

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
03/14/16**

**THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 5:30PM 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

2 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.

DG – Requested that anyone that wants to say anything please come up to the microphone.

Marty Campbell – Stated I want to talk about the clinic. I think we got messed over when we were told they were going to do this, this, this, and this and they are not doing what they are supposed to be doing. I'd like to know if there is something we can do about that? It's really bad news when they are only open one day a week and we don't have half the stuff they said we were going to have.

Mr. Campbell – Went on as you all know the Senior Center, I've been telling people for two or three years now if they would help support us this may not have happened and unfortunately a lot of people did not support us and its happening. So I'm just saying that maybe we could have had this to not happen at all if people would have helped us out and supported us and I do admit that you guys did support us as a Board. I'm talking about the individuals out there that have never gone to Bingo or never gone to the Senior Center for lunch and then the people that do go there now are the ones that will be suffering. I do thank you guys as a Board for supporting us, I know the last meeting it didn't go too well but you guys do support us, what we are talking about is people as individuals supporting us the Senior Center. We had a spaghetti dinner a while back if it wasn't for donations we wouldn't have made any money on it at all and we needed support and we didn't get it.

DG – Stated all of the items except for one on the agenda are related to the Senior Center, during each item there will be time for people to make a comment from the audience.

Sharon Logston – I moved to Beatty about 13 years ago and when I drove into town and I saw this building and I said a Senior Center? In a town like this, it blew me away. I am all for that Senior Center. I am very highly upset, I'm almost ready to scream because when I moved here, that Senior Center keeps us alive, for four days I don't cook at home and to come to that Senior Center is a joy, a pleasure. If we pay our money why isn't it being paid where is it going, I mean why can't it stay open if other things in Town can? I know the Fire Department I know we need that but we also need that Senior Center. I'm really upset I could almost cry we have a really good staff that keeps it running, the food is good why? Why? What is the problem?

EG - Stated Sharon, we have a whole agenda, the items on the agenda are going to address the issues at the Senior Center so right now during public comment if you have any other comments not related to the Senior Center you should say those now. Then when the items come up about the Senior Center everybody will have an opportunity to comment on the Senior Center. Okay?

Ms. Logston – Asked do you know how long that will take?

EG – Stated well we have the agenda right here, so the quicker we get through it the quicker we will get to the Senior Center.

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of March 14, 2016

Staff pulled item 5 Emergency Items

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Minutes dated February 8, 2016 and February 22, 2016.

RR – Motion to approve the minutes dated February 8, 2016; Second CT; 4-1 KC Abstain

RR – Motion to approve the minutes dated February 22, 2016; Second EG; 4-1 CT Abstain

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 - None

EG - Stated if anybody wants to run for public office like Beatty General Improvement District, Beatty Water and Sanitation District, there is still a week or so left for the filing dead line. I encourage people to put their name in and get on the ballot.

We are still waiting on a date for the Vet and also the Lions Club is doing eye exams at the Beatty Senior Center.

I want to give everybody an update on what is happening with the services at our Beatty Substation. On March 1st we met with the Sheriff, Officer Berkowitz, Commissioner Wichman, Pam Webster, Randy, Carrie and I and we had a good discussion about the hurdles and the solutions. They are going to provide us with a day that the services for finger printing, issuing work cards and those kinds of administrative things will happen. We have not received that date yet but as soon as we do we will put it out there, everywhere that we can so that everyone knows that the services are available so they can take advantage of them at that time.

RR - Stated the Gong Show is April 1st at the Beatty Community Center.

RR - Stated just to let everybody know, with everything that has been going on with the Senior Center, there has been talk that this Board is a paid Board, nobody on this Board is paid for what we do, we are all volunteers.

CT - None

DG - None

7 Reports

i. **Beatty Chamber** - Ann Marchand stated we are doing great.

ii. **Beatty Habitat Committee** - Email from Shirley Harland - On March 3rd, the "old" (literally) Beatty Habitat Committee met with the "new" group, which will take over the planning and work on the Habitat Trails Project (HTP). The plan of the HTP is to preserve habitat along the River, while creating a trail and pocket parks through the area. This meeting was to plan the transition to the new Committee. Those present were Ryan Tweney, Chair of the present Committee, and I, Shirley Harlan, Vice Chair. Kay Tarr, Secretary-Treasurer was not present. The new group present included Jim Moore of the Nature Conservancy, who has for many years been Project Manager for the Beatty Area and has worked closely with the BHC. Len Warren, an ornithologist, works halftime for TNC in the Beatty area, and half time for the Amargosa Conservancy (AC) in the Shoshone - Tecopa area. In addition to painting and photographing birds, Len produces documentaries on birds, leads nature walks and has received several grants for habitat restoration and trails in the Shoshone - Tecopa area. Tanya Henderson of the AC has her degrees in Environmental issues and expressed a lot of enthusiasm for this Project in Beatty. Patrick Donnelly the new Director to the Amargosa Conservancy was unable to attend. Dave Spicer and Ann Marchand. We all know of Dave's contributions and Ann's leadership with the Chamber of Commerce. Ann will be the new Chair of the Beatty Habitat Committee. We hope the Habitat Trails Project will soon be a reality... it is a GREAT opportunity to protect habitat, provide recreational activities for local residents and visitors to the area, and be an economic benefit to Beatty.

iii. **Beatty Library** - Email from Shirley Harland - The Trustees are working on an application to the EBSCO Company for a grant to convert the Library to solar power. The EBSCO Co. is offering grants to a total of \$150,000 for converting libraries to the use of solar energy. For the Library, this would include all electricity used except the AC/heating. This grant information was forwarded to us by the American Library Association. The Trustees are working with the Valley Electric Association for their expertise in the field of solar energy; VEA is currently promoting their Community Solar project. Other programs sponsored by the Library; the MOMMY & ME program is booming. Parents with pre-school children participate on a weekly basis. The BOOK CLUB is also popular with adults. This program involves reading, then discussing, the book at their meetings. Please call the Library at 553-2257 for further information about these programs.

iv. **Beatty Medical Clinic** - None

v. **Beatty Museum** - Vonnie Gray stated I have been with the Beatty Museum for several years. We are extremely excited for all of the people who have volunteered, and helped in building our new construction. The interior walls are done and the lowered ceiling is almost done. We are to a spot where we are ready to put electrical power in. There are still several things to do, but if you have the chance swing by and look at it, we are really excited. We have heating and cooling yet to get in there. Some remodeling of where the displays will be is going to happen. We also had several students volunteer some hours.

Last year our visitor count was nine hundred and something, so we were pretty excited with that. We have had visitors from every continent of the world except for Antarctica. It's exciting to realize when you go to websites and you read some of the comments from people, Beatty Museum is a highlight of people's stops.

vi. **Beatty Senior Center** - None

vii. **Beatty Town Square** - None

- viii. **Beatty Volunteer Fire/Ambulance** – Chief Harmon stated year to date we've had 14 calls, it's been pretty quiet. Two were fires, five were accidents and most of the rest were lift assists and assisting other communities.

