# **Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board**



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board held July 20, 2016, at the Palomino Auxiliary Fire Station 6015 Ironwood, Warm Springs, NV.

### 1. \*CALL TO ORDER/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

**Members Present:** Thomas Prentice, Robert Gunn, Dennis Buck, Gregory Gilbert, James Bradbery. A quorum was determined.

2. \*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Tom Prentice led the pledge.

## 3. \*PUBLIC COMMENT -

Katherine Snedigar said she is a non-person, un-enfranchised, woman. She said if you go into the commissioners' chambers, there is an insignia that is our republic. That gives the commission the authority to protect us from stakeholders or development code. Behind the commission, is the insignia for 4008 -State of Nevada is a corporation; State of Nevada, County of Washoe. When people make decisions, they are acting in a proprietary fashion for the stakeholders which are also a corporation. They can have their development code, but for those individuals on their own property, they don't have the authority unless you cause damage. You can have 100 cars on your property if it isn't causing harm to people or property. We have inalienable rights that cannot be infringed upon. The corporation comes in and continually infringe on the men and women who just want to have a life.

- **4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF July 20, 2016** Dennis Buck moved to approve the agenda of July 20, 2016. **Bob Gunn** seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- **5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF MAY 18, 2016** Gregory Gilbert moved to approve the meeting minutes from May 18, 2016. James Bradbery seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## 6. Election of Officers -

MOTION FOR CHAIR: James Bradbery moved to nominate Dennis Buck for Chairman. Tom seconded the motion. Dennis Buck accepted the position. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION FOR VICE CHAIR: James Bradbery moved to nominate Robert Gunn be Vice Chair. Dennis Buck seconded the motion. Robert Gunn accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

Bob White said he was a CAB member of 9 years. Bob took over and carried it really well. It's a great board with big shoes to fill. Thank you.

### 7. \*COMMUNITY UPDATES

A. \*Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD) – Fire Chief Charles Moore or another representative from the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District will provide a summary of the District's activities including recent calls for service, emergency operations, volunteer firefighter program, cooperative aid agreements with neighboring jurisdictions, and an update to fire services in the area. For more information contact (775) 326-6000 or via the webpage at <a href="www.tmfpd.us">www.tmfpd.us</a>.

Chief Moore gave an update:

 He said they are experiencing extreme period of fire hazard. They were fighting their 5<sup>th</sup> brush fire today.

- He said they have had 80 fires since middle of June. It's more than responded they responded to in all
  of last year.
- He said causes of fires can be created by a bird hitting the power lines with wind; a catalytic converter started; target shooting and exploding targets.
- Be extra vigilant and cautious
- Improvements will be made to this fire station building as soon as they get permit; making it ADA
  compliant by moving the water heater and including AC. Electrical work will be conducted. Paved
  parking space for handicapped. Those improvements will begin as permit gets released.
- Katherine Snedigar asked about the shower. Chief Moore said he didn't believe that was part of the work.
- Charles Lieman said he is a local volunteer fire fighter and heard some scuttlebutt about the fires on Axe Handle was started by arson. Chief Moore said that is correct. He said two fires were started where a vehicle with same description was in the area on two different fire occasions. If you see smoke and take some pictures with cell phone or spot a point of origin that would be helpful.
- Gregory asked about volunteers. Chief Moore said they are getting close. They are taking their driving test. They should be ready for brush fire service soon. DMV threw a curve ball on their test.
- **B.** \*Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) A representative of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office may be available (unless on a call for service) to address public safety questions and concerns including speeding and reckless use of recreational vehicles. For more information call (775) 328-3001 or online at <a href="https://www.washoesheriff.com">www.washoesheriff.com</a>.

No representative was present.

### 8. PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS

.\*Washoe County Commissioner – Jeanne Herman may be available to provide updated information on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Commissioner Herman can be reached at (775) 501-0002 or via email at jherman@washoecounty.us.

Commissioner Herman said they are dealing with things at the County:

- Looking to investigate GID; other GIDs have problems.
- She said ways to avert problems is by being aware. Keep an eye on the situation.
- She said a lot of things going on in town.
- She is attending a conference in Long Beach.
- She said she will working on getting the fire station permit. It's been over a year.
- Katherine Snedigar asked about GID road maintenance statues they have to follow. They are the only GID that has to do road maintenance. Katherine said there are ditches on Whiskey which are creating life threatening problems. The GID needs to follow the statutes. They are liable. They need to grab Kathy because they don't make a decision without her. It will cause a major wreck.
- Charles Lieman said the GID meets on the third Thursday of the month. They are meeting tomorrow evening, 5:30pm at the Regional Shooting Facility. He said the berm is created when the roads crew is applying the surfacing to the road which is a self leveling surfacing agent. They keep a berm there to keep it from sliding into nothingness. Charles said the agent needs to settle down. Katherine said she saw them put it down, and she had to drive on the opposite side of road for the material to cure. The dirt creates a berm and a V-ditch. We need someone who knows what they are doing. She said if an 8,000 lbs truck comes off the shoulder, you are going into the ditch which could cause death and destruction. Katherine explained the bar ditch. Katherine said she couldn't tell where the edge of the road was on Ironwood. Commissioner Herman said we need to look at their statutes and talk to the County attorney. We need to keep our eyes on it.
- Katherine Snedigar asked about the fire book for the federal government about this area. She talked
  about the division of Axe Valley. Commissioner Herman said Chief Moore is aware and includes all
  Palomino Valley. Katherine said she will try to get that to give section 19 to the Commissioner. The
  County is recognizing Axe Handle as palomino valley. Katherine said she is in a development known as
  Palomino Valley. She said all of Warm Springs only that area can be developed. She said this is the

only place that can be developed in Warm Springs valley. Its terrain prohibits building. Commissioner Herman said it's mostly BLM that is undevelopable.

Dennis Buck he had heard about selling off the moon rocks area back to the tribe.

**9.\*CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS -** This item is limited to announcements by CAB members and topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas.

Dennis Buck said he received a phone call from Mike Gay about an issue on Road Runner and expressed his concern with the Mexican Rodeo with multiple shots fired and fights. He wanted to know if the Sheriff took care of the incident. County agencies are following up with inspections. He said there needs to be an on-duty officer for the events. He wants to know if any of the agencies have followed up on it. Katherine Snedigar recommended the person take pictures and document for what he sees and take it to a Commissioners' meeting and talk about this particular rodeo. They like visual evidence.

## 10.\*PUBLIC COMMENT -

Andrea Tavener, Office of the County Manager, Constituent Services:

- She will look into the Mexican Rodeo with Sherriff and code enforcement
- She thanked Mr. Gilbert for accepting the board member position; she encouraged anyone to join the CAB board to be an alternate.
- Andrea said she has taken another position with Washoe County. She encouraged everyone to contact Al Rogers.
- Next meeting is September 21.

Charles Lieman thanked Tom for being on the chair. Tom said it's a pleasure to serve with the other board members. Level headed. Do anything to have the community have a voice.

11. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Misty Moga, Administrative Recorder Services

Number of CAB members present: 5

Number of Public Present: 6 Presence of Elected Officials: 1 Number of staff present: 1