

NORTH VALLEYS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the North Valleys Citizen Advisory Board held October 12, 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 6:04 p.m. by Francine Donshick, Chair. A quorum was present.

Present: Francine Donshick, Teresa Aquila, Robert Conrad, Edward "Ed" Hawkins, Ray Lake, Bonnie Klud, Jennifer Salisbury, Robert Tangren, Anna Williams, Jean Harris (arrived at 6:11pm).

Absence: Frank Schenk (excused).

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

3. *PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2015– Ray Lake moved to approve the agenda for the meeting of OCTOBER 12, 2015. Robert Conrad seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 8, 2015– Robert Conrad moved to approve the minutes from the JUNE 8, 2015 meeting. Ray Lake seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Elections by the CAB members will be held to elect the Chair and Vice-Chair to serve for the 2015/2016 term of office which will be effective from the time of election through June 30, 2016 or until a successor is elected. Officers will assume their role immediately after the election.

Motion: Ray Lake moved to nominated Francine Donshick for Chair Person. Robert Conrad seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Francine Donshick moved to nominated Ray Lake for Vice Chair. Jennifer Salisbury seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. *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.)

- Francine said the airport update will probably happen in December
- Ray Lake said he attended a neighborhood meeting for the 740 units apartments going in on 50 acres. The developer is going to break ground in a year. They were requesting a zoning change to develop. Ray Lake said there isn't anything around that area.
- Francine said we may have another update from NV energy regarding the powerline.

8. *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 775-501-0002. (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).

- Commissioner Herman thanked everyone for attending.

- She asked the audience who is currently living in Lemmon valley. She said we are working on the flood problem and repairs. There are some people helping from the private sector.
- She said there is a Commissioners' meeting is tomorrow
- She said she attended a NACO meeting
- She said it's very important these CAB meeting are representative of the community. She said she wants feedback. Please call her with your comments and concerns.
- Ray Lake thanked the Commissioner for coming. Ray said the CAB has changed. He said he attended the September 9th meeting and voiced his opinion regarding the changes. He asked if the commissioners plan to set them back to the way they were. She said there were complaints about it.
- Teresa Aquila thanked her for being her. She asked about the Medicinal Marijuana facilities; they have been slated to move to North Valleys. Commissioner Herman said the people have been very vocal about the facilities being in a residential area instead of commercial/industrial.
- Brenda Sullivan said she has spoken to the Commissioner after the floods. Brenda said she has damage to her manufactured mobile home. She asked about the grant the commissioner had mentioned. The commissioner believes Brenda's situation would be applicable for the grant.
- Chad Quiggle said FEMA money was for homes and not for property. He asked what we do for our property damage. Commissioner Herman said we are working on it with private sector. She said we will try to get private funding to get people's yards cleaned up with bobcats and large equipment. There are a few companies vying for the job.
- Joan Meussner said there is an additional problem due to the damn installed by the Washoe County roads department. She read a letter. Lemmon Valley has experienced hardship by the rains.
- Robert Stroble said he is a 28 year resident and prior planning commissioner. He said when this subdivision was created the standards weren't the same; he said our subdivision doesn't have a through ditch. Washoe County has some responsibility in this. It was permitted in the 1970s but we know better. The road cut through Matterhorn, which is a highway into a subdivision. He said this road created flood damage. Washoe County diverted the road, and they didn't care where the water was going to run. The County is aware the problem, and it was enhanced by the work done by Washoe County. A ditch needs to run from the north side to Idaho. The ditch on Matterhorn that goes to Antelope needs to be dug out. Commissioner Herman said when they changed Matterhorn; she had asked them about the ditch. She said she spoke with Schiller on opening up the ditch. The ditches have been neglected over the years due to the shortage of money. There are culverts that need to be bigger. Commissioner said when FEMA was out here, they missed a big area. She said there are a lot of problems and we are going to try to fix them.
- Garry Stelle said he lives on Oregon. It's not just Idaho that flooded. He said their corral washed onto the lawn. All the ditches got clogged. He said there are water trails in the sand from last floods. He said his neighbor's basement filled. He said nobody has flood insurance.
- The commissioner said they are working on it.
- Eric Yohoe said Washoe County keeps saying they work on it, but there has been no maintenance.
- Dana Van Pool said the driveway pipes are 12 inch diameter which is way too small for a big rain. The pipes get clogged and jammed. He said you can maintain those ditches all you want, but unless you address the pipes, there will still be problems.
- Chad Quiggle said the road department has new management. Our ditches weren't prepared for it. We worked four, 10 hour days, and we were told to go home. He said there is a ditch that won't be maintained by Washoe County. He said staff is pompous. There are 10-12 people being flooded. He asked who are the bosses. Unless someone can convince them what to do, nothing is going to happen. Commissioner Herman said heads will roll.
- Travis Patterson said he purchased his place 4 years ago and fixed it up. He said his first few years he experienced flash flood, not the '100 year' flood. He said he will bring equipment to his house and fix it himself. The roads department won't like it. He said there is a 30 foot wide creek and the water should run out there. He said when the culverts were reduced, that created a problem. Boulders came rolling down and sage brush has been buried. He said they have called the County, but he doesn't get a call back.
- Bonnie Klud asked if a video can be created with Barry's help and present it to the County Commissioners. The pictures of the damage would be helpful.

