

**CARSON CITY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 1987
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Minutes of the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission Meeting held on Wednesday, September 23, 1987 at the Northgate Complex, 2621 Northgate Lane, Suite 4, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairman Tom Fettic, Marilee Chirila, Harriet Schaller

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Bill Barker, Street Superintendent
Bob Auer, Deputy District Attorney
Darlene Cain, Recording Secretary

Chairman Fettic called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. and noted that a quorum was present.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Harriet Schaller moved for APPROVAL of the Minutes of the Carson City Regional Transportation Meetings of May 21, 1986 and August 12, 1987, seconded by Chairman Fettic, and PASSED 2-0.

Chairman Fettic called for a 15-minute break. The meeting resumed at 3:15 p.m.

2. REVIEW OF BID PROPOSAL FOR PROJECTS, SALIMAN ROAD, COLORADO STREET, AND BOWERS LANE, WITH A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mr. Bill Barker said that five people submitted bids. The engineer's estimate was \$208,330.20. The low bidder was Bertagnolli and Associates at \$189,308.92; the second low bidder was Eagle Valley Construction.

Chairman Fettic asked if they were required to recommend the lowest bidder to the Board of Supervisors. Deputy District Attorney Bob Auer replied that the City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, which usually happens when all the bids come in too high. (Member Chirila arrived.) The bid should go to the lowest responsible bidder.

Chairman Fettic asked if there was any evidence that the bidders' responsibility could be questioned. Mr. Barker replied that nothing has been received in writing.

Member Chirila noted the closeness of the Bertagnolli and Eagle Valley bids. Chairman Fettic asked if it is possible to terminate a contractor if there are problems without a slow down on the work to be done. Mr. Auer replied that it is very tricky.

Member Schaller moved to APPROVE the Bertagnolli bid since there is nothing written in the record to indicate that they are not a responsible bidder and because they are the lowest bidder. Member Chirila seconded the motion, and the motion PASSED 3-0.

3. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF OPEN MEETING LAW REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC NOTICES AND MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

Mr. Barker discussed the requirements of the Open Meeting Law with the Members. Chairman Fettic noted that two Members would have to be careful not to discuss RTC matters prior to the meeting, since that would be a quorum.

Chairman Fettic noted that he and Member Chirila are also on the Board of Supervisors (a five-member group). When they leave the RTC meeting, are they under the RTC (three members) or the Board of Supervisors (five members) rule? Mr. Auer replied that it depended upon what they were discussing; if it was RTC business, then they would be under the three-member rule.

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Chairman Fettic added that after the RTC had voted on a matter, it could be discussed because the decision had already been made. Mr. Auer agreed, stated that the whole purpose of the Open Meeting Law is to give the public, board members, and staff an opportunity to put input into an issue before a decision is made.

4. UPDATE OF RTC PROJECTS

Mr. Barker replied that Industrial Park Drive and Hawaii Circle are scheduled for paving. There is a problem on Hawaii Circle of not being able to reach the required compaction for the base material; it may have to be ripped out and redone.

Mr. Barker explained that the specifications are acceptable one day, and unacceptable the next, causing delays. There is segregation of the type II aggregate base material being supplied by Jim Bird Construction Supply, who has the contract with the City.

Mr. Barker stated that they have had problems with other jobs where the material has failed from the same supplier. Member Chirila asked why we had to pay for the extra costs involved. Mr. Barker replied that the contract states that if the contractor cannot supply the materials, the City can buy the materials from another supplier and charge him the difference.

Mr. Barker explained how the testing was done. A nuclear densometer is used to take a "proctor" from each pit; the weight of the aggregate material per cubic foot (dry) of each pit is measured. It ranges from 128-136 lbs./cu. ft., except for Bertagnoli's which is 147 because he is on bedrock which is really heavy. The higher the number, the more solid it is.

Mr. Bird's aggregate has been around 133 lbs./cu. ft., which is about 90% density. Standard specifications call for 95% density; Mr. Bird's material was 90% on Hawaii Circle. Chairman Fettic asked what the results would be having 90% compaction. Mr. Barker replied that road failure could occur once the road is paved.

Chairman Fettic asked how the tests were done. Mr. Barker replied that Earth Sciences came down and took the test sample right off the belt. When the material is tested on the ground, however, it doesn't meet the specifications. Mr. Barker stated that he would keep the Members informed of the situation.

The next RTC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21, at 3 p.m. (same place). Mr. Barker asked members to submit any items for the agenda at least one week in advance.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

The Minutes of the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission Meeting of September 23, 1987

ARE SO APPROVED ON October 21, 1987.

TOM FETTIC, Chairman