

**CITY OF ELKO**  
**STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC)**  
**1st QUARTER MEETING MINUTES**  
**3:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME Tuesday, February 15, 2021**  
**Elko City Hall, Council Chambers**  
**1751 College Avenue, Elko, Nevada**  
**GoToMeeting.com**  
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**CALL TO ORDER**

Dennis Strickland called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL :** Dennis Strickland, City of Elko Public Works Director, Chairman  
Kelly Wooldridge, City of Elko Clerk  
Bob Thibault, City of Elko Engineer, Board Member  
Adeline Thibault, City of Elko Environmental Coordinator  
Lana Carter, Carter Engineering, Board Member  
Cindy Neisess, NDOT  
Kristie Black, NDEP  
Mitch Cowles, NDEP

**ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS:**

Jason Demaline, NDOT, Board Member  
Clair Morris, Councilman, Board Member

**COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

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*There were no public comments.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

November 16, 2021 - 4th Quarter Meeting **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION.**

\*\* A motion was made by Bob Thibault, seconded by Lana Carter, to table approval of the November 16, 2021 minutes for corrections.

*The motion passed unanimously. (3-0)*

## **I. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Review, consideration, and discuss ongoing interfacing items with the Nevada Department of Transportation, and matters related thereto. **DISCUSSION ITEM****

Cindy Neisess, NDOT, said they have been working with their maintenance crew. They have a new superintendent (since Dennis Price moved over to Elko County) and Joe Grant, the storm water supervisor. They are moving forward with their maintenance program and it will provide better transfer data from our storm water inspectors or from the headquarters crew with illicit discharges, etc., inputting that directly into work orders. They are working hard to work with the City of Elko to improve their processes when items come to their attention.

Dennis Strickland asked if Mr. Grant from NDOT was a local promotion.

Ms. Neisess answered that he was previously the supervisor for the Signs Division. He would not be the Storm Water Supervisor if they the City has anything for him.

- B. Review City of Elko Stormwater Permit - A review of ongoing enforcement of the City of Elko's MS4 Permit, and projects associated with the MS4 Permit, and matters related thereto. **DISCUSSION ITEM****

Adeline Thibault, Environmental Coordinator, said the audit was finally closed out. She is updating the IDDE Manual, the Construction Manual and the Post-Construction Manual because they have enforcement plans that came out of the audit that needed to be updated. She worked with NDEP to cut the outfalls in half; primary and secondary. We focused on the outfalls that actually get to the river, which ended up being about 25, down from 43. She invited landscapers to join them at the next SWAC meeting. She redid a brochure for all the landscapers to work on the IDDE portion of the landscaping. She hoped to see them at the next meeting.

Ms. Neisess thought that was a great idea and hoped to have someone from their Right-of-Way Department attend. She thought that was a lot of the problem.

Ms. Thibault was hoping to start the discussion with them so we could work with them to stop their discharges. Everyone is invited to SWAC.

Mitch Cowles, NDEP Storm Water Permit Writer, said he will be working on any new permits and inspections in Northern Nevada. He is a new hire.

Kristi Black, NDEP, said the construction/general permit was finished by NDEP and is currently being reviewed by the EPA. A new permit will be issued at some point. Once it gets back from EPA, it will go out for public comment. Mitch and Michelle are working on a new mine permit; they are drafting that.

## II. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

Dennis Strickland thought maybe the next meeting can be in-person or some sort of hybrid with in-person and GoToMeeting since the mask restrictions are being relaxed.

**\*\* A motion was made by Bob Thibault, seconded by Lana Carter, to set the next meeting for May 17, 2022 at 3:00pm.**

*The motion passed unanimously. (4-0)*

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### ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Dennis Strickland adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dennis Strickland

Chairperson, Stormwater Advisory Committee