

**BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD  
P.O. BOX 837  
BEATTY, NV 89003**

**Minutes  
4/08/09**

**THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 6:30PM IN THE BEATTY COMMUNITY CENTER.  
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THE (BTAB)  
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THEIR RESPECTIVE INITIALS.**

**MIKE LASORSA (ML)  
BERT BERTRAM (BB)  
LARENE YOUNGHANS (LY)  
TERESA SULLIVAN (TS)  
JOE WHITE (JW)**

**1 Pledge of Allegiance**

**2 Action - Approval of the Agenda for the Beatty Town Advisory Board's meeting of April 8, 2009**

BB - Motioned to approve with the pulling of Item #5; seconded by LY 5-0

**3 Action - Approval of Minutes of the Beatty Town Advisory Board's meeting(s) for March 25, 2009**

TS - Motioned to approve; seconded by LY 5-0

**4 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Joannie Jarvis wanted to ask the Board to implement some kind of directive (to take action) regarding the attendance of BoCC meetings (how attended). They are video conference here in Town & as a citizen feels it is ludicrous to send three (3) people to Tonopah or Pahrump for every meeting for consent agenda items; think it's a waste of money. If there is something the Board specifically needs to address it makes perfect sense for a Board member to attend but thinks it's a gross waste of money to send three (3) people for every meeting and closing the Town Office to do that. The last Board had implemented something to do that and it has since been changed; would like to see the Board take an action on that.

**5 Action - Emergency Items**

This item was pulled.

**6 Action - Board Member's Comments**

LY - Commented that she didn't know that the three (3) of you were going to the Commissioner's meeting and that the Town Office would be closed. Wanted to know if it would be possible for Janet to send an e-mail to the rest of the BTAB letting them know she won't be available. Came into Town thinking they had a meeting to discuss the water issues and Janet was gone. LaRene also stated that she knew Mike liked to take Bert to the Commission meeting but as a courtesy it would be nice if he took her and Joe as a new member to be introduced to the Nye County people we have to work with up there sometime. Mike replied that everyone was welcome to come to the meetings. LaRene interjected saying that when there is two (2) BTAB members there she can't go unless it's posted and she thought it would be nice if Mike as Chairman took her to the Board and introduced her to the Nye County people. LaRene continued by stating that she realizes that Mike would rather take Bert and Janet but she thought as a courtesy it would be nice if he took her. Mike replied that 'Renie' could say what she liked but he asked her once before and she told him she didn't have time to do it.

TS - Commented that there was some discussion about further 'downtown beautification' at our previous meeting and she understood through Joni Eastley that there may have been some money available through the County; through PETT funds or some funding source. She would like the BTAB to look into this and see if this is still available; come up with some money to help us continue our beautification projects.

BB - Wanted to comment on the misconception that all 5 of the BTAB members couldn't attend the BoCC meetings as a notice is posted every month that all or just 3 members might be together; can't discuss or decide anything that the BTAB has control over. Bert continued stating that each member is

encouraged by an ordinance that establishes the BTAB to attend the BoCC when we can. Bert stated that he intended to attend every Commissioner meeting and any every other meeting within this County whenever it's possible. LaRene apologized as she didn't realize that all the members of the BTAB could go to the BoCC meetings; apologized to Bert and Mike.

**a. Report's (informational only)**

**1. Commissioner's**

Joni Eastley was unable to attend as she is in Carson City. Bert gave the highlights of what happened at the BoCC meeting and they are as follows: the Sheriff's Department requested and received (through Recovery Act) 12 positions for the next three (3) years to augment the patrols, also asked for but didn't receive all 17 patrol vehicles (County authorized for 5), approved a renewable energy statement with regards to the Comprehensive Management Plan (to accommodate major changes if all things going on now come to pass regarding renewable energy) with the priority being Amargosa Valley (Solar Millennium pushing hard to get started), the County Manager Rick Osborne is no longer on probation.

