

Transcript

July 16, 2025, 4:03PM

□ **Kelly Hutter** started transcription

RB **Richard Brenner** 0:03

OK.

Alrighty. So, we'll call the meeting to order.

This is the Nevada State Emergency Response Commission Funding Committee meeting.

It's Wednesday, July 16th, 2025. Looks like it's 9:03 AM.

We have scheduled this meeting mainly because of the situation with our minutes and we wanted to get them approved, working with the DAG, Laurie Ginn.

She thought it was important that we do this and get this all done for the whole year.

So that's what we've done, and it also turns out we found some information that we missed. One of the United We Stand Grants was not in the original meeting, so we're gonna call the meeting to order.

Kelly, if you would do roll call please.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 0:53

Yes.

David Martin - Vaquero.

Gil Doucet.

Lance Chantler

LC **Lance Chantler** 1:09

I'm present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:11

Richard.

RB **Richard Brenner** 1:13

Present.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:14
Susan Crowley.

SC **Susan Crowley** 1:15
I'm here.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:17
OK, Lori.
You're here.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 1:22
I'm here.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 1:24
That's it. We're good.

RB **Richard Brenner** 1:28
So we're just lacking Dennis Nolan, who hasn't?
The other member so, but we still we have a quorum. So, we're gonna confirm we do have a quorum. So, we're good with Item number two.
Item number three public comment. Any public comment?
Hearing none will move to item number 4.
Item number four is approval of the April 10th, 2025, meeting minutes as everyone had time to review those minutes.

SC **Susan Crowley** 1:59
This is Susan.
I did review them, and they look pretty thorough.
I wasn't at the meeting though, so I don't know if I can move for approval.

RB **Richard Brenner** 2:11
Umm.

SC **Susan Crowley** 2:13
Can I?

RB **Richard Brenner** 2:13
You know, you don't have to be at the meeting as long as the Minutes look approved. Look good you know from being accurate. I can.

LC **Lance Chantler** 2:25
Yeah.

RB **Richard Brenner** 2:26
Lance, are you there?
You were at the meeting, were you not?

LC **Lance Chantler** 2:30
I was at the meeting, and I will make a motion to approve the Minutes.

RB **Richard Brenner** 2:35
K Susan, would you feel comfortable seconding that?

SC **Susan Crowley** 2:37
I sure would. This is Susan. I'll second the motion.

RB **Richard Brenner** 2:41
OK, discussion.
Hearing none will call for the vote.
All in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any nays?

SC **Susan Crowley** 2:50
Aye.

DM **David Martin-Vaquero** 2:51
Aye.

RB **Richard Brenner** 2:55

The motion carries unanimously.

Item number 5 is the approval of the May 29th, 2025, meeting minutes.

This was our last meeting where we went through the United We Stand Grants.

Susan, were you there for that one?

SC **Susan Crowley** 3:16

I was and I what I saw I think what we were sent is the transcript as opposed to the Minutes.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 3:24

That is the minutes now.

RB **Richard Brenner** 3:24

Yes.

SC **Susan Crowley** 3:25

Which is OK and that's fine. I'll go ahead and make a motion that we approve them.

Maybe before I do that though, there, as I read through them, the transcript occasionally didn't look like it transcribed correctly.

Sometimes there were words that were inserted that didn't look like they belonged or, and I can remember what we were talking about, but I wish I could tell you that happened a couple times as I was reading through it. So, maybe if I can make a motion?

I would make a motion that we approve the Minutes as they're listed in the transcription, and if Kelly, if you would like, I can print this and then make those edits.

It was not to change the meaning of what we talked about or the intent, but it was just you can tell the who that whatever tried to do the transcription? I probably wasn't you.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 4:45

No, it's actually recorded, and it types it right here and like the word SERC comes out circus sometimes. So, I retype the ones that I can catch.

SC Susan Crowley 4:54

Yeah, that's the kind. OK and if I send those edits that did not change the intent of what was written. It was just odd words that didn't get transcribed correctly. As long as I can send you those edits, I'll make a motion that we approve the Minutes.

LC Lance Chantler 5:20

Hi, I'm Chandler I'll 2nd.

RB Richard Brenner 5:22

OK, discussion. Hearing none will call for the vote.

All in favor, please say aye,

Aye.

LC Lance Chantler 5:32

Aye.

RB Richard Brenner 5:33

Any opposed. The motion carries unanimously.

Item number six is approval of United We Stand Grant for Esmeralda County FY26.

This has been put on the agenda. I just want to point this out that we just put this on less than what, three days ago, Kelly?

KH Kelly Hutter 5:58

Yes.

RB Richard Brenner 6:08

And the reason why we put this on is because I deemed it an emergency and from the standpoint of the emergency is that we still do not have SERC staff, and we're still working with the Fire Marshal's office. Kelly and Ashley have been wonderful trying to keep us up and running and administratively it just creates a lot of grief.

And Kelly, stop me if I say something wrong or fill me or correct it if I do.

