
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

A meeting of the Regional Transportation Commission was held on April 7^h, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. at the White Pine County Library.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Troutt, Road Superintendent
Mike Sturgeon, City of Ely
Janette Trask, City of Ely
BJ Almberg, Basin Engineering
Lindsey Jacobson, Recording Secretary

Wayne Cameron called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. The meeting began with roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance

***COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Minute Time Limit):** - There was no public comment

***DISCUSSION FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL- DEFINITION OF A PAVED ROAD VS. A SURFACE TREATMENT ROAD FOR ALLOCATION OF PUBLIC TRANSIT**

FUNDING: - Jim Alworth had tabled this item from the previous meeting, He brought up the Georgetown Ranch Road and the treatment that was used on that road. Jim said that we need to figure out the specs of a state-paved (asphalt) road. Wayne Cameron asked BJ Almberg if the ordinance defines what a paved road is. BJ said he was not sure but he does not think it does. Richard Howe asked how we did the street to the Golf Course and in front of Wheeler Machinery, Mike Sturgeon explained how that was already a paved road that they put a chip seal on top of. BJ suggested that we come back to the agenda item after doing research and present an idea of a definition to the RTC board in the future. Discussion continued amongst board members about the definition and it was decided to gather information and retable the item until the next meeting.

***DISCUSSION/UPDATE- RTC PROJECTS FOR THE CITY OF ELY:** - Mike Sturgeon reported that the city is trying to get the roads back into shape after the winter. Mike said that they are patching holes with a new oil. Mike also reported that they are trying to pay back trade hours by doing some crack sealing for the county.

***DISCUSSION/UPDATE- RTC PROJECTS FOR THE COUNTY:** - Martin Troutt updated that they have been focusing on outlining roads at this time. Martin also said that within this fiscal year they want to do a chip seal treatment over Georgetown Ranch Road and Lackawanna. Martin said that after the fiscal year they also want to chip seal the Cherry Creek Highway, Avenue F, Avenue C extension, Fairgrounds Road, and Fairview Lane. Jim Alworth asked where the County was getting the chips for the projects. Martin said that he is getting them through JCR for the current project and hopefully through the State for the Cherry Creek Highway. Martin and the board discussed chips meeting state specifications and how chips are approved for use.

***DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE APPROVAL- TO RECOMMEND THE AMOUNT IN THE TENTATIVE PUBLIC TRANSIT BUDGET FOR FY23:** - Janette Trask brought forward a request to increase the City's initial budget request from \$251,050.00 to \$611,000.00 for a new street sweeper. (See attachment for a breakdown of the present budget corrections.)

Richard Howe made a motion to approve the Public Transit budget of \$1,524,005.00. Jim Alworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

***DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE APPROVAL- TO RECOMMEND THE AMOUNT IN THE TENTATIVE RTC BUDGET FOR FY23:** - (See attachment for a breakdown of the present budget corrections.)

Richard Howe made a motion to approve the RTC budget of \$1,858,745.00. Jim Alworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

***DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE APPROVAL- OF CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE MURRY STREET PAVING PROJECT 2021:** - BJ Alberg explained to the board what the change order consisted of, which was 23 days' worth of liquidated damages and other damages, for a total cost of \$8,300.00. Jim Alworth said that we need to increase the daily liquidated damage fee to something more than \$500. Jim asked if they had done the final inspection yet, BJ said that the inspection is on April 14th, 2022. Jim suggested we wait on approving the change order until the final inspection is done, while BJ suggested that they approve this change order and any further damages or change orders be approved after this one, that way they can get a start on getting the paperwork going. The board circled back to discussing the liquidated damage fee and agreed that in the future they will charge more per day.

Richard Howe made a motion to approve the change order. Wayne Cameron seconded the motion. The motion was approved 2-1.

***REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS:** - Richard Howe asked when the next phase of the Murry Street project will start. BJ said that it should start around the 14th of May.

Jim Alworth said that the City's attorney, Leo, wanted to express his concern about the City's liability if an RTC project goes south. It was advised that Leo gets with the County's attorney to further discuss any concerns.

***APPROVAL OF RTC MINUTES (1.27.22):** - Wayne Cameron and Jim Alworth pointed out a couple of minor mistakes.

Richard Howe made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections. Jim Alworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

***COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Minute Time Limit):-** There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 am.