

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

Great Basin College

DCIT 201 (Diekhans Center for Industrial Technology)

1500 College Parkway
Elko, NV 89801

Wednesday, November 28, 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:

Frans Yorgesen-Southwest Gas Marlene Brissenden-Humboldt County (via phone)
Chris Johnson-City of Elko (via phone) Margaret Johnston-City of Carlin
Delmo Andreozzi-Elko County Mike Sharkozy-Eureka County (via phone)
Jolene Supp-City of Wells

BOARD MEMBERS:

Nancy Streets-Elko Daily Free Press Lisa Becker-Newmont Mining
Shirley Alen-Kellerman-Nevada State Bank (via phone)

GUESTS:

Paul Bottari-Elko County Assn. of Realtors Marcella Syme-Elko County Assn. of Realtors
Marissa Lostra-Elko County Assn. of Realtors
Dave Mendiola-Humboldt County (via phone) Don Vetter-Vetter PR

C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

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Paul Bottari introduced himself as the Public Policy Committee Chairman for ECAR (Elko County Assn. of Realtors). He wants to discuss a resolution the Elko County Assn. of Realtors have drawn up to form a coalition of municipalities and other proposed users of the unappropriated groundwater in the respective basins to demand that before the state of Nevada denies applications based off the Glover's solutions they prove that there is truly an inter connective flow to the Humboldt River from groundwater sources. Paul has asked to be on NNRDA's next agenda.

D. MINUTES:

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

For Possible Approval

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ACTION: Mike Sharkozy made a motion to approve the September 2018 Combined Meeting Minutes after a minor change pointed out by Marlene Brissenden. Jolene Supp seconded the motion. The motion passed.

E. NNRDA FINANCIALS:

1) Review and approval of Financials through October 2018.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Delmo Andreozzi made a motion to approve the Financials through October 2018. Mike Sharkozy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1) Review, discussion, and possible approval NNRDA membership in the Nevada Economic Development Association (NEDA)

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Delmo Andreozzi made a motion to approve NNRDA's membership with NEDA for the next year then revisit to see if the Executive Director wants to continue the membership. Jolene Supp seconded the motion. The motion passed.

2) Review proof NNRDA website as developed by Lee Enterprises. Discussion and possible approval to move forward with website redesign.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Marlene Brissenden made a motion for approval to move forward with the website redesign. Mike Sharkozy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3) Review, discussion, and possible approval for region/county wide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) as proposed by the University of Nevada, Reno College of Business.

For Possible Approval

NO ACTION TAKEN: The Board would like GOED and UNR to be on the next agenda and give a presentation on the CEDS.

4) Review, discussion, and possible approval to adjust FY2018-2019 budget to accommodate developing initiatives (i.e. Zoom Prospector, CEDS, etc.).

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Delmo made a motion to approve the adjustments to the FY2018-2019 budget to accommodate developing initiatives. Jolene Supp seconded the motion. The motion passed.

5) Review, discussion, and possible approval to provide Kris Ashdown with a raise effective January 14, 2019.

For Possible Approval

ACTION: Jolene Supp made a motion to provide Kris Ashdown with a \$1/hr raise effective January 14, 2019. Margaret Johnston seconded the motion. The motion passed.

G. REPORTS:

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

Executive Director, Sheldon Mudd, asked Jan Morrison if she'd like to speak about happenings in Humboldt County first. Jan let the Board know there are a few large projects going on, one being the Winnemucca Futures where they just released their first press release. She's been working on housing issues with the county and city for the last 6 months. They feel we need to fix the housing issues in order to retain employees. NNRDA will have a comprehensive packet for anyone interested which has helpful tools to guide you through the process. Sheldon added that as soon as the packet is complete, we would like to hold a meeting either in Las Vegas or Reno and get a bunch of builders in the room to let them see what our area has to offer and let them know exactly what our area needs. We'd like to get this done in Feb-March before the builders get busy in their own areas.

Sheldon let the Board know that he just returned from Las Vegas this morning where he attended an Opportunity Zone Conference yesterday where he had 5 minutes to speak to an audience of about 400 guests. There was only one area in our region that was approved and that was West Wendover. Sheldon believes that there is interest in our area and came back with a handful of business cards to follow up on in

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the next few weeks. The administrators from the Federal Reserve said it was very likely they will reevaluate those zones.

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

No report from RNDC this month.

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 2:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Kris Ashdown, NNRDA Executive Assistant