

**EAST SIDE HIGHWAY DISTRICT
SPECIAL CALL MEETING
MINUTES – JANUARY 10, 2017**

Chairman Sverdsten called the **SPECIAL CALL MEETING** to order at 9:03 a.m.
a.m.

Present: Chairman Sverdsten, Commissioner Addington, Supervisor Pankratz and Secretary Sieverding.

Visitors:

Arnold Marquardt, Duane Stensrud, Lorna Casey-Kaiser, Norm Milem, Loretta Zabka, Robert Zabka, Graham Christensen, Kelly Ham, Janet Funk, Steve Funk, Ron Grigsby, Max Sumner, Bill Conner, Gertrude Brush, J.P. Whipple, Gary Sterling, Bettina Whipple, and Susan Weeks.

Sub District #1 Commissioner Vacancy 40-1304 :

On December 04, 2016 Chris Fillios via email tendered his letter of resignation will be effective as of December 31st, 2016 would be his last day to serve as Sub District #1 Commissioner.

The commissioners of the East Side Highway District hereby declare there is a commissioner's vacancy for Sub District 1 as of January 1, 2017.

Those visitors that wished to speak were given two minutes and some of the visitors expressed their wishes to the Board that rather than appoint someone now, to hold a Special Election.

Lorna Casey-Kaiser, Graham Christensen, and J.P. Whipple expressed their own qualifications and aspirations for full-filling the vacancy for Sub District 1 Commissioner.

There was a number of letters of support on all three contenders, and additional comments made by the visitors that attended the meeting.

Those visitors supporting Lorna Casey-Kaisers expressed their concerns with Graham Christensen's relationship with the mountain biking community and the Bureau of Land Management planning efforts for the Blue Creek Bay public lands area.

Graham Christensen implied that even if he was involved in a project where there was a conflict of interest he would exclude himself from voting on the issue.

The East Highway District has no jurisdiction over BLM land, and the Board expressed that when a proposal is brought forth to the District for comment they would ask to protect the integrity of the roads. The District mandates that all new approaches onto the District's roads are constructed to Highway District Standards. Commissioner Addington implied the Board can not tell BLM what they can do with their land.

Action: Commissioner Addington made motion to appoint **Graham Christensen** to fill the vacancy for the office of Sub District #1 Commissioner. (Term expires May 21, 2019) Chairman Sverdsten seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved

Graham Christensen took the Official Oath of Office at 10:50 a.m.

Steve Funk asked the District for more weed control and gravel on the turn away on Searchlight Rd and Gateway Road.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

1. Commissioner Addington made a motion to approve the following minutes:
December 19, 2016 Public Hearing minutes;
December 19, 2016 board meeting minutes; and
January 3, 2017 Special Call minutes.
Chairman Sverdsten seconded the minutes, which were unanimously approved.

Supervisor Pankratz:

1. Supervisor Pankratz will be meeting with BLM, Angie Comstock with JUB, and LHTAC to further discuss co-operative efforts to improve a section of Yellowstone Trail Road.
2. A KMPO and Associated Highway District meeting is scheduled for this Thursday.
3. David Kilmen requested that GPS tracking device be placed on each truck to able others to find where the trucks are at any given time.

Secretary Sieverding:

1. Secretary Sieverding said when time allows she will attempt to complete the 5-Year ROW ESHD map.
2. A public notice will be published in the Coeur d' Alene Press to give notice that the District will continue their general board meeting on the third Monday of each month. All other notices of Special Call meetings and agendas will be posted according to Idaho Code 74-204. Agenda items will be accepted no later than noon on the preceding Thursday before the week of the meeting.

Commissioner Christensen:

1. Commissioner Christensen understood that today's Special Call meeting wasn't an easy process, and that he appreciates the work the Board and staff has put forth.

Commissioner Addington:

1. Commissioner Addington implied that he has been very proud to see that the crew is taking very good care of District's road during high snow season.

The Board agreed that it is best to have no less than 2 crew people out in the field at night in each sub district, just in case there is a breakdown.

Commissioner Sverdsten

2. Commissioner Sverdsten expressed his sincere appreciation for the conduct of the patrons and their input in today's meeting.

Commissioner Addington made a motion to adjourn the Special Call meeting at 11:10 a.m.
Commissioner Christensen seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

COMMISSIONER CHRISTENSEN
SUB-DISTRICT #1

CHAIRMAN SVERDSTEN
SUB-DISTRICT #2

COMMISSIONER ADDINGTON
SUB-DISTRICT #3

SECRETARY/TREASURER
SIEVERDING