



Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board held May 18, at the Palomino Auxiliary Fire Station 6015 Ironwood, Warm Springs, NV.

1. *CALL TO ORDER/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

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

2. *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Tom Prentices led the pledge.

3. *PUBLIC COMMENT –

Katherine Snedigar said she submitted her email 3 times to get an agenda and has not received on. She said she is a non-resident, unenfranchised, natural woman. She said you will hear from the voting people that we are 'disenfranchised.' She asked if anyone was part of a franchise. She said the only person part of the franchise is sitting over there. We are constitutional citizens. You are allowed inalienable rights. Our rights can't be transferred or sold. This County has gotten good to take our rights. It benefits the economy of the County which has nothing to do with us. If you don't state your status, you will be a statutory citizen. I'm not in commerce; I'm treated as though I am. She said their development code or anything that doesn't have to do with public safety, they can do their clarification but it doesn't have to do with my property. She said they cannot step onto my property to build a fence as a constitutional citizen.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 18, 2016 – There was a motion and a second by the board members. The chair called for the vote. The motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETINGS OF JANUARY 20, 2016 - There was a motion and a second by the board members. The chair called for the vote. The motion passed unanimously.

6.*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.

- She said the Chief was going to give an update on the bathroom in this building
- Robert Gunn he recommended to open the meeting with prayer.
- Tom Prentice said there was a meeting scheduled. Emails are sent out from various people and we don't know who they are. He asked about a community forum.
- Al Rogers said all the emails come from Andrea regarding this CAB; there isn't anyone else who sends email. He said it was probably a District 5 email. He said Andrea has been out on medical leave. Commissioner Herman said she requests all District 5 emails come to the people from an email address they can identify. Commissioner Herman said it's complicated. She said it's like the phone number; there is only one phone number from the County and it's very confusing to figure out who called. Al said we have spoken about this regarding a consistent communication with one email.
- Katherine asked why there is a problem. Not all CAB has their meetings on the same day. There should be not excuse. They are planned and they aren't on the same day.
- Al said the CAB calendar for all the meetings are posted on the website.
- Commissioner Herman said the Washoe County budget was approved.
- Katherine asked about a spec house built. That is a development project. She asked why that hasn't come to the CAB. Commissioner Herman said that is a good question.
- Katherine said we can't be residential if we are open range. They said they are. The rules don't apply. It's civil disobedience.
- Commissioner Herman asked the group who wants to open the meeting with prayer.
- Al Rogers said RTC can most likely attend the next meeting to discuss the highway. They are holding meetings recently to address widening the highways, transportation in 2040.

- Commissioner Herman said the budget is flat which is promising.
- She said we all moved out here to be in the county. She said she understands people are frustrated with offroading, but kids must have a place to play. Katherine said the GID needs to put up a sign about the blind hill.
- Commissioner Herman said the board member should volunteer to attend the GID meetings to report back to the CAB. There are a lot of things that go on at the meeting.
- Al Rogers said other CABs reach out to other existing GIDs. Cross pollinate. There will be sharing of information.
- A public member mentioned the GID responsibility for roads. Katherine said there was an agreement with Wilcox Ranch road. The public member explains the zones of maintenance. She said she saw someone go up a road that isn't on their map. It wasn't their responsibility. The public member said she wants the financials online. Katherine told the public member to request the information.
- Katherine said they will fill potholes, but the ditches need attention. She asked about the boulders we use to have with the soft ditches. They aren't making the roads safe. The roads get narrower. The county road guys can grade better than GID.
- Commissioner Herman – trash topic: they are trying to put through single stream. She said she doesn't think it would work out here. The people in the Rurals should keep the current garbage. The rates will go up with the new garbage. There are seniors out here and would have a big problem with the big tote, and the rate increase. You can't put food in the recycling. You have to wash things out before putting. Nancy said where she works they have single stream recycling; it's normal trash containers. She said you can put all the recyclables in the same container. You don't have to separate anymore. She said the criteria are on the bottom of the food container. Commissioner Herman encouraged everyone to come out to the meeting and tell them we don't want the single stream recycling. A public member complained about how his recycling wasn't picked up. Commissioner Herman said they started to bill people with vacant lots. Keep your eye out for that in your bill. Katherine said that is racketeering, just like what the County does. Nancy said her roads get muddy, but when you call, you get someone in Texas who doesn't have a clue; you can't call the local office, but go down to the local office. Renae said don't waste your time going down to the office. They are incompetent. Commissioner Herman said the gentleman who presented this information, said the recyclables isn't netting what they wanted. They would welcome people who don't support the change.
- Early voting on the May 28-June 10; June 14 primary
- RTC, GID Road updates; get a GID representative to come to the CAB. Katherine said the people on the GID are arrogant. That GID doesn't do anything without Kathy Galther, and she is a nothing.
- Commissioner Herman said clear your house 50 feet around your house for fire safety.
- Katherine said she is putting in more hydrants.
- A public member asked to close the meeting with prayer. Al Rogers said to close the meeting first.