- ix. **Commissioners** – None

- x. **Desert Hills Cemetery** – None

- xi. **Nye County Emergency Services** – Vance Payne Nye County Emergency Management – Stated there were questions about the issues in Amargosa Valley. The Amargosa Valley Fire Department has gone through some pretty big challenges with personnel; they are not blessed to have people as deeply ingrained in the community as you do. We recognized some issues towards the end of last year and as a result we've offered some help and it's been accepted so we are in a rebuilding phase. Part of that rebuilding phase is trying to copy what Beatty does with their Fire Department. They (Amargosa) are getting a lot more direct involvement and a lot more talking in the community and it seems to be paying off. In the interim they are kind of down, and Station 51 out of Pahrump, Pahrump Valley Fire and Rescue, Mercury, Inyo County, Southern Inyo County Fire Protection District and Beatty have been covering the edges and backfilling them. We hope that in less than a year they will be reciprocating. We see a lot of quick growth already. We appreciate this community's support for Amargosa; I think this is going to pay off big for the region. As far as Emergency Management goes we are still business as usual we've had a lot of challenges this past year, the past twelve months, not the least of which being the US Ecology event and thanks to interaction with this community and Amargosa my department continues to grow through experience. Again, I can't tell you how much we appreciate that. As always we are only a phone call away.

- xii. **Nye County Sheriff's Department** – None

- xiii. **Ordinances** – None

- xiv. **Other** –
 - Beatty Economic Development, Inc (BEDC)** – None
 - Beatty General Improvement District (BGID)** - None
 - Beatty Water & Sanitation District (BWSD)** – None
 - Boy Scouts** – EG – Stated there were some pictures from the Blue and Gold Dinner and the Fella's Cake Bake.
 - Audience** – Stated they are holding a Pinewood Derby and they would like to get the community involved. You can pick up car kits at the Museum, Chamber and Clinic.
 - Beatty Health & Welfare** - None
 - Other Community or Civic Organization** – DG – Stated the VFW has ham shoot coming up this weekend out at the rifle range; it's similar to a Turkey Shoot.
 - CT** – Stated the Auxiliary is also doing a dinner on Thursday for St. Patrick's Day. You can get your corned beef and cabbage; it is a \$7.00.

- xv. **Secretary**
 - Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Read a letter from Peggy the Post Master in Beatty.
 - The office received the Nevada Popular Annual Financial report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 from the Office of the Controller. Copies are available on the back table.

xvi. Treasurer

EG - Reported 67% of the year elapsed as of February 29, 2016.

Department	Expenditure	Balance	
Admin	\$106,636.96	\$378,966.04	22% of the budget used
Translators	\$1,482.41	\$3,517.59	30% of the budget used
BVFD	\$100,628.22	\$89,489.78	53% of the budget used
Cemetery	\$1,823.14	\$8,176.86	18% of the budget used
Com Cnt Serv & Supplies	\$14,874.98	\$185,125.02	7% of the budget used
Chamber	\$25,876.89	\$13,459.11	66% of the budget used
Museum	\$22,049.61	\$17,286.39	56% of the budget used
Town Tourism	\$225.00	\$117,784.00	0% of the budget used
Capital Projects	\$0	\$489,328.00	0% of the budget used
Special Capital	\$0	\$149,255.00	0% of the budget used
Room Tax Capital	\$8,862.92*	\$158,058.08	5% of the budget used

*Town Square project expenses

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 \$586.00; Second CT; 5-0

9 General Business

- a. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation, and decision to award, award with conditions, or modify the previously approved \$11,000.00 grant match to the Senior Nutrition Program and all matters pertaining thereto. – Erika Gerling**

EG - Stated we had awarded funds on June 1st last year but before the other agenda items came up, I didn't know about those, I had this. I wanted there to be some discussion, the invoices have been submitted to us for the monies. There was a little bit left over which I think January will take care of when those invoices are submitted. I don't have a problem awarding the money that we have previously promised. I had asked at the time that we had awarded this; it was a grant match, 12% for Congregate and 15% for Home Delivered up to \$11,000.00. At that time I had asked, in my motion, that we be sent agendas, minutes, reports telling us the number of guests, cost per meal, revenues, and expenditures from the Project Council, Site Manager and the Board of Trustees, and I'm sorry to say that we did not receive those things. But because we promised the money and the bills have been paid, and these are reimbursements, I think that is all for this particular item I have to say.

KC - Asked if they have maxed out the \$11,000.00?

EG - Stated there is \$1,367.96 that is left. The invoices received are for October, November and December so there is \$1,367.96 left after those invoices.

EG – Motioned to awarded the previously approved \$11,000.00 grant match to the Senior Nutrition Program; Second CT; 5-0

- b. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve a request for additional supplemental funding in the form of reimbursement invoices for Congregate in the amount of Thirty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$38,00.00) to carry through 09/30/16 – Dave Hall; Nye County Senior Nutrition Project Board of Trustees Chair**

RR – Motion to accept supplemental for item 9b; Second Ct; 5-0

RR – Stated I need to disclose that I work for the Senior Center and this decision could impact my personal finances therefore I will be abstaining from a vote on item 9b.

Dave Hall – Introduced himself and stated he is a resident of Amargosa Valley, and thanked Vance Payne for all he has done for Amargosa over the last three months the support has been exceptional.

Mr. Hall – Stated he wants to bring the Board up to date; maybe not everybody is aware of what has happened over the last six months. As you know we have had some funding reductions from the County. They have supported us with vehicles, buildings and other things but unfortunately not monetarily. People like Amargosa and Beatty are most affected by those reductions so we've had to come up with different ways to fund this program. I got involved in the Board of Trustees back in August of this year. We decided, because we didn't have any managerial support from Nye County, that we had to form a committee to actually manage this program. So for the last three months we have been trying to get folks from Amargosa, Beatty and Tonopah to actually manage this program. It's been a real challenge with the short fall of monies and understanding the accounting procedures that we have to go through, plus because it is a grant matching program we have to abide by all of the rules and regulations the Department of Aging has put in front of us. A lot of times you'd like to go out and do something to make it work but you are bound by the regulations that the Division of Aging puts before you. We tried to put a number of people together to try to understand the program and understand the financing, to make a long story short both Amargosa and Beatty are very short on funds. We've been able to come up with about \$25,000.00 from Amargosa but we are going to be short about another \$22,000.00 so our Senior Center is probably in about the same condition that yours is. At some point we will probably have to close or whatever and unfortunately for our Center we just spent two years and a lot of volunteer time to build a brand new facility. I would really like for all of you to think about what some of our options are. Down in Amargosa our committee has looked into doing some non-profit stuff on our own. Do we want to assume the whole grant thing and try to reduce some of those costs? Right now we have two part time employees that really do a great job of trying to figure out all of the financing, they do all of the transportation grants. I mean this is a lot of work, I know that there are a lot of people out there that work very diligently to try to get this done. It's not easy to get timely, you mentioned you didn't have reports and so on, it's very hard to get all of this stuff on a weekly, monthly or even bi-monthly basis to get it all assimilated and get it to the Board. We have been trying to work very hard to modify that process, trying to make it work a lot better for you guys so you know where our money is being spent. It's not a secret, it's just very hard for us to get all of that stuff together in a timely manner and get it to you so you can know. We do have a number of reports; they are not similar to your town budgets, these are a little bit different and a little harder to read but once you have gone through them a couple of times you get a pretty good understanding of where the red and the black are. I've taken some time to understand how this works and I don't think that there is a magic bullet unless you guys can write us a check tomorrow; we're going to be in some serious difficulty both Beatty and Amargosa, Beatty at the end of this month and Amargosa probably within another month and a half. I can entertain some general questions but I don't feel comfortable trying to explain all of the numbers at this point. The situation is that we need some kind of monetary support, whether it be, for us in Amargosa I'll just use that because I have a lot of friends in Beatty but I don't know how you folks interact with some of the companies and other stuff, we've got the dairy, we've got the orchards plus we've got a lot of individuals that just contribute, just because they want to see that program work, those are a lot of the ways that we got money. Our Project Council is very active but that just offsets wages and raw food and stuff like that. There is still a lot of money that needs to be met by either tax money or by individual contributors that are willing to step forward and say that this is a really important program for either Beatty or Amargosa. I'm leaving Tonopah out of this because they really are self sufficient, they are really fortunate and so our two communities are less fortunate than those and it's just a matter of what kind of industry and stuff that you might have available or the funds available in town. Erika you had some questions for me, I don't know if I have answered some of them. I can't be real specific on a lot of stuff but if you have questions I'd be happy to give you some general answers. What we are trying to do is get more involvement from people in Beatty we need those people on our Board of Trustees. I don't know how much further we can go, really at this point, but we really need input from the different towns. For the last three months, August through January, we haven't really had much input from Beatty, so we've kind of had to go on our own and basically I'm dedicated to Amargosa Valley, we will work together as a team to put this all together but my focus is really on Amargosa and the people in Tonopah are focused on Tonopah so we really need folks from Beatty to come together and help us understand and maybe we can share ideas. If you have any ideas or questions please throw them out there, I don't know where else to go with this except to say that we are very short on funds and at the end of this month we will probably have to close that facility (Beatty) because of that.

