



**CHURCHILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CC COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT
CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA**

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******NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING******

AGENDA
PLEASE POST

PLACE OF MEETING: Churchill County Administrative Building, Commission Chambers,
155 North Taylor Street Suite 145, Fallon, Nevada

DATE & TIME: April 6, 2023 at 1:45 PM

TYPE OF MEETING: Regularly Scheduled CC Communications Management Meeting

If you wish to make public comment, you may provide them at the meeting or via email, no later than 4:30 PM the day before the meeting, to shelly.bunyard@cccomm.co.

Notes:

- I. These meetings are subject to the provisions of Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS Chapter 241). Except as otherwise provided for by law, these meetings are open and public.***
- II. Action will be taken on all Agenda items, unless otherwise noted.***
- III. The Agenda is a tentative schedule. The CC Communications Management Board may act upon Agenda items in a different order than is stated in this notice – so as to affect the people’s business in the most efficient manner possible.***
- IV. In the interest of time, the CC Communications Management Board reserves the right to impose uniform time limits upon matters devoted to public comment.***
- V. Any statement made by a member of the CC Communications Management Board during the public meeting is absolutely privileged.***
- VI. All persons participating in the meetings are put on notice that an audio and video***

recording is made of these meetings.

AGENDA:

1. **Call to Order.**
2. **Public Comment.**
3. **Verification of Posting of Agenda.**
4. **Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Agenda as submitted or revised.**
5. **Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on:**
 - A. March 2, 2023
6. **New Business.**
 - A. Consideration and possible action re: support for SB 384, together with appropriate amendments that ensure CC Communications qualifies to apply for funds.
7. **Reports: General Manager Report.**
8. **Affidavit of Posting:**
9. **Public Comment.**
10. **Adjournment.**

STATE OF NEVADA)
 : ss.
County of Churchill)

*I, **Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant**, do hereby affirm that I posted, or caused to be posted, a copy of this notice of public meeting, on or before the **31st day of March, 2023** between the hours of **1 pm and 5 pm**, at the following locations in Churchill County, Nevada:*

1. *Churchill County Administration Building, 155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV;*
2. *The CC Communications Website @ www.cccomm.info;*
3. *The State of Nevada Website @ <https://notice.nv.gov/>.*



Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant

Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant, who was subscribed and sworn to before me this March 31, 2023



Pamela D. Moore, Deputy Clerk to the Board

Endnotes:

Disclosures:

**CC Communications is an equal opportunity provider and employer.*

Accommodations/Nondiscrimination:

**Notice to Persons with Disabilities: Members of the public who are disabled and require special assistance or accommodations at the meeting are requested to notify the CC Communications Executive Office in writing at P.O. Box 1390, Fallon, NV 89407 (Attn: Shelly Bunyard), or by calling 775-423-7171 ext. 1215 at least two days in advance.*

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1. Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
2. Fax: (202)690-7442; or
3. Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

Procedures:

**The public meetings may be conducted according to rules of parliamentary procedure.*

**Persons providing public comment will be asked to state their name for the record.*

**The CC Communications Management Board reserves the right to restrict participation by persons in the public meeting where the conduct of such persons is willfully disruptive to the people's business.*

**All supporting materials for this Agenda, previous Agendas, or Minutes are available by requesting a copy from the CC Communications Office, 775-423-7171 ext. 1215. During the meeting, there will be one copy available for public inspection. Additional copies are available by making the request from the CC Communications Office. You are entitled to one copy of the supporting materials free of charge.*

MINUTES OF THE CC COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT

155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV 89406

March 2, 2023

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the CC Communications was called to order at 1:45 PM on March 2, 2023.

PRESENT: Planning Commissioner Myles Getto
 Commissioner Harry Scharmann
 Commissioner Justin Heath
 General Manager Mark Feest
 Chief Financial Officer Jamie Hyde
 Administrative Assistant Shelly Bunyard

ABSENT:

Public Comment:

Chairman Myles Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Verification of Posting of Agenda:

It was verified by Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant, that the Agenda for this meeting was posted on the 24th day of February, 2023 between the hours of 1 pm and 5 pm. at all of the locations listed on the Agenda, in accordance with NRS 241.

Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Agenda as submitted or revised:

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approved the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Harry Scharmann seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Consideration and possible action re: Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on:

A- February 2, 2023

Commissioner Justin Heath made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on February 2, 2023 as submitted. Commissioner Harry Scharmann seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

New Business:

A- Consideration and possible action re: application for purchase of retirement credit [Policy 7.6 Retirement Incentive Plan] for Rudy McElvain

Mark Feest, CC Communications. This is the same item that was approved last month but with an incorrect motion. There was some confusion regarding how it works if an employee potentially comes back to work. There are no changes as it still complies with the policy. There is also a savings. One of the two employees have retired since our last meeting. When the other employee retires, there will still be a savings of approximately \$72,219:00. It's because that department will have one person replacing two people. I would just like to ask for a motion that approves the application for purchase of 6-months retirement credit for Rudy McElvain and waive Policy 7.6's one employee per year limit. We have a one employee per year limit policy and each of these employees received 6 months not a full year. I think it is justified to waive that.

