

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2017
Tonopah Convention Center
301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049

Tonopah Town Board Chairman Duane Downing called the public hearing to order on January 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski, Clerk Jerry Elliston, and Board Members Roni Link and Mike Sain. Eleven others were in attendance. Chairman Downing led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Public Hearing

1) For possible action, discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt, or reject, TTO Bill No. 2016-06, a bill proposing an ordinance of the Town of Tonopah, Nye County, Nevada, establishing rules and regulations for the Town Water, Sewer and Reclaimed Water Systems; including but not limited to provisions of minimum standards, requirements for applications and for services, rates, billings and payments, collection policies, discontinuance and restoration of services, violations and penalties, and other matters properly relating thereto, repealing and replacing any and all other ordinances in conflict therewith; providing for the severability, constitutionality, and effective date hereof, and other matters properly relating thereto.

2) This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 30th day of January, 2017.

Tom Smith introduced himself and noted that he is a civil engineer in Nevada and one of the owners of North Tonopah Development (NTD). He read a statement that was not provided as backup describing his point of view about how Tonopah Public Utilities (TPU) management handled their application for service in 2016. He noted that NTD wanted to put their own meter on their property and that he does not understand why they were not allowed to do so. He stressed that NTD does not want to resale water as they know that this is illegal in the State of Nevada. He questioned why TPU has Section 3.12 Resale of Water in their Ordinance. Chairman Duane Downing read the section into the record (see backup) and stressed that this prevents someone from purchasing TPU's water and reselling it. He added that TPU is protecting their water system.

Don Kaminski motioned to adopt an ordinance of the Town of Tonopah, Nye County, Nevada, a bill proposing to establish rules and regulations for the Town Water, Sewer and Reclaimed Water Systems; including but not limited to provisions of minimum standards, requirement for applications for services, rates, billings and payments, collection policies, discontinuance and restoration of services, violations and penalties, and other matters properly relating thereto, repealing and replacing any and all other ordinances in conflict therewith and other matters relating thereto. Jerry Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

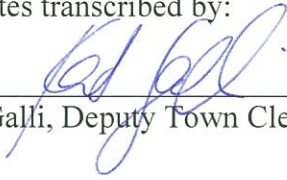
3. Public Comment

None.

4. Adjourn

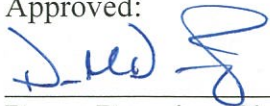
The public hearing adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:



Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:



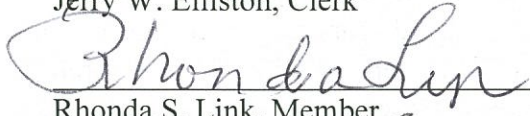
Duane Downing, Chairman



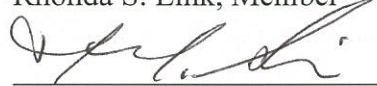
Don Kaminski, Vice-Chairman



Jerry W. Elliston, Clerk



Rhonda S. Link, Member



Michael Sain, Member