EG – Stated just to clarify you are the Chair of the Senior Nutrition Board of Trustees?

Mr. Hall – Stated that is correct, I assumed that responsibility about three months ago.

Item 9B continued

EG – Stated I'm going to give a timeline and history so that everybody in the audience understands what happened and how we got to where we are today.

March 3, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners cut the subsidy to the Senior Nutrition Program by about \$120,000.00 that was what they gave for all three centers.

March 20, 2015 The Director of the Senior Nutrition Program, Shirley Trummell, sent a letter to the Board of Trustees of the Senior Nutrition Program stating the short fall and quote "solid plans after our Monday meeting" and ideas for sustaining services.

April 7, 2015 a letter was sent to the Board of County Commissioners, the Beatty Town Advisory Board, the Amargosa Valley Town Board, the Tonopah Town Board, regarding the program budget and it was again stated that we are in the midst of looking into ideas to help resolve this funding issue, and "how much money would be needed to fully help support each center."

April 13, 2015 a presentation was made to the BTAB by Jennie and Timaree about the situation and the money that was short, which at that time was about \$55,000.00. That was just a presentation because it wasn't an agenda item, no funds were requested no decision was made.

April 21, 2015, because that letter the first one to the Board of Trustees here are some of the ideas that were being considered; enter into contract for food service, have one menu for all sites, cook all meals at or two sites and ship meals to other sites, cut staff hours, cut home delivered meals down to once or twice a week with the rest being frozen, cut out home delivered drivers and use site managers to deliver meals, use volunteers for current paid positions, go to town boards and request ongoing support, send out letters to businesses and request ongoing support, close centers two days a week, look into buying food from Three Square in Las Vegas, or Northern Nevada food banks, so that was in the letter that was sent out to the BTAB and the Commissioners. The first letter was sent by Shirley Trummell who was the director at that time and the second letter was sent by Nye County Senior Nutrition Staff.

June 1, 2016 the Senior Nutrition Program came to this Board to request funding for the Beatty Senior Center. At that time they needed a match for the grant so that's the \$11,000.00 that we approved just a little bit ago.

I want to just say that there have been communications between this Board and the Senior Nutrition Program requesting information on April 21st last year I sent an email asking which of these items are being implemented, what are going to be the cost savings if you do this, and we have asked those questions many, many times. The answers that we have received are the same answer that we are receiving to date; that detailed plans are being worked on and those things are to be determined. That is the information that I had until we got this request to fund \$38,000.00 to carry the congregate program through September 30th and \$9,700.00 to carry the home delivered program through September 30th. That's the history of what has happened up to now. My issue right now is the same issue that I had in June and in April; no plan has been presented to this Board that says if we do this it's going to save us this much money and then we can make the program run this long. I don't know what happened with the food service contract, as far as having one menu at all sites as far as I know that hasn't been done because each center has a different menu. Cook all meals at one site and ship, that hasn't been done. Cut staff hours that hasn't been done as far as I know. Something was done with the home delivered program, I don't know the details. Close the centers two days a week that hasn't been done. So I'm back at the exact same place that I was a year ago in March, we need this much money to keep the Center running but nothing has been done to make any changes or implement any savings and I have a problem with that.

Mr. Hall – Stated in Amargosa we've actually looked at all of those things and I just feel like I have a lot of interaction with my Board, we all work together on a lot of the issues as well as the Fire Department issues. We all work together to try to get it all done and we have cut staff hours. There's a problem with the Volunteer thing because of the Senior Nutrition Program requirements you can only do so much. We are not like Beatty or Tonopah we have an evening meal instead of a day time meal. We've actually gone in and used another food vending service that has saved us quite a bit of money. From my point of view in Amargosa we are working on just about all of these things that we can to make sense. We've gone to frozen meals for our homebound folks. Some of the stuff that you mentioned we've run into brick walls on and we can't do anything on our own but as program in general in Amargosa we've done a lot of those things already to try to reduce our costs and I think we have been successful to some degree. We've been able to stimulate more interest in Amargosa and generate some more funds; I can't speak for the folks in Beatty. As a member of the Senior Nutrition Board of Trustees I think it's really important that each town needs to work within their town. I really don't want to tell the Town of Beatty what is going to be best for their clients. We can support their decisions, we can as a group look for different options, different vendors and those kinds of thing but I wouldn't want to tell the folks in Tonopah what's best for Tonopah, that's my personal opinion. I understand what you are looking for, I think where it needs to come from is the folks in this room, the folks that run this program.

EG – Stated but you run this program. You are the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for Senior Nutrition Program. This Board (BTAB) has no authority over the Senior Nutrition Program at all. You do run our program, you and the Board of Trustees. You're not the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Amargosa Senior Center; you're the Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Senior Nutrition Program, Tonopah, and Beatty and Amargosa programs. So I don't think that's fair to say because you do run the Program.

Item 9B continued

Mr. Hall – Responded no ma'am I'm a volunteer and I volunteer as much time as I can and what we try to do is provide the oversight for the employees of the Senior Nutrition Program to make sure that all of those items that grant specifies for me to do have been done correctly and that's a big enough job within its self. I think the people in Beatty need to be the ones to communicate with you and to the Board of Trustees what works best for them and like I said I'm not going to come in and tell them that everybody has to have a frozen meal. That's for your folks to come and tell us, this is what we can do to save money.

EG – Stated the Project Council does not run the program they are an ancillary group.

Mr. Hall – Stated what I'm saying is there is nobody from Beatty on the Board of Trustees to help us make those decisions. You need to fix that.

EG – Stated I don't need to fix that you need to invite some people to be on your board.

Mr. Hall – Stated I'm not going to get into that, I'm doing the best I can.

DG – Asked for questions from the audience.

Jerry Hammes- Stated I have a couple of questions, for the money being asked I would like to know where the money is going. A year ago we were told we would get some kind of information and judging from what Erika just said you guys did not get the information about how these various proposals were going. We never got any information as I'm assuming the Town Board (BTAB) didn't get. I would like to know what your corporate structure is. Where are your operating officers? Why isn't the operating officer here answering the detailed questions about this? I understand, Dave, what you are talking about you are trying to work it together, but we need something, hard numbers, and what efforts have been made to meet those, something along the way that shows what was actually done, who tried to propose something, what happened to that proposal, so is Jennie the Director of that corporation?

Mr. Hall – Stated no we do not have a Director.

