020)** – Richard Howe made a motion to approve the 02/20/2020 meeting minutes. Jim Alworth seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Minute Time Limit) – BJ Almberg said the City of Ely was successful in getting Phase II, an extension of the sewer project that they were already under design for. Right now the City is requesting them to lump Phase I and Phase II into one project so they are working on that. It will go on the streets and under construction this summer. The project has expanded by another ± 2 blocks. He is not anticipating anything in this fiscal year but the fiscal year following this upcoming year, the City may be requesting some additional funds from RTC to finish out that ± 2 blocks for road improvements over the top of this project. Richard Howe wanted clarification on the streets included in the project. He asked if BJ is talking about starting at 1st Street going through 3rd Street, and possibly up to 5th Street. BJ said it is actually Annand Avenue but the phase of that doesn't quite make it to Annand when they specified it, based on the cost. Richard Howe asked where Annand Avenue is and BJ said it is the little dirt road at Stopper's Park.

Wayne Cameron adjourned the meeting at 8:52 am.

