

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2016
Tonopah Convention Center
301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049

Tonopah Town Board Vice-Chairman Tom Seley called the meeting to order on June 8, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Also present was Clerk Janet Hatch. Board member Don Kaminski was present on the phone. Chairman Duane Downing and Board member Doug Farinholt were absent. Seven others were in attendance. Vice-Chairman Seley led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The items were taken out of order to accommodate petitioners from out of Town.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board of Trustees at 7:14 p.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 7:27 p.m.

Vice-Chairman Tom Seley asked if any items needed to be pulled from the agenda. Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns explained that Item 3 needs to be tabled as the District Attorney needs to review the Agreement. Item 5 needs to be tabled at Teresa Madsen's request as she needs to work on a few things.

1. Public Comment

Jess Rosner of the NyE Communities Coalition thanked the Town Board for allowing them to use the Convention Center for the Plentiful Produce distribution. He noted that they spent all the grant money for the current fiscal year. He pointed out that the free summer lunch program will be starting June 17. Mr. Rosner added that the Coalition has a new staff member, Lindsey Dodge, who will be helping with the youth program. He explained that the Coalition has started its summer youth work program with about 20 youth, three of them working for the Town. He noted that he is hoping to have more youth.

Joni Eastley thanked the Town Board for the room tax grant for the Mining Championships. She stated that they had 18 drillers, 3 of them were women from the Mackay School of Mines. She added that they had contestants from 5 western States and all over Nevada. Ms. Eastley stressed that they cannot continue to sponsor this event without the help of the Town. She thanked Utility Manager Joe Westerlund and Town Maintenance employees Manny Linares and Dallas Boyer for all their work. She also thanked Becky Braska for her help all weekend.

2. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held May 25, 2016.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held May 25, 2016. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

3. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to review and approve an agreement with SolarReserve regarding site tours, and review and approve format of waiver required for tour participation.

This item was tabled.

4. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve or deny the request from Steve E. Evenson for free admission to the Tonopah Historic Mining Park for persons involved in the Modified and Hobby Stock Challenge.

Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns explained that Steve Evenson had contacted the Town regarding this request and was asking if the Town would be willing to donate tickets for about 20 people or more. She added that Mr. Evenson thinks the Park would get more in donations from the participants than the Town would collect in fees. She pointed out that the Town Board has approved requests like this one in the past for other groups. She noted that the Board can limit the amount of free tickets. Vice-Chairman Tom Seley suggested limiting the tickets to people with wristband. Don Kaminski noted that staff would have to keep track of how many people are entering the Park that day. Ms. Mulkerns noted that Joe Westerlund had proposed to make that day a “free day” for everybody who comes to the Park that day. She added that this would be good advertising for the Park.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve the request from Steven E. Evenson for free admission for Tonopah Historic Mining Park for the Modified and Hobby Stock Challenge and include free admission for all public that come during June 25 and 26. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

5. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve or deny the Website Design and Development Proposal by Symphony Graphics/Teresa Madsen.

This item was tabled.

6. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to authorize recognizing Tonopah citizens with an “Outstanding Citizen Award” on a quarterly basis.

Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli explained that she placed this on the agenda as she found receipts for plaques that were ordered in the past to honor citizens but there never was a motion or resolution made by the Town Board that she could find or any former Board members or staff could recall.

Ms. Galli noted that she would like to recognize the many volunteers that are active in Tonopah. She stressed that everybody always says it is only the same ten people who volunteer but she finds that this is not true. She explained that she attended a Volunteer Forum a few weeks prior where she realized just how many organizations and clubs in Town are volunteer based. She noted that there are a lot of people to be proud of. She stated that she knows that most people do not do it for the recognition but that this might be a motivator for some.

Ms. Galli clarified that the Town would be accepting suggestions for the award that can be submitted on the appropriate form. She would advertise this on the Town website and Facebook page with a deadline for that quarter.

Janet Hatch asked if quarterly would be too often. Chris Mulkerns noted that if it is approved on a quarterly basis, staff can do it “as often as quarterly”, but does not have to do so if not needed. Ms. Hatch stressed that she likes the idea of having multiple awards in order to honor more than one volunteer.

Tom Seley stated that he agrees that the volunteers should be honored. He pointed out how many volunteers and organizations were involved in making sure Jim Butler Days were successful. He noted that this may be featured in the paper and may be another way to build additional pride and commitment to the community.

Don Kaminski noted that he was wondering if the Town could have a Pride Board where the honored citizens' names would be featured.

Chris Mulkerns suggested making the motion to authorize it and details can be figured out as we go.

Janet Hatch motioned to authorize recognizing Tonopah citizens with an "Outstanding Citizen Award" on a quarterly basis or as we choose. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

7. Department Budget Reports

Vice-Chairman Tom Seley stated that he was happy with the revenues. He added that the expenditures of the Town/Tonopah Public Utilities are either right on target for the fiscal year or under. He noted that staff is doing a good job as always.

