

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
03/25/13**

**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.**

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**Dick Gardner (DG) – Chair
Kelly Carroll (KC) – Vice Chair - Absent
Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer
Randy Reed (RR) – Member
Crystal Taylor (CT) – Member**

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

2 For Possible Action -Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of March 25, 2013.

RR – Motion to approve the agenda of the Beatty Town Advisory Board for the meeting of March 25, 2013, and to pull item 5 emergency items; Second CT; 4-0

DG – Stated for the record Kelly Carroll is not here tonight.

3 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.

Charlie Cook – Asked that the Board consider videotaping the Town Board meetings. He has the support of Commissioner Wichman and he checked with Suzy McCoy, who maintains the Town website, and she will post the video to the town website at no charge. It would appear as a regular video so you could roll past anything you didn't want to watch, or freeze it or down load it to your disk. Again, it would be no charge you would just have to buy the camera equipment.

EG – Asked why do we need to do that.

Mr. Cook – Used Commissioner Wichman as an example, she lives 86 miles north of Round Mountain and it is difficult for her to be here for the meetings because of the distance. If she had access to the Town meetings, without having to drive 400 miles, this could help a lot. She would know what is going on in the Town and could interact better with the Town Board.

EG - Clarified that Mr. Cook is talking about live streaming video; Discussion followed.

Mr. Cook – Stated he was talking about video that would be available for viewing after the fact; Discussion followed.

EG – Stated she does not see the benefit of posting a video for viewing after the fact because after the fact you can currently get an audio recording.

Mr. Cook – Stated that to him audio is not the same as video, it would give the Commissioner a vision of what is going on as it happens, it would only be one or two days later. If you have something you want to express to her it would be available and she could act on it.

DG – Stated it would need to be looked into, and he is not sure of the benefit of it.

DG – Suggested Mr. Cook fill out an agenda item and bring it up and we'll discuss it and look at all the pros and cons and go from there.

Mr. Cook – Replied okay, sure.

Shirley Harlan – Stated the library is working on creating a "friends of the library" group that would be a 501c3. They are looking for people that would be willing to; volunteer time, skilled service donations, and monetary donations. Please see Shirley after the meeting if you are interested in participating.

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4 For Possible Action – Approval of the minutes dated; March 13, 2013.

RR – Motion to approve the minutes dated March 13, 2013; Second CT; 4-0

5 For Possible Action – Emergency Items

Item Pulled

6 For Possible Action – Board Member’s Comments (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)

EG – Read a letter she received from the school addressing the proposed 4 day school week. On April 9th the School District Board will be hearing this proposal. There will be a meeting this Thursday (the 28th) from 5pm to 7pm at the Beatty High School for public input to refine the proposal.

EG – Extended an invitation to the BTAB and public to attend a Pack (Boy Scout) meeting on the 28th.

DG – None; RR - None; CT – None

7 Secretary’s Report

a. Carrie Radomski – Stated that the grant is still pending for the Town Square Project. The office was contacted by Fusion Staffing, which is the group who handles the staffing for Tough Mudder. They are still looking for employees, there are a couple of shifts on Saturday and Sunday, or you could work the whole day. The pay is \$15.00 per hour, if you know of anybody who might be interested please let them know about this opportunity. They (Fusion) are struggling to fill all the needed positions so I put them in contact with Tim from the Nye County Communities Collation. Tentatively, Tough Mudder representatives will be here for the first BTAB meeting in April and will hold a Business meeting before the BTAB meeting that same day. On April 22nd we have a business ordinance workshop tentatively scheduled to take place before the BTAB meeting.

b. Lorinda Wichman Nye County Commissioner – Stated that she knows that there are concerns about the budget and the unaudited reports. She has confidence in Nye County employees currently working on it. Any adjustments made to the numbers due to the audit should be minor.

Commissioner Wichman – Asked for questions.

EG – Asked how she is holding up.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated she is doing really well, and holding her own.