Mr. Hammes – Asked then who is Jennie?

Unidentified – Stated the Finance Manger.

Mr. Hammes – Asked then who is Timaree? That's the other person that I know is paid by the Nutrition Board.

Mr. Hall – Stated she takes care of all of the transportation.

EG – Stated on the letter that was received in March/April of last year Timaree was listed as the Director.

Mr. Hammes – Stated I guess I would like a little clarity on the structure and who is doing the operational stuff. It's all very much a fall ball but we are going to try and work together. What are the details and what happened to the information that was asked for almost a year ago?

Marty Campbell – Stated you guys kind of raked Dave over a little bit, he's trying to explain everything that is going on. I know you guys want answers. Dave just took over about three months ago, and since he's taken over we do have representatives in Beatty in case you guys don't know it. It's myself and Jerry Martin we are members of the directors.

EG – Clarified you are members of the Board of Trustees?

Mr. Campbell – Stated yes we are and we have an alternate Dave Brady. We got that established a while ago, I'm sorry if you guys didn't get the information.

EG – Stated just to be clear you Marty Campbell are on the Board of Trustees?

Mr. Campbell – Stated yes.

EG – Asked since when?

Mr. Campbell – Stated since about a month ago.

EG – Stated okay and who else from Beatty?

Mr. Campbell – Stated we have Jerry Martin, and an alternate is Dave Brady. We were voted in about a month ago by the Project Council and it went up through Jennie Martin. So please, Dave is doing the best he can, he's done a lot since he's taken over the program. He's also working on different things. I myself have left a message for Congressman Hardy with his representative and I haven't heard back from them yet. So people are working on stuff folks we haven't given up yet. I just want to make sure that you know we are doing things.

EG – Stated okay well here is the issue, I'm really, really glad to know that people are working on things, here's the problem; when you want \$50,000.00 from this Board to keep the Center open until the end of September I don't know that you are working on anything. I don't know that you are only going to be open two days a week, this is the same thing; give us this money so we can be open through the end of September and then what?

Item 9B continued

Mr. Campbell - Stated you are correct. You are not getting the information you should be getting and that hopefully will be changing.

EG - Stated well that really doesn't help me for the purposes of tonight. If I could have seen a plan tonight that said here is the plan, if you will fund this for thirty days or sixty days in this amount and at the end of thirty days or sixty days we are going to implement this plan or this policy that will reduce the spending by such and such to take us forward, then I could make a decision.

Marty Campbell - Stated like Dave said we have also, here in Beatty, been cut down to frozen foods for the home delivery, that has been incorporated. I don't know why you are not getting this information, but you are right you need to get more information and hopefully Jennie Martin will be able to give you the information that you need right now.

Jennie Martin; Nye County Senior Nutrition Finance Manager - Stated to first start one thing, and perhaps if somebody is really that interested they can look back at the minutes of the June 1st meeting in 2015, I was very clear with everyone that was here, and the Board that it was a request for \$55,000.00 for the year. I didn't make that secret, I didn't hide it. It was just at that time the Board decided that they would make the match of \$11,000.00 which was greatly appreciated, thank you. But I believe that I was very clear at that time that we would always know that we were going to need a minimum of \$55,000.00 total to make the Senior Center fly for this next budget year. As far as the ideas go that we had presented to you back in our proposal, we did look at everything that you discussed, that you mentioned tonight. The one menu, we talked about that, we were moving forward with that and then we started talking with our site managers and the people that eat in each center, and this is where we get into the idiosyncrasies of each center, where your menus are just very different and we felt that if we tried to combine all those three menus into a perfect box, you would probably lose a lot of people. We've had a lot of unhappy people. A lot of people don't necessarily like to eat what maybe Beatty likes to eat or Tonopah, or Amargosa. Also just the general management of that particular plan was not feasible in the way that, we have our cooks at each center, they run the inventory, they run the stock, so now if you tried to determine how much, you know how many milks we need to order, or how many hams, or how many cans of peas or whatever the case may be on a whole it wasn't going to work. It was going to create a whole new committee, if you would, just to manage one menu for all three sites, so we did away with that idea. As far as the food costs go, I will tell you that in January we started using Sysco and that's a huge thing for us. Prior to that we had been using US Foods and they were quite expensive so I do believe that some of our costs will be cut by using Sysco, in the area of our food costs. Just to finish off with some of the other ideas that we had proposed at that time; cutting staff hours wasn't necessarily again anything we could do. Each Center is run on what I would call a skeleton crew as it is. Each Center could use one additional person for sure and that's not going to happen the monies aren't there. You know everybody's wages are written into the grant and you guys haven't received, since I've been working at Senior Nutrition which I think is going between four and five years now, I've never seen a raise. So a lot of the dedicated folks that we do have working for us and that have been here for a long time like Randy and Betty and Holly and so forth you guys do an awesome job thank you. As far as oversight goes for this particular Center we don't have to do a whole lot of oversight. Now and then of course we're going to call in and say hey, how is everything going? But for the most part we don't run into any problems, you guys have this thing nailed, so cutting the staff hours that really wasn't an option either. The home delivered, yes, back in March we did deliver, for all three sites, we started delivering just two times a week. Everybody at all three sites, for home delivered folks; they only receive on Monday and Thursday. They get one hot meal on that particular day and the other meals are their frozen meals. That has saved some funds in our home delivered program. We did cut out the home delivered driver so Holly as your site manager, she does take the meals out so we don't have a paid person sending meals out. However the home delivered program does still pay a portion of the wages that are paid to the cook and to the assistant cook. Letters to businesses, I have written a letter to Rebecca Oscarson with Valley Electric and in talking with Carrie last week I realized that I hadn't heard back from her so I sent out another communication email to her. I still haven't heard back. I've actually asked Dave Hall to maybe get in touch with Rebecca and see if there was any kind of assistance that Valley Electric could provide to us because I'm aware, it's my understanding that once a year for the Pahrump Senior Center, which we have nothing to do with, Valley Electric does pay I think maybe their December bill or something like that. So I'm guessing in theory, I have no idea what Pahrump's utility bill is but maybe they are receiving \$700.00 or something, some kind of donation like that. As far as receiving food from Three Square or Northern Nevada Food Bank again, because of the specifications and restrictions that are placed on us, how we get our food that wasn't going to work, because it would mean that we would have to travel to Las Vegas and bring food back and a lot of that food would be perishable items we can't do that. We don't have the vehicles equipped in order to refrigerate the food and so forth hence we have to use Sysco or a major food corporation like that. So I believe I've covered the ideas that we had presented to you and when all of this came down as far as the last quarter of the calendar year goes, you're talking about ending three grants. We end our NDOT transportation grant, our congregate and our home delivered grant they ended 09/30. So unfortunately we lack manpower in the office. I do the bulk of, again as the Finance Manager, all the financial final reports. Timaree is responsible for doing more of the day to day kind of stuff. She handles the payroll she pays the bills all of that. So shutting down as of 9/30 to finish out that year and then starting the new grant year on top of the fact that with some of the changes that had occurred I had to, as far as the reporting goes it is so convoluted in the way everything links and how everything talks. It took me some time to get the reports set up for the new grant year.

