

NAMPA HIGHWAY DISTRICT NO. 1 REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Commissioner Dick Smith & Commissioner Ernest Lowry; Director Nick Lehman; ROW Agent Eddy Thiel; District Clerk Paige Rhoades; Attorney Jay Kiiha; Assistant Engineer Noble Lafferty

GUESTS: Greg Curtis, NMID; Josh Schroeder, Sorento Lactalis;

ABSENT: Commissioner Franklin Kennedy

Chairman Dick Smith called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and all present said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 25, 2025. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Smith made a MOTION to approve the agenda as posted. Commissioner Lowry SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to approve Accounts Payable through October 9, 2025. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

ROW Agent Eddy Thiel presented the Board with the License Agreement for Christina Newland for the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to authorize the Chairman to sign the License Agreement for Christina Newland. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

ROW Agent Eddy Thiel presented the Board with the License Agreement for Peter & Julie Bos for the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to authorize the Chairman to sign the License Agreement for Peter & Julie Bos. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Director Nick Lehman began the Director's work report.

For the Northside & Cherry Roundabout, Director Lehman advised the Board that LaRiviere is working on the punch list to finish up the project. They have until October 14, 2025, to finish up the project. After October 14th, they will be back to liquidated damages if the project is not completed.

For Southside & Deer Flat Roundabout, Director Lehman advised the Board that Nampa Paving is finishing up the paving today and will do approaches on Friday. Once paving has been completed, the road crew will finish shouldering the road and the bridge crew will do the pavement markings. The road will be open by the end of day on Thursday, October 16th, 2025, if not sooner.

For Lake Shore & Highway 45 intersection, Director Lehman advised the Board that he is working with ITD on the State & Local Agreement. Staff has a draft agreement that both agencies are good with, so ITD has sent it back to their legal department for final review. If a design engineer is hired, ITD has no issue with NHD designing the project as long as it is done to ITD's standards.

For Happy Valley & Deer Flat Roundabout, Director Lehman advised the Board that he has received the legal description from DKS Engineers for the parcel on the NE corner. Attorney Jay Kiiha is working on a purchase agreement for the NE corner, including the house and the well. Director Lehman requested a Motion to Adopt Resolution 2026-01 to allow staff to execute ROW acquisition documents. Commissioner Smith made a MOTION to Adopt Resolution 2026-01 to Allow NHD Staff to Execute ROW Acquisition Documents for Happy Valley and Deer Flat Roundabout project. Commissioner Lowry SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

The Road Crew is working on the Southside & Deer Flat Roundabout. They have been pulling shoulders, brushing and crack sealing throughout the district. A few guys have been building a cul-de-sac at the end of Missouri Road so trucks will have a safer place to turn around.

The Bridge Crew is painting roads and installing stop bars.

The Crusher Crew has the crusher in the Lola Pit crushing 5/8" chips. The crew will be switching over to 1" material this week.

Director Lehman presented the Board with the Shop Report.

Director Lehman and ROW Agent Thiel advised the Board that Ardurra will be finishing the legal descriptions and putting the ROS together and will have them submitted by next week. Ardurra will start setting the new property pins next week.

Assistant Engineer Noble Lafferty appeared before the Board to discuss obtaining the Board's approval and Chairman's signature for the COMPASS Rural Prioritizations Work Group Recommendations. Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the COMPASS Rural Prioritizations Work Group Recommendations. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Director Lehman presented the Board with the FY2026 Herbicide Chemical bids. Director Lehman advised the Board that NHD will be using the Local Government Cooperative (LGC), which is part of IAHD to get chemicals this year. Weed Department will be piggybacking off of the LGC bid. Commissioner Smith made a MOTION to approve FY2026 Herbicide Chemical bids from the LGC. Commissioner Lowry SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Director Lehman advised the Board that he is still waiting on the plans for the sand shed so we can apply for the building permit. The engineer originally drew the plans with 40 feet added to one end versus 20 feet additions on each end.

Director Lehman advised the Board that he is working on meeting with a structural engineer to discuss the cost to underpin the building foundation for the sander shed that is settling.

Director Lehman advised the Board that work on phase 2 of the building remodel will start next week. They will work upstairs getting the painting and carpet done. We will be converting the upstairs break room into two rooms, one will be an office for the design engineer, and the other will be for printers. The downstairs break room work will begin in December. The concrete floor in the break room will be redone with epoxy. The shop's office and bathroom will also be getting painted and epoxy floors.

At 9:00 a.m., Josh Schroeder, on behalf of Sorento – Lactalis, appeared before the Board with Greg Curtis, with Nampa-Meridian Irrigation, to discuss installing an effluent water line along McDermott Road. The Board advised Mr. Schroeder that they would like to see this line not be installed within NHD’s right-of-way and that they feel Mr. Schroeder needs to work out something with the property owners or Nampa-Meridian Irrigation. Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to table this matter to a later meeting. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Director Lehman advised the Board that there are a few broken down trucks that have been taking awhile to get back from the repair shops.

Director Lehman requested that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

At 9:30 a.m., Commissioner Smith made a MOTION to go into Executive Session pursuant to IC 74-206 (1)(a). Commissioner Lowry SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED. Upon roll call, Commissioner Smith voted “aye” and Commissioner Lowry voted “aye”.

The Board concluded Executive Session at 9:47 a.m.

District Clerk Paige Rhoades presented the Board with the end of FY2025 Financial Reports.

Commissioner Lowry made a MOTION to adjourn at 10:07 a.m. Commissioner Smith SECONDED the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman, Dick Smith

Vice Chairman, Ernest Lowry