



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 on November 10, 2014, 6:30pm.

1. *CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS

2. *ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM - Sean McCoy, John (Jay) Spalding, George Georgeson, Linda Heiss, Leslie Skinner. A quorum was determined. Absent: Alternates, David Pappas and Randy Lyn Reed

3. *PUBLIC COMMENT

Rose Meredith said she is concerned about parking on Juniper hill. She said when school is in session, there isn't enough room for emergency vehicles. People turn around in her driveway. The road is too narrow and it's a blind spot at the top of the hill. She would like to see restriction to parking. She had emailed Commissioner Berkbigler regarding this issue. Linda Heiss confirmed this is a problem.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 10, 2014 – Sean McCoy made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting of November 10, 2014; George Georgeson seconded the motion to approve the agenda.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2014 – Jay Spalding made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting minutes of September 8, 2014; Leslie Skinner seconded the motion to approve the agenda.

6. *UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE – This item is limited to updates and announcements from CAB members, or review of correspondence received by the CAB.

- Linda thanked Jay & George for serving for our County.
- Sean gave an update regarding the bear that was hanging around Lake Ridge. He said it was trapped.
- With no further updates, Leslie closed item 6.

7. *PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS

A. Washoe County Commissioner Update –Commissioner wasn't able to attend. Commissioner Berkbigler may be reached at 775-328-2005 or mberkbigler@washoecounty.us.

B. Washoe County Manager Update – County Manager John Slaughter provided an update with information on Washoe County goals, functions and services including changes within the Washoe County Manager's Office. Mr. Slaughter may be reached at 775.328.2000 or jslaughter@washoecounty.us.

John Slaughter has been manager for a year. He handed out the Washoe County Organization Chart and 2014-15 goals.

Restructuring in Manager's office:

- Added constituents' services in order to support constituents and commissioners.
- Two Assistant County Managers: Kevin Schiller handles front line departments. Joey Hastings oversees administration, finance, purchasing, risk management, voter register. Al Rogers over sees the Constituent services.
- Elected officers: 3 new department heads out of 7. Beginning January 5, 2015, New District Attorney, Sheriff, new Assessor.
- Goals are specific to the Manager and the Managers office
- Focusing on our citizens
- Supportive effective and open decision making
- Supporting Washoe County Employees – 2,600 employees. Down sized 600 employees.
- Economic Development
- Additional areas: Building new Medical Examiners building/Coroner; Animal Services; intergrading human services agency.
- Citizen survey to help guide the commissioners as they develop their goals.
- George Georgeson asked about the merge with Water Resources. John said it goes into effect January 1st. They negotiated with TMWA regarding where will employees will be located. John said the employee expenses and income won't be affected because it's an enterprise fund. It will be a wash.
- Linda asked about veterans' property tax discount. John said the County Assessor's office can help with that.

- George asked about Water Rights. John said most of the water rights will go TMWA but some will stay with Washoe County for Parks.
- Leslie asked about the changes to the Commissioners. Weber and Humke were term limited out. District 5 – Jeanne Herman was elected.
- Washoe County is getting out of the water business. No longer the purveyor of water. There are advantages to having one agency manage water. Leslie asked about the administration of construction contracts. John said yes, there will be a team to make sure nothing fall through the cracks.
- John Slaughter said the election process went very well. There was a slow down with the absentee ballot with computer hiccup. There were 83 location polling places.
- John said he will take the information back regarding the concerns about the road issue. Leslie said she looks forward to an update at the next meeting.

8. *PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES

A. Washoe County Sheriff Office (WCSO) – No representative present. WCSO is available online at www.washoesherriff.com or 775-328-3001.

9. *INFORMATION ON THE DITCHES AND MAINTENANCE – Washoe County Community Services will be present to answer questions regarding the responsibility of maintenance of irrigation and stormwater ditches. For more information contact, Washoe County CSD, Roads at (775) 328-2180.

Eric Crump, Community Services Department Director gave an update regarding the maintenance of irrigation and stormwater ditches.

- Eric passed out an area map and he talked about the roads in this area.
- Eric said the stormwater ditches, which aren't related to irrigation, Washoe County is responsible for.
- Irrigation ditches are maintained by Last Chance and Steamboat Ditch Company. Eric said they would make sure they were clear if we expected a heavy storm. They have an agreement and work with the ditch companies.
- Linda asked about the storm ditches. Eric said they are Washoe County property. Linda asked who is responsibility to clear the storm ditches. Eric said they are Washoe County responsibility and we don't expect people to do maintenance. He said to call (775)328-2800 to let them know about any issues. He said you can pull weeds, but don't do too much.
- Linda asked about the little red flags. Eric said those typically indicate utilities where there will be some work on the road, but those are used for a lot of reasons. Linda said they are all along Ross Drive, Christy Way, Hackamore, and Eric said he will look into it.
- Linda asked about the trails along the Steamboat Way. Eric said those are access trails; they are owned by the ditch companies. They aren't public access. Access roads are 45 feet. George asked if the irrigation systems are opened during a flood. Eric said yes, they use the irrigation systems during storms.
- Leslie closed item number 9.

10.*CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS - This item is limited to announcements by CAB members of topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas.

- Leslie requested an update for the Juniper Hills road and subdivision. Emergency vehicles access. Eric Crump said he will provide a follow up update.
- Leslie closed item 10.

11.*PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment.

12. ADJOURNMENT – Jay Spalding made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Leslie seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.

Number of CAB members present: 5
Number of staff present: 2

Number of Public Present: 2

Presence of Elected Officials: 0

Submitted By: Misty Moga