

NORTH VALLEYS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the North Valleys Citizen Advisory Board held JUNE 8, 2015, at the North Valleys Community Building, at the North Valleys Regional Park, 8085 Silver Lake Road, Reno, Nevada

1. *CALL TO ORDER/ DETERMINATION OF QUORUM - The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Francine Donshick, Chair. A quorum was present.

Francine Donshick, Ray Lake, Bonnie Klud, Jennifer Salisbury, Robert Conrad, Robert Tangren, Clayton 'Vern' Griffith, Frank Schenk.

Absence: Jean Harris (excused), Eric Arentz.

2. *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Francine Donshick led the pledge.

3. *PUBLIC COMMENT –

Bonnie Weber said she is running to be on the Reno Tahoe Airport Authority. The commissioners make the selection. She said she wanted to do this job; she has been here for 32 years. Stead Airport is a great asset of this community. She said we need someone who knows the Stead Airport. She said she is passionate, travels all over, and use to work reservations for an airline company. She use to be on the Board of County Commissioners, as well as the RSVCA. We need to know how our airport operates. She said there was a Jet Blue flight from JFK to Reno for only \$177. The Jet Blue flight is a great addition. You can take a flight from here, and take the international flight from New York. She said we need to keep those flights full. Other flights can open up as well. She would like to see a flight from Reno to Long Beach. She said she is passionate about our community. Please let the commissioner know that you support her on the Airport Authority.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2015– Ray Lake moved to approve the agenda for the meeting of JUNE 8, 2015. Robert Conrad seconded the motion with recommended changes. The motion passed unanimously

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 13, 2015– Ray Lake moved to approve the minutes from the APRIL 13, 2015 meeting as amended. Frank Schenk seconded the motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously. Judi Caron abstained.

6. *UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE – This item is limited to updates and announcements from CAB members, or review of correspondence received by the CAB. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

7.* PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS

A. *Washoe County Commissioner Update – Commissioner Jeanne Herman will provide updated information on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Following her presentation, Commissioner Herman will be available to address questions and concerns from the CAB and audience. Commissioner Herman may be reached at 775-328-2015 or jherman@washoecounty.us. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).*

Commissioner Herman gave a brief update:

She said the Board of County Commissioners is tomorrow; a lot of issues that affect the people of this area, including:

- Animal Ordinances
- New structure of the CAB

3 people who haven't re-applied for the CAB board; she encouraged them to re-apply.

Russ Earl asked about the Reno/County about automatic aid agreement. He said he wants to know what happen after the State approved it. Chief Moore said he will address it at his update.

8.*PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES

A.*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. For more information call (775) 328-3001 or via the webpage at www.washoesherriff.com. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

B. *Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD) – Fire Chief Charles Moore from the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District will provide a summary of the District's activities including recent calls for service and information related to residential fire safety, description of operations, facilities, cooperative aid agreements with neighboring jurisdictions, volunteer fire fighter program and an update to fire services to the North Valley area. For more information contact (775) 326-6000 or via the webpage at www.tmfpd.us. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).*

Chief Moore gave an update:

- Legislation passed: AB 333 to allow Sierra Fire and Truckee Meadow to consolidate administratively, affective July 1. The board will enact some resolutions. It will save tax payers money direct and indirectly. One budget, one audit. More streamline.
- SB 185: automatic aid agreement has passed. The governor has 10 days to sign, otherwise it will automatically be approved. He said he met with all northern Nevada Fire Districts, except for the airport. Reno, Sparks, and North Lake Tahoe. He said we already have automatic aid with Sparks. The City of Reno automatic aid is for 3 years. Chief Moore said Thank you Senator Kieckhefer for taking this step. We have to identify the areas for automatic aid. Reno is closer in some places, and in some places, Truckee Meadows Fire is closer. This automatic aid agreement only pertains to brush and structure fires. Hopefully, it will eventually expand to other services. The closest engine will respond. He said they have to establish zones of closest service. He said they have to determine the costs; however, he expects it to be quid pro quo. He said they will measure it at the end of the year. He said dispatch is complicated. There are low and high tech ways of making sure the closest engine will respond to a fire. There is a run card; if there is a structure fire in Lemmon Valley, and Reno can respond faster, the dispatches will alert each other, and the call gets duplicated and the units get sent. There is a GPS unit on each engine. The dispatch will see where each unit is located and they can dispatch the nearest engine. Hopefully, that will be part of additional conversations of regional fire. Reno isn't interested in shared governance. Merging into a regional department has yet to be discussed. We have a contract of service. A true consolidation would be with one form of government. He said a District can't overlap a City. There are a lot of conflicts to be resolved over the next years. Automatic aid is one step towards one governance.
- Terry Donshick said where there on wells, they will need to know the tender; what equipment will be provided during a dispatch. Chief Moore said yes, we know how to respond during dispatch. Francine Donshick said in the past year, a neighbor had a foe fire hydrant, and they attempted to hook up, and the fire department needs a tender. Chief Moore said our laptops tell us your location and the equipment needed.
- Chief Moore said they recently had an ISO audit. Within 1000 feet of a hydrant, you are considered a class 5. We have been able to from a 10, down to a 3. He told everyone to inform their insurance companies and let them know we have a new rating. It's huge between 10 and 3. They give us a credit for hydro. Be within 5 road miles of a fire station to get a 3 rating. Russ Earl asked about the ISO rating and if it includes a volunteer station. Chief Moore said only if the station has a type 1 engine.
- John Howe asked about consolidation. He asked about how much danger we are in the rural areas. Chief Moore said there isn't appetite. A regional department with new governance, flexible staffing. Regionalization is based on financial sustainability. Between 2010 and 2012, we would have had 5 of the 11 stations closed; the board negated the contract because 4 fire fighters per engine isn't affordable. People's aggregate tax bill went down. He said we raised the tax rate. We equalized between Sierra Fire and TM so we can consolidate and keep all the fire stations open. We added paramedic to all the fire stations. Citizens call us for medical emergencies. We do a transitional attack