But Kelly just got access to BrandyLynn's files, and she found Esmeralda's United We Stand Grant application that they submitted. At our meeting on the 29th of May, we did not review their grant application.

Did somebody need to talk?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 6:49

I wanted to correct. Actually, Esmeralda County reached out to me because they didn't see their information and I didn't have access to the old prior emails, so they emailed it over to me immediately and I was able to get it off to you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 7:12

Thank you, Kelly, for making that adjustment so that the transcript will be accurate. So this is why this is on the agenda for right now. I have reviewed the application, it's goal statement is related to terrorism.

What they're requesting is related to terrorism or prevention of terrorism.

Their objectives looks good. Their priorities have been identified from the standpoint of the criteria for the Nevada Homeland Security Commission.

So I thought they did a very a good, thorough job of their grant application.

Does anybody have any questions for Kelly or myself in reference to this grant application from Esmeralda County?

SC **Susan Crowley** 8:01

This is Susan. Because it wasn't on the agenda for the three day of public notice.

Can we entertain discussion of it and then just send it to the circle this afternoon with our general discussion? I don't have any heartburn.

Go ahead and make a motion that we recommend to the circle, that they approve it.

But I don't know that we can, can we?

RB **Richard Brenner** 8:33

Laurie, can I?

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 8:34

This is DA Ginn. I've been working with Kelly and Richard on the agenda. It's my understanding that this is deemed an emergency, that the notice was the agenda was amended and posted.

It's my understanding it was posted yesterday and then again this morning with a couple of more edits because it was deemed an emergency, and the agenda was amended and promptly distributed as quickly as possible so that you can go ahead and have this agenda item on for today's meeting.

SC Susan Crowley 9:24

That being the case, I'll make a motion that we recommend to the SERC that they approve this grant application as provided to us.

RB Richard Brenner 9:34

Thank you, Susan.
Do I have a second?

LG Laurie M. Ginn 9:36

Richard, one, one other thing I just realized.
On the agenda, it does not say discussion for possible action as it's supposed to.

KH Kelly Hutter 9:47

I will.

LG Laurie M. Ginn 9:58

So I.

RB Richard Brenner 10:02

It just says approved.

LG Laurie M. Ginn 10:03

Yeah. So, I think we need to put this on the next agenda, unfortunately.

SC Susan Crowley 10:13

Can't we just bring it up to the general SERC so that they can collectively?
Oh geez, it's not on their agenda either.

KH Kelly Hutter 10:24

It is on their agenda? It's just with all the other grants for approval.

SC Susan Crowley 10:26

Oh, OK.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 10:28

For today, yes, it was added into all the other ones on the SERC agenda.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 10:35

This is Lori on the SERC agenda.

SC **Susan Crowley** 10:35

OK.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 10:37

Does it say discussion for possible action?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 10:39

Yes, because we're doing all of them today.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 10:41

OK.

RB **Richard Brenner** 10:43

Only.

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 10:45

I see.

SC **Susan Crowley** 10:47

How about if we just?

Address this just with the SERC meeting.

RB **Richard Brenner** 10:54

Yep, I think that's suitable. That's the best way to handle it and it's a recommendation.

SC **Susan Crowley** 10:57
OK, I will withdraw my motion then.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:03
So, Lori, the best thing to do is. Should we just we shouldn't vote on it then?

LG **Laurie M. Ginn** 11:11
Yeah, because it doesn't say for possible action. I don't believe that you can vote on that.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:17
OK. Then let me ask this question to Susan and Gil and David.
Have you folks looked at the actual application?
Did you see any problems with it?

SC **Susan Crowley** 11:31
I did not see any problems at all.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:35
OK. Just wanted to make sure.
Lance or Gil, did you see anything?

D **Doucet, Gilbert J HEND** 11:43
I'm not sure, is it the spreadsheet or is it a different type of document? I was trying to look through the files from Kelly, yeah.

RB **Richard Brenner** 11:48
Oh, it's an application.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 11:51
It was an application that was attached to this meeting.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J HEND** 11:55
OK.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 11:56

And the website

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 11:56

So it's on these meeting minutes.

LC **Lance Chantler** 12:01

Richard, I did not see any issues.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 12:03

And it was online.

RB **Richard Brenner** 12:04

Thank you.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 12:04

It was online on the site too.

SC **Susan Crowley** 12:07

And that's actually where I saw it.

DM **David Martin-Vaquero** 12:10

This is David with Clark County.

I didn't see any issues with it as well.

RB **Richard Brenner** 12:14

Thank you, Dave.

Were you able to find it, Gil?

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 12:23

No, I apologize.

I'm still looking for it.

KH **Kelly Hutter** 12:26

I've got to e-mail it directly to you, Gil.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 12:29

Yeah, yeah, I apologize everybody on the call.

RB **Richard Brenner** 12:49

While Gil is looking at it.

RB **Radio Goldfield Broadcasting** 12:50

I can't.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 12:50

Sir.

RB **Richard Brenner** 12:53

I'm just going to jump into public comment.

RB **Radio Goldfield Broadcasting** 12:54

Up into the upper.

