

**Beatty Town Advisory Board  
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**Minutes  
03/23/2015**

**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  
Randy Reed (RR) - Member  
Crystal Taylor (CT) – Member**

**1 Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

**2 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of March 23, 2015.**

*Staff pulled item 5 Emergency items.*

**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.**

David Spicer – Stated that tonight we have Tim Buchanan with Barrick here. We've made some great advances in all of our Community Development; the Boy Scouts event went well. We've gotten some excellent publicity with our advertising campaigns for the Mountain Bike Trails. We have so far completed, on the Ranch, seven miles of purpose built mountain bike trails, which will be combined with the outside, once we get to that phase, it will make a resounding track and a resounding attraction to the community. We've had some success with the Bureau of Land Management and we've got their mind changing ever so slightly in the fact that it's not some enormous gigantic program that is going to derail that it is something that they need to think about is to partner, not just me but the community, that is what their job is by the way. So they are in agreement to simplify the process. They have come around ever so slightly and we are happy about that. Our master plan will be completed sometime between now and mid way through April. We've made a decision to not deliver that message down to the Bureau of Land Management. We want to adopt it at the local level and at the County level the purpose being that way we have decided what we want. We are driving this as a community, driving it as a land owner, driving it as a community. If we submit the plan to the Bureau of Land Management prior to us having an action item, another words saying we are going to do six or seven miles of trails beforehand, it's going to get locked down for five to ten years in a debate about combined actions and all sorts of those things they want to interpret. We don't need them to do that. We just need them to be of service to us and handle the action when we decide to build a few miles of trails. We will submit in phases like that. We've discussed that with them, they are encouraged by that, they weren't previously. I think our process has worked out well there. We've got lots, and lots of communications coming to us and we've been picked up on a national level by International Mountain Bike Association. They'll be announcing internationally about what we are doing here. The Southern Nevada International Mountain Bike Association picked our article up and published it. We have another author who is writing an article about us here, putting things together to go into Nevada Outside Magazine and to other broadcasts, so that will get us a lot more in that regard. So, we're positive, we also have, about the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in April, we will have with the US Fish and Wildlife Service, they want to come up and do a PBS special on the Amargosa Toad and our conservation efforts for that. We are talking with them through the Fish and Wildlife about the connectivity of the mountain bike trails and the community and how that's going to help that also. So we may get a story on our mountain bike trails on PBS simultaneously. That's kind of an update on where we are and what we have accomplished.

CT – Stated if I can add that on Facebook, if people have Facebook, to follow the trail they can see pictures and follow it as the trail is getting done, its fun to watch.

Tim Buchanan; Barrick Gold Mines– Introduced himself and thanked the Board for having him.

Mr. Buchanan – Stated there are a couple of things that he wanted to talk about today and I'll start with the subject that Dave (Mr. Spicer) brought up, we've provided some support and hopefully more than just the monetary fashion, for the economic development project that we hope will be a great benefit to the Town over the long term. I was talking to Albert earlier today and I was telling him that I watched Prueba and Moab, I'm 59 years old I've been traveling back and forth across the west since I was in my teens, and I've watched those towns change over time to the point that you don't want to stop and wait in line for a cup of coffee because there are so many people in the coffee shops. I think it's a great vision, we strongly support, we will be supportive, we will continue to be supportive this year and going forward. We would really love to see this become a reality. We think this town and this area has so much to offer. So many people don't know about this area up here and there is good reason that they should. We are looking forward to working with the Town Board, the County, and the BLM, and any partners that we may be able to co-opt into this, the USDA and other State and Federal agencies that can help turn this into a reality. We look forward to working along with you to make it happen.

**3 General Public Comment continued**

Mr. Buchanan – Went on, the second thing is solar power, we (Barrick) have been approached by a company who is interested in putting solar panels on top of the tailings, that are in reclamation, and we know that there are some other initiatives in the area that are happening at the same time and because of the fact that a development like that could have a very good impact for the Community, we wanted to begin to communicate with you as we are beginning to communicate with the company that has approached us about this potential project, and just keep you informed of the status so that everybody knows what’s happening and where it’s going. At this time we literally just have been approached with the concept of putting solar panels on top of the tailings there. These panels would have concrete bases so that they could be picked up and moved. They would not be anchored down into the cover on the tailings, and the company, Barrick would not be an investor in that solar business, Barrick would be a facilitator to make this happen if it’s possible to make it happen. That’s as far as we have gone, at that level of discussion, there’s no proposal in front of us, there is no description adequate enough to go to the regulators and say, is there a way that we can make this work, so we can fulfill our obligations on that property, reclaim it, and remediate it, and also have this economic development on that piece of property. We do not have a proposal right now of that detail but the concepts being discussed and they seem to be quite interested.

