

**NORTHEASTERN NEVADA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
COMBINED MEETING MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD**

**Great Basin College
McMullen Hall, Room 102
1500 College Parkway
Elko, NV 89801**

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at 1:00 pm

A. CALL TO ORDER: By NNRDA Chairman of the Board Frans Yorgesen

The agenda for this meeting of the Northeastern Nevada Regional Development Authority (NNRDA) has been properly posted for this day and time in accordance with NRS requirement.

In accordance with NRS 241, the Authority may: (I) change the order of the agenda, (II) combine two or more agenda items for consideration, (III) remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time, (IV) and if the agenda is not completed, recess the meeting and continue on another specified date and time, (V) place reasonable restrictions on time, place, and manner of public comment and that comment based on viewpoint may not be restricted.

NNRDA's monthly board meeting agenda and board meeting minutes are now posted for public viewing on our website at www.nnrda.com.

B. ROLL CALL: Introductions of Board Members and Guests

STAFF:

Sheldon Mudd-Executive Director

Kris Ashdown-Executive Assistant

Jan Morrison-Economic Development Officer (via phone)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chris Johnson-City of Elko

Chris Melville-City of W.Wendover (via phone)

Mike Sharkozy-Eureka County (via phone)

Shane Bybee-White Pine County (via phone)

Margaret Johnston-City of Carlin

Jolene Supp-City of Wells

Frans Yorgesen-Southwest Gas

Rebecca Darling-Barrick Gold (via phone)

BOARD MEMBERS:

Jennifer Koopman-NNRH

Johnny Hargrove-NV Energy

Kate Kozminski-Kinross-Bald Mtn (via phone)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

This agenda item is to provide time for the general public to address the Authority regarding items of concern. Action cannot be taken at this time, but a matter can be set on the agenda for a future meeting, as appropriate.

D. MINUTES:

1) Approval of the June 2018 Combined Executive Committee and Board Meeting Minutes.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Jolene made a motion to approve the Combined Executive Committee and Board Meeting Minutes for June 2018. Betti Magney seconded the motion. The motion passed.

E. NNRDA FINANCIALS:

1) Review and approval of Financials through July 2018.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Mike Sharkozy made a motion to approve the Financials through July 2018. Jolene Supp seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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F. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Review, discussion, and possible approval for expenditures funding the redesign (modernization) of NNRDA website with optional GIS Planning tool Zoom Prospector.

For Possible Approval

NO ACTION: After discussing the modernization/updating to our website, the Board would like to investigate the examples given by Sheldon then bring the action item back next month.

G. REPORTS

- 1) **Status Report and Leads:** Staff will provide status on various activities, projects and leads. Sheldon Mudd let the board know he will just highlight a few top items. Sheldon had Jan tell the board about her current efforts and what's happening on the Humboldt side of things. Jan said they are working on a strategic plan for the county, having a community hearing on September 12. They have had a lot of community involvement but of course would love to have more. They've been working on the housing issue and have come up with a great plan which will be geared towards the working class with a yearly salary of \$50-100,000.

Sheldon followed up by saying we have about 20 projects we're working on and 23 leads that we are working with. In the next couple of months we'll be seeing a few companies from out of the country. We will have visitors from Australia and Canada who each bring about 10 different companies with them. A few of those will be serious about expanding their company here. CDBG funding was finalized with all 3 our entities being awarded what they had asked for! Sheldon attended the Economic Development Conference in Reno last week making new connections and thank you to Barrick for giving us their booth.

Sheldon introduced Joel Lenz, the new mining specialist for GOED. Joel has been in the mining sector for many years and brings with him a wealth of knowledge. Joel along with the Nevada Bureau of Mines & Geology and the Division of Minerals have put together a precious metals, toll milling and copper process opportunity report which will be a good tool to use to attract smaller companies that might have smaller deposits in Nevada but don't have the scope to put in a process facility. They will then be able to locate either an under-utilized facility or another facility that would be willing to process their materials. Joel is working with some of the smaller gold mine companies as well. Joel mentioned several other projects that he is currently working on, staying very busy and have only been on the job for 2 months!

- 2) **RNDC:** Report from Shirley Alen-Kellerman on RNDC meetings. There was no update from RNDC today.

H. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board members will be provided the opportunity to give a short report on their business or their city/county.

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Respectfully submitted:

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Kris Ashdown, NNRDA Executive Assistant