RB **Richard Brenner** 12:57

And from the standpoint of public comment, I just wanted to let you know that Brandilynn Baxter has resigned from the SERC, so that she was our SERC administrator. I am working with Fire Marshal Mike and Deputy Fire Marshal Joe in reference to trying to hire a new SERC administrator. So, we'll keep you updated in that process. So now we're also talking at the start of the meeting, giving them this update too.

SC **Susan Crowley** 13:27

Good.

RB **Richard Brenner** 13:31

Bailey is the other assistant for Brandilynn, and I don't have a status report on her

yet, but like I said, I'll keep everybody updated as I get information.

Does anybody else have any public comment? OK.

I'm gonna go back to item number six. Gil, have you been able to look at it?

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 13:58

So I'm on the website right now. This is Esmeralda County, correct?

KH **Kelly Hutter** 14:02

Yes.

RB **Richard Brenner** 14:02

Correct.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 14:03

OK. I'm reviewing it right now.

RB **Richard Brenner** 14:06

And what I look at, Gil, this is Richard talking.

But their goal statement, I want to see at least something that's related to terrorism or prevention of terrorism. I you know, it's just like SERC OPTE Grant. I want to see something there dealing with hazmat related to where they put that in their goal statement.

The objectives to who, what? When you know what's gonna occur. You know, those are things that I look for with timelines and what's gonna happen if the grant is awarded. And who's gonna do it?

And then there's the priorities where they identify what type of priority this meets with this grant for Homeland Security and then a description of how they're going to be using this equipment or training, whatever they're requesting.

RB **Radio Goldfield Broadcasting** 14:47

Yeah, but.

D

Doucet, Gilbert J HEND 15:16

So Richard, this is the SERC OPTE grant application?

SC

Susan Crowley 15:17

Hold on.

RB

Richard Brenner 15:21

No, this is the United We Stand grant application.

D

Doucet, Gilbert J HEND 15:27

OK.

RB

Richard Brenner 15:29

Which is designed for terrorism. We get the funding through the license plate money and people buy the eagle, the red, white and blue license plate with the eagle on it. A portion of that money goes to SERC for what they written in the NRS is combating terrorism.

D

Doucet, Gilbert J HEND 16:15

Yeah. On the website I see just the application are the completed forms on there as well.

SC

Susan Crowley 16:17

OK.

RB

Richard Brenner 16:24

Kelly, did you send him the e-mail with the application that was submitted?

DM

David Martin-Vaquero 16:33

Kelly, I think your mic is off.

KH

Kelly Hutter 16:37

I just emailed it over to him. He should see it.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 16:41

OK. I have it now. OK, Richard, based on the information you just gave me this looks correct.

RB **Richard Brenner** 17:15

OK. Thank you, Gil for taking your time and looking at it.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 17:18

Yeah.

RB **Richard Brenner** 17:19

I think it's important that.

D **Doucet, Gilbert J** **HEND** 17:20

Yeah, right. Again, I apologize to everybody. I'll get better as we keep doing these meetings.

RB **Richard Brenner** 17:26

Only your second meeting, Gil. So don't worry. He'll get the hang of it. Yeah. So, I appreciate it. So, it looks like everybody's that's on the phone has reviewed it and they didn't see any problems with it. I'm gonna switch over now. Back to public comment one more time. Any more public comment?

RB **Radio Goldfield Broadcasting** 17:48

This is Patricia Brownfield with Esmeralda. Thank you everyone.

RB **Richard Brenner** 17:55

You're welcome, Patricia. And thank you for staying up on this and we will be working on our communication chains out to the rural areas here in the near future with Kelly and trying to reach out. It's just been a real chore right now, just trying to keep SERC up and running. So it's just, it's tough, but we'll get there.

RB **Radio Goldfield Broadcasting** 18:16

Super. Thank you.

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:19

Any other comments? OK, then let's move to item number 8 adjournment. Do I hear a motion to adjourn?

SC **Susan Crowley** 18:29

This is Susan. I'll make that motion.

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:32

Do I have a second?

LC **Lance Chantler** 18:35

Lance Chandler.

I'll 2nd.

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:37

Thank you, Lance. Discussion.

Hearing none, all in favor, please say aye. Aye. Any nays? The motion carries unanimously.

SC **Susan Crowley** 18:44

Aye.

LC **Lance Chantler** 18:44

Aye.

RB **Richard Brenner** 18:49

Thank you folks for this meeting for making this happen and keeping SERC up and running. So safe travel, Susan, and have a good day. The rest of you all right.

SC **Susan Crowley** 19:00

Thank you.

LC **Lance Chantler** 19:01

All right. We'll see you in a few hours.

SC **Susan Crowley** 19:03
Bye bye.

RB **Richard Brenner** 19:03
Alrighty. Right there too. Bye bye.

DM **David Martin-Vaquero** 19:04
OK, bye.

RB **Richard Brenner** 19:07
Thank you, Laurie.

□ **Kelly Hutter** stopped transcription