

Meeting Minutes

Emery County Special Service District #1

P.O. Box 1055, Castle Dale, UT 84513

Box Room @ 10:00 a.m.

April 14, 2025

Attendance: Board Members Present: Chairman Wayde Nielsen, Vice Chairman Merrill Swasey, Bevan Wilson, Kash Winn, Kresha Eastman, Secretary Jan Olsen.

Excused members:

Public: Justin Truman (Road Dept.) Howard Tuttle & Merrill Johansen (J&T), Commissioner Keven Jensen

1. Welcome/Approval of March 10, 2025, meeting minutes.

Chairman Wayde Nielsen welcomed everyone to the meeting. Bevan Wilson proposed changes to the meeting minutes: Page 2 - 4B, changing the word 'once' to 'one'. The advanced project adjusted the total to \$305,000.00. Merrill Swasey motioned to approve the meeting minutes with these changes, which were seconded by Kash Winn. The motion passed.

2. Discuss the interlocal agreement between ECSSD#1 and the County

Bevan Wilson and Maegan Crosland will revise the interlocal agreement, which will be added to the commission meeting for approval in April 2025.

3. Johansen and Tuttle Engineering - Report on current projects.

a. Fall Crack Seal Project

Progress Update: The Fall Crack Seal Project, a significant undertaking, is now complete and has been paid out at \$200,360.00.

b. 4-BLM Dip Projects, ECRD #332

This project is complete.

c. 2 Buckhorn Draw Stream Altercation Permits

All the paperwork has been submitted.

d. 2025 Crack Seal Project CKC

This company was great to work with. Most of the road has been completed, and this project is now closed out at \$222,000.00. However, a section of the road remains unfinished; the cracks are extensive, and there are not enough supplies to finish it. Due to a significant decrease in revenue, there are insufficient funds to complete that section of the road. Bevan Wilson motioned to retain the remaining \$18,000 in unused funds from the tree project and add it to a future crack seal project for 2026. When we expect a better outlook on the mineral lease money to help fund the rest of the road. Merrill Swasey seconded the motion, and it passed.

e. 9-Mile Dip in Green River

All the grading is done with large rocks, the wall is placed, and backfill is being done today. It will be at least 1 month or more for this to be completed.

4. Discuss/Approve any change orders and project advancement.

-Change order #1 was added to the 9-Mile dip of 60,000.00, extending the project's length on the south end to cover the full length of the dip.

-Change order 2 on the BLM dips of \$11,211.99. Changed from \$352,203.00 to \$363,415.00 total close out. Merrill Swasey made the motion to approve the change orders, and Kash Winn seconded the motion; the motion passed.

5. Board Member reports and any other business that may come before the Board.

-Commissioner Jensen reported no new updates on the Fossil Rock Mine. Gentry Mountain Mine has experienced a setback, a news article has surfaced stating that they have not been paying their employees' insurance and child support, which are currently under investigation.

-In the renewal of the interlocal agreement between the district and Emery County, we are requesting that our fee be reduced to \$10,000.00, from the \$55,000.00 that we are currently paying due to a significant decrease in mineral lease revenue.

-Commissioner Jensen suggested that the District come and request funds from the CRA-generated solar money.

-The commission has sent a letter requesting that the property of the gravel pit in Green River be transferred from BLM records to Emery County records, which has been on our records for 100 years.

6. Approval of payment of bills, financial reports, and distribution of mineral lease funds.

a. Payment of Bills presented by Jan Olsen:

Kash Winn motioned to pay the bills as discussed, Merrill Swasey seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

b. Financial Report received for

Approval of the distribution of mineral lease revenue:

For February, in the gross amount of **\$ 27,123.83**, less the Carbon shift of **\$2,078.00**, for a net amount of **\$25,045.83** to be distributed as follows:

After EEMSSD's 5% of **\$1,252.29**, the remaining amount for distribution to the following Districts is **\$23,793.54**

ECSSD#1 - 47%	\$ 11,182.96
Fire SSD - 16%	\$ 3,806.97
CVSSD - 16%	\$ 3,806.97
Rec SSD - 16%	\$ 3,806.97
North Emery Water Users - 5%	\$ 1,189.67

Merrill Swasey moved to distribute the mineral lease money as stated, and Kresha Eastman seconded the motion; the motion passed.

7. Adjourn.

The next meeting will be held on **April 14, 2025.**
April Treats - Wayde Nielsen