#### Beatty Town Advisory Board 100 A Avenue South P.O. Box 837 Beatty, NV 89003

# Minutes 09/30/13

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 Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer – Absent Randy Reed (RR) – Member Crystal Taylor (CT) – Member

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:34pm

2 For Possible Action -Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of September 30, 2013.

RR - Motion to approve the agenda for the Beatty Town Advisory Board for the meeting of September 30, 2013 and to pull item number 4 and item number 5; Second CT; 4-0

DG - Stated that for the record Erika Gerling is absent.

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.

None

For Possible Action – Approval of the meeting minutes dated; September 9, 2013.

Item pulled

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)

KC - None; RR - None; DG -None

CT - Apologized for missing the last BTAB meeting (September 9, 2013). She was on an Ambulance call.

## 7 Reports

#### a. Secretary's Report

Carrie Radomski – Gave an update on the Town Square grant; the funding acceptance documents have been received from the NV National Parks Service. The documents to accept the grant funding will be on the BOCC agenda of October 15, 2013.

Translator work will continue this week; Norm should be back here this Wednesday or Thursday to continue the work on the installation of the new radio Translators.

The Governor's Office of Community Development, Community Development Block Grant, has \$45,000.00 to be used within the County; it can be used for rehabilitation of single family houses for low income families. The flyer was sent out via email and the contact information is available in the office as well.

Nye County Regional Economic Development Authority (NCREDA) has as small business revolving loan fund available. The flyer for this program was sent out via email and additional information is available in the office as well.

The Beatty Library has 2 computers that they are auctioning off with a minimum bid of \$100.00 per computer. Bids will be opened at the regularly scheduled Library board meeting in November. The winner(s) will have two weeks to bring their payment in and pick up the computer.

The Beatty Volunteer Ambulance service will be holding a Spook House at the Beatty Ambulance Barn on Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 8pm. The entry fee is \$3.00 per person and all proceeds go to the Ambulance Service.

#### 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 approve the town vouchers in the amount of \$1,411.77; Second CT; 4-0.

#### 9 General Business

 a. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve a request for \$390.00 in Tuition and Testing Fees to attend an EMT-Intermediate to Advanced EMT transition class in Las Vegas, Nevada. Class is November 18-22, 2013. – Michael Wehmeyer

Michael Wehmeyer; Beatty Ambulance Service – Stated he provided the Board with an outline of his item, but to clarify; in 2009 the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration, which sets the standards for all EMS (Emergency Medical Services), published what was called the EMS Education Agenda for the future along with some new educational standards. They did a gap analysis which uncovered the need for additional training at all levels; basic and up, to meet the expected performance levels set out for 2013 and going forward. The National Registry came up with a plan that will require all EMT's to either take a new class, which some of our new EMT's have already participated in and in January of 2014 they will be titled as an EMT, take a transition class or they will have to revert to a lower class of EMT. For example an Intermediate class EMT would revert to a Basic, without the transition class. The State will eventually provide these transition classes at some point in time, but the state has a poor track record. They don't have EMT or advanced EMT instructors that can teach, because you can only teach to the level that you are certified.

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated he is trying to be proactive, he will be through with his teaching credentials at the end of October and will be licensed by the State shortly after that. Once he completes this transition class in November, he'll be able to put together a transition class for the rest of the providers here in Beatty.

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated he spoke to the County and they have no funding whatsoever to assist with the tuition for this transition class. He is talking with the National Park Service about travel assistance and he is paying for his own lodging and is only asking for tuition assistance. There is a typo in the agenda item, the tuition is \$340.00 not \$320.00 and the licensing/test fees are \$70.00, so the actual cost is \$410.00 rather than \$390.00.

DG - Clarified that the County will have this course eventually.

Mr. Wehmeyer – Confirmed that the State may eventually, but there are no published plans from Bobby Sullivan in the State EMS office to offer any kind of transition class for the EMT Basics or Intermediates. There has been an advertisement for two complete advanced EMT classes in the State; one in Fallon with a tuition cost of \$500.00 and one in Reno or Fernley. The bottom line is they are asking for us to know more about what we do, so going through this training will make me a more skilled provider.

- DG Clarified that eventually this will be paid for by the County and stated that Vance Payne; Director of Emergency Services sent an email stating in summary that he does not believe this is necessary at this time, the County will pay for this eventually.
- KC Added that the email states that the State has not come up with what they are going to do.

Dr. Diane McGuiness – Stated she is in support of this; Mike will be able to train the other people. He is going through the train the trainer classes and this will only make him a stronger instructor. Also, anybody who has a higher level of medical training this is really important, for the Citizens of Beatty, this is something for the people in town to have someone that is stronger. The fact is that this is something that is required nationally, just because the State is lagging behind and does not have a plan, this keeps Mike and Beatty where we need to be on the forefront; discussion followed.

DG – Stated that Mike stated that this would allow him to instruct; who assigns the instructors and are there any instructor positions available; Discussion followed.