DG – Asked, are they discussing this with you or through Albert?

Mr. Buchanan – Stated this is on our own. I think there are some other discussions going on about the 80 acres that the Economic Development Corporation has, this is on our property so they are discussing it directly with us, and it’s likely that the concept is one, I won’t speak for Albert, but it’s likely that there is a vision that this company has in tying this all together. So as things happen with this we’ll try to keep you informed so that you know exactly what’s going on, and we figured that if a company is talking to Valley Electric and talking to other parties in the area you are going to hear about this and we want to make sure you know what we know about it.

DG – Thanked Mr. Buchanan for coming.

Liam Mosey – Introduced himself he is from the Boy Scouts Troop 777. The Boy Scouts are selling this year’s Camp Card, they are \$5.00 dollars each, when you go to Smith’s and spend \$50.00 you get \$5.00 off and there are lots of other businesses that give discounts and free stuff when you present the card, a lot of the coupons can be used multiple times until the card expires in 2016. Also, the Boy Scouts will be holding their Pinewood Derby on April 15<sup>th</sup> here at the Community Center, it’s a lot of fun please come and watch, it’s free, it starts at 6pm.

KC – Asked Liam if he has any of those cards right now?

Mr. Mosey – Replied yes.

**4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Meeting Minutes dated February 9, 2015 and March 9, 2015.**

*RR – Motion to approve the minutes dated February 9, 2015; Second CT; 3-2(KC; EG abstain)*

*RR – Motion to approve minutes dated March 9, 2015; Second EG: 5-0*

**5 For Possible Action – Emergency Items**

*Item pulled*

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

KC; RR; CT; DG; - None

EG – Stated we were approached by Nevada Health Centers to sit down with their CEO Walter Davis, Dick and I will be meeting with him on Friday. That’s all I know about it, he asked to meet with us so we will sit down with him and see what he has to say and let you guys know at the first public opportunity.

**7 Presentation and Discussion – Ken Plewe; Nye County GIS Administrator and Sheree Stringer; Assessor – On Nye County addressing method.**

Debbie Orick; Nye County Assessor's Office Mapping Administrator – Introduced herself and Ken, we are changing the addresses that are within Beatty, but in the rural areas right outside Beatty we're trying to, currently there is no County wide addressing system except actually in Pahrump. Now within Beatty, Beatty Water and Sanitation has issued addresses and for in town that seems to be working, but in the rural areas there's nothing available. So what Ken has proposed is using mile markers and then we measure out to get an address to apply to it. The highways we receive the mile marker information from NDOT and then the roads that come off the highways or in other areas Ken has figured out the mile markers and then we calculate to get an address. So that's what we are starting with there are flyers in the back and Ken has prepared some maps for just north of Beatty and south of Beatty to show what it will look like and what we are trying to do.

Ken Plewe – Stated that this is for EMS, 911 purposes more than anything.

Ms. Orick – Stated that further north people have HC or HCR addresses the post office is trying to eliminate them so we have to get physical addresses. The mail would still be delivered where ever your mail box is it's just that it would not be an HCR address it would be a physical address with a number and a street.

Diane McGinnis – Stated that when she was visiting Idaho last summer, Boundary County, I believe uses the same system and it was really cool.

Audience – Stated I know you are using the mile markers what happens if you get off of the highway, for instance Flure De Lies or Boiling Pot, what do you use?

Ms. Orick – Stated he's (Ken) still figuring out the mileage from the highway to the end of the road. It will still be broken down in miles and then we will calculate it to come up with a number. Basically, what we do is measure from where the road starts from the highway it would be 0 and then measure out from there.

KC – Stated for example, 64972, you're stopping at mile marker 64 and you're going .972 miles out?

Ms. Orick – Stated what we do is there is going to be one thousand numbers, like 999 numbers within each mile, so we would measure from the mile marker to the drive of the property divide it by 5.28 and that would give us that three digit number that would be added to the mile marker. So if your road is 3 miles off the highway and you are like 2 and ¼ miles, so you would have a 2 and then whatever the difference is in that mileage would give you a three digit number; Discussion followed.

Ms. Orick – Stated that basically it will be a five digit number, the last three digits will be the distance from the mile marker to the driveway; Discussion followed.

Mr. Plewe – Stated that every mile counts as a thousand, odd numbers on the left even on the right; Discussion followed.

DG – Stated to reiterate all of the addresses in the town will be issued by the water department; Discussion followed.

Ms. Orick – Stated that once this is approved by the Commissioners she will be sending letters out to the property owners and to the Post Office with their physical addresses; Discussion followed.

