

MINUTES OF THE CC COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT

155 N. Taylor St., Fallon, NV 89406
December 4, 2025

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the CC Communications was called to order at 11:00 AM on December 4, 2025.

PRESENT: Commissioner Matt Hyde
Commissioner Eric Blakey
Commissioner Myles Getto
General Manager Mark Feest
Chief Financial Officer Jamie Hyde
Administrative Assistant Shelly Bunyard

ABSENT:

Public Comment

Chair Matt Hyde 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 26th day of November, 2025 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 Myles Getto made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

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

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on October 2, 2025 as submitted. Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

New Business

A- Consideration and possible action re: Opening a new bank account at a local institution to obtain a Letter of Credit.

Jamie Hyde, CC Communications. We are asking for a motion for authorization to open a new bank account and transfer up to one million dollars in operation funds to obtain a Letter of Credit. Letter of Credit or a surety bond is required for vendor applications to perform on various grants. We cannot obtain a surety bond because we are a government entity and have no principal to indemnify us. We requested a Letter of Credit from our current bank, Wells Fargo, and they are not interested in fulfilling the requirement. The reasons given by Wells Fargo include: the small amount for the Letter of Credit, original ask was \$10,000, and the time frame for duration of Letter of Credit. In discussions with Wells Fargo, they stated the minimum amount for a Letter of Credit request with them is \$1,000,000 and the duration of time is

usually the period of performance. The vendor is asking for the Letter in perpetuity, which Wells Fargo said is abnormal. I have reached out to two local banks to request a Letter of Credit and gather the requirements to obtain the Letter, Nevada State Bank and First Independent Bank. I have had an initial discussion with NV State Bank and am awaiting a response as of the time of this agenda report from FIB. In initial discussions with NV State Bank, I provided the Letter of Credit requirements to them, and they gave me an estimated minimum Credit amount of \$250,000. I am asking for authorization to open a new operating account with one of the aforementioned local banks and transfer funds from Wells Fargo operating account not to exceed \$1,000,000 to fund an account solely for the purpose of obtaining the minimum dollar amount for a Letter of Credit.

Commissioner Matt Hyde. Mark, do you have anything to add to that.

Mark Feest, CC Communications. I apologize, I'm not sure that we are on the same page. I hate to do that in a public meeting, but I thought the impetus for this was Frontier requiring a Letter of Credit. I thought that issue was resolved.

Jamie Hyde, CC Communications. That issue is resolved; however, we will have more pole attachments on other grants and I'd like to get approval only in the event they don't continue, or another vendor doesn't continue with that new contract. It has been resolved that we will pay an annual fee of \$10.00 per pole that we attach to, but if AT&T, Frontier or any of our other vendors don't continue.

Mark Feest, CC Communications. Is the intention to open the account now or ask for approval in case we need to?

Jamie Hyde, CC Communications. That is correct the latter of the two.

Chair Matt Hyde asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Myles Getto made a motion for authorization to open a new bank account and transfer up to \$1,000,000.00 in operating funds to obtain a Letter of Credit. Commissioner Eric Blakey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

B- Consideration and possible action re: continuation of Spring Creek Association Grant construction during grant extension evaluation period.

Mark Feest, CC Communications. We started our extension for the Spring Creek Association grant prior to the government shut down. We started it in plenty of time from what our program officer from NTIA advised to have it approved prior to November 28, 2025, end of the grant. Because of the government shut down, that was not processed completely. We continued with construction after November 28, 2025, because shutting down and restarting back up is very costly. If the extension is not granted, anything we have done after November 28, 2025, is not reimbursable. That is about \$130,000.00 a month that went back over the last six months averaged what would not have been reimbursable. We are running a risk of about \$130,000.00 per month in the event that it is not approved. If it is approved, we can still put in for the reimbursement. As of yesterday's call with NTIA they have approved the extension and forwarded it to NIST. NIST makes the final determination and distributes the money. I received

an email from NIST advising they have everything they needed and had no further concerns. We expected notice of the outcome in about one to two weeks from now. We haven't received from NTIA the closeout procedures in the event that it wasn't extended and we have to closeout. It seems they are all assuming it will be approved. I wanted to bring this to the board because we are at risk of about \$130,000.00 per month that will not be reimbursed in the event that it is not approved.

My recommendation is that the board adopts and passes the Motion to approve continuation of Spring Creek Association grant construction during the grant extension evaluation period. In the January meeting, we will come back and give you the status. Hopefully the status was approved. If it's still dragging out and not approved, we will then need to reevaluate suspending construction at that time.

Commissioner Eric Blakey made a motion to approve continuation of Spring Creek Association Grant construction during grant extension evaluation period. Commissioner Myles Getto seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Reports: General Manager Report

1. Transport Network Update
 - a. Migration to new gear completed
 - b. Working through SoW for engineering consulting for next phase
 - i. Move routers to edge
 - ii. Implement NNI's
 - iii. Increase utilization of Neptune gear (resiliency)
 - iv. Continue working on Colo agreements for partners in Northern Nevada
 - v. Reviewing dark fiber lease options for statewide network
 1. Increase ability for NNI intrastate and interstate
 2. Increase geographic redundancy as TRIC and surrounding areas buildout data centers
 3. Increase redundancy for our Internet customers
2. C15
 - a. Complete
 - b. TNS Contract complete for new Sigtran to replace SS7
 - i. Transitioning to Sigtran
 - ii. This requires professional services, which is difficult to schedule. - Ongoing
3. Storey County
 - a. Virginia City and Gold Hill Construction is complete
 - i. Installations continue
 - b. Engineering on VC Highlands in progress
4. YPT
 - a. Environmental complete
 - b. Ordering equipment
 - c. Construction Bids
5. FPST

- a. Equipment ordering in process
 - b. Environmental in progress
 - c. Aligning schedules
- 6. Te Moak
 - a. With ITCN
- 7. WRPT
 - a. Requires re-engineering and resubmittal to NTIA
- 8. Network evolution
 - a. October 14, 2025 meeting
- 9. NTIA
 - a. Completed draft for extension to completion date for SCA. This is an iterative process with our Program Officer providing input.
 - b. Both NTIA and NISC have stated that noting more is needed – In review with NISC/NTIA has approved
- 10. HR
 - a. HR Generalist position is open
 - b. New marketing coordinator started this week

Affidavit of Posting

Public Comment

Chair Matt Hyde asked if there was any public comment but there was none.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

APPROVED: 
Matt Hyde, Chairman

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Eric Blakey, Vice Chairman

APPROVED: 
Myles Getto, Commissioner


Shelly Bunyard, Administrative Assistant


Mark Feest, General Manager/CEO