



**Chairman Myers called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Myers led the meeting participants in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:**

Commissioner Myers announced that Pam Borda was the new Spring Creek Association President. He thanked her for attending and encouraged her to attend future RTC meetings.

**APPROVAL OF PRECEDING MINUTES:**

January 4, 2006 - Regular Meeting

January 18, 2006 – Special Meeting

**MOTION: Commissioner Russell moved to approve the January 4, 2006 and the January 18, 2006 minutes. Commissioner Franzoia seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.**

**ELKO COUNTY REGIONAL STREET AND HIGHWAY FUND:**

Cash Minor reviewed the Quarterly Financial Reports relating to the Regional Street and Highway Fund. He noted the revenues had come in higher than projected. He reviewed the projects listed on page six. He asked if he could adjust the balance under the Supplemental Fund which was overspent by \$1.98 for sign projects and received an affirmative response from the Board. Cash Minor noted under the Elko County apportionment they had advanced the \$60,000 to Wells and the intention was to be reimbursed this year during the budget process.

Otis Tipton reported the O'Neil Basin project was completed. He stated the County did the design for \$5,468 but NDOT did the remainder of the project. Therefore, he asked that the \$44,531.90 allocated to that project be returned to Supplemental Safety Fund.

Commissioner Myers inquired when they approved the Silver Street Project and Cash Minor replied at the last meeting.

**MOTION: Commissioner Franzoia moved to approve the Quarterly Financial Report. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.**

## **ELKO COUNTY:**

Otis Tipton discussed the progress of the repairs to the flood damaged roadway, irrigation structures and cattleguard at Tuscarora and roadway near Midas as part of the January 2006 Flood Event – Federal Disaster Declaration with consideration of financial assistance as possible match for FEMA funding. He stated FEMA personnel spent three days in that area last week doing their evaluation. He noted the FEMA projects would be performed on a 75/25 basis. Otis Tipton stated that it would be close to \$500,000 on the Midas Project. He requested \$125,000 from the RTC Safety Funds to put the Midas road back. Commissioner Franzoia asked if that was a paved road and received the response it was a gravel road. Cash Minor noted \$399,112 was unappropriated in the Supplemental Reserve Fund after adding back in the \$44,000 from the O’Neil Basin Project. Commissioner Myers inquired how much they would receive from FEMA. Otis Tipton replied 75% which would be about \$400,000 on the project. Commissioner Russell clarified that Otis Tipton needed \$125,000 as the FEMA match. Otis Tipton commented that because it was federal funding anything over \$300,000 they had to do the design, engineering and bid process on the Midas Project. Commissioner Russell noted that there were only two accesses to Midas. Otis Tipton stated the east access was closed and the only access open was located to the west towards Winnemucca. Otis Tipton reported that there was a struggle to keep that road open because it was the secondary access to the Midas mine. He noted if that road went down the mine had 45 minutes to shut the mine down and get the people out. Otis Tipton complimented Newmont because they had done a tremendous amount of repair work on that road. Commissioner Myers inquired how much the County would owe Newmont for repairs to that road. Otis Tipton stated so far Newmont had donated that repair except for stripping of the gravel pit. He believed Newmont had donated \$50,000 to \$60,000 to the road already.

**MOTION: Commissioner Russell moved to approve \$125,000 from the Supplemental Safety Fund for the Midas/Tuscarora road repair. Commissioner Franzoia seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.**

Otis Tipton requested a Thank You letter be sent to Newmont for their efforts on that road. Commissioner Myers agreed and suggested a letter from the RTC and one from Elko County.

## **NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:**

Casey Kelly, Traffic Engineer, submitted written traffic counts for 2004 thru 2006. He noted there had been an increase in traffic counts from last year excluding the Mountain City Highway.

Casey Kelly reviewed their ten projects they would be starting or completing this summer: Beowawe Bridge, 1-80 Bypass project/SR 227, HD Summit/Wells, I-80/Emmigrant Summit, U.S. 93 south of Wells, U.S. 93 south of Wendover, DMS Message signs, I-80 at Carlin, Bullion Road Bridge, and the Jackpot widening project. Casey Kelly explained the DMS sign project was multi-county and there would be two message signs put up on the east and west bound lanes of I-80 through Elko, Battle Mountain, Wells, Winnemucca, and one in Wendover. Commissioner Myers inquired if the signs at Wells would cover Highway 93 and the Pequops. Casey Kelly stated it would give the information for the west bound but not US Highway 93. He felt the US routes would be addressed under another contract. Chairman Myers asked Casey to express the Board's appreciation to NDOT for all they were doing in the County.

Robert Stokes inquired if the bid opening would be the 1<sup>st</sup> of April for the Jackpot widening project and received an affirmative response. Commissioner Russell inquired if they anticipated any increases on the bids because their costs had increased. Casey Kelly replied that was expected and he expressed concern that there may be more unforeseen things underground like utilities and drainage issues.

## **ENTITY PROJECTS REPORTING:**

The Board received status reports on entity projects being financed by Regional Street and Highway Fund apportionments.

### City of Carlin:

No one present to submit a report.

