

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 8, 2017  
Tonopah Convention Center  
301 Brougher Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049

Tonopah Town Board Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski called the meeting to order on February 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Clerk Jerry Elliston and Board Members Roni Link and Mike Sain. Chairman Duane Downing was absent. Eight others were in attendance. Vice-Chairman Kaminski led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board of Trustees at 7:15 p.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 7:22 p.m.

1. Public Comment

Dawn Gudmunson explained that she is part of the Nye County Safety Committee. She pointed out that there are a few safety issues with drains coming off from some buildings in Town where water is shooting out onto the sidewalks and building ice. She noted that she already informed the County and Town about this issue.

Bradley Bertholt, resident of Manhattan, stated that he has concerns about the cultural presence in Town. He noted that Tonopah was and is home to various ethnic groups and that he feels there is not much information on where the different ethnic groups worked and lived. He suggested having plaques. Mr. Bertholt added that Tonopah does a good job bringing the mining history to light and that the Town should also address the sins such as race riots that took place. He emphasized that if people are educated, hopefully it will never happen again.

2. Review and approval of minutes, in context, form the regular meeting held January 25, 2017.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held January 25, 2017. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Town Board Member's/Department Manager's/Nye County Commissioners Comments

Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns explained that staff would like to have an item for every second meeting that allows for staff reports from every department. She added that this would be an action item for which backup would be provided beforehand. She stressed that per Open Meeting Law, this item would have to be very specific.

Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski suggested making a list of items to be discussed and keep certain items as a standing item.

Clerk Jerry Elliston asked whether the (Sundowner) hotel that is being remodeled is in Nye or Esmeralda County. Chris Mulkerns stated that it is in Nye County and pointed out that there will be an item on the next Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) agenda to waive the fees for the dump so the property can be cleaned up.

4. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to change the location for the Town of Tonopah/Tonopah Public Utilities Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget Workshop to be held on March 31, 2017 at 8 a.m.

Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns explained that the Convention Center is already booked on March 31. She suggested having the workshop at the Historic Library.

Jerry Elliston motioned to change the location of the Town of Tonopah/Tonopah Public Utilities Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget Workshop to be held on March 31, 2017 at 8 a.m. to the Historic Library. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve a Room Tax Grant Application in the amount of \$1,374.00 for the Tonopah Middle School Booster Club to advertise and promote the Tonopah Jackhammer Booster Invitational Basketball Tournament February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Dawn Gudmunson explained that she is the President of the Tonopah Middle School Booster Club this year and that the Booster Club would like to request room tax funds to purchase backpacks for all participants, coaches and cheer team members. She noted that the Booster Club bought t-shirts every year, but purchased backpacks this year. She added that they are hoping for reimbursement as the backpacks promote Tonopah and the tournament brings lots of people to Town.

Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski asked whether this money would come out of the 5/8ths room tax fund which Chris Mulkerns confirmed. She added that the Booster Club requested \$1,493 in 2015, but has not received funds regularly like some other groups that come every year. Ms. Gudmunson stressed that eight teams will be visiting Tonopah overnight. As some of the parents will be traveling as well, the tournament will bring lots of people to stay and eat in Tonopah. Don Kaminski stated that this is money well worth spending.

Roni Link motioned to approve a Room Tax Grant Application in the amount of \$1,374.00 for the Tonopah Middle School Booster Club to advertise and promote the Tonopah Jackhammer Booster Invitational Basketball Tournament February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Jerry Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Department Budget Reports

No comments.

7. 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.

8. 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.

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

No action taken by the Board.

10. Correspondence

Nye County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Agenda, February 7, 2017

Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda, February 13, 2017

Room Tax Grant Project Completion Report Central Nevada Racing Association,  
February 1, 2017

Nye County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Summary, February 7, 2017

Tonopah Arts Town Meeting Summary, October 18, 2016

11. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

12. Public Comment

Roni Link stated that she attended the BOCC meeting the day before. A private entity from Florida gave a presentation proposing to use the Tonopah Airport to enhance training for the military. She noted that she believes this has great prospect for Tonopah and will bring lots of jobs. She added that it was a good presentation and that she is very excited about it. Ms. Link noted that BOCC was in favor of the project. She stressed that this is bringing her hope as, without a population base, it is hard to bring in medical care. Chris Mulkerns pointed out that the presentation can be viewed as part of the meeting video and is available on the County website.

Jess Rosner of the NyE Communities Coalition thanked the Board for letting them use the Convention Center for the plentiful produce distribution that takes place every month. He pointed out that they distributed about 180 bags in December and around 140 bags in January. He added that the February distribution will take place the following week.

13. Adjourn

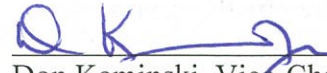
The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

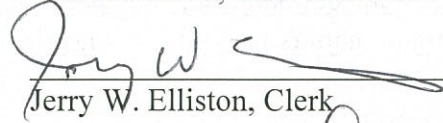
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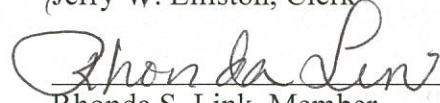
  
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Duane Downing, Chairman

  
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Don Kaminski, Vice-Chairman

  
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Jerry W. Elliston, Clerk

  
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Rhonda S. Link, Member

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Michael Sain, Member

TONOPAH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 8, 2017  
Tonopah Convention Center  
301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049

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1. Public Comment

None.

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

None.

3. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held January 25, 2017.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held January 25, 2017. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to set the rental fee for the Historic Library and to approve rental form.

Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns explained that the backup for this item is a result of the discussions that took place the last time this item was on the agenda. She clarified that the rental price of \$25.00 a day is the same as blue and gold room at the Convention Center that are similar in size. She pointed out that the rental of the Historic Library is limited to public events, meetings, etc. Private parties are to be held at the Convention Center. Chairman Don Kaminski asked if the public can rent the new Library building. Chris Mulkerns emphasized that rental is only possible for the Historic Library.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the rental fee of \$25.00 per day for the Historic Library and to approve the rental form. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to change the location for the Library District Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget workshop scheduled to be held on March 31, 2017 at 8:05 a.m.

Roni Link motioned to change the location for the Library District Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget Workshop scheduled to be held on March 31, 2017 at 8:05 a.m. to the Historic Library. Jerry Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Library Budget Reports

No comments.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Don Kaminski motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Jerry Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

9. Public Comment

None.

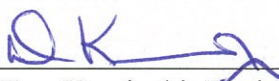
10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

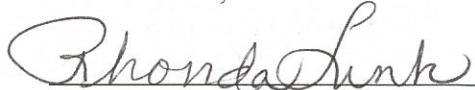
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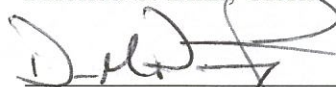
  
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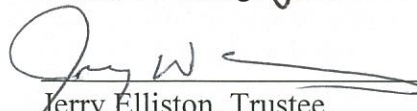
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Jerry Elliston, Trustee