Commissioner Harry Scharmann made a motion to approve the application for purchase of 6-month retirement credit for Rudy McElvain, and waive Policy 7.6's one employee per year limit. Commissioner Justin Heath seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Reports: General Manager Report:

1. Grants

a. SCA

- i. All requirements of NTIA and Elko County have been met, and the project is administratively cleared for construction.
 1. Spring Creek has received an unusual amount of snow, which we will have to wait until 1) snow melts, and 2) the ground firms up a bit.
 2. Equipment has been ordered and, while delays in supply chain are occurring, this will not stop construction from beginning once weather allows.

b. Te-Moak Elko Band

- i. Awarded 8/26/2022
- ii. CC Communications anticipates entering the Service Agreement with Te-Moak council at their March meeting
 1. EAS
 2. 6-month plan
 3. BIA to provide authorization

c. Yerington Paiute

- i. Awarded 8/26/2022
- ii. CC Communications anticipates entering the Service Agreement with Yerington council at their April meeting
 1. EAS
 2. 6-month plan
 3. BIA to provide authorization

d. WRPT and FPST

- i. Awarded 11/30/22
 1. WRPT to provide agreement
 2. BIA to provide authorization

e. Upcoming Grant Opportunities

- i. OSIT RFP Due December 19, 2022
 - 1. RFP's submitted
 - a. Awaiting final determination
 - 2. Network
 - a. Lumen OC 192 went down in January
 - i. Improved communication with ATT with respect to determining cause and ETA on resolution.
 - 3. Audits
 - a. USAC (USAC stated no additional information requests are anticipated. They are working on final report)
 - b. PERS (no new updates, but still open)
 - 4. Human Resources
 - a. Senior Sales Engineer is retiring
 - 1. New hire will begin March 27, 2023
 - b. Zoom interviews set up for
 - i. Network Engineering
 - ii. COO

Affidavit of Posting:

Public Comment:

Chairman Myles Getto asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Adjournment:

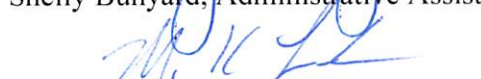
The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Myles Getto, Chairman

APPROVED: _____
Harry Scharmann, Vice, Chairman

APPROVED: _____
Justin Heath, Commissioner


Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant


Mark Feest, General Manager/CEO



CC Communications Agenda Report

Date Submitted: March 30, 2023

Agenda Item #: New Business - A
Meeting Date Requested: April 6,
2023

To: Board of Churchill County Commissioners
From: Mark Feest, General Manager / CEO
Subject Title: Consideration and possible action re: support for SB 384, together with appropriate amendments that ensure CC Communications qualifies to apply for funds.

Type of Action Requested: Accept

Does this action require a Business Impact Statement? No

Recommend Board Action: motion to approve CC Communications Management to support SB 384 subject to amendments to (1) require open access to telecommunications construction routes funded with State of Nevada funds, including pass-through federal dollars, and (2) ensure CC Communications would qualify for funding.

Discussion: Unprecedented federal and state funds are designated for deployment of broadband in Nevada. As State agencies continue to develop and implement programs to distribute those funds, many in the industry believe there should be legislative direction given to appointed department employees. SB 384 is an attempt to direct departments by providing guidelines with respect to weighting applicants. While the Bill as drafted does not address all concerns of CC Communications, and other broadband providers, CC Communications management requests direction on working with the drafters to ensure the Bill addresses our needs. Primary concerns are (1) the ability to utilize contractors for construction, (2) open access to routes funded with state and federal funds, and (3) a weighting process that considers past performance and ties to the State of Nevada.

Alternatives: Take no position on the Bill, and do not participate in seeking to amend it.

Fiscal Impact: NA

Explanation of Impact: NAA

Funding Source: Management time in the current FY Budget


Prepared By: Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant

Reviewed By:



Mark Feest, General Manager

Date: March 31, 2023




Jamie Hyde, Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 31, 2023

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____

1) None _____ **Aye: 0**
2) None _____ **Nay: 0**



(Vote Recorded By)

The submission of this agenda report by county officials is not intended, necessarily, to reflect agreement as to a particular course of action to be taken by the board; rather, the submission hereof is intended, merely, to signify completion of all appropriate review processes in readiness of the matter for consideration and action by the board.