**2. Treasurer**

There was none.

**3. Secretary**

There was none.

**4. Beatty Area Plan**

BB - They are working vigorously trying to get Amargosa done so it can be approved within a month or so then they will come back to us. Teresa thought Cheryl was due to be here this month to continue the work on our plan (22<sup>nd</sup>) and Janet replied that she was.

**5. Beatty Town Square**

There was none.

**6. Ordinances**

There was none.

**7. Beatty Medical Clinic**

TS - The commissioners signed a two (2) year contract at the last BoCC meeting and it includes four (4) - 10 hour days and one (1) - 8 hour day. We got a little more than we originally thought we would (a little bit of extended hours).

**7 Consent Agenda Items**

**a. Action - Discussion of any item from the Consent Agenda Items that needs review before a decision is made.**

**b. Approval of Town Vouchers**

BB - Motioned to approve the consent items; seconded by LY 5-0

**8 General Business**

**a. Action - Discussion and possible decision to protest water applications in Oasis Valley and all other matters properly relating there too - L. Younghans**

LaRene commented that these applications have to be in the Carson City Office by Friday according to the Division of Water Resources; short time frame. LaRene wanted to protest these applications so the Community could make a stand as far as the Amargosa Toad was concerned; wanted Bio-Diversity to understand that we were willing to protest these applications to save our water for the Toad habitat. The Basin is already closed and if they allow additional water it will draw down the springs; put a lot of the habitat in jeopardy. David Spicer commented that he agreed with 'Renie' (LaRene) and stated that he is protesting the water rights as a vested water right owner in the valley. The proposal from the DOE puts us in a severe state of jeopardy; asking for over half off what the valley actually produces. There are 6100 acre feet annually that actually flow though the valley and we are already using 6300 acre feet; proposing another 4975 acre feet of usage. These water rights stretch into perpetuity and once DOE gets the water rights it can stay that way. David and 'Renie' have already protested the water rights and are working with other water right owners in the area to do the same thing; the County is protesting 116 of them (that's the full amount around here) as a matter of protection. There are other groups protesting and it is important that the community do so. David went on to explain the importance of protesting these water rights and water the outcome would be if this went through. David read some of the comments from the various agencies protesting the water rights and how they all think the Town should file a protest also; the more protests filed the better. David stated that no one could speak better than us when it comes to defending ourselves in this matter and we shouldn't leave it up to somebody else; be satisfied that the County has done it. David went on to say that the County, NDOW, Nature Conservancy, private properties, all members of the Amargosa Toad Working Group and Bio-Diversity are all doing their part.

