

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE ESMERALDA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 06, 2020  
Esmeralda County Courthouse  
1:00PM  
Commission Chambers  
233 Crook Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Goldfield, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)
3. **\*RECESS TO ESMERALDA COUNTY BOARD OF HIGHWAY COMMISSION:**
4. **\*APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES.**
5. **\*DISCUSSION/DECISION/APPROVAL:** Rejected Vendor Bills from Auditor's Office.
6. **\*APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from the August 18 meeting of the Esmeralda County Board of County Commissioners.
7. **UPDATE OF CURRENT AND FUTURE MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES OF:**
  - Robert Glennen – District Attorney
  - Ken Elgan – Sheriff
  - LaCinda Elgan – Clerk/Treasurer
  - Ruth Lee – Assessor
  - Vera Boyer – Auditor/Recorder
  - Mike Anderson – Goldfield Utilities/Es. Co. Public Works Supervisor
  - Deven Thackeray – Solid Waste Supervisor
  - Maureen Glennen – Commissioners' Administrative Assistant
  - Sylvia Rich – Public Administrator
  - Robert Glennen – Public Guardian
  - Esmeralda County Land Use Advisory Committee
  - Kenneth Elgan – DEM Coordinator
  - Fish Lake Valley Park Board
  - Esmeralda County Library Board

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8. **Update of Current and Future Meetings and Activities of Commissioner's Winsor, Hipp, and Keyes.** (This is only an update. No decisions will be made.)

**ELECTED OFFICIAL / DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR / GENERAL PUBLIC ACTION ITEMS:**

9. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discuss/Decide to form a housing board to work with incoming mines. (Commissioner Hipp)
10. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discuss/Decide to apply for the Travel Nevada Tourism Grant. (Commissioner Hipp)
11. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discuss/Decide why the 5-cent diesel tax question was not on the election ballot and determine/decide if anything can be done to add it. (Commissioner Hipp)
12. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Interview candidate for Grant Administrator and discuss/decide to hire. (Commissioner Hipp)
13. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discuss/Decide where CARES funds may be spent. (Commissioner Hipp)
14. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Approval to submit grant application to USDA community facility grant program for the project of freezer and refrigeration in Fish Lake Valley to store commodities, to be funded in part with this grant if awarded in the amount of \$3,000 and \$2,700 to be paid from Capital Projects as approved in the FY21 budget. (Commissioner Keyes)
15. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Decide on raise amounts for county employees not in an agreement, not to exceed \$2.00 per hour. The employees will have to have passed the probation period or a satisfactory evaluation to receive the raise. (Vera Boyer)
16. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** To allow employees of Goldfield Utilities, Silver Peak Town Water, General Maintenance and Solid Waste Dept. to receive the sick leave benefits that were approved 9/15/20 for the Esmeralda County Sheriff Deputies outlined in Article 10 of the ECSDA Agreement. (Michael Anderson)
17. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** To allow Dept. Heads of Goldfield Utilities, General Maintenance, Silver Peak Town Water and Solid Waste Depts. To give pay increases to dept. employees up to but not to exceed \$2.00 per hour or something less at dept. heads discretion to employees that have passed probationary period or after they pass and have received satisfactory evaluation. (Michael Anderson)

18. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** To allow employees of Goldfield Utilities, General Maintenance, Silver Peak Town Water and Solid Waste Dept. to be allowed to cash out Annual Leave over 240 hours similar to what was approved of the ECSDA Agreement 9/15/20 outlined in article 9 section 5 & 6 of the ECSDA Agreement. (Michael Anderson)
19. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discussion/Decision and approval of amended water reservation agreement between Gemfield Resources, LLC and Esmeralda County and amendment to development agreement also between Gemfield Resources, LLC and Esmeralda County to reflect only change of including the exhibit of amended water reservation agreement. (Michael Anderson)
20. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION: TIMED ITEM 1:45 PM: (NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN)** Open and read aloud bids received for the Esmeralda County Generator Project. (Michael Anderson)
21. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION: TIMED ITEM 2:00 PM:** Public hearing to discuss any comments received on potential applications for funding under Community Development Block Grant FY21 and **approve and rank applications to be submitted to the Governor's Office on Economic Development.** (Maureen Glennen)
22. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Discussion/Decision and Approval of Esmeralda County 2021 Annual Housing and Community Needs Development Statement required by Community Development Block Grant Program. (Maureen Glennen)
23. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Approve and sign Letter of Commitment to Nye County Manager, Tim Sutton, for the Rural Desert Southwest Brownfields Coalition Assessment Grant discussed and approved at the BOCC meeting of 9/15/2020. (Maureen Glennen)
24. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Approve attached resolution in support of a development on the Lambertucci Property on the North side of Tonopah. (Michael Lach/Manager)
25. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Presentation on NRS 527.050 and NRS 527.060-527.300 and accompanying NAC regarding the State of Nevada's roles in protection of preservation of timbered lands, trees and flora. Discussion on the process of assessing whether these protections are warranted for Tiehm buckwheat. (Kacey KC, State Forester Fire warden and John Christopherson, Deputy Administrator – Nevada Division of Forestry)
26. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conducting labor negotiations, conferring regarding labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters.

27. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision on labor negotiations, issues, and other personnel matters.
28. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Recess meeting, pursuant to NRS 241.015(2)(b)(2) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation.
29. **\*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and possible decision on conference with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation presented in recessed meeting.
30. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)
31. **\*ADJOURNMENT:**

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I Michelle Garcia, Esmeralda County Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, hereby certify that in accordance with NRS 241.020 I posted or caused to be posted, this agenda to the above locations on September 30, 2020.



Michelle Garcia  
Esmeralda County Deputy Clerk/Treasurer