

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

**Great Basin College
McMullen Hall, Room 110**

1500 College Parkway
Elko, NV 89801

Thursday, February 22, 2018 at 1:30pm

A. CALL TO ORDER: By NNRDA Chairman of the Board Shirley Alen-Kellerman

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:

Shirley Alen-Kellerman-Nevada State Bank

John Rice-City of Elko

Delmo Andreozzi-Elko County

Vince Mendiola-City of Winnemucca (via phone)

Marlene Brissenden-Humboldt County (via phone)

Sharon Horn-RAM Enterprise (via phone)

Carol McKenzie-White Pine County (via phone)

BOARD MEMBERS:

Lisa Becker-Newmont Mining

Betti Magney-Elko Daily Free Press

C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

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D. MINUTES:

1) Approval of the November 27, 2017 and January 25, 2018 Combined Executive Committee and Board Meeting Minutes. **For Possible Approval**

ACTION: Delmo Andreozzi made a motion to approve the November 27, 2017 and January 25, 2018 Combined Meeting Minutes. John Rice seconded the motion. The motion passed.

E. NNRDA FINANCIALS:

1) Review and approval of Financials for November and December 2017 and January 2018.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: John Rice made a motion to approve the Financials for November 2017, December 2017, and January 2018. Delmo Andreozzi seconded the motion. The motion passed.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1) Review, discussion, and possible approval for NNRDA staff to attend various trade shows and conventions that have a high probability of lead generation. **For Possible Approval**

ACTION: Delmo Andreozzi made a motion to approve NNRDA staff to attend various trade shows and conventions as long as they're within the budget. Betti Magney seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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- 2) Review, discussion, and possible approval to adopt a resolution to support the release of BLM wilderness study areas in NNRDA represented counties. **For Possible Approval**

John Rice thinks it's a smart move to draft this resolution but feels the word (arbitrarily) needs to be taken out. Delmo agreed that we ultimately want to let them know that we are in support to dissolve the WSA's. Marlene Brissenden let the Board know that Humboldt County approved this exact Resolution and Delmo Andreozzi said Elko County approved the same one as well.

ACTION: Marlene Brissenden made a motion for approval to adopt the resolution (with the above change) in support of the release of BLM wilderness study areas which fall in NNRDA represented counties. Delmo Andreozzi seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- 3) Review, discussion, and possible approval to have the Nevada Department of Transportation / University of Nevada Las Vegas staff present their Land Ferry initiative at the March board meeting.

For Possible Approval

Marlene Brissenden in not excited about this initiative and feels it would be a waste of time for them to present. John Rice feels it might be a good idea to hear them out and if they present by Skype or tele-conference then it's only 20 minutes of our time to listen.

ACTION: John Rice made a motion to direct staff to continue the conversation with the Nevada Department of Transportation/University of Nevada Las Vegas staff to present their Land Ferry initiative. Betti Magney seconded the motion. Marlene Brissenden was a nay. The motion passed.

- 4) Review, discussion, and possible approval to have Sheldon Mudd attend the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) annual convention in Toronto, Canada in March 2018.

For Possible Approval

Sheldon Mudd let the board know that GOED is funding this trip so it will only be Sheldon being out of the office for a week to attend but no monies needed from NNRDA.

ACTION: John Rice made a motion to approve Sheldon Mudd to attend the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) annual convention in Toronto, Canada in March 2018. Lisa Becker seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- 5) Review, discussion, and possible approval to draft a letter opposing the Surface Transportation Board's consideration to regulate reciprocal switching on United States rail ways. **For Possible Approval**

NO ACTION TAKEN: Executive Director, Sheldon Mudd, sent out 2 YouTube video's (one in favor and one opposing) to regulate reciprocal switching on US railways. There was discussion for and against so the decision was made to table this item until Sheldon can reach out to some of the industries that may be affected by this locally and see what their position is on it before moving forward.

- 6) Review, discussion, and possible action regarding dates and times of monthly board meetings.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Marlene Brissenden made a motion to keep the meeting on the fourth Thursday but change the time to 3:00 pm. Carol McKenzie seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- 7) Review, discussion, and possible action regarding NNRDA staff Notary Public. **For Possible Approval**

ACTION: John Rice made a motion to have NNRDA staff discontinue funding for the Notary Public as staff can use the Notary Public that are available on GBC campus. Marlene Brissenden seconded the motion. The motion passed.

G. REPORTS

- 1) **Status Report and Leads:** Staff will provide status on various activities, projects and leads.

Sheldon Mudd gave a brief report of what's been going on. We have been working on "trimming the fat" on the budget, we have changed phone carriers which will save us an estimated \$3,000 a year. Sheldon has been working on the Reverse Expo that will be held on March 14th. The Nevada Mining Association and NNRDA have put this together for the 3rd year in a row now. For the first time, this year we are going to have a reception on March 14th from 4 to 6 pm at the new Cowboy Museum having Machi's cater it.

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Sheldon would like our community member's to be at the event to welcome our visitors and to talk to them about what makes each region a great place to bring their business!

Take a look at our facebook page as we are posting more articles and trying to capture each of our communities.

Sheldon is going to Canada but coming back a day early to attend a GOED meeting in Las Vegas on March 8th to discuss changes on the incentive packages for the rural areas.

Jan Morrison let us know that they have been busy and have created a lot of buzz with bringing in new business to the region. She feels the city and county are working very well together.

2) **RNDC:** Report from Shirley Alen-Kellerman on RNDC meetings.

Shirley reported on RNDC letting us know that RNDC loaned out about 1.7 million dollars to various counties! RNDC is a great resource when business and home owners cannot get funding from banks or any other lending source.

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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J. ADJOURN. Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Kris Ashdown, NNRDA Executive Assistant