Talked to Bio-Diversity and at this point in time they are willing to jump in with us and help in this matter right now and suggested we do the same; instead of filing a lawsuit they are willing to file a protest. Bert asked David if he was aware if whether or not the center for Bio-Diversity and/or the SEIU have filed protests. David replied that Bio-Diversity at this time have taken the package and it is in full review of their attorney's and will be communicating back with him tomorrow or Friday; how or if they are going to do the protest. Bert stated that the specific question was the protesting of the water rights application and David replied that they were. There was clarification regarding the filing or just looking at filing the water rights application from Bio-Diversity; it was stated by David that they were filing. David asked what the SEIU was and Bert explained that it was the other group with Bio-Diversity; David hadn't talked with them but Bio-Diversity was going to distribute it to all matters/attorney's out there. One thing David mentioned was the Southern Nevada Water Association in Vegas who has gone after/in seeking and has reached North Elko (taken ranches and bought property) was able to do that because there virtually had been no protests filed by anyone. David continued stating that 'every voice has to speak and speak now' that's what is important to us. Jerry Hammes wanted to know if when the DOE was here 6 weeks ago regarding the Pahute Mesa area and an escape of tritium, if drawing down the watershed would accelerate the water flow from Pahute Mesa. LaRene replied that she had asked DOE that question and never received an answer because they said that they didn't really know; asked this specific question at the same meeting. LaRene went on to say that she had also spoken to the guy in charge of the Yucca Mountain stuff for the County and nobody wants to address this issue; a possibility if you look at other models where there has been a lot of water pumped out of the ground. Albert Verrilli commented that he liked David's presentation and that he had a lot of salient points but his phrase of adding more voices will be a benefit and Albert believes that; the BTAB and the BWSO should add their voice to this and if they haven't yet the BTAB could suggest to the BWSO to do so. LaRene replied that the problem was a decision needed to be made tonight as this had to be done tomorrow. The application would have to be driven to Las Vegas as the Post Office here couldn't guarantee it would get to Carson City in time. Bert stated that the applications for these water rights were filed on January 20<sup>th</sup> (Obama's inauguration) and the current administration under Obama and the Democratic Congress has declared Yucca Mountain dead. Should Yucca Mountain have been going 'great guns' (pressing on to develop it) there would have been a very good possibility that it would have been 10-20 years after opening before they got around to spending the billions of dollars necessary to construct the rail line. The questions have now officially been asked to DOE as to why they haven't already withdrawn these applications and it's almost a virtual certainty that they will withdraw them. Bert continued saying that during the course of Yucca Mountain the State Water Engineer has never approved a water application for Yucca Mountain or anything connected to it. Bert has 11 copies of the Oasis Valley protests from Nye County denying the applications. Bert read the letter that was attached to each protest. Bert stated that he had spoken with Darryl Lacey and Oz Wichman and felt comfortable with the applications being denied. He continued saying that we were an Advisory Board who in turn advises the County Commissioners who in turn notify us of concerns; doesn't feel that this is as serious as everyone is taking it and that we were sufficiently covered and there was anything else we needed to do. Mike added that while we were at the Commissioners meeting he got a chance to talk to Joni Eastley and Oz Wichman and received a letter regarding the BoCC filing protests. There was more discussion regarding the conversations with Oz Wichman and the filing of protests.

**LY – Motioned to protest 11 applications numbered from 77895 to 77905 and would cost the Town \$275.00 to file and is willing to pay for it with reimbursement later; seconded by TS**  
 During further discussion Teresa commented that it was very important as a Town we let the State know how we feel; the County may have their voice but we need to make our feelings known. Joannie Jarvis wanted to remind the BTAB that as a Board they made a commitment to represent this entire community and to do everything within their power to protect and represent this community to the fullest extent. If this in any way has the potential to impact this community then by god write 11 letters that's all it intact and \$200.00...LaRene corrected the amount as being \$275.00...Joannie continued saying, \$275.00 deal with it, take the letter to Vegas. Joe White replied to Joannie's comments by stating that he wasn't saying that he disagreed with her but does this group right here (audience) represent over half of this Town? This is not the majority of this Town so you can't say...the ones that are here all the time but you're not the ones, not the only ones, living in this Town. Joe continued saying, 'don't start in telling him that he has to represent the Town and you are the ones telling me what to do'; you're not the majority of this Town. LaRene commented that she should have called more people and was sure that the majority of the community would have agreed that we should do something to protect our water in the valley. Joannie Jarvis replied that in her time on this Board she could tell us that the community members don't want the Toad listed; the community members don't in general want their water taken under any circumstances. Joannie continued saying that if you polled the people in this community and asked them how they felt about somebody filing on their water rights, by god they would be up in arms. Bert stated that there was no one on this Board that doesn't want to protect the Amargosa Toad, no one on this Board that is not in favor of protecting our water rights; pointing out that this is a superfluous action that you are asking for because it won't get to a hearing. An unidentified male stated that he didn't see where there was any damage/harm in registering our protest in the unlikely event that we do need standings in these hearings down the road. He continued saying, 'what does it hurt' and we needed to be an active participant; to spend \$275.00 to do this. Bert replied that we were an Advisory Board, we deal with Nye County and we

have standing and the people who will be at the hearings are in favor of denying it; can do more input before any hearing is ever scheduled by talking to those attending the hearings. These people can present the rest of our case for us. Teresa stated that there was no guarantee that DOE will withdraw these or the State deny them so what harm is done by spending \$275.00 to protest.

