



**INCLINE VILLAGE • CRYSTAL BAY CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD
LAKE TAHOE**

**DRAFT MINUTES
Monday, May 23, 2011
6:30 p.m.**

DRAFT: Approval of these draft minutes, or any changes to the draft minutes, will be reflected in writing in the next meeting minutes and/or in the minutes of any future meeting where changes to these minutes are approved by the CAB.

- 1.* **CALL TO ORDER/SALUTE TO FLAG** - Chairperson Bea Epstein called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- 2.* **ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM** - Bea Epstein, Mike Sullivan, Mark Alexander, Patrick McBurnett, David Zeigler. Excused absent: Deborah Nicholas, Gerry Eick, Geoff Zahler.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR MEETING OF MAY 23, 2011** – David Zeigler approved the agenda; Mike Sullivan seconded the motion to approve the Agenda of May 23, 2011.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2011** - David Zeigler approved the minutes, Mike Sullivan seconded the motion to approve the Minutes for the meeting of February 28, 2011.

5.* REPORTS AND UPDATES

- A. **WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, INCLINE SUBSTATION ITEMS** - Chairperson Bea Epstein reported the NV State Highway Patrol officers have been enforcing speed limits strictly; enforcing traffic along Hwy 28 along Hidden Beach and giving citations for parking in no parking zones. A Sheriff was present to give a report. Washoe County Sheriff Haley is holding a town hall meeting Tuesday, May 24. You may view this on a webcast on www.washoesheriff.com. Haley is also holding a meeting on Thursday, May 26. Haley will review the budget cut back and how it affects the Sheriff services. Budget cuts will also affect court appearances by Officers. Current crime trends in Incline Village: Not much to report up here which is good news; arrested four subjects responsible for vehicle/residential burglaries. We caught all of them and the crime has gone down as a result. The sheriff continued to answer questions regarding speeding citations and other traffic matters. He also encourages people signing up for Alert ID, it's a great tool; Alert ID.com, sign up and you will get emails regarding alerts for different types of alerts, at different levels. Mapping software where the crimes occur. Sheriff reported on the closing of the state prisons in California, releasing 40,000 prisoners; the sheriff spoke about how that will affect Nevada, and it will add more pressure on the Sheriffs.
- B. **WASHOE COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT, INCLINE STATION ITEMS** – Dick Minto was not present.
- C. **NORTH LAKE TAHOE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ITEMS** – No representative present. Don Epstein, community member and member of the Board of the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District informed us that the NLFPD Passed budget last Friday. Change in fire protection – doing well. Plans for control burns are based on weather conditions, ask Tia and check the website for details on control burns.
- D. **IVGID ITEMS** – General Manager, Bill Horn, was not present.

6.* WASHOE COUNTY UPDATE AND COUNTY LIAISON REPORTS

- A. **Washoe County Update** – Commissioner Breternitz – Few items to review.
 - Washoe County Budget is not good shape. Passed budget last Monday with a \$31.million budget reduction. Doesn't include \$24 million that may be taken away from the State legislature. Over the last 4 years, approximately 700 employees. Our revenue is down \$155 million dollars. We have cut the budget to meet revenue and personnel. Working on programs to stop this terrible process of looking at the budget and making the employees cut the budget over and over. We have at least 3 more years of declines. Taxes are leveling out, but we anticipate looking for efficiencies, and shared business license, sharing inspectors with Reno. We have to provide certain services. Committees are formed to study core services, and those supported with revenues. Those services that aren't considered 'core' services, or mandated, we will do away with. Some services could be going away. If you can't afford it, you got to do away with it. Modify delivery of services. Parks and Open Space, Libraries are examples of services that could be cut. We had a meeting with Library Board, and I encouraged them to be more creative on finding efficiency and operating model.
 - Meeting on Friday with TRPA regarding Community Planning process – beginning to see some life. Pathways 2007 vision and likely to be include in a process – they recognize and want to incorporate the time frame to

be the same time as the regional plan update, in order to be complete at the same time. Major character elements to be determined by the community. Hopefully we will find a balance of input at the same time keep unity around the basin.

- Total Daily Maximum Load: T– EPA Feds were here, and we learned of the plan/jurisdictions that if things are continuing, \$10 Million per jurisdiction could get cut; we couldn't afford that hit. There are discussions on forming coalitions. If WC could purchase equipment, and working with other GIDs on running the equipment. It's not defined yet. It's a serious issue. Designate a staff person to be our lead on the technical information. Particulates, dust, and fine particles get into the water. That is a major cause of loss of clarity.
- Funding was passed for the sidewalk project on Incline Way. Sidewalk construction should start in late summer.
- All fire entities are feeling pinches. Finding efficiency, overseeing managing responsibility with delivering services. Commission Board Meeting talked about an interlocal agreement for labor.

The CAB board members and community members commended Washoe County for analyzing and meeting the difficult budget. Questions were asked by the board members, and the following answers were provided.

