

NORTH VALLEYS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the North Valleys Citizen Advisory Board held June 9, 2014, at the North Valleys Community Building, at the North Valleys Regional Park, 8085 Silver Lake Road, Reno, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by, Francine Donshick, Chair. A quorum was present. Francine Donshick led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT** – Eric Arentz, At-Large, Judi Caron, At-Large, Robert Conrad, At-Large, Francine Donshick, At-Large, Chair, Clayton “Vern” Griffith, First Alternate sat in for Jennifer Lumsden+. Jean Harris, At-Large, Ray Lake, At-Large, Frank Schenk, At-Large, and Robert Tangren, At-large
- MEMBERS ABSENT** - Bonnie Klud, Second Alternate, excused and Jennifer Lumsden, At-Large, excused.
- 3.* **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - Francine Donshick announced that the meeting room has been set up for the June 10th election and Charles Wright has been kind enough to stay during the CAB meeting to guarantee that the voting stations are secure. The CAB will need to adjourn by 7:30 p.m. so Mr. Wright can secure the building for the night.
 - Frank Schenk stated that his sister works for the prison system in Carson City and the inmates have a great program for wild horses. The inmates are in need of boots and jeans and asked that everyone consider donating these items to the prison system.
 - Francine Donshick asked for further public comment and hearing none, closed this agenda item.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 9, 2014.** – **MOTION:** Ray Lake moved to approve the June 9, 2014 agenda as posted. Erik Arentz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 14, 2014.- MOTION:** Judi Caron moved to approve the April 14, 2014 minutes as submitted. Ray Lake seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6.* **PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS**

Washoe County Commissioner Bonnie Weber was available to provide a report on recent actions and issues brought before the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Weber reported on the grand opening of the splash park and reported on issues and concerns related to public use of the park. Commissioner Weber stated concern that rules for the splash park are installed inside the park and they should also be posted outside the park. Commissioner Weber reviewed many concerns that need to be address including trash cleanup. Trash receptacles must be available throughout the park. There needs to be an area identified for adults only to enjoy the park. Commissioner Weber acknowledged Andrea Tavener’s good works facilitating the opening the water park for a class of children who were brought to the park by their teacher. Following her report, Commissioner Weber address questions and concerns from the audience and CAB. Contact Commissioner Weber at (775) 328-2005.and at bweber@washoecounty.us (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB).

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Commissioner Weber discussed the process and protocols for citizens to legally reserving the park or portions of the park for private use. Commissioner Weber asked citizens to contact her or Sarah Chvilicek, Open Space and Regional Parks Commissioner with ideas regarding equitable reserving of the park facilities. Reservations must be made through the Washoe County Parks Department.
 - In response to questions raised, Commissioner Weber stated that there is a need to install safety equipment including flashing caution lights.
 - Eric Arentz stated concern that the Parks Department did not seem to preview other splash parks prior to setting up this splash park and it is apparent that other successful facilities were not liked at by the parks department.
 - Support was stated for posting the safety rules outside the splash park and on the entrance gates to the park.
7. * **PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES**
 - A.* **Washoe County Sheriff’s Department (WCSD)** – Lieutenant Stacy Hill, Washoe County Sheriff’s Department was available to address public safety questions and concerns. Lt. Hill cautioned everyone regarding possible increases in vehicle burglaries and urged citizens to lock vehicles and dwellings and keep valuables out of sight. Lt. Hill provided brochures regarding shooting of firearms in congested areas and reported on signage that will be installed in north valleys parks and trailhead areas. Signs with mapping will be installed in Cold Springs and damaged or missing signs in Golden Valley will be replaced. Lt. Hill urged citizens to call the Sheriff’s Office to report illegal or suspicious activity. Call the Sheriff’s Department for non-emergency issues at 775-785-4228. (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB).

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Lt. Hill reported that Sgt. Buell is handling installation of shooting in congested areas signage.
- Eric Arentz stated that citizens need to remove garage door openers from their vehicles that are parked outside to prevent criminals from illegally accessing their homes.