**ML – Called for the vote 2-3 (LY, TS – BB, JW, ML)**

**b. Action – Discussion and possible decision to appoint Board Members as liaisons to other boards and report at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of every month – L. Younghans**

LaRene commented that when she was on the BTAB in the past there were liaisons from the BTAB that would attend other meetings; couldn't speak for the BTAB but could report back any questions or items the BTAB needed to be aware of. LaRene wanted to do this again so as to have reports back to the Town from the different Boards in the Community; BGID, Library, Habitat Committee, Water & Sanitation District, Chamber, Museum, County Commissioners, Medical Clinic and Beatty Health & Welfare. She didn't know if there were any other community committees that the BTAB needed to attend but thought it would be a good idea to assign someone to some of these different committees; can't all go to all the meetings. Wanted each one of the BTAB members pick a couple and make every effort to attend and report back to the Board we'd be better informed and know more about what the community wanted. Mike replied that it was done before in the past and it didn't work out well and he thought that any of the BTAB members interested in the different meetings should attend them; rather than committing members to attend certain meetings. There was more discussion regarding the commitment of members to attend certain meetings and how it would be better not to but to let members attend whatever meetings they wanted to. Jerry Hammes suggested that rather than the BTAB members attend these meetings make a slot under 'informational only reports' for the various boards, set them a time limit and allow them to give us an update rather than the BTAB run out there; they provide something in writing to be added to packets. LaRene thought this was a great idea and Bert commented that if they are willing to do it; the BTAB members thought Jerry had a good idea. LaRene asked if this needed to be put on the agenda and Mike replied that he would think so; LaRene asked Janet to put it on the agenda for next week. **There was no action taken on this item.**

**c. Action – Discussion and possible decision to pay future annual property taxes on the former mine site property and include a payment of \$8,245.13 in current fiscal year to bring delinquent taxes current – BEDC**

Albert Verrilli was here representing BEDC to discuss this as Kitty Shubert had other commitments and couldn't attend. He continued stating that the BEDC received a couple of letters saying they were in arrears on taxes and that it was going to go to sale. The total amount is \$8,814.15 with new penalties on top of that but with Janet's help those were erased. Albert explained how the BEDC came about and what the value of the donation meant. Albert continued saying that nothing happened for several years as Barrick was a little reluctant to actually turn over the property and we didn't actually take title to it until 2005. BEDC got involved with Brownfields regarding solar and more recently some Community Grant funding involving \$50,000.00 to study infrastructure issues out there (particularly water). The engineering study by FARR West Engineering also included and incorporated a lot of valuable information regarding the water source/structure in infrastructure in Beatty; identifying what it would take to run water lines from the 2 million gallon tank currently on Barrick sheets. This tank was going to be inherited by BEDC but was discussed by them with a decision being made to give to BWSO; will do this from Barrick's end. The tank alone is probably a million dollar tank and would more than double the water storage capability in this Town. Albert explained the study done on the tank and all it entailed along with how lines could be run to the Town and the Airport. The original intent of the property when the BEDC was formed and why it was stuck with was because of the tremendous potential there; right location, fenced compound, 81 acres, has huge buildings, has 40,000 square feet, industrial septic tanks, its tailor made for something. There have been numerous inquiries for energy related projects but it's always been the water issue that needed to be identified. There are numerous possibilities that make the property very valuable to the Town of Beatty; get the biggest hurdle (water issue) out of the way. Teresa wanted to know what EDEN is doing now to promote that property and to get something going out there. Albert replied that right now most of their leads come from BEC Environmental who is associated with the County and they are energy related leads.