Mr. Wehmeyer- Stated that Nye County does not have a training person, Patty Winters the Nye County instructor recently resigned. The way that classes are typically put on, the County instructor would be the course coordinator and put the schedule of what modules would be taught together, and then she would teach them herself or enlist other licensed instructors to teach the course. Allison Henderson and I are teaching the Beatty refresher at the end of October and as a result of that we will have our student teaching hours so we will be able to teach here on our own.

KC – Stated my question is; you're an intermediate and come January 1 they are going to drop you down to a Basic?

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#### 9a Continued

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated they will not automatically do that. At the end of the National Registry Certification cycle if you have not made the transition then I would revert to a Basic, and have to take a full course instead of the upgrade course. The reason I put the January 1st date in there is because until this legislative session the State has not been able to agree that there should be even be advanced, or EMT basic, or EMT's or paramedics. There really is not an official title of paramedic in the State of Nevada. The State really had to get all of that together before it could even begin to address getting these classes going.

KC - Asked what the other intermediates are doing and why aren't they going to this class too.

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated that he suggested that we all go to this training, and I was told that some of them said that they would rather wait for the State class to come along.

Dr. McGinnis- The issue is that if Mike does go to this class then he will be eligible to teach it and so we don't need to pay for five people to go to this class when he can teach it when he is done.

Mr. Wehmeyer - Stated that is correct.

Dr. McGinnis – Stated that in the long run it will save us money because the local people won't have to pay for the class, I'm sure he would give them a break.

KC - Stated the class shouldn't cost the local ambulance service anything.

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated that obviously if the Ambulance Service or the County is going to put on a class, especially for those who are already on the service, it's not going to cost them anything. The only expense would be to get the teaching materials.

RR- Stated he likes the idea, more training and if he can train the other EMTs it sounds like a good thing.

CT - Asked if the class is being held in Clark County will be valid for Nye County.

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated that at the end of class he will get a letter authorizing him to test with the National Registry. He has spoken to John Lambert at the State and once I have the National Registry certificate the rest of the State of Nevada will be good with it; Discussion followed.

DG – Stated that he does not like spending money if the County is going to eventually pay for this; Discussion Followed.

Mr. Wehmeyer- Stated that the real issue is that number one, there is not a training person in the county, and that position has to be filled.

DG – Confirmed that Mr. Wehmeyer's reasoning on this is to take this class, get up to advanced EMT and then you would be able to train everybody.

DG - Asked if that is a position (training) that is available?

Mr. Wehmeyer – Stated he was told that Vance was going to hire a training person and an administrative person. He has told Vance that he is interested in either one of those positions.

Audience - Stated that these people deserve all the help they can get.

RR - Motion to approve the request for \$390.00 in Tuition and Testing Fees for Mike Wehmeyer to attend the EMT-Intermediate to Advanced EMT transition class in Las Vegas, Nevada. Class is November 18-22, 2013; Second CT; 3-1(DG)

## For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve the purchase of a solar lighting system for the Mural from Solarilluminations in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 and all matters pertaining thereto. – Randy Reed

RR – Stated that this is a continuation of our project that we started a couple of months ago. We selected Tytre a company out of Las Vegas. When the purchase request was submitted the County informed us we needed to put out an RFP for additional bids, and we must select the lowest bid. This is the low bid found by the County. I have reservations, I don't care for the way the lights mount; Discussion followed.

DG – Stated he agrees with Randy, and thinks if we buy this system we could be wasting \$3000.00. He has great concerns about the system's ability to light the mural.

RR - Suggested additional research.

KC - Stated he agrees.

DG - Stated item 9b tabled at the request of the petitioner.

Item tabled

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#### 10 General Public Comment

Diane McGinnis – Stated that there was a visitor at the clinic today a Doctor Kim, he is a dentist and he has opened a dental clinic in Tonopah. The clinic is located in the Nye Regional building, they share a waiting room, but it is not funded or anything by Nye Regional. There are cards at the back of the room. She is working at trying to get them to stop a half day a week and offer dental services in Beatty. The clinic in Tonopah is not open all the time, so they have a calendar (available at the back of the room) showing the dates the clinic is open in Tonopah. They do have a clinic in Las Vegas.

- DG Asked if the clinic here has equipment that would work for a dentist.
- Dr. McGinnis Stated they do have some equipment that will work for dental procedures.
- Dr. McGinnis Stated that on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> there is large animal rescue training at Station 51 in Pahrump. You can register on line for the class; this class is open to the public. This is a FEMA designed course.
- Dr. McGinnis Stated flu shots are available at the clinic, pricing does vary the most expensive is \$45.00 including the injection fee. The new system upgrade was completed today.
- Dr. McGinnis Stated that the Affordable Care Act site (<a href="www.nevadahealthlink.com">www.nevadahealthlink.com</a> ) opens tomorrow. Nevada Health Centers is partnering with a separate company that will be going out to our rural clinics to help people enroll in the insurance exchange. It takes approximately 1 hour to enroll. We do not have a schedule when they will be here but they will be at the clinic to help people enroll.
- Dr. McGinnis Stated she will be gone October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>; she will be in Washington DC, speaking. She will be on vacation the week of the 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be coverage at the clinic and she will be back in time for Beatty Days.

#### 11 Adjournment

KC- motion to adjourn 7:07pm; Second RR; 4-0