B.* Airport Authority Report – Mike Dikun, Manager, Reno-Stead Airport provided information on activities at the Stead Airport. Mr. Dikun reported that local flights have increased prior to the Pylon Racing School will start on June 11, 2014 and run through June 14, 2014. Mr. Dikun reported that pilots must achieve their certification for flying in formation prior to being trained for racing. The Reno Air Races will include sport class racing which is for privately owned airplanes. The Young Eagles Introduction to Flight will take place on June 21, 2014. This event is co-sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association and the Reno Air Racing Foundation. The event is open to children from 12 to 18 years of age and is an introduction to flight. The FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) has totally vetted Nevada for flight operations of UAS (Unmanned Aerial Systems). The Stead Airport has been identified as part of the plan. Mr. Dikun will keep the NVCAB informed as the process moves forward. Following his presentation, Mr. Dikun addressed questions and concerns from the audience and CAB. For more information please contact (775) 328-6570. mdikun@renoairport.com (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB)

C.* Sierra Nevada Job Corps: - Mark Huntley, Business & Community Liaison provided an update on the progress at the Sierra Nevada Job Corps. Mr. Huntley reported that the student population has increased by sixty and cement, welding and pharmacy tech classes have been added to the curriculum. Mr. Huntley suggested that clean-up efforts could be provided from Job Corps students. Mr. Huntley invited members of the community to attend the Community Resource Council luncheon on June 25, 2014. The 35th anniversary of the Job Corps will be celebrated on August 22, 2014. Following his presentation, Mr. Huntley was available to address questions from the audience and CAB. Contact Mr. Huntley at 775-789-0803 or 775-846-6178 cell. HuntleyMark@jobcorps.org (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB)

D.* Cracks on Roadways Update - Dwayne Smith, Engineering Division Director, Community Services Department provided a PowerPoint presentation on the status of repairs to cracks on local roadways. Mr. Smith reported that the department uses Pavement Management System – PAVER designed by the US Army Corps of Engineers. Mr. Smith reported that Washoe County has approximately 1091 miles of roadway to maintain. Mr. Smith identified several roadways in the North Valleys that have had wide crack repairs and projects that are scheduled for repairs. Mr. Smith reminded everyone that wide cracks are a regional issue and Washoe County is working with a reduced budget to maintain the roadways. Following his presentation, Mr. Smith addressed questions and concerns from the audience and CAB. (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB)

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Mr. Smith stated that operators can adjust the snow plow blades to keep equipment from gouging the roadways. Mr. Smith stated that roadways are designed for a twenty year life span and take semi-truck wear and tear into consideration.
- Lt. Hill thanked Washoe County for collaborating with the Sheriff's Department on the design and installation of roadway signage.
- Commissioner Weber thanked the Engineering Division for their efforts to maintain roadways and their service to Washoe County citizens.
- Mr. Smith urged citizens to access the Washoe County web-site and look at Engineering, Capital Projects or Public Works for information on storm drain maintenance and other information.

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Commissioner Weber asked that the NVCAB support her appointment of Francine Donshick as Chair and elect her to serve for another term of office. **MOTION:** Frank Schenk moved to elect Francine Donshick, Chair for the 2014-2015 term of office. Ray Lake and Eric Arentz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Francine Donshick moved to elect Eric Arentz, Vice Chair for the 2014-2015 term of office. Jean Harris seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

- Francine Donshick reported that CERT will be rescheduled on the August agenda and possibly ask Vector Control to present a report.
- Frank Schenk asked that a representative from the Parks Department attend the August NVCAB meeting to address questions and concerns regarding the splashpark and public facilities.

Next Agenda Items: Parks Department to address park issues. CERT, Vector Control

10.*PUBLIC COMMENT

- Diane Vander Well announced that she is a candidate for Commissioner District 5.
- Bonnie Weber announced that she is a candidate for Reno City Council.
- Francine Donshick asked for further public comment and hearing none closed this agenda item.

11. ADJOURNMENT – Eric Arentz moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Frank Schenk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Portions of the meeting were video recorded by Barry Bouchard, NorthValleys.org.

Respectfully Submitted By: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary

Attendance – Nine CAB members, Commissioner Bonnie Weber, One Sheriff's Representative, Three presenters, Four members of the audience and Two Administrative Recorder representatives.