**BB – Motioned to pay the current payment of \$8,245.13 from fund 710 and pay the future annual property taxes as required until the property is disposed; seconded by JW**

During further discussion LaRene questioned Bert's motion with regards to continuing to pay this in future years. Bert replied that it was until the property was disposed of and he believed that here in the near future they would be able to...LaRene interjected by stating that the agenda item doesn't say anything except the \$8,245.13 amount. Bert pointed out the 'future annual property taxes' part of the item. There was discussion regarding the motion and LaRene thought it would be a good idea to put a time limit on it with Teresa saying to at least consider it annually. Teresa is concerned that we have been paying the \$6,500.00 for the last 4 years and that nothing was really happening right now; also concerned that the property isn't getting maintained as there is some real damage to the buildings. Teresa stated that we can't just keep spending indefinitely if nothing is happening and if the property is going into disrepair. Teresa was wondering if there was some way the property could be signed over to the Town or the County

so it would then not be required to pay taxes on it but still be utilized at some point. Albert replied that the original reason the BEDC was formed was because this was Barrick's preferred method of disposing of it; didn't want to give it to the County because of some legal restrictions. Albert addressed the damages out there stating that there has been some wind damage on doors and it wasn't as bad as it looked; industrial strength buildings and the doors are the weak spots. Teresa understood what Albert was saying but it has been 4 years and the less the buildings are inhabited and maintained the worse the damage will get. Teresa was wondering if there was an alternative to prevent us/to keep us from paying this out every year; possible for the County to take. Bert replied that it wasn't possible for the County to take possession of because of the way Barrick set it up; Barrick would come and take it back. There was more discussion regarding the ownership of the property; BEDC has 2 Quitclaims as there 2 parcels of property. LaRene wanted to know if the taxes weren't paid on property it would go to the County but...Bert interjected saying that Barrick will come back and take the property and it wouldn't go to Nye County. Teresa wanted to see the documentation that said that this is what would happen; didn't doubt Bert but wanted to do the research/look at things herself. There was more discussion regarding what would happen to the Barrick property if the taxes weren't paid and the potential possibilities for development that would benefit the Town of Beatty. Teresa asked for a copy of the document regarding the Barrick property; Albert stated that there was a copy in the Town Office. Jerry Hammes commented that the Barrick property is a 'diamond in the rough' for Beatty and the only reason it hasn't been 'grounded' to what it should be is the lack of water; been sitting in at the water meetings and it looks like this is coming to fruition. Jerry also wanted to recommend putting a 5 year limit on paying the taxes; as a corporation develops they will take over paying the property taxes. Teresa commented that she would be willing to support a motion to pay for 1 year but indefinite she is having trouble with.

**ML – If there's no amendment to the motion let's call for the vote...**

LaRene asked Bert if in his amendment he was saying to pay it forever in the future; Bert replied that wasn't correct. LaRene then asked Bert to restate his motion. Bert replied, 'My motion was to pay \$8,245.13 and to continue to pay the annual property taxes until such time as the property was disposed. And by that I mean that they actually have a buyer or become self-sufficient to the point that we do not need to pay the property taxes.' There was more discussion regarding the time frame and how it might make EDEN lax in the development of the property.

**ML – Called for the vote 3-2 (BB, JW, ML – TS, LY)**

**d. Action – Discussion and possible decision on clarification on requirements for payment of invoices submitted to the Beatty Town Board from the Beatty Library Grant for \$5,000.00 – Laurel Hickinbotham**

