



## **NYE COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **MINUTES**

**February 21, 2018**

**8:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner John Koenig  
Mr. Blundo

PUBLIC WORKS STAFF: Mr. Tim Dahl  
Ms. Lynnette Atkinson

Commissioner Koenig called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comment at this time.

#### **COMMISSIONER/MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Mr. Blundo stated that he had a couple of safety issues he wants to bring before the board. He was called out to the scene of an accident on Linda and Wilson near the Hospital. He was informed that it was very dark in that area and was wondering if we could get a light of some sort in that intersection.

Mr. Blundo is also looking forward to seeing bike paths in that area at some point.

Mr. Dahl stated that he doesn't think it would be an issue and he will look into getting some flashing red lights at a minimum.

Tim also stated that NDOT is experimenting with some new LED Stop signs that have flashing lights around the outside perimeter and appear to be something out of the norm. He would like to use some around town to see if we can catch the public's eye a little easier and make those intersections a bit more safe, for example Bell Vista and Blagg and Calvada and Blagg.

Mr. Dahl stated that these intersections have high traffic and speeds and he thinks this would be a great experiment and will bring it up in the Budget cycle of the RTC.

Mr. Blundo just wanted to add that the Road Department is doing a great job.

Commissioner Koenig stated that he would like to see an Agenda item regarding those flashing lights from NDOT so that we can discuss it further.

Commissioner Koenig asked about the pot holes around town. Tim stated that in the past we used to do chip seal. He stated that we have not done that in years and he would like to bring

back in the future. Chip seal is where we patch the road and then put a layer of chip seal or slurry over the top of the road to preserve the road and make it last longer.

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion, deliberation and possible decision regarding the approval of the minutes from January 23, 2017.**

Mr. Dahl stated that the minutes should be changed to read from Biannual to Biennial. Mr. Leo Blundo motioned to approve the minutes as reflected with the changes. Commissioner Koenig, second. Motion Approved.

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion, deliberation and possible decision regarding the cost of overlaying Homestead from Manse to Thousandaire.**

Mr. Dahl has prepared an estimate on what he believes it will take to do the repairs on Homestead. He also stated that the contractor is working on the section from Manse to Gamebird on Homestead and the projected finish date is the end of this month.

Mr. Dahl stated that there are a couple of estimates that he has prepared for the next phase on Homestead from Manse to Thousandaire. Mr. Dahl stated that it's just over a mile section and the cost to remove and replace that road is in the neighborhood of \$1.4 million dollars.

To do an overlay of mill and fill of that same area is in the neighborhood of \$310,000.00. Tim stated that these numbers are based on other preservation projects such as Bob Ruud Memorial Highway Superpave and the Amargosa Farm Road as well costs related to the actual Homestead Project.

Commissioner Koenig asked if the base on Homestead was sufficient enough to do a mill and fill. Tim stated that he is having a hard time getting the equipment to do a core test on the road. He also stated that in the past we have shouldered that road so he knows there is sufficient Type II on the edges however if we want to do what we have done on the upper section then we need to expand that out and ensure that the base is there, that is where the 1.4 million comes in to remove and replace it. Tim stated that he got a quote for doing the drilling and assessment of the material under the asphalt and it was astronomical because once you involve Geotechnical Engineers it drives the cost up substantially. Tim stated that he is looking into getting our own coring/drilling machine so that we can do those things ourselves. That will tell us what is underneath the road and if there is sufficient Type II, pit run, a structural based and to know how thick the asphalt is. Once we have those questions answered we can decide whether a mill and fill would be best for the preservation for that surface.

Commissioner Koenig asked how much the machine costs. Tim stated that he found a portable auger. Commissioner Koenig stated that he wants to see the cost as an Agenda item at the next meeting.

Commissioner Koenig stated that he would like to discuss the test section. Tim stated that he can do that if it's the pleasure of board but it is to his understanding that we get the best benefit of the dollar by utilizing the software in the PCI Micro Paver program that we have. This program essentially tells us what roads are more appropriate to resurface, rebuild, and address to better spend that dollar.

Commissioner Koenig stated that he thinks this is an opportunity since we have just done the area on Homestead, to core it and test it to make sure its half way decent and do a comparison over the years from the old section to the new section.

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion, deliberation and possible action on the updated Priority List.**

Tim stated that this list is based on the PCI Index and that is why you see them in the order they are and if there is anything different that this board would like to then Tim is open to entertain any ideas.

Commissioner Koenig asked where we were at with Pahrump Valley Boulevard between 372 and Calvada. Mr. Dahl stated that there were some questions regarding funding about a year ago. Tim stated that he checked with finance and it appears that all six of these pavement improvement projects have been approved and the funding still exists. Mr. Dahl has also prepared bid documents for Pahrump Valley and as he was doing those there were more and more things that came up that should be included in the project. Once he put that bid out he realized that it was going to be so much more than what was approved by the board so we pulled that bid back. Tim stated that that's where the issue of funding may have come from. Tim stated that he can still move forward with the bids. Commissioner Koenig stated that he would like Tim to bring it back to the next meeting so that we can discuss how we are going to get it done. Tim stated that he can give the board a synopsis on what was included on the bid estimates. Some of what included 50 foot intersections and added roads and more base to the roads and widening it on both sides, curb and gutter to control water flow and an option that the Town would help fund a parking area near Ian Deutch Park. These things are what drove the costs up a third of what was budgeted. Mr. Blundo stated that this road needs to get done. Commissioner Koenig stated that Pahrump Valley Boulevard should stay on the list at number 1. Tim asked if he wanted Homestead to stay on there as number 6. Commissioner Koenig stated that he needs to know what it's going to cost to do the test section on Homestead. Tim asked if he was referring to just an overlay, Commissioner Koenig stated yes. Tim stated that it would be around \$306,500.00. Tim stated the area on Homestead that they are referring to already has an approved budget of \$509,374.00 so there are plenty of funds there to do this project. Mr. Blundo asked if these two roads could be completed together. Tim stated that the contractor is already out on Homestead and that is a cost savings. Commissioner Koenig stated that Homestead should be number 1 and Pahrump Valley should be number 2. Tim asked if the rest of the projects should follow in order. He also stated that he wants to do the northern roads in a lump sum contract to be completed at the same time. Commissioner Koenig asked where the Bin Station was located at on Belmont Road that we want to pave to. Tim stated that it is just shy about 1500 feet of where we were originally going to pave to. Tim stated that there is no pavement there now and we want to insure that it gets done.

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion, deliberation and possible decision on moving forward with the approved Priority List Projects.**

Commissioner Koenig stated that we just went over that in the last item.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: (second)**

No Public Comment at this time.

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Set time and date for next RTC Meeting:**

Commissioner Koenig asked how far out we would like to plan these meetings. Tim stated that is was the pleasure of the board. Commissioner Koenig stated that March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> would be the next scheduled meetings. Mr. Blundo motioned to approve the next three meetings. Mr. Blundo second. Motion approved.

Tim Dahl wanted the board to know that there is a Transportation Conference in Las Vegas. Commissioner Koenig stated that because there is a cost involved then he should bring it back next month to discuss it.

**ADJOURN:**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynnette Atkinson