



## West Truckee Meadows/Verdi Citizens Advisory Board

Minutes of the West Truckee Meadows Citizen Advisory Board meeting held at Verdi Community Library & Nature Center, 270 Bridge St. Verdi, NV 89439 on November 17, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

**1. \*CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –** The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

**2. \*ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM –**

**Members present:** Carly Borchard, Sarah Rively, Alice (Tina) House, Denise Kolton (arrived 5:39 p.m.); Josh Bronitsky (arrived 5:39 p.m.)

Absent: Anthony DoMoe

Daniel Lazzareschi, past member has expressed desire to serve on the CAB again.

**3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT –**

Emannuela Heller-MacNeilage, a representative from the Mogul Association, announced two upcoming meetings on December 6, 6 p.m. and December 9 regarding two industrial zone lots that could go back to the county. She told the public members to visit the website: [Mogulneighborhoodassociation.com](http://Mogulneighborhoodassociation.com) for more information.

Barb Fenne, a member from Mogul Neighborhood Association, provided a copy of her public comment, which is attached hereto.

**4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS -** Elections by the CAB members will be held to elect the Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021/2022 term; elected officers will be effective immediately (For Possible Action)

**CHAIR:** Daniel Lazzareschi nominated Carly Bochard for Chair. Sarah Rively seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**VICE CHAIR:** Tina House nominated Sarah Rively for Vice-Chair. Denise Kolton seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**5. WASHOE COUNTY STAFF MEMBER PRESENTATION –** Candee Ramos and Marc De La Torre introduced the new CAB support team, format, overview of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding, Redistricting, and Carcione and Canepa Ranch Master Plan Information

A flyer announcing the Carcione & Canepa Trailheads Master Plan was provided to the public members. A meeting will be held on Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. via zoom.

A public comment stated money needs to go towards fixing the trails.

Carly Borchard stated in 2020, there was a project that came before the CAB, but was approved by Reno City Council. She stated it's a trail between two roundabouts. They were going to utilize access funds to do a land swap and build a trail. She asked the status of that. A public member,

Cheryl Surface, stated it's at the bend between River Oak and Trailer Park. Ms. Ramos stated she will check in and report back at the next meeting.

#### **6. FUTURE CAB SCHEDULE - Frequency of meetings & set date of next meeting (For Possible Action)**

Carly Borchard introduced the item.

A public member stated quarterly is not enough since there is a lot of development happening. Marc De La Torre stated developers would be responsible for hosting Neighborhood meetings to discuss development. CABs are separate from Neighborhood meetings.

Tina House stated she believes quarterly with the option for hosting a special meeting would be best for this CAB. Josh Bronitsky agreed a quarterly would be acceptable.

Denise Kolton stated if we host a meeting every other month, we can cancel if there are no topics. She stated we could hold quarterly meetings with the options to have more.

Carly Bochard stated it's important that we reestablish our meeting. She proposed having quarterly and adding additional meetings for special meetings.

A public member suggested bi-monthly and canceling meetings if they are not needed.

The CAB members discussed going bi-monthly, 5:30 p.m.

**MOTION: Tina House moved to meet bi-monthly with the next meeting in January 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Sarah Rively seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.**

#### **7. WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE UPDATE - General community update**

Captain Sulferino provided highlights with the Sheriff's Office. He spoke about a stratified policing approach with limited resources. He said high crime areas are priority. He spoke about sharing intelligence and information to identify crime rings. He invited the community to contact him and Captain Bello with any concerns. He warned public members about fentanyl exposures. He spoke about the accidental firing of a firearm and the importance of firearm education and safety.

He stated if it's not an emergency, please call 775-785-WCSO (9276); call 911 if it's an emergency.

He announced their messaging about illegal dumping. A public member complimented how the Sheriff's office handled illegal campers who were dumping. The number to call is 329-DUMP to report dumping.

**8. WASHOE COUNTY COMMISSIONER UPDATE-** Washoe County Commissioners Alexis Hill and Jeanne Herman provided an informational update on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC).

- January CAB meeting will be held at the Verdi Library; however, future meetings will be at the Northwest Library after February.
- Commissioner Alexis Hill provided highlights including:

- Updates about the Washoe County Library hours and programs: Updated operating hours at the library; ACT work-ready initiatives for job preparation program; Library will provide mobile book program.
- She spoke about updated safety measures at the jail
- She invited everyone to provide input on re-districting.
- County is working on Homelessness initiatives.

**9. CAB MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS** — This item is limited to announcements and/or requests for future agenda items by CAB members. [Non-Action Item]

Tina House requested better noticing about CAB meetings from the County. Candee Ramos spoke about communication strategy with Nextdoor.com, E-newsletters, and postcards for the CAB meetings.

Carly Borchard requested trailhead status at the river bend.

Carly Borchard requested an update for ARPA status.

**10. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT –**

Mack Rossi, Reno Ward 5 NAB, stated Council member Gardin has been watching out for this area and wanted to bring it to your attention. He spoke about NDOT issue within city limits. He spoke about highway 80, where there will be a development of homes where the backyards abut the highway. He spoke about a concern to have a guardrail to protect vehicles from going into those backyards.

Carly Borchard inquired about the number of spaces on CAB. Ms. Ramos spoke about 5 with 2 alternates. Commissioner Alexis Hill encouraged people to apply for CAB based on their location.

In response to Tina House's question, Commissioner Alexis Hill stated re-districting deadline is December 1<sup>st</sup>. Eric Brown stated the Registrar's office is busy.

Emannuela Heller-MacNeilage spoke about Washoe County School District re-districting. She stated we are at full capacity with all the new development and new families into the area. She stated there is lack of infrastructure. She stated there are lack of soccer fields out here. She stated there is a constructive way to address this.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.