

# **Eureka County Television District**

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## **BOARD OF EUREKA COUNTY TELEVISION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES**

**November 16, 2018**

### **I. Call to order**

- a. Roll Call-Establish Quorum: The meeting was called to order by President Bill Leppala at 1:00 PM. Roll call was initiated with the following members present. (Bill Leppala, Eldon Brown and Jim Breitrick). A quorum was established. (Note: Tracy Moylan arrived, but was our minutes late) Dale Lotspeich was present as a contract staff person.*
- b. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eldon Brown.*
- c. Eldon Brown moved to approve meeting agenda as presented. Jim Breitrick seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.*

### **II. Public Comment and Discussion**

Pursuant to NRS 241.0200 (c) (3) this time is devoted to public comment. However, no action may be taken under this item until the matter has specifically been included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.

*Bill Leppala and Jim Breitrick both commented positively on the quality of the channel receptions lately. There was discussion from Bill Leppala about the need to update the TV District website. It was noted that Mike Mears was the County webmaster and he could do it with updated data from the Board. Bill also brought up the need to put out a newsletter to the constituents and he recommended including information about applicants for the vacant Board position. No action was taken on any items discussed.*

### **III. Approval of minutes from previous meetings**

*Jim Breitrick moved to approve the Board minutes from Oct 19, 2018 and November 8, 2018. Eldon Brown seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.*

### **IV. Discussion/Action Items**

- a) Update on progress of repack of channels for Prospect Peak rebroadcast. Following the sale of the frequencies by the FCC, Eureka County Television District will no longer be able to use these frequencies for TV rebroadcasting.*

*Dale Lotspeich advised that all the equipment purchased had been delivered. All transmitters are being bench tested and programmed. These transmitters will replace failed units as needed. Due to the*

*weather and travel restrictions to Prospect, the Board will wait until the Spring to install the new transmitters and antennas.*

- b) Review and update TV Board on budget meeting with County Commission. Discuss plan for future action given the state of the budget.

*Dale Lotspeich and Bill Leppala discussed the budget and the recent meeting with the County Commission regarding the budget augmentation. Board members then discussed the meeting and the approval of the augmentation for \$50,000.00. There were concerns expressed about the process and the question was posed about what could happen in the future. Bill advised that the Board could look toward operating independent of the County Commission. There was discussion on how the County controls the monies and works to withhold funding for certain projects even when they are a priority for the Board. The Board discussed what would have to happen to move towards independence and discussed the fact that this would be a slow multi-year process.*

- c) Expense Report

*The bills were presented. Jim Breitrick moved to approve two invoices to Eagle Communications in the amount of \$5,005.00. It was seconded by Tracy Moylan. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **V. Maintenance Report**

*Dale Lotspeich discussed the monthly maintenance report. There was a microwave issue between Prospect and Cave that was determined to be a White Pine County issue. There was a failed transmitter for PBS on Prospect that was replaced with a new Anywave product. This installed failed due to a bad component and a second trip was completed and repairs finalized.*

#### **VI. Discussion and possible approval of additional work, equipment & improvements at various sites –**

*There was no discussion on this agenda item.*

#### **VII. Old Business**

*Discussion was held regarding the fact that the TV District may have to take over some responsibility for the maintenance of the Northern Nevada microwave with the fact that the fiber project is delayed.*

#### **VIII. New Business**

*There was no discussion for this agenda item.*

#### **IX. Public Comment**

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*There was no discussion for this agenda item.*

#### **X. Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned by Bill Leppala at 2:06 PM.*