- Sponsor or service organization to help manage the parks: We have received major support by volunteers; thousand hours had been volunteer hours in the parks and libraries. We have many volunteers who function in many services. If you know of any service organization who want to sponsor. We haven't closed a library, but have cut hours. We are currently using low risk inmates to do graffiti removal. There is a risk to have inmates work in places where there could be contact with children.
- Budget affect on the WC Sheriff: The State mandates are going to impact the Sheriff services in a big way. Potential budget cuts could be 100 officers. Sheriff has been communicating everything with the community in order for the public to know what is going on. There are restrictions in the Statutes; there is a mandated responsibility, and the Sheriff is currently researching the statutory basis for service ratios. Board members asked Commissioner Breternitz if they should create a resolution to support the Sheriff.
- Overall budget questions: The total budget impact has been reduced; budget cut would be \$24million. There have been changes and modifications to statutes. Please contact your legislature to express your concern with budget cuts and services eliminated. Supreme Court decisions could affect our jails; they are overflowing already.

B. County Liaison Report – Sarah Tone, County Liaison for Districts 1, 2, and 3 is available to answer questions and concerns. Please feel free to contact her at stone@washoecounty.us or 775.328.2721. To sign up to receive email updates from the County, visit www.washoecounty.us/cmail. The written County updates are available online at www.washoecounty.us/cab (follow the link to your CAB).

7.* PUBLIC COMMENT – NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

8.* UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE - **David Zeigler** reported that he attended a presentation by the Tahoe Prosperity Center; a comprehensive plan for Tahoe Basin. On May 12, The Bonanza reported an article on cultivating resident and business culture on collaboration. He encourages everyone to read the article regarding the benefits to the community. **Patrick McBurnett** reported that Kathryn Kelly is doing a great job with the new educational concept, the eLearning Café. He encouraged everyone to stop by there and check out what they have to offer.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION TO PERMANENTLY CHANGE THE CAB MEETING SCHEDULE:

- Reason for the CAB meeting schedule is to be able to meet and discuss certain projects were approved without the CAB being able to meet about it. Each CAB member provides insight regarding each case. It was decided that we would discuss this schedule change.

- CAB members expressed they don't care to respond to variances via email; the CAB members expressed he would like to meet every other month, or every other month would help facilitate and participate in the process of variance approval.

The CAB recommended that the best months to meet would be: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th month of the year; March, April, May, July, September, November. Commission Breternitz said this schedule would be possible.

Guy Burge made a motion to adopt the recommendation to change meeting schedule; Mark Alexander seconded the motion to make those recommendations to change meeting months.

B. Senate Bill 271: relating to land use planning; providing for the withdrawal of the State of Nevada from the TRPA: Dave Zeigler.

David Zeigler reported on the Senate Bill 271. SB 271 would take Nevada out of the TRPA, however, they don't have an agency established to take over those responsibility. NTPA will temporarily take over. NV will need an agency with the level of responsibility to keep it at the state level. New guidelines need to be established. The basin needs to be recognized as a whole. Dave Zeigler said this is a bad idea. Commissioner Breternitz talked about SB 271. The commissioner is part of the TRPA board; he said he wasn't asked whether he thought it was a good idea or not. TRPA has been cumbersome; however, there has not been a proposal that satisfies the need for the coordination over the basin. That is the major complaint. He gave a synopsis of the most recent changes over the legislation; those changes don't do anything with providing interim studies. NV would pull out if the state of CA and congress don't make the changes that NV wants them to make. It's a foregone conclusion. Breternitz said he doesn't foresee congress to go along with it. He said it's not a good idea to leave the basin in a free for all. There needs to be some kind of Invasive species coordination. TRPA is not the most flexible; however there are great changes with Joanne Marchetta. Breternitz says he hates to see it go away without an effort to improve the organization. The financial contributions are 2/3 CA, 1/3 NV. California came through at \$4million, NV \$1.2million. Regional Plan Update 2013, the Governor has the right to prolong it two years. There is discussion about changing the voting structure of TRPA; reduce the amount of votes CA has over NV projects. Unfortunately, there is misinformation out there. Commissioner Breternitz said he can send the Synopsys analysis on the issues. TRPA won't be able to administer some grants because they don't have the money.

CAB members express their opinion of the matter: Architects and engineers are fed up with TRPA. We should give Joanne Marchetta a chance to make changes. NV has done a lot better job. It's a bad idea to pull out.

Community members made comments regarding this item:

Gene Brockman reported he had attended the legislature that morning. The Council gave a brief synopsis, a mock up of the bill; it was passed without testimony and discussion and heard by Senate Tuesday, May 24. The essence of this – follow the existing compact with format. 14 man governing board – 8 members constitutes a quorum. Joanne Marchetta has best resume for what is going on Tahoe basin; has a vision and plan to get around the culture clash. It goes to the Senate and Assembly. **Mike Young** said CA puts pressure NV. TRPA is caught in the pressure and they are non-functioning. Invasive species inspection efforts will still continue because a grant will pay for it. TRPA has been in existence for a long time, and if they don't perform, that is the problem. **Greg McKay** said TRPA is performing poorly, and it has been for years. NV has a good representation in implementing mandates. I hope Joanne Marchetta has time to reform. There needs to changes to the governance.

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. Health Clinic Update: Chris Spencer was not here to present.

11.*CHAIRMAN/MEMBER COMMENTS

Next Agenda Items: No members requested any agenda items at the present time. Chairperson Epstein reminded the members to give any agenda items to her or to the Recording Secretary Misty Moga by June 13th

12. ADJOURNMENT - David Zeigler made a motion to adjourn; Patrick McBurnett seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.