Meeting Minutes

Emery County Special Service District #1
P.O. Box 1055, Castle Dale, UT 84513
435-381-5217
Box Room @ 10:00 a.m.
JuLY 8, 2024

Attendance: Board Members Present Chairman: Bevan Wilson, Vice Chairman, Wayde Nielson, Kresha Eastman, Secretary, Jan Olsen. Howard Tuttle (J&T), Justin Truman (Road department).

Absent: Commissioner, Keven Jensen , Kash Winn, Dale Curtis, Merrial Johansen (J&T)

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1. **Approval of June 10, 2024, meeting minutes.**
   Chairman Wilson wanted there to be more board members present to approve these minutes. They will be approved in the next meeting.

2. **Discuss/Approve contract from J & T on the Lawrence East Project.**
   This is going to be a large project. The road will need to be widened to 28 feet with asphalt. Back when they discussed all the road projects it was to deal with safety issues for the bus stops and citizens, but the main focus was bus routes, for the safety of our children. Every road was done except for this part, it is unknown why, but it was not improved. It will be a $350,000 project so we need to look in the budget and determine if there is any money we could allocate for this project.
   Krisha asked if it was held off a month would that make or break the deal? Howard stated, it would not. Wayde Nielsen stated that he drove his swather on this road and from one edge to the other he almost took up the entire road, no one was able to pass.

   Chairman Wilson, entertained a motion to table this item until our next meeting. Wayde Nielson so moved. Kreish Eastman seconded the motion, motion carried.

3. **Discuss/Approve safety project on Eva Conover Road Ferron West Project.**
   On this proposed project the landowner does not want anything moved or changed on his property.

   It was determined that this discussion needs to be tabled until the next meeting. Krisha Eastman motioned to table this item and Wayde Neison seconded the motion, motion carried.

4. **Johansen and Tuttle Engineering - Report on current projects.**
   a. **Green River 9-Mile Dip**
      It does not appear that we would be able to fund this project and the Lawrence road project in the same year. This project will cost a lot of money. Both of these projects together will be approximately 1 million dollars.

      There will need to be an endangered species study and archaeological study on this project which could be done by the BLM but they are so backed up that it will be a long time before they will be able to get to this. We contacted a company by the name of Montgomery and they would be able to do one of the studies for $1,800.00. There will need to be another study done along with the one Montgomery will do and J&T will need authorization to hire consultants to do both of the studies, which is part of the clearance required by BLM before they will issue the Right-of-way for the project. Kerisha made a motion that the board will pay these consulting companies for the endangered species, and archaeological studies if J&T will reach out to the BLM inquiring if they are able to do these studies for us, if not, will the BLM accept these companies' studies for the right-of-way approval. J&T agreed to do that. The motion was seconded by Wayde Nielsen, motion carried.

b. **Lawrence East Project**
This was discussed above in #2.

5. **Discuss/Approve any change orders generated from work on current projects.**
There have been no change orders at this time.

6. **Board Member reports and any other business that may come before the Board.**
Justin Truman discussed how up at Mill Fork Canyon debris basin there was flooding and it brought an enormous amount of logs down the mountain, it took the road department 300 loads to clear the basin, it also took out the rip wrap that was installed there.

The State Highway 31 also had flooding and caused a large washout to the embankment of the road near Mill Fork bridge and this will need to be addressed quickly by UDOT.

Wayde Nielson brought to the attention of the board a problem along the Chris Hanson road south of Cleveland. The problem being large old poplar trees along the county road. When there are hard winds the dead branches fall onto the road and the County Road Department has to clean them up. There was a discussion by the board whether the district had been involved in times past with this type of road maintenance problems. It was determined that perhaps the Road Department could look at the tree problem on all the County Road Systems to see if it would be wise to turn in a request through the County Road Department budget for a tree removal and clean up on all the County Roads. Wayde Nielsen mentioned that in times past the County Road Department had hired a company to do tree removal on the County Road System and it was very costly.

7. **Approval of payment of bills, financial reports, and distribution of Mineral Lease funds.**

a. **Payment of Bills presented by Jan Olsen:**
Wayde Nielson motioned to pay the bills as stated and Krisha Eastman seconded the motion, motion carries.

b. **Approval of the Distribution of mineral lease revenue:**
For May, in the gross amount of **$279,416.71** less the Carbon shift of

$108,284.00 for a net amount of **$171,132.71** to be distributed as follows:

After EEMSSD's 5% of **$8,556.64** the remaining amount for distribution to the following Districts is **$162,576.07**

ECSSD#1 - 47%	**$ 76,410.75**
CVSSD - 16%	**$ 26,012.17**
Fire SSD - 16%	**$ 26,012.17**
Rec SSD - 16%	**$ 26,012.17**
North Emery Water Users - 5%	**$ 8,128.81**

Wayde Nielson motioned to distribute the mineral lease money as stated and Krisha Eastman seconded the motion, motion carries.

8. Adjourn.

The next meeting will be held on **August 12, 2024.**

Justin Truman, Road Dept., Treats

______________________________Chairman, Bevan K. Wilson

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