



South Truckee Meadows/Washoe Valley Citizens Advisory Board

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1. CALL TO ORDER/ DETERMINATION OF QUORUM – Marge Frandsen, Robert Dunbar (via zoom), Tom Burkhart, Dave Snelgrove, and Wesley Mewes (arrived late).

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge was recited.

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT –

Mark Neumann, Washoe County Senior Services Board member for District 3, spoke about senior services. He brought some pamphlets and information.

Jay Collins, a Washoe Valley resident, said he is happy to see County Manager and the new County Commissioner is in attendance. This is an important issue for us and has come up in County meetings. He said there are rumors and issues around Sol Cannabis lounge. He said the owner had made bold statements that weren't accurate. He said the owner said there are 6-8 bars in Washoe Valley. The reality is there are 2. The owner said he had talked with law enforcement, who said there had been no increase in impaired driving since the legalization of recreational cannabis, and it wouldn't affect us if a lounge was put in. That is ridiculous. Nevada has no consumption lounge; therefore, there are no records of people going to such lounges. The other statement was that people drive around impaired by alcohol and prescription drugs. That's true. The reality is that it's an illogical argument. Is he suggesting we add more impaired people to the road by adding a consumption lounge? The arguments don't stand the light of day. On page two of what I have are 17 municipal counties that do not want consumption lounges. The source of this is the cannabis compliance board.

Donna Clontz, Washoe County Senior Advisory Board member, is attending the CABs to share the senior services information. She shared the senior magazine and information. We have an age-friendly program with Reno, Washoe County, and AARP. It looks at what could make our community better as we get older. Sparks is also trying to work on an age-friendly program. She shared the resource guide. For those who use the taxi bucks program with RTC, they are expanding their program. Start attending RTC programs to express the need for those who don't drive. AARP is working on fraud prevention for seniors. 33% of residents are 50+ in the county, and 25% are 60+ and older. We are here and need the services.

Wes Mewes joined the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Scott Johnson, GOP precinct captain in Galena, announced a commissioner meeting coming up with an item about the drag queen story hour at the library. We are opposed to. If you don't favor that, please make your voices heard. We don't feel that's appropriate for our monies to be spent on.

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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING OF OCTOBER 6, 2022 (for Possible Action) – Tom Burkhart moved to approve the minutes of October 6, 2023. Marge Frandsen seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

5. WASHOE COUNTY DEPARTMENT UPDATES – (Non-Action Item)

- Washoe County Commissioner (Approx. 5 minutes) – Commissioner Clark introduced himself. In response to a public member's inquiry, Commissioner Clark spoke about the cannabis consumption lounge vote at the County Commission meeting. He said the first vote was regarding overturning the Planning Commission's vote. The next vote was 3 to 2 that we should uphold the lower commission's decision. It was ramrodded through. We should stand behind those decisions by the committees. In this case, we had a ton of folks who reached out who stated they were against it and then people who expressed that they were in favor of it. We need to make sure to control it and make sure it's safe. It's a polarizing issue. The state has ruled on it. We need to figure out the safest could be. People leave bars intoxicated, but it's not acceptable, either. There aren't tests that accurately measure it by law enforcement. It's a hot-button issue. The man who is trying to get this through gave me a campaign contribution, but I didn't cash the check. I don't want to make money on a hot-button issue. I want to hear what the public says; that's who I represent. There is another side to the coin. There are issues with odors that need to be fixed. A public member said she attended the Commission meeting, and I didn't hear one person say they were for it. Commissioner Clark said you're right. They weren't there, but afterward, there was a blizzard of people who favored it. Commissioner Clark wanted it back on the agenda and all the facts.

A public member said Commissioner Clark's predecessor stated that we could listen to what CABs say but are not entitled to do what they recommend. Thank you, Commissioner Clark, for being open to us and not closing the door on us. Commissioner Clark said I'd listen to anyone's concern.

- Washoe County Manager's Office (Approx. 5 minutes) – County Manager Eric Brown was in attendance.
- Washoe County Sheriff's Office (Approx. 5 minutes) – Brock Tyler, Luitenant, spoke about crime trends of burglaries and violent crimes. He said burglaries are down, but aggravated assaults are up. Locally, we had a vehicle burglaries spry but had strategies that addressed them. He addressed the question about detecting marijuana impairment – he spoke about roadside impairment training. A public member asked about the street racing on McCarren. Lt. Tyler said there are a lot of local and out-of-town racers. It's been going on for a long time. We are putting out effort into stopping that activity. A public member said she heard a rumor of a sheriff's substation in Washoe Valley. Lt. Tyler said he hadn't heard that rumor. She asked where the closest substation. Lt. Tyler said Parr Blvd or Incline Village. Mr. Neumann asked about the catalytic converter thefts out here. Lt. Tyler said Deputy Butler made an effort to prevent theft with the paint catalytic converters program.
- Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (Approx. 5 minutes) - Martin Johnson reported on incidences in the area. There were 845 calls in the area this fall – 281 calls per month. On average, there were six fires. We will continue to have cold weather. Clear walkways and driveways to prevent slips and falls. Be cautious with how you heat your home with space heaters that can tip over and start a fire. Keep generators outside during power outages. He provided an update about the springs' green waste and curbside chipping program. We are partnering with regional partners during the winter storms. A public member said there would be a fire substation near Old Washoe City. Mr. Johnson said we are in the process of moving out of the valley fire station due to bat infestation. The plan for the new station in Washoe City and moving forward, but not been completed yet. It's a plan to combine the stations. We are still planning. He said he could follow up. A public member

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asked about re-opening open burning. Mr. Johnson said it depends on air quality. Chipping will happen in the springtime. Check the website for more information and dates.

6. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT – Kimberly Dow, District Manager, will present BLM issues related to the South Truckee Meadow/Washoe Valley area. Abandon vehicles and dumping on public lands and an update on target shooting on public lands. (Non-Action Item) (Approx. 25 minutes).

Kim Dow provided a PowerPoint presentation. Garret Sarcinella, Law Enforcement Ranger, was also present.

Chair Snelgrove asked about the best way to send the info. Mr. Sarcinella suggested sending pictures and GPS location. Sometimes pictures have coordinates and geolocate; otherwise, send a picture, open Google Maps, and take a screenshot.

Mr. Burkhart asked how much it costs to tow an abandoned vehicle. Mr. Sarcinella said it depends on location and hazardous materials. It could be \$500-\$1000.

Mr. Neumann said he would get his contact to present at the Sun Valley CAB.

Mr. Nailor asked if there is a place to see the updates of the Resource Management Plan. Ms. Dow recommended he visit the BLM/Nevada Webpage Resource Management Plan.

A public member said we have tall white-top that the BLM used to help with. Ms. Dow said she would get that info to our people.

Ms. Dow spoke about big game habitats and the removal of abandoned vehicles.

Mr. Neumann asked if they were trying to obtain ARPA funds. Ms. Dow spoke about applying for a variety of grant funding.

7. NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING HUB – Marc De La Torre, Washoe County Community Outreach Coordinator, to share the latest community information on the Neighborhood Meeting HUB featuring development community meetings. (Approx. 5 minutes) (Non-Action Item)

Marc De La Torre provided an overview of the HUB site. A public member asked about PowerPoints. Mr. De La Torre noted it's PowerPoints provided by the developer. He showed you where you could provide your feedback. The public member asked if he could submit his PowerPoint as a comment for the commission meeting. Mr. Snelgrove said he had seen PowerPoints as public comments. The public member said he would like to provide pictures with comments.

8. CAB BOARD MEMBER/BCC NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — This item is limited to announcements and/or requests for future agenda items by CAB members. (Non-Action Item) (Approx. 5 minutes).

Mr. Snelgrove invited people from Washoe Valley to join the CAB board. We need Washoe Valley representation.

A public member said there is marijuana odor and loud music issues from the Sol manufacture. It disturbs our community. The Washoe County Air Quality has turned it over to the Cannabis Control Board. We can email us but aren't obligated to contact us. There are numerous complaints of being permeated by this. Sol could put in the filtration system. Mr. Snelgrove said the noise could be a code enforcement issues. She said the old gas station lights are blinding. Mr. Snelgrove said there

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are shielding requirements for lights. She will get with Mark and Commissioner on how to address those. A public member said the owner is not around, and there isn't enough code enforcement staff to enforce it.

Bill Nailor said the process of taking public lands and transferring them to the counties and Cities is a black hole to the public. He requested a presentation of the process. Mr. Snelgrove said the Lands Bill might have come before us but will put that on the list.

A public member said we don't have enough open space, a safe space for dogs. She said they did open South Valley's Park for off-leash, but it's only open all day for four months. She said that park is too small. Mr. Snelgrove said he would check with Rec & Park master plan phases may include a dedicated dog park. A public member requested an update from the Rec & Park Department update of trails.

Mr. Neumann said City of Reno/Washoe County/Sparks are discussing parks on 2/21 at the McKinley Art Center.

A public member requested TMFPD provide a presentation regarding an update on evacuation routes.

Ms. Frandsen said she was thankful the County Commissioner attended this CAB meeting. She provided a suggestion regarding a presentation about the Lands Bill.

Mr. De La Torre noted there are three CAB meeting dates impacted in 2024 due to the election.

9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT —

Donna Clontz announced the Senior Resource Fair.

Mark Neumann said if you are a widow/widower, you can get discounts on vehicle registration.

10. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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South Truckee
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Citizen Advisory Board
Meeting Feb. 02, 2023

Ed Alexander's Mis-characterization's-):

- 1) There are (6 to 8) bars in Washoe Valley already
 - a) Reality: There are (2) in New Washoe City:
 - i) They are 2.5 miles away from the Old 395 corridor
(I)Sand and Sage Grill & Washoe Camp Saloon

- 2) In talking with law enforcement personal Ed says that that there has been no increase of impaired driving since the legalization of recreational cannabis sales
 - a) Reality: This in no way represents what would happen with Consumption Lounges.
 - i) Because there are none in operation yet

- 3) There are already people driving around while imparted by alcohol and prescription drugs
 - a) Reality: This is an Illogical argument
 - i) Is Ed suggesting that we add more impaired people driving our roads but now under the influence of Cannabis products
 - ii) Or is Ed saying that he is being discriminated against because he will not be allowed to help make this problem worse

(note) There are already (17) Municipalities and Counties in the State of Nevada that have decided not to offer the opportunity to open Cannabis Lounges in their Jurisdictions primarily because of the Highway Safety Issue



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Local Jurisdictions Opted-Out of Cannabis Consumption Lounge Licenses

This list includes local jurisdictions which have opted-out of the licensing process for cannabis consumption lounge licenses. As a result, the local jurisdictions listed below will not appear as an option on the CCB's consumption lounge license application.

- Boulder City
- Carson City
- City of Elko
- City of Fernley
- City of Henderson
- City of Mesquite
- City North Las Vegas
- City of Sparks
- City of Yerington
- Douglas County
- Eureka County
- Lander County
- Lincoln County
- Lyon County
- Mineral County
- Pershing County
- City of Winnemucca

The CCB makes no representations that a local jurisdiction selected by the applicant will allow consumption lounges or if they will implement stricter regulations than what the CCB has promulgated. The applicant should check with the local jurisdiction if it has any questions on how the local jurisdiction will be handling consumption lounges.

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