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So there for that is why you did not see, I will tell you I did not send the town invoices out until late February, the Beatty Town Board did not receive any report on anything until late February because that was the first opportunity I had to finish them. And before I had sent those reports out I was, of course, double checking myself probably five times to make sure that all of that information was accurate. I know that I'm one of those people that I'm going to get myself in trouble if I try to rush something out because I know somebody wants it and I don't double check it a couple of times, I'm going to come back and I'm going to say gosh darn it I made a mistake. I'm sorry that I couldn't get to you sooner on that level. Obviously in the last week one of the things that I have been busy with in the office, right now, is writing the transportation grant for Division of Aging and also trying to get this set up for today, the reports, because I did get the reports done; January, February, today is March 14th and so at this point it shouldn't be a problem to get that reporting done on a more timely manner and it's just going to be a matter of knowing, and Timaree tells me, I talk to her of course every day, where are you in the bills, are all of the bills paid for the month, because I need to close out the month, I've got to get these reports done. As far as the reports do go, everything in my mind is black and white it's all there it's been there. Historically for the last, I think, four years of information that I have pulled up the expenses in Beatty for any of these grants, they don't fluctuate. There aren't any other areas that we can tighten up. The power bill unfortunately at the center is just horrendous and I don't know why. I think we've been paying about over \$1,300.00 for the last couple of months on that bill alone, where Amargosa and Tonopah maybe run \$700.00 you know half that cost. I don't know why that bill is so high, we've had Valley Electric come out and do an energy check that sort of thing. As far as looking at the idea of only serving meals so many days, while on an expense end that sounds, hey that might work, but unfortunately these grants are built on the number of meals served. So if we're only serving two or three days a week well, I don't think we are going to gain that many more people coming in those two or three days to make up the number of people that we serve five days a week. So it's going to be a detriment when we go to apply for the grant next year because, I'm just throwing a number out don't hold me to it, let's say in a year Beatty serves 5,000 meals but that's serving five days a week and then we cut down so next year we're only going to show that we served 3,000 meals. Well, you're only going to get 3,000 worth of money, so it's proportional, it's based on what we serve and of course what we spend. So unfortunately we're just not getting enough money. As far as Project income goes, what we call our donations, those are the monies that when people come to eat at the center, you know some people might put in \$1.00, some people might put in \$3.00, and again for anybody over 60 it's an unsolicited donation, in other words you don't have to pay but as far as the meals that have been served in Beatty per meal we are only receiving \$2.04 congregate, for the home delivered program for the monies that are received by donation, we are only receiving \$0.49, \$0.49 cents a meal. So it's not a surprise to me that because we haven't seen any significant changes in any of the monies coming in and of course with the loss of the monies that we had at one time received with Nye County, that we are looking at deficit of over \$55,000.00 total this year. Again of which I was very clear about back in June, this isn't a surprise to me. It just makes me very sad, I am not happy to be here tonight at all to have to give you guys this information, and again because of the manpower I don't personally have the ability to go out and find \$55,000.00 for your community, I'm sorry.

Ann Marchand – Stated I believe it was in Dave's report he said that Tonopah, and so did Jennie state, that Tonopah is self sufficient. My question is what are they doing that Beatty and Amargosa are not doing to be self sufficient? Do we know that? What are they doing differently? I don't know if you are aware of it or not but before I went on the school services here for Beatty they were losing \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 per year. When I left they were making \$15,000.00 a year. This was one of the few schools that were making it, it can be done. The question is what are they doing? Has anybody analyzed this, to find out what they are doing differently in Tonopah that Beatty and Amargosa are not doing to make them self sufficient?

EG – Stated Jennie can probably answer this, but last year, and I don't know if it happened or not, Tonopah's Town Board had promised \$60,000.00 to the Tonopah Senior Center to get them through to this September point. So that's how they are going to get through this year. If Tonopah is going to give them another \$100,000.00 or whatever they need for next year, I don't know the answer to that question but that goes right back to the original problem. I knew when we promised the \$11,000.00 which I knew was a match, we knew that the program needed \$55,000.00 which is why we kept saying; what are you going to do to cut costs, what are you going to save if you are open two days. That's why we didn't give \$55,000.00 because we anticipated that some changes would be made so that it wouldn't be \$55,000.00. That was my anticipation anyway.

Ms. Marchand – Stated my other question is they were doing 50/50 raffles six months ago or so, I haven't seen any more 50/50 raffles, and maybe it was a year ago. I also understand that the money went to the County, is that correct or did it stay here? Does anybody know?

RR – Stated I believe it stayed here.

Ms. Marchand – Stated okay, that's good. Are they going to do more fund raisers like that to help augment their budget?

Marty Campbell – Stated we did. We had a spaghetti dinner and like I said before, if it wasn't for the donations we wouldn't have made any money at all. We didn't have any support. Everybody keeps saying why don't we do this or why don't we do that, we've done it, we don't have the support, we had people that were working weeks on that dinner and we didn't have any support. We can only do so much.

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Ms. Marchand – Stated that might be where you guys need to start. Make a list of these things that you are doing and how much money you make on these fundraisers so that whenever you come to a Board meeting like this you have that documentation to show them. These are the things that we are doing to try to raise money. Because I think that there is a perspective here that there's not anything being done. So if you guys have some documentation to present to the Board and to the public I think it would be very helpful.

Jimmy (no last name given) – Stated I feel like everybody, I don't care how old you are or how young you are, I think everybody should pay \$3.00 or \$6.00 regardless of your age and maybe if people paid we wouldn't have a lot of these budget problems. It seems to me a lot of people just don't care, they go into the Senior Center and half of them don't pay anything, not a dime. I think that is where a lot of the problem is coming in from the people not paying. I pay \$6.00 and I do pay my \$6.00 when I go in because I have it, but there's a lot of people that don't care, they go in there and get food for free. That's why we have this budget problem because nobody is paying what they owe. Pay the \$50,000.00 or \$55,000.00 to them or whatever it is and pay your taxes too.

Sharon Logston – Asked where does the money that we pay for the meal, say we have 10 people and everybody pays for their meal, does that help or what is that a lost cause?

DG – Stated Sharon that is something you would have to ask Senior Nutrition.

Jennie Martin – Stated, no it's not a lost cause.

Ms. Logston – Stated so another words is the Senior Center here going to be closed?

EG – Stated I don't know the answer to that question.

Ms. Logston – Asked when will we know?

EG – Stated I guess when they tell us it's closed.

Ms. Logston – Asked so we are going day by day?

EG – Stated the Senior Nutrition Chairman of the Board of Trustees is here, two or three members from the Board of Trustees are here and Jennie is the Finance Manager. So maybe we need to state what the agenda items are and then Jennie can address what she needs to.

EG – Read the agenda items.

RR – Stated I have a question for you Jennie. Since we are having all these problems with money, why was the Project Council allowed to get so far in the hole? They are \$7,000.00 or \$8,000.00 in the hole right?

Jennie Martin – Stated I believe, last count we were about \$6,700.00.

RR – Asked with so many budget problems why was that ever allowed to get so far out of hand?

Ms. Martin – Stated we believed that the Project Council was going to be able to raise the funds to pay their portion.

RR – Asked if this is approved would that still be allowed?

Ms. Martin – Stated no, not at all. Unfortunately there is no pot at the end of the rainbow right now as far as that is concerned. Unfortunately for quite a long time Beatty's Project Council just hasn't been able to either gain the support or however that is, I don't know. I want everybody to be aware that the Project Council at each site is a fundraising group. Their purpose at each site is to help us fundraise, so that would also be another group for us to look towards to help us raise monies along with any other person.

Ms. Martin – Stated I just want to run through real quickly, because I want to answer some of these questions that some of the folks have been asking. The monies that you pay for meals, yes of course that helps. Unfortunately we just don't take in enough monies period. For a whole year when you are looking at expenses of close to \$85,000.00 on congregate, I'm just talking about congregate right now. Beatty for instance, their projected amount to bring in would be about \$8,500.00 so that's 10% of the expense. Which 10% doesn't sound so bad but unfortunately you're talking about another \$70,000.00 some thousand dollars to bring up.