- Mrs. Taylor asked where the money is coming from, what kind of work is being done, and what does the community need to do. Commissioner said she is meeting with companies. Mrs. Taylor said we need to show the other commissioners the damage. Commissioner Herman said she needs everyone's help and encouraged everyone to attend the commissioners' meeting to express their concerns. FEMA said we were short of damage.
- Gary Stelle said the problem can be fixed by stopping the water from coming down, and divert back to where it was before. The back the way it was.
- Mike Dikun said he is grateful Redrock missed this storm. He said his culvert is clogged. He said the commissioners will listen if you are organized and record your needs; use pictures and proof to back up your argument to prove the case. Commissioner Herman is the lone wolf. The other commissioners have their own constituents. Show what these rainstorms have done to your property.
- Robert Strobel asked if the county provides assistance or a person to put this together. We aren't a community like the old days. Someone needs to collect stories.
- Mike Dikun said you have to pull together and someone needs to stand up and organize it. He said it's a grassroots effort. Create meetings, strategy and divide the work. Commissioner said she is willing to help how she can.
- Robert Conrad asked what we can do to support their efforts.
- Teresa Aquila asked the citizens if anyone has a drone. Mike said there are illegal to fly at this time.

9. *COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES

A. *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.)

Mike Dikun gave an update:

- The Air races was a great year. No accidents this year. The FAA was pleased with the safety. The Bi-plane class broke a record. There was a great attendance.
- There has been inquiries regarding the TMWA well. They have dug a replacement well on the same location. They will build a new pump house around the well.
- Taxi way project will be completed in November. There will be materials coming in for compaction and paving.
- National guard/ Navy aviation facility. Mike said they have 4 projects in the works at the guard facility. They are replacing their ramps on the aviation facility. There is a great deal of traffic for these projects. New guard shack is in the works. They were approved for additional land for their armory. They will build a new maintenance building.
- He invited everyone to the grand opening of the history display of the air field on November 4th, 10:30pm at the new terminal building. In this past 6 months, he said he has been receiving a lot of feedback from people. The history dates back to WWII. Many people have expressed their memories of the air field.
- NASA has entered into agreement with all 6 test sites. UAF traffic and activity at Stead, but it's not all flying. There will be simulation and modeling. He said we are in the process of working on a live visual construct laboratory that connects to NASA in Mountain View. They will take live flight data and modeling and they create simulated air spaces. Partnering with NASA is huge. This is great for Northern Nevada.
- Teresa asked about the noise at the guard maintenance facility projects. Mike said he doesn't believe there will be an impact.
- Dana Van Pool asked if there will be an increase in facility to cover the new facilities and activities. Mike said no enhanced security. It's not necessary. Mike said they can take care of it with aviation.

Francine closed item A.

B. *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. For more information please contact Mr. Huntley at 775-789-0803 or 775-846-6178 cell or email HuntleyMark@jobcorps.org. (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)

- Mark said SNJC has become a closed campus for safety
- Mark talked about their accreditation; street legal with pharmaceuticals
- Exterior 330 cafeteria is finished.
- 2500 work hours for the area at Bartley Ranch, Food Bank, neighborhood clean ups, archery
- Ed Hawkins asked when is the next lunch? Mark said December 4th.

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

- NV Powerline
Airport update
Waste Management update when there is new information
- Lemmon Drive Corridor update
- Traffic impact update – RTC/County
- 800 apartments being built by Walmart/RTC widening road
- Ray Lake encouraged everyone to sign in. The public’s comments get passed onto the commissioners.

11. *PUBLIC COMMENT –

Ray Lake said he sits on the Golden Valley association. He said they are concerned about the traffic. He attended an NDOT and RTC meeting and brought it to their attention. They are looking at north Virginia street. Because of all the Dermody. It’s a North Valleys traffic task force. He said he can bring reports back to this board. The next meeting is October 27th.

Francine said we have been concerned about traffic with these developments. We are lucky to have residents contact NDOT and RTC. The residents were asked to join the task force created by the governor. They are listening to our concerns about the on and off ramp and hwy 395 traffic. She said we are trying to get them to look at the critical issues right now as well as future plans.

Ed Hawkins talked about the jumbo grade culverts flooded homes. He said the engineers and county have been sued before. He said there are litigation opportunities. Jumbo Grade issues in 1987. Go back to jumbo grade engineering.

Andrea Tavener, Washoe County Constituent Services gave an update:

- She invited everyone to call her to give her their address and concerns.
- Commissioner Herman said there is a free pet care service for seniors; low cost vaccination for pets
- Revisions were made to the CABs and went into effect on July 1. The CAB revision update will go before the board on October 27. Please email your commissioners your feedback. If you want your comments in the record, you can email your county commissioners through ‘contact us,’ on the website. She said the Clerk, County Manager, and the Commissioners get a copy. Andrea said the CABs are focused on development projects. All topics have to be within the county jurisdictions. The number of CAB members was reduced. There is a universal start time of 6pm. The Board of County Commissioners voted to implement the changes and gave staff direction.
- Barry Bouchard said he has a video update on Waste Management from the Sun Valley CAB meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT – Ray Lake moved to adjourn the meeting. Jean Harris seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.

Number of CAB members present:

Number of Public Present: 28

Presence of Elected Officials: 1

Number of staff present: 1

Submitted By: Misty Moga