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 www.tmfpd.us.

Mike Heika, Lt. Battalion Chief

- Wild land season – concerned for dry conditions
- We ask everyone to be careful and report anything unsafe.
- Remove any vegetation near the house
- Put your wood pile away from your house
- Extensive wild land training program; assimilated fire training
- 90K feet of hose testing; it takes a month
- Open burning is closed for the season; it was the longest season we hosted
- Junk the Junipers – take the junipers to chipping location; mulch is used for yards. Katherine asked if they can participate. He said yes, everyone is welcome. A grant took care of the chipping program.

- Join us for a ½ marathon or 5K at Ranch San Raefel park for wild land awareness
- District 17 – 120-150 calls a month out of that station. It's a busy station. It can be over an hour to get to a call.
- Katherine asked about EMTs. Heika said he said they will assist volunteers with training. He said they can do everything as REMSA, except for transport. It's a best-effort-area. He said they have advanced life saving equipment. They can be life flight out.
- Safety chains on trailers can start fires by sparks. He talked about NDOT grading the shoulders.
- A public member asked about the Calle De La Plata new homes and if will they widen the road. He said that is usually part of the traffic study. Katherine advised her to call NDOT. Lt. Heika recommended having NDOT come to the next CAB to speak to widening the road.
- A public member asked about a possibility of having a chipper up here. Lt. Heika said unfortunately not every station could do it. Lt. Heika said we are looking into getting a burn box.
- Commissioner Herman asked about the uses of the mulch from chipping.
- Lt. Heika talked about structure fires. He said hoses are important; if it is run over, it can break or damage the hose. It's a big expense. He said Washoe County Sheriff's assist with traffic. He said they have a fire tender and a well they use.
- A board member asked about the pond they just approved. Lt. Heika said often times they have to reimburse people for their water. He said they can set up agreements for water usage.
- A public member asked about the training process. Lt. Heika explained the process, training, physical for all volunteers.
- Commissioner Herman asked about the medical incident down the street. Lt. Heika said they made sure he was ok; he refuses service every time.

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 www.washoesherriff.com.

Lt. Bill Hames gave an update on the local calls for service:

- Vehicle burglary of unlock cars.
- Not a lot of crime
- Staffed with two deputies to handle parties on the weekend
- A public member asked about an accident with a rock crawler; the deputy said it was a fatal accident.
- Katherine Snedigar asked about a follow up on an incident. The deputy said he can follow up with her. He said they can come out with any crime related incidents.
- He said they had a rescue out at Pyramid Lake. He said they are preparing for campers.
- Highway patrol has the highway jurisdiction, but the Sherriff will assist with accidents. He said they have jurisdiction anywhere. A board member asked a section of the dirt road on the hill; you can't see the other side of the hill. He said it's a dangerous blind spot. The Lt. Hames asked him to report it. Katherine recommended putting up a sign stating 'blind hill.' The GID is responsible for it.
- Garry Scarbough asked about the people driving 60 mph; there are caution signs for 35 miles per hour. Garry said you can put a traffic person out there and write tickets all day. He said he is concerned for the wild horses. Katherine said those signs are set by the GID.

8.*COUNTY UPDATE – Staff from the Office of the County Manager may be available to provide an update on County services. Staff may be available to answer questions and concerns. Please feel free to contact Al Rogers arogers@washoecounty.us (775) 328- 2017. To sign up to receive email updates from the County visit www.washoecounty.us/cmail. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).*

- Al thanked everyone for coming out. He thanked the representatives for giving service updates.

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

- Tom Prentice said he would like to have an open discussion regarding UN agenda 21 and 30 – don't get traction; it's taking away our rights.
- Progress report on bathroom in the volunteer station. Commissioner Herman said she had a conversation with the Chief. Commissioner Herman said she had some suggestions for him.
- Dennis Buck requested financials from GID to be presented to the CAB. AI said all financials have to be submitted to the State by a certain time. Citizens can request financial records.
- CAB members to attend GID meetings and invite the GID members to the CAB meetings.

10.*PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comments were made.

11. ADJOURNMENT – Robert Gunn moved adjourn, Dennis Buck seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Misty Moga, Administrative Recorder Services

Number of CAB members present: 5

Number of Public Present: ??

Presence of Elected Officials: 1

Number of staff present: 1