8 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**

RR – Motion to pay the town vouchers in the amount of \$349.88; Second CT; 4-0

9 General Business

a. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation, and decision to approve the purchase of July 4, 2013 fireworks in the amount of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) split 50/50 between BVFD and Culture & Recreation (Town Tourism) accounts, and all matters pertaining thereto. – Beatty Volunteer Fire Department; Chief Harmon**

Chief Mike Harmon – Stated he would like to go with Lantis, one of the two quotes, we get more bang for our buck; Discussion followed.

EG – Asked if this is the same company we used last year.

Chief Harmon – Stated that we have used Lantis for the last four years; Discussion followed.

RR – Motion to approve the purchase of July 4, 2013 fireworks in the amount of \$11,000.00 split 50/50 between BVFD and Culture & Recreation, and to purchase from Lantis; Second CT; 4-0

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b. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to send a letter to the Tonopah Field Office of the BLM in support of the Corvus Gold proposed exploration drilling at the North Bullfrog Project. – Corvus Gold: Carl Brechtel

Wiley Skewes Geologist; Representing Corvus Gold – We are hoping for you help in public comment for our proposal for a permit that has been filed with the BLM (Bureau of Land Management) office. The proposal is to increase exploration of the gold resources. The permit will allow us to continue drilling to find the resource and to do the engineering work to determine if the economics are there for the mine. We are hoping that Beatty can help Corvus Gold by expressing its support for the project, and to say that brining in funds to the community as a result of the employees staying here while the work in this project is taking place, is beneficial to the Town.

EG – Stated that the information she read in the BLM report indicated that all of the exploration drilling in sensitive areas will be a temporary disturbance, and that those things would be reclaimed. The support at this point is for the exploration drilling, not production.

DG – Stated that he has a copy of the sample letter provided by Corvus, and he has an objection to the statement about the meeting with the Beatty Water and Sanitation District (BWSD), he does not feel we should mention the BWSD. The letter states that we (BTAB) feel that the community is well informed about the project, he is not confident enough that the community at large is well informed. He has no problem with a letter of support for the exploration but feels we should not even mention the BWSD; Discussion followed.

DG – Asked for audience comment.

Shirley Harlan – Asked some questions about an article in the Mirror and statements made by Russell Meyers the president of Corvus Gold at the Commissioners meeting. There are discrepancies in the statements made by Mr. Meyers and Carl Brechtel at the March 7th community meeting that took place here in Beatty. Mr. Meyers told the Commissioners that he estimated the number of local employees would be 150 to 200 and at the March 7th meeting Mr. Brechtel estimated the numbers at 15 to 16.

Mr. Skewes – Stated that his guess is that whoever was referring to the lower number is referring to an exploration project. Whereas the person who is anticipating 150 to 200 people is probably looking a little farther forward; for example if the exploration goes well and we are able to put in a mine site the larger number may reflect how many people that mine site would employ; Discussion followed.

DG – Reiterated that this item is only to decide if a letter of support, of the exploration project, should be sent to the BLM.

Ms. Harlan – Stated that she understands that but hoped to get some answers to her questions; Discussion followed.

RR – Motion to send a letter to the Tonopah Field Office of the BLM in support of the Corvus Gold proposed exploration drilling at the North Bullfrog project, with the exception of the Beatty Water and Sanitation District reference; Second CT; 4-0

10 General Public Comment

Diane McGinnis; Beatty Medical Clinic – Stated she will be out of the office Thursday and Friday this week and Monday through Friday of next week, she will be teaching a wilderness medicine course. Because of that there will be some altered hours at the clinic, so if you need help please call and see what hours it will be available. NHC is working on getting coverage, they have been working on it for over two months, and they are working with five employment agencies to try and find a provider. The staff will be there to help in any way they can. The Amargosa clinic will be open and that provider may come up here to provide partial coverage.

11 Adjournment

RR– motion to adjourn 7:08pm; Second CT; 4-0