

Due to Board actions at previous meetings regarding employee performance and/or affairs, in open forum, I feel it appropriate to use this time to tender my resignation.

My personal feelings of the Boards distrust toward a seasoned employee, coupled with the lack of actual avenues of communication, I am making my last day of employment with Nye County, February 24, 2010.

I would like to thank the Boards, both past and present and assure them, future opportunities will present themselves.

Considering this is the ~~open~~ public comment portion of tonight's meeting: this is not open for discussion ~~at this time~~

Am:crs

Thank-you



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Voucher's 02-10-10 BTAB meeting

Chamber of Commerce	\$1,600.00
Chamber of Commerce	\$1,813.93
Chamber of Commerce	\$6,817.52
Office Depot	\$2.34
Office Depot	\$69.95
Beatty Mercantile	\$7.98
Rebel Oil	\$33.30
JT Painting Company	\$4,250.00
Rebel Oil	\$125.99
Rebel Oil	\$141.89

Total \$14,862.90

**Beatty General Improvement District  
Meeting of Thursday, February 4, 2010**

Report submitted by: Erika Gerling

I attended a very good meeting of the BGID meeting on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. All their members were present.

They have approximately \$46,884.00 in their County Fund.

They discussed the retaining wall behind the concession stand and will be doing some major repair and/or reconstruction. The retaining wall was badly damaged due to all the rain we've had.

BGID is currently researching grants for new playground equipment at the park.

Work is progressing on the Botanical Garden Park. A lot of stuff has been cleared out and Brad Hunt will be removing the tamarisk. They are also going to change the name/type from Botanical to Desert at their next meeting. There was a discussion regarding compliance with the RP&P lease requirements. Wendy Sealy will be doing an inspection and reissue a letter of compliance since work has been progressing at the Garden.

\$2,500.00 was approved to begin work on horseshoe pits to be located at the old paint ball arena. This is for basic installation of concrete and backstops.

BGID is planning to hold an auction of surplus equipment. They will set a date for the auction at their next meeting.

## Town Square

Report submitted by: Erika Gerling

Bert and I met on Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> to go over some of the designs and suggestions that have been submitted for the "Town Square".

It was a very informative meeting as I had not seen the drawings before. I did not see the drawings from the high school drafting class, but will do that asap.

We discussed the various options for the memorial wall including one for veterans and service members and a memory wall or walk for Beatly residents.

We both agreed that local, native materials should be used as much as possible.

We also agreed that plant material should be held to a minimum and be of a native variety.

Bert informed me that NDOT will be doing a pre-construction inspection on March 3<sup>rd</sup> for the sidewalks and curbs.

The site has been surveyed and a record of survey filed.

The BTAB has voted on the items that should be in the park. The only thing that was not included at that time was some type of informational sign directing visitors to services and facilities in the community.

We both agreed that we should have a major advertising campaign for the workshop and a mechanism should be in place to decide what the community wants most so the architect can move forward.

My thanks to Bert for taking the time to go through the information on the park with me.

## BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS

Submitted by: Erika Gerling

I spoke with Debbie Baker and she will correct the Chamber voucher which was incorrectly totaled before the meeting. She has also forward a copy of the check for \$900.00 made to MSK. The check was not available at the time the voucher was submitted.

I spoke with Pam Webster and she informed me that the County's match for our renovation program will be placed in our General Fund (710). There is some confusion on which fund we should be using for this program. We cannot use the 715 Tourism and Promotion fund for this program. We need to check which fund payments have been made from and in the event payments have been made from the 715 fund, we should reimburse that fund.

everything you read as gospel. Do your own research, verify your own facts and speak up for yourself, in public.

**ERIKA'S COMMENTS – Wednesday, February 10, 2010**

Submitted by: Erika Gerling

I would like to correct some of the misinformation that has been reported in the last two Beaty News publications.

In the January 22nd newsletter, it was reported that the BTAB had awarded \$5,000.00 to the Sourdough, \$5,000.00 to Rupert Bragg-Smith and \$14,225.00 to Ed Kingle. It was further reported that the BTAB was "skipping over the Rupert project. It was not reported that the BTAB had previously awarded Rupert Bragg-Smith \$10,000.00 (two applications) and that awarding the Stagecoach's applications made these two entities even on the number of approved applications.

In the Beaty News publication of February 5<sup>th</sup>, it was reported that "BTAB members have chosen the Town Meeting to complain about my (Mr. Cook's) opinions. When complaints are directed at the BTAB, the correct forum to address those complaints is the BTAB meeting. Further, if anyone has complaints, they should also address those matters during a meeting. The BTAB provides time for the public to comment at each of its meetings. Speaking up at a meeting on the issues that concern you is the proper thing to do. Comments outside of the meeting cannot be considered and are not a part of the recorded meeting.

According to the Beaty News, we requested that all sub-groups report to the BTAB on a monthly or quarterly basis, so that "the BTAB knows what they are doing with the Counties money. On the face of it, this doesn't sound like a bad idea. When you look closer it appears that the BTAB doesn't trust those groups. The facts are that the BTAB represents the entire community and would like to be informed on what other groups are doing so we know what is going on in the community we are charged with representing. It benefits the BTAB to know the plans of other organizations as they can consider these when making decisions for the community. I trust that all our local organizations are working with the best interest of the community in mind.