Sharon Logston – Stated but people die off, how can you run a Senior Center, we're old, I'm 79 years old, people are dying off.

Ms. Martin – Stated we do unfortunately lose some clients, yes they do pass.

Ms. Martin – Stated let me, I want to leave a statement towards the end of what I'm going to say here. As far as Tonopah is concerned, yes, their Town Board by whatever means they are able to do it. I don't know what kind of monies their Town Board was able to bring in, I have no idea on that, but yes they have fully committed the \$60,000.00 that we have asked for and that we said that we would need. Again, Amargosa is providing \$27,500.00 so.

EG – Asked Jennie, so when September 30th comes and that \$60,000.00 for Tonopah is done, have you gone to their Town Board and said can you give us whatever the amount is again?

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Ms. Martin – Stated it's my understanding that their Town Board understands that yes we don't have any other supplementation coming in. The loss of the monies from Nye County is the government, you know County of Nye. Yes they knew that when we came to them, this wasn't just going to fix everything and everything would be fine for five years. Every year they can anticipate probably needing about \$60,000.00 to keep their Center and their program running. Again, I mentioned the Project Council, they are fundraisers. Jerry, I wanted to mention to you that yes, the apportioning report is what we call our financial report and that lists everything in black and white it never deviates as to where our monies are going.

Jerry Martin – Stated these people need to get it too, on a regular basis.

Ms. Martin – Stated you're right, on a regular basis they do need to get it. So from this point forward I would imagine that within about 30 to 45 days you should be receiving reports from me period.

EG – Stated I don't know what to do or where to go. Here is what you sent to us; \$38,000.00 on congregate to get us through the end of September, \$9,700.00 to get us through on home delivered through the end of September. I would like to see this detailed plan for maybe taking the people from Beatty to Amargosa, I would like to see the plan of if we are open two days a week, for you to come and have a hot meal and we send you home with three frozen meals, what that going to cost. Because here's what's going to happen, I want everybody to listen, here's what's going to happen; if we give this money through the end of September, what's going to happen at the end of September? We're going to need another, the total whatever it is. This is only part of the year, and then we're going to need the money for the next year because nothing will have changed and that is my problem. We can say we'll give you \$50,000.00 to get through September, do we, can we as a community, and as a Board fund \$100,000.00 whatever it is thousands of dollars to fund the Senior Center every year? You cannot just think about it as through September. You have to think about every year, because if nothing changes, nothing changes and every year it's going to be this is what we need to fund the Senior Center and the only thing that I'm saying is that we're very adaptable, we're very resilient and I think that being able to go the center a couple of days a week and socialize and take three meals home with you might be a solution, but I don't know if it would be a solution because I don't know what the savings would be.

Ms. Martin – Stated I need to clarify, I sent out a revised report today and I don't know if Carrie received it.

EG – Stated yes she did.

Ms. Martin – Went on, we are actually looking at a deficit of \$46,000.00 in congregate not \$38,000.00 and a negative \$11,000.00 in home delivered. The reason for that is in my reporting, and again, I talked about if I rush, try to get to get something out, there is a line item for Nye County wage match it was stuck there and I didn't realize it until I was preparing for this meeting tonight, okay. We are looking at negative \$46,000.00 and negative \$11,000.00, and like I said that's all well and good. If we want to take a look at shutting the center down where we are only open two days a week, okay we can look at that. Obviously everything is going to be cut but, again keep in mind the \$18,000.00 that you are getting from Division of Aging this year, you can imagine, let's knock that down by what 60%? So 60% of \$18,000.00 you're still looking at monies that you are going to need to keep your Senior Center open every year.

EG – Stated okay but if you're cutting down on the number of congregate meals, those meals are going to carry over to home delivered meals, so those funds.

Ms. Martin – Stated no they don't. Home delivered meals are only based on folks who qualify for home delivered meals.

EG – Stated okay.

Ms. Martin – Stated I have no magic formula for this. Again, yes every year you are going to look at needing about \$55,000.00 a year, based on if everything stays the same. You're going to get the same project income; we're still going to get awarded the \$52,000.00 from division of aging. Nothing says that they are going to give us that amount but I can tell you I'd really be surprised if we ever got more monies. Unfortunately when we talk about grants, the Division of Aging transportation grant, it's a little bit backwards. This year we received \$127,000.00 to run our transportation program but we only received \$52,000.00 to run our nutrition program, our congregate program for three centers. We can't slice or dice this any way to make it look good.

Audience – Asked what is the annual shortfall running as is, right now?

Ms. Martin – Stated for congregate its negative \$46,000.00

Audience – Clarified, that would be the total annual shortfall?

Ms. Martin – Stated it would be closer to the negative \$55,000.00.

Audience – Asked and both those grants combined, what's the total?

Ms. Martin – Stated I've got that report right here, annual short fall for the program as a whole, I'm talking about all three sites would be negative \$75,790.00.

Audience - Stated I'm sorry, just for Beatty.

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Ms. Martin - Stated okay just for Beatty, we would be looking at the negative \$46,000.00 because that's the projected year end shortfall. Then for the home delivered program it's going to be the negative \$11,000.00. Again, you're right back at close to the \$55,000.00. Every time I run these numbers in a different way of doing it I'm still at the \$55,000.00. Is there anything else I can answer for anybody else tonight? I'm sorry that I'm not here to bring better news. I didn't get your name but I thought that was really good information about the School District, in that they had been losing money but that it had been able to get turned around. I would definitely love to talk with somebody and find out how that could change. So that may be one option. As far as the Center (Beatty) closing because this is a big one, at this moment we are looking at March 31st. It has too, we're negative right now and even based on the monies that would still be applied to Beatty's fund, we're going to end the year negative as it is. As far as sending people to Amargosa, unfortunately at this moment too, because Beatty is in such a dire place as far as their monies are concerned, I don't even know that we can send people to Amargosa. If they wanted to go on their own and eat of course they are always welcome to. If they wanted to go to Tonopah, I know people can't do that so well, that's a logistic nightmare.

EG - Asked, why would you not be able to send people to Amargosa?

Ms. Martin - Sated because, again, ending where we are March 31st we're looking at the congregate and the home delivered program would end on a negative number so we have depleted any monies that we could take from Beatty's portion of the grant to help supplement the additional expenses that Amargosa would now incur because of Beatty clients going to eat there. As far as, the only thing we, cause what's going to happen is if we send Beatty clients out there, we can transport them there, we have plenty of money to get everybody on the bus and get you out there, that's not a problem. But we get you out there and let's say Amargosa only brings in maybe an additional \$50.00 in project income, but their expenses go up and they are going to because now they are serving more food, we're going to have to pay more wages and unfortunately we would have to bring an assistant cook into the Amargosa Center because that cook there would not be able to make that many meals for everybody that we would expect to receive. Now we are talking about additional wages.

DG - Stated you had a grant for \$50,000.00 for a whole year correct?

Ms. Martin - Stated congregate yes.

DG - Stated okay so the money is gone six months into the year. If you close this center at the end of this month what happens? Was that grant given to you on a condition that it is spread out for a whole year?

Ms. Martin - Stated we do receive our money throughout the year, actually every quarter. I send in a request for funds every quarter and then we get monthly checks. I've already talked to the Division of Aging to confirm with them, as far as our \$52,000.00 for the entire year, we're not going to lose any of those monies, not this year. Like I said we're going to close the Center (Beatty) half way through the year and then of course we are going to anticipate not serving half the number of meals we would expect to serve from this Center. You can expect that the grant when we apply next year we would not receive anything close to \$52,000.00.