with structure fires. When we have a crew of 4, we can enter the building. Transitional attack is being used nationwide. We are far apart on service level with City of Reno. Our strategy is based on the fact that you will need us for medical and REMSA is far away. In any medical emergency, we can do a lot of good for a lot of people. We have demonstrated we have saved lives that have experienced cardiac arrests. We have quality fire with quality EMS.

C.*Airport Authority Report – Mike Dikun, Manager, Reno-Stead Airport will provide information on the Airport Authority. Following his presentation, Mr. Dikun will address questions and concerns from the audience and CAB. For more information please contact (775) 328-6570. Email: mdikun@renoairport.com *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

- There was an incident today; smoke in the cockpit. There was a fire in the plane and made an emergency landing. People got out safe; however, the plane burned on Lemmon Valley. We will remove the airplane after the FAA takes a look.
- Pylon racing seminar: June 17 – 20th
- There will be additional flight activity beginning Saturday through Tuesday. The sport and jet class will work on flight safety training. Sport class will be teaching their instructors. There will be more flight activity than normal.
- Wings of Freedom tour this past week. It's nice to have them come to this area.
- Night time construction will end this week. The first phase will be complete. They are waiting on additional funding.
- Terry Donshick asked about airport fire fighting. Mike said they are year around. The tankers are on station starting June 1. Two attackers. Based at Stead; they will ramp up or down based on conditions. They are there every day unless they are off training.

D.*Sierra Nevada Job Corps – Mark Huntley, Business & Community Liaison will provide an update on the progress at the Sierra Nevada Job Corps Following his presentation, Mr. Huntley will address questions from the audience and CAB. Contact Mr. Huntley at 775-789-0803 or 775-846-6178 cell. HuntleyMark@jobcorps.org. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

Mark Huntley gave an update on quarterly achievements:

- New state of the art cafeteria is near competition and will be completed soon.
- Negotiated with JOIN to include more students from northern Nevada (60% come from the South – Clark County).
- Reducing water and electricity costs by 25%
- Named one of the best places to work in Nevada
- 3,200 community hours for San Rafael Park
- Earth week in North Valley
- Monthly community clean up in Stead
- 3000 shoe and 4000 pencil drive were collected for orphans in Nairobi
- Robert Conrad asked about the old Job Corp building. Mark Huntley said it's still up for sale.
- Anna Williams asked where to take the shoes. He said he will notify the CAB of the next food/shoe drive and if you can't make it, we will come to you.
- Judi Caron asked how many times a year do you have a drive? Mark said this was our first drive. Brian Waves is the contact for this. She asked if Walmart or Smiths could have containers.
- Bonnie Weber said SNJC has been an asset to our community. These guys do great things. Many people perceive the kids as hoodlums. If you need an intern, they have interns who need to learn about business.

9. *OLD BUSINESS

A. *STEAD AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS – A follow-up discussion regarding the community concerns in response to the Request for Qualifications process and anticipated next step regarding the undeveloped 3,500 acres at Reno-Stead Airport. Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority (RTAA) recently solicited Qualifications for a development partner to work with RTAA to improve the vacant land at Stead and attract aeronautical and non-

aeronautical companies. No new information will be provide. This issue was previously addressed at the April 13, 2015 North Valleys Citizen Advisory Board meeting. For more information please contact Ms. Stacie Huggins via email at shuggins@renoairport.com *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

Stacie Huggins gave an update:

- No new information to report since her last update
- Dermody is still working on marketing and securing financial partner; hopefully by August, we will have more information from Dermody.
- Russ Earl asked if there an environment impact study with endangered species. He said his neighbor knows of a endangered species of lizard. She said they haven't gotten that far. She said they did a small soil assessment. But nothing has been conducted on the whole property.
- Judi Caron asked about the environment process. Stacie said the environmental representative at the Airport will make sure they will conduct procedures that satisfy FAA and State of Nevada requirements.

10.*CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER/NEXT AGENDA ITEMS - This item is limited to announcements by CAB members and topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

11.*PUBLIC COMMENT – Limited to no more than three (3) minutes. Anyone may speak pertaining to any matter either on or off the agenda. The public are requested to submit a “Request to Speak” form to the Chairman.

Andrea Tavener, Community Outreach Coordinator for Washoe County:
She said she wanted to personally thank the CAB members who won't be re-applying

12. ADJOURNMENT – Jennifer moved to adjourn. Robert seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 7:21pm.

Number of CAB members present: 8
Number of Public Present: 23
Presence of Elected Officials: 1
Number of staff present: 1

Submitted By: Misty Moga