

**Beatty Town Advisory Board  
100 A Avenue South  
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**Minutes  
3/10/10**

**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.**

**LARENE YOUNGHANS (LY)  
TERESA SULLIVAN (TS)  
ERIKA GERLING (EG)  
BERT BERTRAM (BB)  
KAY HANDY (KY) - absent**

**1 Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting called to order at 6:30

**2 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of March 10, 2010.**

TS motioned to approve with the pulling of item #5; second by BB; 4-0

**3 Approval of BTAB minutes of February 24, 2010**

TS motioned to approve with one correction replacing Kay's name with hers in a discussion during item 8)b; second by BB; 4-0

**4 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item**

Brad Hunt, NDOT, stated that the sidewalk construction project for the town should take place next year. He suggested the BTAB write a letter of support for the sidewalks and other projects. There is a better chance the project will get approved. If the town can help defray the costs of the special pads for the lights and benches it will also help with approval.

RY asked if the board needed to specify how far they want the sidewalks to go.

Brad stated that it wouldn't hurt. He also stated that the letter should be sent within 60 days.

BB offered to draft the letter.

RY stated that the letter should probably be amended for approval as the addition of lights will add an additional expense in the way of power.

Ann Marchand stated that the board may want to include the safety issue of having sidewalks and how it would enhance the town. She also asked that they take into consideration the approach from US95.

**5 Action – Emergency Items**

This item was pulled

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

RY introduced Andrea Lynn-Henry, the interim secretary for the town office.

RY announced that the Beatty Senior Center was having their annual fundraiser on March 13<sup>th</sup>. The meal will be corned beef and cabbage. She also announced that there is a Spring Fling Trap Shoot on March 30<sup>th</sup> at the range.

EG talked to Joannie about the Good Citizenship Award. She will try to have nominees for the next meeting. She also talked to Frank Raetz with the Road Department. He is submitting the original road sealant list from 2 years ago with the addition of portions of Second and Third Street. EG is leaving a list in the town office of the assistance programs available in Beatty.

BB met with Nye County staff regarding the boundary issue. GIS overlays of all taxing districts will be done. There may be a conflict on one area with Amargosa. He will be meeting with them again on April

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1 to come up with the language to properly form Beatty as an unincorporated town with formal boundaries.

RY read correspondence:

- Invitation to the BVFD Annual Inauguration dinner.
- Notice from NCSO that the BVFD applied for a 72-hour liquor permit.
- Notice of BLM California Desert Advisory Council meeting.

### a. Reports

- Commissioner's** – BB stated that the landscape architect contract got approved. The county is making some budget cuts that may involve the reduction of hours and jobs.
- Treasurer** – EG read the treasurer's report.
- Secretary** – No report.
- Beatty Area Plan** – Their first meeting was held March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Progress has been made. The next meeting is April 5. Extra copies of the draft area plan are available in the office.
- Beatty Town Square** – No report.
- Ordinances** – No report.
- Beatty Medical Clinic** – TS stated that the new doctor started Monday. There will be a meet and greet for him at 6pm before the next town board meeting on March 24.

## 7 Consent Agenda Items

- Action – Discussion of any item from the Consent Agenda items that needs review before a decision is made.
- Approval of Town Vouchers  
TS – made a motion to approve the consent agenda items; second by BB; 4-0

## 8 General Business

### a. Discussion and possible decision regarding setting fees for copies and faxes as a public service – LaRene Younghans

RY stated that it might be nice if the town office offered copy and fax services to the public for a fee as there are few places in town available. Nye County has a resolution for copying county documents.

BB asked if a revenue account would need to be set up.

RY stated that Danelle Shamrell told her it would have to be set up as a resolution.

The item was tabled.

### b. Discussion and possible decision regarding surplus of "old" computer – LaRene Younghans

RY stated that there is an ancient computer in the back room of the office. The town cannot just throw it away, but must surplus it through the county in order to get rid of it.

TS made a motion to surplus the "old" computer; second by EG; 4-0.

### c. Discussion and possible decision to approach Nye County Road Department about installing two signs on Airport Rd. – Ann Marchand

Ann Marchand stated that there has been an increase of tourist traffic on Airport Road due to rental cars now having GPS. They are using the road to get to Rhyolite and Death Valley. This bypassing of Beatty is taking away possible revenue. Also, many tourists have signed a contract with the rental company stating that they will not take the car on a gravel road. Ann would like to see one sign going westbound that reads PAVEMENT ENDS. Another sign going eastbound 100 yards from US95 would read BEATTY 1 MI., RHYOLITE 8 MI., FURNACE CREEK 42 MI. with an arrow pointing towards the left (to Beatty).

Brad Hunt stated that he would look into getting a sign on US95 that read BEATTY 1 MI. He also stated that NDOT is considering widening that area of highway for turn lanes.

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TS made a motion to approach the Nye County Road Department regarding the installation of two signs; one reading PAVEMENT ENDS; one reading BEATTY 1 MI., RHYOLITE 8 MI., FURNACE CREEK 42 MI.; second by EG; 4-0.

**d. Discussion and possible decision to approve \$3,046.17 from the 715 Tourism and Promotion account in a joint venture with the Chamber of Commerce for the San Diego Travel Show – Ann Marchand**

Ann Marchand stated that studies show people are doing more traveling stateside rather than abroad. The chamber was awarded a \$2500 grant from the Nevada Commission on Tourism to attend the Sand Diego Travel Show. If a grant is not used, it effects further grant awards. Tourism revenue is down and the chamber would like to go to the show promote Beatty, especially with the new trademark of it being the Gateway to Death Valley.

Those attending plan to wear early 1900 costumes. There will be a roulette wheel at the booth with Beatty souvenirs as prizes.

BB made a motion to approve \$3,046.17 from the 715 Tourism and Promotion account to be used for the Beatty Chamber of Commerce to attend the San Diego Travel Show; second by TS; 4-0.

**e. Discussion and possible decision to set a date for a partnership workshop with the Beatty Chamber of Commerce on entrance way signage – Erika Gerling**

Ann Marchand stated that a workshop is needed to get designs drawn up.

EG stated that those interested in the workshop were invited to attend.

TS stated that a date doesn't have to be set at a BTAB meeting. An agenda just needs to be posted when those involved can find a time to meet.

Ann stated that she will try to get together with David Spicer to set a date.

**f. Discussion and possible decision to purchase cordless microphones – Teresa Sullivan**

TS stated that the town has looked into cordless lapel mics before. They could be used with the portable sound system for plays, announcers, Fire Department bingo, the gong show, and even meetings. TS stated that the board has talked about making the community center a state-of-the-art facility as much as possible, and this would be one step in that direction.

TS made a motion to purchase five cordless lapel microphones from ProAudio for a total of \$1,695.00 out of the community center fund; second by BB; 4-0.

## **9 Adjournment**

TS motioned to adjourn at 7:30pm; second by EG 4-0