DG - Stated yes but if you've only used the money for half the year, you're not going to have to repay anything?

Ms. Martin - Stated no because we take in that \$52,000.00 and then it's up to the program to divvy it up between the sites, and again that's done the same way the Division of Aging does it when they go to award their monies. It's based on the number of meals served at each site.

EG - Stated and Beatty was receiving 41% of the grant.

Ms. Martin - Stated yes, I believe that is correct but what I really want to say is for congregate they are receiving about \$18,000.00 of the \$52,000.00.

EG - Stated I don't know how this is going to get resolved but wouldn't it make sense, if you have money in the transportation budget and you're operating one center you are going to be feeding at least the same amount of people if you're taking people. Then you have half of the operating costs or a third, you don't have those operating costs because you're running one center. Isn't that going to save a lot of money? At this point I don't want to see a job lost, I don't want to see hours cut but when you, ask Commissioner Wichman, when you have to make these decisions, you have to make these decisions and you guys have to make that decision. You have to decide what you are going to do.

Ms. Martin - Stated at this point if we can't secure any additional funds March 31st the center is closed.

EG - Stated I don't even know what to say. I'm just so disappointed and unhappy that we are a year later and we are at exactly the same point that we were a year ago.

Ms. Martin - Stated and with all due respect I said a year ago this is where we would be. The numbers haven't changed and historically expenses have always stayed the same.

CT - Stated if I may ask a couple of questions of you Jennie? What is the possibility of you coming down with a month to month, don't tell us \$38,000.00 until the end of September. What is the month to month budget that you would need to help keep this going until they can figure out, implementing the new plans, figuring out the

transportation, changing things up as was listed to us last year? Remember though in June we did say that we would send over that \$11,000.00 on a one time.

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Ms. Martin - Stated yes you did.

CT - Went on so that's the most important thing to remember, we said that back in June. We haven't gotten any updates. I know we've had a few members from the Senior Center come in and say this is what's happening but nobody has really given us hard numbers or anything. What is the hard number, right now, to keep it open from the end of March to the end of April, what is the month of April?

Ms. Martin - Stated we are looking at \$46,000.00 divided by seven months?

EG - Stated okay say we do that, if there is not a plan in a month that is saving money it's a moot point, it's a conversation that's going nowhere because we are back at the exact same thing. This is how much it costs to run the Center exactly the same way that we've been running it without making any changes. If there are sacrifices to be made then they've got to be made.

Ms. Martin - Stated one thing that will happen as well, in closing, whether the site remains open or not, obviously if we close on March 31st we'll be laying off our three staff members, but at this point we also have another member of our staff that we will not be able to retain period. Therefore our cook would be left alone to take care of all what happens in the kitchen, then we would be down to even more of a skeleton crew, it would be Holly and it would be Randy. Because the wages of our assistant cook at the Center were being reimbursed by the Project Council or in theory was supposed to be reimbursed by the Project Council and that's not happening.

Jimmy (no last name given) - Stated everything is in budgets. So much here, so much there and it sounds like we can understand what you want then we need to shut the senior down. If we can't make up the difference of what you are asking for and if we can't abide by those guidelines, we've got to do something either shut it down or do something, but get it over with.

Gisela Vendecker - Stated a couple of years ago I was treasurer of the Project Council, for the Beatty Center here. I do have a question, what, those grants that you talk about, that the lights cost so much, what the grants, what are they really for? You talk about the meals price but the Center needs the power for light and cooking and whatever, is that part of the grant?

Ms. Martin - Stated yes, the grant monies are meant to keep the Centers open so that we can provide a congregate meal so all of our expenses are meant to go to all of those things.

Ms. Vendecker - Stated part of that time at that time the Project Council had voted, because the Center has to be cleaned too. I think it has inspections where they come in, if it's not clean there's a problem. So at the time, I'm not sure what's currently, we had for janitor services, and the Project Council took responsibility to pay a person for an hour and a half. The cooks have to be paid, that's part of the grant?

Ms. Martin - Stated the Site Manager and the Cook their wages come out of the grant.

Ms. Vendecker - Stated okay. It did not cover the people there are regulations, I understand, at times when there's a vacation, they have to take vacation time and personal time that is seemingly not covered by the grant.

Ms. Martin - Stated it is and that is one of the reasons why we had to bill back the PC to bring somebody in to do their job.

Ms. Vendecker - Went on, because at the time when I was treasurer when there was vacation and there was a fill in the Project Council paid for it.

Ms. Martin - Stated that's correct because if Randy, for instance, takes an annual leave the grant does not have the money to pay for the fill in so that would be paid by the Project Council; Discussion followed.

Ms. Martin - Stated some of the reasons why we are having problems with the Project Council money is that they haven't been able to bring in the funds themselves. It's not that they have \$10,000.00 sitting in the bank and we're just not getting paid. I think last time I spoke with somebody there was very little left in the bank.

DG - Recognized Teresa (Sullivan) as the last speaker and stated and then we are going to bring this up to the vote.

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Teresa (Sullivan) – Stated first what I'm hearing is basically we are \$57,000.00 short running the Senior Nutrition Program this year and for every year going forward because the County is no longer funding them. The reality is and a lot of us have done fundraisers in this community, the reality is coming up with \$57,000.00 every year in a fund raiser for another program is just about impossible. This community, and I'm talking about the school, our student population is anywhere from 85% to 90%, free and reduced lunch at poverty level. That's this community, so to raise \$57,000.00 for the Senior Nutrition Program on top of everything else that everybody is fundraising for is, I just can't imagine it happening and those who have raised money are to be commended for what they have raised. I understand there is an issue with the records and the data coming from the County, perhaps that needs to be looked at and reviewed but I think the reality is if we want this program and personally I do. I think and by the numbers in the audience, I think it's clear that this community wants this program; the Town Board needs to look at funding this additional shortage. I know it's an issue I know it's a problem, I know it's a chunk of money but it's not as a whole going to come from anywhere else in any reliable form. If we don't look at that as a Town it's going to be a big cut and I don't think any of us want to see this program go on top of all of the other things that we've lost. Does it need to be cleaned up a little bit, yes, the Council, there's some disorganization, that's understandable too, because of the way things have just fallen in everybody's lap but that needs to be cleaned up and looked at. Maybe some cost cutting if it's possible but in reality I think the Program needs to be funded. I think we need to look at that as a community.

EG – Clarified, every year by \$60,000.00 a year for forever.

Ms. Sullivan – Stated that's what I'm saying.

DG – Thanked Teresa and asked Kelly if he wanted to say anything

KC – Stated it's not \$60,000.00, it would be \$68,000.00. You forgot the \$11,000.00 that we gave earlier, that's \$68,000.00 annually. The only way I see this happening is to raise taxes on something, like we do the Room Tax for the Museum

RR – Stated raise the property tax or something.

KC – Went on that's a huge chunk and you want it to come from somewhere, and you want it to come from somewhere, so there's got to be a tax to come up with this.

Ms. Sullivan – Stated I listened to the Treasurer's report, there's a lot of extra money in a lot of extra funds, I'm not saying that

KC – Asked how long would that last?

Ms. Sullivan – Stated look at it I'm saying look at it.