### City of Elko:

Delmo Andreozzi stated they would have to get engineering and go out to bid on the Silver Street Project because of the cost of the project. He reported that project was within the City of Elko's budget and they would put in an additional \$140,000 to that project. He believed they would go out to bid in July. Delmo Andreozzi stated the City had a lot of projects. On April 25<sup>th</sup> they would award the bid for the Juneau Street road bed modification/overlay project and the South Ninth Street reconstruction project. He noted the South Ninth Street was close to the school and the School District partnered to create a parental drop off lane. Delmo Andreozzi stated they were doing their road audit to put

together their street program next year. Delmo Andreozzi hoped to cooperate with the County on the Kittridge Canyon Road upon the City's segment. He and Otis had discussed that road's condition. Delmo Andreozzi stated their City Hall parking lot project was waiting on some design. He reported the City received a grant through NDEP which the County had submitted a letter of support upon. He stated last year there were no bids received on the Juneau project but they had four companies this year at the pre-bid meeting. Delmo Andreozzi noted they had miscellaneous road widening projects to be done. They hoped to get the joints on Errecart Bridge completed this fiscal year. Delmo Andreozzi noted that the weather was a major factor but the City did not suffer any damages such as the County. Commissioner Russell noted that this was the most ambitious expenditures for roads that the City had undertaken. He inquired if the City could follow through on the projects that they had proposed. Delmo Andreozzi noted two years ago the City Council increased the ad valorem tax by 10 cents for capital road projects. He noted the following year the City Council raised it five more cents for roads. He stated that this was a result of that tax increase. Delmo Andreozzi stated they had to cut back on their road projects due to the increased costs for asphalt. He noted the slurry program was a great treatment. He noted Public Works' Departments in the State of Nevada had been meeting to discuss road treatments.

City of Wells:

No one was present to submit a report.

City of West Wendover:

No report was given at this time.

Town of Jackpot:

Robert Stokes reviewed the widening project in Jackpot and the bid opening. He stated the County Commission would review the bids for the Public Works building and the numbers came in over budget. He reported that only two bids came in on that project and one of the reasons given for it being over budget was the remote location of Jackpot. He hoped that NDOT would get several bids on the widening project.

Spring Creek Association:

Pam Borda, Spring Creek President, noted in 1997 the County gave them a bond. She commented that the last payment would be this June on that bond. Pam Borda stated the SCA had some serious issues and were currently working on a new plan for road maintenance. She stated all of parkways were in need of paving and the SCA would come before the RTC asking for reallocation of those

payment amounts. Robert Stokes noted the County may receive credit for their assistance to Spring Creek through NDOT and felt it was appropriate use of the RTC funding. Robert Stokes had spoken to Steve Jackson of NDOT and they were completing the audit of mileage in the Spring Creek Association. He stated that would be used as part of County's portion of gas tax. He noted that committee was very receptive. He thanked NDOT and Otis for getting that information together.

Elko County School District:

No one present

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Otis Tipton noted he had spoken to Delmo Andreozzi about working together on the Kittridge Canyon. He felt they could use the County's specifications and the City's engineering on that project to save some money. He stated they could split the mobilization on that project. Otis Tipton noted the Bullion Bridge Project would happen this year and 90% of the design was completed. He noted on SR 227 the RTC had funded \$400,000 in safety turn lanes which may be completed this year. Otis Tipton noted that the Jiggs overlay project would be a 1.5 million dollar project with approval of the County Commission this afternoon. He reported the road base was already on for the California Trails Interpretive Center and after the actual construction of the Center they would put on the asphalt. He voiced concern that the asphalt prices would not go up 37%. Otis Tipton noted on the Tuscarora project the price on a 36" culvert went up to \$90.00 per foot from \$40.00 per foot. Otis stated a 12" culvert would probably be \$20.00 per foot. Otis Tipton stated that on the ingress and egress road into Kittridge Canyon the price had doubled for the aluminum arches.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION OF ROUTINE RTC ISSUES:**

Commissioner Russell inquired where the funding came from for the Spring Creek Association. Cash Minor stated it came from the amount allocated to Elko County. Commissioner Myers noted that was done ten years ago when Duane McPhearson asked them to bond them for ten years. He commented upon the amount of work that the SCA had completed with that bonding.

**JULY 2006 RTC MEETING:**

The Board considered changing the date and time for the July 2006 quarterly meeting.

Robert Stokes noted that July 4<sup>th</sup> was the day before their scheduled

meeting and asked if they would like to reschedule meeting. Commissioner Myers asked if they could move that meeting date to the 6<sup>th</sup> of July Robert Stokes inquired if they could make it an all day meeting with RTC and the County Commission. Commissioner Myers asked for a 9:00 a.m. RTC meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July.

City of West Wendover

Bryce Kimber, Public Works Director of the City of West Wendover, stated they had started the Florence Way project and the City was doing the dirt work. He reported they had contracted out the asphalt, curb, gutter and sidewalk. He stated the subcontract was almost finished with his portion. Bryce Kimber noted that at the last meeting Commissioner Myers had asked for signage to be put up. He gave them a copy of signage to be placed at the beginning and ending of the project. Bryce Kimber reported the Airport Way project was through the BLM and the Air Force process so it would be going on to SHPO.

**MOTION: Commissioner Franzoia moved to change the date and time of the July 2006 quarterly meeting to July 6, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Russell seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED,

CHARLIE MYERS, Chairman

ATTEST:

MARILYN TIPTON, Deputy Clerk