Laurel Hickinbotham (Library Board) wanted to first thank the Board for the money that was given to the Library for improvements and to also thank Janet as she has worked hard with them. Laurel gave an update on Library which is as follows; desks were delivered yesterday, window has been ordered (County will install on arrival), most supplies have been paid for regarding landscaping (has a couple more to offer). Hit a problem as when they applied for the money they weren't aware of a law/rule that said the BTAB couldn't pay for someone unless they were a licensed contractor. Laurel stated that Janet tried to inform them of the situation but were already in the throes of getting the trenching done; hard to stop then but have since. When the application was put in to talk to the BTAB the Library wasn't aware of the other items mentioned that were paid for. Laurel went back to the Library and gave them the ruling she had received from Janet; Library Board decided to pursue it and ask for a DA decision. The way Laurel understood it was that the Assistant DA had resolved the issue but she wasn't sure as it was all very confusing to her. Janet replied to Laurel saying that she had spoken with Marla Zlotek today and was informed that Marla had contacted someone from the Library; all work needed to cease as he wasn't a licensed contractor and assured the payment of work done so far. Laurel asked if the BTAB agreed with this and Teresa replied that she had spoken with Pam Webster (Assistant County Manager) today and Pam agreed. Teresa continued saying that we had entered into an agreement with the Library whether we were right or wrong and it needed to be followed through. Mike stated that when the Library came to us we all graciously said yes, but what we may need to do in the future is re-agendize for a future meeting parameters for when we give out money. There was no intention of having this problem but you did go to the DA and they are acting on a decision right now. There was discussion regarding a meeting that was requested by Laurel and a couple of members from the Library Board with Mike & Janet regarding the payment of bills and submitting of those same bills. Janet stated that this whole situation could have been totally avoided and can't understand how it has snowballed to where it is now; thought the problem had been solved until Laurel came into the Office stating that one of her Board members claimed the violation of Open Meeting Laws. Laurel commented that at the time they were trying to clear some of the miss-information that was going on; understood a lot better after the meeting.

**TS – Motioned to pay the remaining invoices for the Beatty Library Project; seconded by JW**

During further discussion Mike asked Teresa about her motion and how it was 'lumped' together but the problem is we can't pay wages. Teresa replied that she was told by Pam Webster with Dan MacArthur in agreement that we entered into an agreement with these people and we need to honor it. Mike stated that he was against this Board paying anything since the DA is involved until we get a ruling; would love to pay but wants to wait for the DA opinion. Janet interjected saying that Marla's decision was for Mr. Aragon to

cease all work, submit his invoice and the invoice would be paid; it just wasn't in writing as it was a phone call to the Library.

**Mike apologized and called for the vote 5-0**

**e. Action – Discussion and possible decision to choose between 2 quotes, Snowden & Tiberti, for fencing around fireworks property and all other matters properly relating there too – BVFD**

Jim Benshoof (Fire Chief) was here to speak on this item stating that at this time they have a 40x50 foot area they shoot fireworks from; normally fill this area up with the mortars. They realized later that they needed an area where they can be further away with the firing table (shoots the fireworks off) as they need to be at least 50 feet away from the mortars. The FD is asking for the additional fencing that would allow them to contain their firing apparatus and firing board in a fenced confined area. Of the two (2) bids received Snowden came in with the lowest at \$2,552.00 and Tiberti came in a little higher at \$2,950.00; both have the same amount of fencing but Snowden came in with a little better grade of fencing and a bigger gauge. LaRene asked Jim which one he recommended and he replied Snowden as it was a lower bid and a better grade of fencing. Teresa asked if this came from the FD budget and Jim replied yes it comes from the FD budget.

**LR – Motioned to accept the bid from Snowden fencing for \$2,552.50; seconded by TS 5-0**

**f. Action – Discussion and possible decision to purchase Town of Beatty Web site in the amount of \$3,000.00 from Beatty Graphics SM Productions, identify funding and all other matters properly relating there too – Suzy McCoy**