EG – Stated I'm going to tell you, let's just say it's \$50,000.00 a year and we use Community Services and Support, that's four years. That's the problem we just cannot keep going along the way we're going along and not making any changes. We can't do it, it's not sustainable. The only way for this program to be sustainable is for there to be some changes and there's no changes being proposed and I have a problem with that.

Audience – Stated there has been changes made already.

Audience – Stated she needs to see it in writing.

EG – Stated no I don't need to see it in writing, I need to know that this \$68,000.00; the Board of Trustees close the Center one day a week that saved this much money, \$55,000.00 minus this much is this much, we did this minus this much that's what I need to know, that's what I need to see. Yes, we can give them money and everything goes along as it has until the Town doesn't have any money and the Program isn't able to be funded and there is no money to fund anything.

Ms. Sullivan – Stated one extension of my thought and Mr. Adcox had said this to me. Perhaps table this for a week, get the reports that you need from everybody sit down and look at it again and look at it and make a decision. I know there is a lot of information that you didn't have until tonight or that you need to go over more. Do something like that so that you have all of the information and you can make a more informed decision.

DG – Acknowledged Richard Stephens

Mr. Stephens – Stated I've heard a lot about people not putting in their donations when they come to eat at the Center. I wonder if everybody put in a certain amount what difference would it make, would it make a significant difference. Did you say they are taking in 10% of what it cost to make the meals?

Ms. Martin stated about 10% of the total expenses.

Mr. Stephens – Went on I just wonder how many people are contributing when they come in and eat. How many people are supporting their own Senior Center? I think there needs to be plenty of support there too, not to just come in and ask everybody else but to come in and put some money in when they come in to eat. If you can, there may be people who can't but almost anybody can put in something.

DG – Thanked Mr. Stephens

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Marty Campbell - Stated the Project Council, everybody says yeah, we don't have any money in the Project Council. The only place we get money from is Bingo, which we try to get people to come and play and we get the same individuals coming each week. We very seldom see half the people here (in the audience). We had the store which is closed half the time because we can't get any volunteers. We need volunteers. Those are the two big items we have. We also had jars out in various areas saying help the Senior Center and we did get money that way too. We have tried, like I said we had the spaghetti dinner, we had a booth here at Christmas time, we had the store open back there (behind the Community Center) and unfortunately some people just don't support us. If you guys have any better ideas about how to make money we're open to suggestions.

DG - Asked Crystal if she had any questions

CT - Stated she believes we've covered it.

DG - Stated to me, and I expressed this last time, I think this is a subsidy and I don't like subsidies. If they really were interested in getting support from the Town, when we gave them that \$11,000.00 last year, right in Erika's motion we wanted to see reports, we wanted to see what you were trying to do, and here we are and we've never seen anything. We are hearing the same things we heard last time. Well, we'll get you the reports we promise this and we promise that. All I can see is that next time we do this, if it came to that we are going to be doing the same thing, where's the reports, where's this or that. You would think that if it was such a dire necessity or situation as it was back when we came in the first time, that you'd think that maybe they would make an effort to get us the information that we had asked for. Now maybe somebody is busy or whatever but my God you're looking at trying to keep this thing open. I'm going to leave it at that.

DG - Asked EG if she had final thoughts or wanted to make a motion.

EG - Stated I don't want to make a motion, what I want is that in a week or two weeks or sometime before the end of the month that we have a viable plan to sustain the Senior Center, that's what I want and we don't have that. So I don't know where to go and I know there's a whole room full of people here that want to have the Senior Center open. I want to have the Senior Center open. It's easy to just give the money, that's the easy part but sustain the Center for the next five years that's the hard part and if nothing changes, nothing changes. We can be forward thinking or we can just keep giving the money and keep things the same and then everything that this Town has worked so hard to do, to build up and to save up for, and the plans that we've made to go forward then that money is gone and nothing has changed.

CT - I would like to bring up the thought, following up on what Teresa said, let's sleep on it for two weeks. Give us the reports that have been happening. Mr. Hall you said that you have been Chairman for the Senior Nutrition Board since August? November, okay. Seriously the Board of Trustees has had November, December, January, February, March, four months to come to us. Rather than saying you know what? If we don't get the money today we have to close at the end of the month. That was four months ago, you had to have had an idea four months ago of what was happening and where it was looking at, you had a target of a downslide. Why are you coming to us the month of and saying in two weeks we're going to close it down, when you are not giving us the Town Advisory Board and the members of the community enough time, without freaking out and panicking, to try to help you guys fix the problem. Last year June we said let's come up with some ideas, nothing has been come up with since June to the make the changes. No changes have really been made. I would like to make a motion if I may?

CT - Motioned that we table this until the next meeting in hopes that the Trustees will get together and come up with some reports and some ideas to help with saving the Senior Center

Audience - Asked can I just make one comment? I understand your funding is done the end of March, that's two weeks. If they are going to get documentation to you it's probably going to take them a week or two to get all of the documentation. Wouldn't it be in the better interest of the Senior Center to maybe have funding available until the end of April? That's six weeks, so you have a week or two for them to get the documentation to you and so forth. Approve one more month because you have to get it on the agenda, approve it, because if you wait two weeks that's the day they are closing.

EG - Stated they are already in the hole. We've paid the invoices for October, November, and December there's a little bit left which will pay some of the invoices for January. They're in the hole for January, February and March. I would like to, if you guys want to come back to us with something that we can be more supportive of that's what I want. I want to see something; if it has to be a special meeting we'll have a special meeting. I think you have all the numbers that you need to put something together quickly. I want to say for one person, sitting on this Board of five people, living in a community of 1,000 people, nobody has asked me.... I tried to go to the meetings (Project Council) but who knows when they are and they get canceled, whatever. Make a list up here's the hours that we need the thrift shop open and bring it to me and let me fill in, you need somebody to clean and not pay somebody to clean, ask some people, can you volunteer to clean on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, you know.

DG - Stated we have a motion to table.

KC - Seconded the motion; 3-2; 1 abstain RR; 1 nay DG

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EG - Asked the Chair if they get the information and we can arrange a special meeting could we have a special meeting?

EG - Asked CT to amend her motion to reflect that.

CT - Stated I'm amending my motion to table this for two weeks with the exception of if there is a possibility that the Trustees can come up with reports before hand and if we have enough time post the agenda to hold a special meeting for the Senior Center; Second KC; 3 -2; abstain RR; 1 nay DG

- c. For Possible Action - Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve a request for additional supplemental funding in the form of reimbursement invoices for Home Delivered in the amount of Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$9,700.00) to carry through 09/30/16. - Dave Hall; Nye County Senior Nutrition Project Board of Trustees Chair**

EG - Motion to table the request for supplemental funding for home delivered meals in the amount of \$9,700.00 to as soon as possible for plans and options to be provided; Second KC; 3-2 abstain RR; 1 nay DG

- d. For Possible Action - Discussion, deliberation and decision to set a date and time for the second Beatty Town Budget Workshop. - Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary - Recommended Monday March 28, 2016 at 5:30pm.

RR - Motion to set Monday March 28, 2015 at 5:30pm the date and time for the second Beatty Town Budget Workshop.; Second CT; 5-0

10 General Public Comment

Summer Taylor - Stated she wanted to inform everyone that Beatty High School FCCLA had a good time up in Reno and we have 6 of us who are now going to Nationals which will be in San Diego on July 3rd. We are going to be selling See's Candy Bars. If you want to buy See's Candy Bars please ask one of the High School Students.

Ms. Taylor - Sated this weekend she will be representing Beatty up in Reno for Poetry Out Loud.

11 Adjournment

KC- Motion to adjourn at 8:35pm; Second RR; 5-0