



West Truckee Meadows Citizens Advisory Board

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Minutes of the West Truckee Meadows Citizen Advisory Board meeting held at Roy Gomm Elementary School, 4000 Mayberry Drive, Reno, NV. November 4, 2013, 6:30pm.

1. ***CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Leslie Skinner. Jay Spaulding led the Salute to the Flag.
2. ***ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM OF SEVEN CAB MEMBERS WERE PRESENT** - Sean McCoy, David Pappas, Leslie Skinner, John (Jay) Spalding, George Georgeson, Linda Heiss. Randy Lyn Reed was absent.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 4, 2013**
Leslie made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting of November 4, 2013; George Georgeson seconded the motion to approve the agenda.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2013**
Leslie Skinner made a motion to approve the minutes for the meeting of September 9, 2013. Sean McCoy seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion unanimously passed.
5. ***PUBLIC COMMENT** – No Public Comments.
6. ***UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**
 - George Georgeson – Bear situation in Caughlin Ranch. Want to install bear proof trash cans. Lives on Skyline, and the bears get into the trash. Home owners association want to enforce the bear proof trash cans. Talked to the Nevada Department of Wildlife. NDOW said they have two traps down here. Concerned if the bear proof trashcans are installed, the bears will move down further in Reno. We will ask Sarah Tone because she has the knowledge regarding bears.
 - Sean McCoy – mentioned the Water Quality workshop – November 22, 8:30am. Register before the 20th.
 - Leslie Skinner – Sat in on a County Manager interviews – John Slaughter. Congratulations to John.
7. ***PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS**
 - A. **Washoe County Commissioner Update** – Commissioner Marsha Berkbigler will provide updated information on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Following her presentation, Commissioner Berkbigler will be available to address questions and concerns from the CAB and audience. Commissioner Berkbigler may be reached at 775-328-2005 or mberkbigler@washoecounty.us.
8. ***PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES**
 - A. **Washoe County Sheriff Office (WCSO)** – No Sheriff Representative present. Information about WCSO is available online at www.washoesheriff.com or 775-328-3001.
9. *** UPDATE FROM WASHOE COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES** – Dave Solaro, Washoe County Acting Community Services Director provided an update regarding Bridal Paths located in the Juniper Hills Subdivision. Juniper Equestrian trails update: There aren't any staff still working with Washoe County who had been part of this conversation before. Dave handed out a map – 1999; areas highlighted in Yellow the Board of County Commissioners were decided to keep open. All colors on the map are easements. Who maintain the trails? There aren't too many notes tied to the map discussion. We are suppose to maintain the trails; working with Sheriff's work crew to work on the trails highlighted in yellow. We need to notice the property owners that we will be out doing work. March will be when we can come out to do some work. We don't have the man power with our community services crew. County Board of Commissioners has directed staff to maintain these trails. No Homeowner association active in this area. Linda Heiss asked about the CC&Rs for these paths. Dave said the paths are recorded on the deed as Equestrian trails.

Julee Olander – resident of the area since 1999 – trails weren't being maintained; CAB members became interested in regaining the trails. They were overgrown. People had built into the easements. 1998-99, they surveyed the easements and determined what needed to be maintain. There are culverts are steep. Those need to be redone. Crews came in and cleared them, and they started to grow them again. 2003-2004 were cleared. Residents in this neighborhood are confrontational; people along the paths that don't want them cleared. The lots are about 1 acre. Dave Solaro – usually the Chair, Leslie Skinner 775.233-6063 (h) Recording Secretary, Misty Moga mistybray33@yahoo.com CAB Program – 775.328.2720

county signs off on all improvements, and need to find those. These paths were offered for dedication and put on the map and accepted by County. The paths are access easement, but recorded as equestrian easement. Dedicated as equestrian use. There would definitely a lawsuit if you try to change the use of the original purpose. Issues and problems; where is the liability? Julee said read liabilities established NRS41. The County is under no obligations to maintain. Dave Solaro said they will notify the residents with an informational bulletin; it's not asking permission.

Julee asked if the paths can be put on a schedule every two or three years so we don't have to bring this in again. Dave Solaro – agreed, and said he will work with the work crew supervisor to come out to clear every several years. Have a standing schedule. Have a limited budget to make improvements to the drainage ditch, but will take a look.

Sean McCoy asked if there are signs posted on these trails? Signs indicating what you can do on this path. What is authorized to do on this path? Pass it along to residents. Dave Solaro – yes, the signs indicate 'these are bridal paths' – can give an update after they get in there to maintain. There wasn't much discussion on the previous minutes on this issue, it was just taken care of. Trying to identify and determine the term 'equestrian trail,' and can do other activities.

Chair person, Leslie Skinner asked what would it take to change the easement use? Dave – each property easement would have to change. Julee said residents make it difficult to make changes. County might not be willing or able to confront this issue. It's frustrating. Sean McCoy said everyone can enjoy them if not restricted. At least post the law of the equestrian land.

Julee – keep the paths clean – it's very important. We lost some of the paths due to them not being maintained. We will appreciate it.

10.*CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

- Bear discussion
- Reno High School kids do art on the Idlewild Park – the homeless population is becoming an issue in that park.
- Graffiti Abatement – Street art vs. Graffiti; when and where? Brooke Howard from WCS

11.*PUBLIC COMMENT – No Public Comments.

12. ADJOURNMENT – Jay Spaulding made a motion to adjourn the meeting. George Georgeson seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.

Number of CAB members present: 7

Number of Public Present: 1

Presence of Elected Officials: 0

Number of staff present: 1

Submitted By: Misty Moga