Suzy commented that she is coming to us as the new Cottage Industry in Beatty (Beatty Graphics & SM Productions) and is proposing a web site for the Township of Beatty. It isn't really for tourism but will hopefully represent every entity in the Town; entities can get a hold of Suzy and will each have an individual page. The residents that don't/can't get here will be updated on what's happening here if they can get to a computer. The entities will be able to get their pages updated through Suzy or by doing it themselves. The BTAB will be able to put their agendas and minutes on it in PDF format; going to make the residents more knowledgeable in what is happening in their own Town. Suzy promised that it would represent Beatty with dignity (every entity); Airport, all the committees, Chamber of Commerce is even represented on the site as it is for the 'Township'. Suzy brought a mock up of the site and stated that she had a long way to go with it as to what everybody wants to put on it. (Suzy showed the mock up of the website and explained how it would work.) Teresa asked if there would be links to all the other sites listed on the web page; Suzy replied that there would be. Suzy stated that she had 15 years experience in building websites and doesn't use 'Flash' as a lot of people have trouble with it; uses menus that save time. Suzy asked if anybody was familiar with the Rhyolite site or the Beatty Museum site as this was her work; keeps them updated and maintained and has for about 10 years now. LaRene wanted to know if the Town wanted to post something on the site...Suzy replied to call her and it would be up the next day. LaRene asked about Janet forwarding the agenda to Suzy; Suzy replied that she would give Janet any training needed. If Janet didn't have time to post them they could be e-mailed to Suzy and she would; Janet would have everything she needed to get it up there herself. Teresa wanted to know if there were parts that the BTAB felt needed to be changed it would be no problem to do so; Suzy replied that there would be no problem at all. Teresa included any individual entity in the changes made if they felt something needed to be different; once again Suzy stated that there was no problem. Suzy stated that she would turn the whole thing over to Janet but a website is a lot of work; a phone call to Suzy with any changes and the next day it's done. Suzy continued saying that this is your website and if you want something up it's up the next day the same goes with taking something down. LaRene asked if this amount was for a year or what... Suzy replied that the amount was for the creation of the website, maintenance, getting it on the internet and the domain name. LaRene asked Bert about the website he owned and Bert stated that he had 3 domains. Bert continued saying that he had discussed this previously with Suzy. There was more discussion regarding Bert's domains and his website as it pertained to the Town along with Mark Holloway's new website. LaRene asked if this would be the BTAB's official website if they elected to do this; Suzy replied that it would be the 'Beatty Township'. Bert stated that he didn't like the name 'Beatty Township' as we were an Unincorporated Town not a Township; would say 'Beatty Town' or the 'Town of Beatty'. Teresa thought this was a great idea and we need an official site to represent us; great way to get information out to people. Bert commented to Suzy that when they talked he was offering BeattyNV.org as a domain for the Town and had nothing to do with his website personally. There was more discussion regarding the domain name. Suzy added that the cost will also include her giving out the web address to all the entities that need it throughout Nye County, Government, State; doing all the Google and Yahoo work. Richard Stephens wanted to know if the \$3,000.00 was the set up and the first year what is each year after that and is it negotiable. Suzy replied that she didn't believe in 'unlimited' but if the BTAB opted to keep her as the web master (to keep everything updated) it would be \$1,000.00 a year; make sure all the links are working and any updates are done. Teresa didn't think this could be approved at this time and Suzy replied that she would come before the Board every day. Bert commented that he thought the BTAB needed a little time to 'soak' it all in and discuss it.