It was also reported that the "complainers (Teresa Sullivan) alluded to shoddy and no-code workmanship" on the fire departments new building. This is not the case at all. The fire department came to us requesting funds for changes to their original plan. The BTAB asked for some figures. The fire department came back and said they were sticking with their original plan. Bob Jones, Nye County Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, informed us that the electrical and sewer were not up to code and these things had to be fixed. The BTAB has been nothing but supportive of the fire department and has publically praised all the time and effort Mike Lasorsa has put into this building.

I urge anyone who has an issue with the BTAB or its policies to discuss them in the clear light of a meeting. Everyone has a chance to speak. Your voice will be heard. Don't take

- c. A motion was made and passed unanimously to assist the Chamber of Commerce in providing dinner for the USAF concert band in an amount not to exceed \$400,00
- d. A motion was made and passed unanimously to approve Highway Frontage Renovation application submitted by Tom Garcia of the Beatty RV Park in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- e. A motion was made and passed by a 4 to 1 vote (LaRene Younghans –no) to update the Town’s website to include a listing of names for the Desert Hills Cemetery and to pay Suzy McCoy an amount not to exceed \$420.00 for this update. Some other minor updates were added (community events and prominent link to BTAB minutes).
- f. A motion was made and passed unanimously to host a “Meet and Greet: reception for the new physician who begins work at the Beatty Clinic on March 8, 2010. The “Meet and Greet” will be held on March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm before the regular BTAB meeting. The BTAB will ask the High School to provide refreshments in an amount not to exceed \$100.00.

**Public Comment Reopened:**

Janet Rogers read a statement tendering her resignation effective February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Statement attached.

**Item 9:** A motion was made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm.



Erika also reported that we need to clarify which funds the renovation program rebates have been paid from. They cannot be paid from the tourism and promotion account. The matching funds from the Commissioners will go in the BTAB's general fund. In the event the BTAB has made these payments from the tourism fund, that fund will have to be reimbursed.

Erika read a statement to the community correcting some of the misinformation and inaccuracies in Charlie Cook's recent newsletters. Letter attached.

Treasurer's Report: Administration \$121,400.52, Community Center \$18,293.17, Translators \$2,078.04.

Janet reported on revenue collected to date. Cemetery \$1,095.00, Donations – none, Rentals \$1,111.50. She also reported that the heat pump had been replaced and the leaking water fountains repaired. Janet also reported that the warranty on the roof had expired and that Perchetti could do the necessary repair work next week for around \$500.00. She also stated that Cheryl Behman (?spelling) was organizing a Beatty Area Plan Steering Committee meeting for Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Joannie Jarvis reported that she and Teresa Sullivan are trying to meet with Nevada Health Centers on a monthly basis. Darren Haught, MD will begin a three month contract at the clinic beginning on March 8<sup>th</sup>. He seems very interested and may consider a long term contract if he and our community are a good fit. Teresa and Joannie also reported on the research they have done concerning emergency care and provided the BTAB with NRS regarding emergency care facilities and a list of items required for this status. According to Brent Jones, Nye County Emergency Services, we do not qualify for this designation. There was also some discussion regarding the hours of operation at the clinic. The contract states that the clinic be open Monday to Friday for forty hours. The number of hours each day can be adjusted. Teresa stated that the cost of getting our clinic to an emergency care facility would at least double.

#### **Item 7: Consent Agenda Items**

- a. The consent agenda was approved contingent on the Chamber of Commerce providing a copy of one check, which they did prior to the meeting.
- b. The Town Vouchers were approved.

#### **Item 8: General Business**

- a. Jim Benshoof presented an itemized list of the projected work and costs of the work needed to bring the fire department's new building up to code. A motion was made and passed unanimously to approve the funding in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 and will come from the department's capital outlay fund. There was some discussion that some of the fees could possibly be waived. Nye County Building and Grounds will do all the required work.
- b. A motion was made and passed unanimously to place 25mph speed limit signs and children and play sights on Knight Street between C Avenue and Amargosa Street.

**BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES  
Wednesday, February 10, 2010**

The Beatty Town Advisory Board (BTAB) met on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at the Beatty Community Center.

Board Members in attendance: LaRene Younghans, Teresa Sullivan, Bert Bertram, Kay Handy, Erika Gerling.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

**Item 1:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Item 2:** The agenda for February 10, 2010 was approved with the removal of Item 5, Emergency Items and approval of minutes of 09/23/09.

**Item 3:** The minutes of 09/15/09 were approved by a 3 to 0 vote. Kay and Erika abstained. The minutes of 01/27/10 were approved unanimously with a correction to Item 8b; change Beatty Health and Welfare to Nevada Health Centers.

**Item 4: Public Comment**

Anne Marchand informed us that the Chamber of Commerce had obtained a copyright for "Gateway to Death Valley". Rene thanked Anne for her hard work and persistence in getting this done. Janet Rogers, Town Support Staff, requested that the Chairman reopen public comment later in the meeting. The Chairman agreed to this request.

**Item 5: Emergency Items (Pulled)**

**Item 6: Board Members Comments**

LaRene Younghans, Chairman thanked Bert for attending the Nye County Board of Commissioners (BOCC) meeting to present our request for \$20,000.00 in matching funds for our renovation program. Bert did a great job and our request was granted by the BOCC.

Erika reported that she and Bert met to discuss the "Town Square". Bert provided her with drawings and designs and brought her up to speed on previous decisions regarding the park. Report attached.

She also reported on the BGID meeting she attended on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. Report attached.

Erika had a conversation with Anne Marchand regarding highway signage, specifically welcome signs at each entrance to town. Erika expressed a desire to work with Anne on this project. It was suggested we place and item on our next agenda to set a date for a workshop on highway signage.