Mr. Plewe – Stated we need help with road names, for example you have Pioneer road and it forks, we need to know if the road name changes. We need help with the minor roads; Discussion followed.

Ms. Orick – Stated if there are questions about an address in Beatty she contacts Lorraine at Beatty Water and Sanitation; Discussion followed.

Audience – Asked if they have considered using GPS coordinates.

Ms. Orick – Stated the data is not there yet and this is the best way to do this at this time; Discussion followed.

DG – Asked what is the time frame for this project?

Ms. Orick – Stated what she has been told is they are trying to get rid of the HC addresses by the end of the year, that's what we are pushing for; Discussion followed.

DG – Thanked Ms. Orick for her time.

**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 \$1,524.59; Second CT; 5-0*

**9 Reports**

**a. Secretary**

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Reviewed information from the office;

March 28<sup>th</sup> American First National Bank in Amargosa open house 11am – 1pm

April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:30am to 12:30pm the Senior Center will be coloring Easter Eggs for Easter Egg hunt at the park on Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>

April 5<sup>th</sup> 1pm to 4pm East Brunch at the VFW Post 12108

April 9<sup>th</sup> NV Veterans Outreach will be here at the Community Center from 10am to 3pm

April 15<sup>th</sup> 6pm the Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby at the Beatty Community Center

May 2, 2015 Beatty Trails Beer and Mountain Bike Festival

**10 General Business**

- a. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to approve the purchase of July 4, 2015 fireworks in the amount of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00) to be split 50/50 between BVFD and Town Room Tax accounts, and all matters pertaining thereto. – Beatty Volunteer Fire Department; Chief Harmon.**

*KC – Motion to approve 10a; Second CT; 5-0*

- b. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to 1) have a BTAB float in the 2015 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and to 2) spend up to \$300.00 for the construction/decoration of the float. – Erika Gerling**

EG – Stated she'd like to do a float, but is not sure exactly what it will look like and gave some examples of patriotic themes, as usual I will use materials that are left from previous floats will be used in the construction of this year's float.

*RR – Motion to approve item 10b; Second CT; 5-0*

- c. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation to 1) have a BTAB float in the 2015 Beatty Day's parade and to 2) spend up to \$300.00 for the construction/decoration of the float. – Erika Gerling**

EG – Stated this is the same as the previous one, didn't do it last year. I'm not sure what the theme will be, one year I did the Amargosa River but you couldn't see it because the trailer was too high, I may try that one again.

*RR – Motion to approve item 10c; Second CT; 5-0*

**11 General Public Comment**

Teresa Sullivan – Stated she really appreciates that Nevada Health Centers has reached out to you (BTAB). I feel like right now, this community as well as the communities to the north, are really in a lot of financial hurt due to some of the decision made recently by the Commissioners. I feel like we as a community need to get moving and do something, I hope the Board will take the lead and due that relative to our medical, the senior nutrition program, law enforcement, it goes on and on. We are hurting right now for a lot of things, it's not going to get any better if we sit and wait for the Commissioners to do what they are going to do. Tonopah is in the same position, they shut down the jail up there, they are sending a dispatcher down here, which boggles my mind because we don't have the holding facility anymore down here so it doesn't make sense to me, but there are a lot of changes happening and Amargosa, Beatty, Tonopah and I presume Round Mountain are really being hit hard. We know that we are, if we keep taking losses and keep taking hits we are going to be in a world of hurt, we already are. Everybody knows about the crime that's been going on around the community it's a huge concern, I think, to all of us. I just want to encourage the Board to take the lead on this and do something. Maybe coordinate with Amargosa and Tonopah so that we can have a stronger voice so that we can be heard. So that we can have medical care, we can have law enforcement. I don't necessarily feel safe in this community anymore and that's a far cry from where we were just a few years ago.

EG – Stated we have this one meeting and the Sheriff has been trying to have her sales tax proposal considered by the Commissioners but it's been pulled two times and that's for a shared deputy with Beatty and Amargosa. So we're taking action on some things.

Ms. Sullivan – Stated honestly I think it has to be more, I really do, I'm not, I mean a lot of this is real recent but I think we need to work with these other communities too that are in the same boat. I think there is a lot more power and strength in that. They'll brush us off and brush us off and that's what basically the Commissioner's have been doing.

DG – Stated for that part of it we do or have reached out to the communities and the boards when something that is effecting us we are sending out the letters to them asking them what they're feelings are on that. We are trying to activate the County and the smaller areas we don't bother with Pahrump.

Ms. Sullivan – Responded, right and I do think the northern areas we have such little representation, that's not showing any disrespect for Commissioner Wichman. She's one person, and part of her area is Pahrump as well.

**12 Adjournment**

*KC– Motion to adjourn 6:59pm; Second RR; 5-0*