**TS – Motioned to purchase the Town of Beatty website in the amount of \$3,000.00 for (one) 1 year; seconded by LY**

During further discussion Bert wanted to know more detail; include monthly fee for the website. Suzy replied that it was all in the packet; the website is \$98.95 a year through the server she uses. The packet was gone over between the BTAB with Suzy explaining the information; Suzy will not be coming back to the Board for any money until this time next year. Mike stated that he knew this was unsolicited and thought it was a great website but wanted to know if we were ready for a website and if we wanted to make that decision tonight. Teresa replied that the County has a website that has their minutes and agendas and there was a lot of information you could get out there; the community calendar was a good idea as a lot of things will overlap. Suzy commented that it is the community's responsibility to get a hold of her to have events put on the community calendar as she will not go chasing you down; through e-mail or a phone call. Albert Verrilli wanted to know if any advertising would be accepted and if there was any charge would it be an offset back to the Town. Suzy replied that it would be up to the BTAB as to whether they wanted any advertising done on the site; for herself she thought advertising didn't look good on an information website. Albert continued saying that he was thinking just a link to it with regards to Hotels, Motels, housing issues, local maps; Suzy replied that the organizations would have a page on there. Teresa asked Albert if he was thinking more like a 'Town bulletin board' type of page; Albert replied that he was thinking more like people who have housing to rent, cars or trucks they wanted to sale. Albert continued saying it would be more like advertising for services. Suzy replied that the very last page is for businesses and is a directory of every business she knows of in Beatty; be like a telephone book. There was more discussion regarding Albert's question of advertising for services. Albert questioned the ownership of the site with regards to who would actually own it; Bert replied that he would own the domain. Suzy replied that the Board would own it. LaRene interjected saying that there are a lot of questions and thought maybe we should postpone this. Bert thought we needed to work out the details. Mike thought it was a great website and obviously it is a big advantage; maybe table this until we have a time to digest all the information. There was more discussion regarding how the businesses would know to contact Suzy for any information put on their page. Mike agreed with 'Renie' with regards to tabling this until we get more definite information on the details as we were all interested in doing this. Bert stated to refine the proposal until we have something everybody can agree upon. Teresa suggested that we let Suzy know those questions so it can be refined to the Board's satisfaction. There was some discussion regarding the website; ownership, setting it up, maintaining. Mike asked if Suzy could come up with some kind of contract for the next BTAB meeting. Suzy replied that she was trying to figure out how to do this because truthfully printing out 65 pages... LaRene asked Suzy if the Board could come in at another time or individually come in and look at it (at the Museum?); Suzy replied that they could.

**TS – Amended her motion to table this until the next meeting; seconded by JW 5-0**

**g. Action – Discussion and possible decision on sending a letter to the BWSO regarding the invoice sent to the Town Office for the sewer repair in the amount of \$3,980.01 – L. Youngmans**

LaRene stated that we received this bill with a letter; the letter was read into the minutes (see attached). LaRene asked for this to be put on the agenda so that the Board (as a Board) can make the decision as to whether or not we feel we owe this money or whether we should refer this bill to somebody else to pay. Teresa wanted to know under what NRS they're citing; they say 'state law' but no NRS. Bert replied that he thought the NRS (if there is one) would direct you to submit it to the contractor. Mike stated that this bill was sent to the BTAB and feels it was incorrectly done. He continued saying that if it was an emergency and needed to be expedited it should have been sent to LaHaye; technically (legally) it should have been sent to the County. Mike talked to Judy Dyer regarding this and she called Richard LaHaye who was willing to pay the bill (just send it). The question was regarding the bill being about \$2500.00 as was discussed at a BWSO meeting in which Teresa attended as well as Mike; Ramie (Ray Williams told everyone we would work together and forget about this bill. Lorraine Eastman from the BWSO made up a bill for \$2500.00 which Ramie took and slashed it and doubled it to bring it up to \$3900.00. Mike attended the meeting in which Robert Revert stated that he was going to chew Ramie's ass out for getting involved in this type of thing as it wasn't the reflection of the (Water) Board. Mike welcomed Ramie to speak on this item if he'd like to. Mike stated that Richard LaHaye was prepared to pay the original amount but since that is almost twice the amount of what it was and he will try to do it in two (2) installments. There was discussion on writing the letter as opposed to just the verbal agreement for payment.

**LY – Motioned to write a letter to BWSO saying that the BTAB doesn't owe this bill and per Mike Lasorsa and Judy Dyer saying the bill be sent to Nye County; seconded by TS**

During further discussion Teresa commented that the BTAB needed to act very professionally here. We respond to all bills we get, all change orders and this is another bill or change order in the project and we definitely need to respond.

**ML- Called for the vote 2-3 (LY, TS – BB, JW, ML)**

**9 Adjournment**

JW – Motioned to adjourn at 8:27 pm; seconded by ML 4-1 (LY)