8. Town Board Member's/Department Manager's/Nye County Commissioner's Comments

Utility Manager Joe Westerlund noted that Jim Butler Days are over and everything is cleaned up. He stated that all went well without any damage or complaints.

Mr. Westerlund stated that the Tonopah Memorial Swimming Pool opened on Tuesday without any issues. He explained that staff is still working on a few things and that an electrician was there to wire in the pool lights correctly.

Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns referred to Jess Rosner's public comment and noted that the Town has summer help.

Ms. Mulkerns pointed out that the Father's Day Fishing Derby would take place the following week. Mr. Westerlund added that the Town will have the crew and summer help set up for following week to clean Sportsman's Park.

Joe Westerlund explained that he bought paint to paint the panels at the rodeo grounds before the summer rodeo. He noted that the color is close to a John Deere green. He added that he hopes to put the doors on the bathrooms the following week. He pointed out that the electrician said Town Maintenance staff Manny Linares and Dallas Boyer did a great job on the wiring. Mr. Westerlund stated that staff needs to get the concession stand ready.

Chris Mulkerns pointed out that Tesla finished the construction of the charging stations at Pocket Park. She noted that one unit was destroyed during installation. Tesla had one of their electric cars come to Tonopah to test all the stations. Reporter David Jacobs was present. Tom Seley stressed that they did a great job and that the Town has something to work with as far as putting a kiosk on the property. Janet Hatch inquired about the security on the property. Don Kaminski suggested putting cameras on the Fire Station.

Tom Seley asked if the Town was in charge of the street lights as there is one on the Sierra Vista area that has been out for a while. Chris Mulkerns explained that staff needs the number off of the pole in order for staff to report the outage to NV Energy. Joe Westerlund noted that he will contact Tell Sallee.

9. Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with Town's Management Representative regarding labor negotiation issues, and other personnel issues.

No action taken by the Board.

10. Closed meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with Town's Management Representative regarding labor negotiation issues, and other personnel issues.

No action taken by the Board.

11. Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in the closed meeting.

No action taken by the Board.

12. Correspondence

Nye County General Fund Fiscal Year 2016-2017 BOCC Handout, May 26, 2016
Convention Center Report for April 2016
Convention Center Report for May 2016
Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, June 7, 2016
Letter from SafeTEE Connections re: termination of rental agreement, June 6, 2016
Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, June 10, 2016
Town Collections May 2016
Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda, June 13, 2016
Nye County BOCC Meeting Summary, May 26 and June 7, 2016
NyE Communities Coalition Handout

Janet Hatch referred to the letter from SafeTEE connections and noted that when her husband Glen was on the Town Board, they were talking about using the building as the Town Office. She asked why this was not pursued as it is a prime location. Chris Mulkerns explained that this was not pursued due to structural issues and that it might be something to consider. She added that staff would have to look into putting in columns and beams to support the roof. She noted that a lot of renovations have been done by the crew. Tom Seley stated that it would be wise for staff to look into utility and computer hookups and feasibility, then put this on the agenda for consideration.

13. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Janet Hatch motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

14. Public Comment

Jess Rosner noted that he will e-mail details to Town staff regarding meetings and training that the Coalition will be having in June.

15. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:



Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:



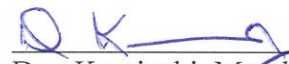
Duane Downing, Chairman

Tom Seley, Vice-Chairman



Janet Hatch, Clerk

Doug Farinholt, Member



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TONOPAH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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3. Library Budget Report

Chairman Tom Seley inquired whether the Library is stilling waiting on property tax revenue. Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns explained that there will probably be about two or three more receipts with a total of about \$180,000 like last year.

Janet Hatch commended staff for their work.

4. Library Board Member's/Department Manager's Comments

Acting Librarian Dianne Ryals noted that DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) are donating books on August 13 and 14 with a flag ceremony at 11 o'clock on the 14th and the presentation of the books. She stated that she hopes to have the Historical Library finished by then. She added that there will be a program at the Mizpah Hotel that night. Chris Mulkerns pointed out that Ms. Ryals has been asked to speak at the event. Tom Seley suggested contacting David Jacobs to have an article in the paper.

Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli noted that she and Dianna Ryals will be attending the "Arts @ the Heart" Conference in Reno the following two days. She stated that they hope to get more engagement from the schools and community when it comes to Art. Art could be displayed at the Library or Convention Center. The Town and Library could host art competitions and exhibits. They are hoping to get insights on what ideas can be put to life in a rural area. Tom Seley stressed that there are some very talented people in Tonopah and it would be great to highlight that.

Dianne Ryals stated that the Tonopah Astronomical Society wants to purchase a telescope for the Library. She added that she has to figure out how to check it out to people due to the value. She hopes to get kids more involved in Astronomy and visit the Library. She noted that she might have to take credit card information and process

it in case the telescope comes back damaged. She proposed having "classes" to teach how to use it correctly.

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Approval of vouchers for payment

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7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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Janet Hatch, Vice-Chairman



Duane Downing, Clerk

Doug Farinholt, Member



Don Kaminski, Member