

**TONOPAH TOWN BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 25, 2015
TONOPAH CONVENTION CENTER
301 Brougher Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049**

Tonopah Town Board Chairman Horace Carlyle called the meeting to order March 25, 2015 at 7:06 p.m. Also present were Janet Hatch and Doug Farinholt. Duane Downing and Tom Seley were absent. Forty-two others were in attendance. Chairman Carlyle led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board of Trustees at 9:07 p.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 9:16 p.m.

1. Public Comment

Katie Goins noted that she had positive news. The Hope Floats Animal Foundation has applications for assistance with spay or neuter costs. She added that the Foundation has a feral cat program.

Brett Perchetti expressed his feelings and thoughts about the budget cuts made by the Nye County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). He stated that he feels the Commissioners are moving the County seat. He is concerned for the Town of Tonopah and all the employees of the County. Mr. Perchetti added that he questions the motive of the Commissioners in regards to the effects on Tonopah and the services in the north of Nye County. He emphasized the importance of services for travelers and the people of the northern part of the County. Mr. Perchetti pointed out that the majority of the County's funds come from the north because of Round Mountain Gold. He noted that even though the funds come from the north, more jobs are created in Pahrump, and that he does not see the advantage county-wide. Mr. Perchetti asked the Town Board to represent the community.

Chairman Horace Carlyle explained that the Board will question the BOCC when they have a basis. He pointed out that the Town Board does not like the way the BOCC handled the half cent sales tax issue. Mr. Carlyle noted that a shift in power has taken place within the BOCC as there is only one representative from the north and that Commissioner Wichman is limited in what she can do. He stated that item 10 will make the public happy as it is about the hospital and they will see what the Town Board can do. He added that the Town now receives the traffic fine revenues due to the help of the Commissioners. Mr. Carlyle encouraged the public to read the budget workshop minutes as they are evidence of the Town Board ensuring a minimum impact on customers and businesses with the rates of Tonopah Public Utilities. He added that budget workshops are public.

Deb Cobb stated that she is afraid of what the drastic decisions will cost the people of Tonopah. She emphasized that the northern part of Nye County is entitled to public safety. She noted that the decisions made by the BOCC have not been evaluated enough and that they need to take care of the northern half of the County. Horace Carlyle stressed that the Sheriff protested when the possibility of closing the jail was brought up.

Chuck Fox asked whether Tonopah has looked at having talks with Esmeralda County to see if Tonopah can join them. He pointed out that the situation will get worse in the future. He noted that the County has a deficit of \$3.5 million for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. Mr. Fox added that the School District was already cut here years ago and that the same will happen with the County. He asked where the sense is in closing the jail in Tonopah, but opening one in Beatty. Mr. Fox

stressed that moving the County seat is only a few years down the road and that Tonopah will lose all the families and businesses because nobody will want to live here. He emphasized that Tonopah has to take drastic measures and that somebody has to talk to Esmeralda County to include the entire north of Nye County. Mr. Fox noted that the Department of Taxation might have to take over the County. Horace Carlyle agreed with Mr. Fox, but added that Esmeralda County does not want to change their status. Mr. Fox suggested not paying property taxes as the citizens of the north of Nye County are not receiving what they are paying for. He noted that there should be no taxation without representation. Mr. Carlyle proposed attending a BOCC meeting in Pahrump to present facts. He noted that Pahrump has an active audience at the BOCC meetings that influences the Commissioners. Mr. Carlyle stated that he is oftentimes the only attendee from Tonopah at the BOCC meetings. He stressed that it takes everybody to make changes. He pointed out that Pahrump cannot deny the audited figures.

2. Town Board Member's/Department Manager's/Nye County Commissioner's Comments

Timaree Kosciak of the Tonopah Senior Project presented how much money it takes to run the Senior Center. She explained that the Senior Project will suffer tremendously from the cuts made by the BOCC as their funding was \$112,000.00 for the current fiscal year. She handed reports to all the members and to the public to support her statements. Ms. Kosciak stated that she hopes the Senior Projects will last through the end of the current fiscal year. She explained that the Project made it through Fiscal Year 2014 because of taking money from a CD. Ms. Kosciak pointed out that the Project cannot apply for grants if they do not have money to match. She noted that she hopes the County will continue their in-kind services for the buildings. She emphasized that the program helps many people and that it would be devastating to lose it. Ms. Kosciak stressed that the Senior Center will have to close if they do not receive funding. She added that the funds are needed for the nutrition program and that the transportation program will continue if the County continues to cover the insurance and maintenance for the vehicles. She noted that she hopes the Town Board will make a commitment to fund the Senior Center. Horace Carlyle stated that the Town Board has to work with the BOCC in order to help the Senior Center to see if they are authorized to do so. He added that they legally cannot help without clarification. Mr. Carlyle pointed out that the Board needs to have a plan. Town Manager James Eason invited Ms. Kosciak to attend the budget workshop on April 1, 2015. He pointed out that the grant agencies need to be asked whether the Town can legally sponsor the grants. He added that the Town of Tonopah is a business and that everyone in Town is a shareholder so they all have a voice. He noted that the BOCC has one budget workshop a year and that it is very different from the ones the Town has. He explained that the Board members debated back and forth to figure out the least impact and the highest benefit for the customers. Mr. Eason emphasized that Tonopah will be dead if it loses certain facilities. He explained that he has had talks with Commissioner Wichman who said people should help the BOCC find solutions instead of complaining. Mr. Eason added that he has been in Tonopah for the last 10 years and that former Board member Rivero had brought up splitting the County before. A report in 2004/2005 showed different scenarios; every single one showed that Pahrump cannot survive without the other communities. He noted that the numbers have not changed and that he thinks the BOCC is not aware of this information. Mr. Eason pointed out that he believes the BOCC does not realize where the revenue comes from. He explained that the assessed valuation of Nye County was \$2 billion in 2010 with an assessed valuation of \$1.658 billion for Pahrump and \$354 million for the rest of the County. He noted that the assessed valuation for 2015/2016 is \$1.334 billion with an assessed valuation of \$723 million for Pahrump and \$611 million for the rest of the County. Mr. Eason stressed that northern Nye County has steadily grown over a

15 year period. He pointed out that Commissioner Wichman needs this information to defend our district. He added that the reason for the growth of northern Nye County are Solar Reserve, Round Mountain Gold and Manhattan.

Commissioner Lorinda Wichman thanked Katie Goins for the plans regarding the Animal Shelter. She noted that it is not her intention to insult people but that she is not very polished. She stated that she is not very happy only having one representative from the north but that she plays along with others to get votes for what is needed. Commissioner Wichman stressed that she takes her job very seriously and extremely personal. She pointed out that her district includes Pahrump also and that it is larger than the country of Switzerland. She stressed the importance of having a representative from the north and explained that if nobody runs for Commissioner from the north, the north will be represented by somebody from Pahrump.

Commissioner Wichman clarified that the BOCC is not closing the jail. They only control the building and not how the budget is spent by the Sheriff. She noted that she would like to be part of Esmeralda County because she would have help that way. She added that Esmeralda County does not want our problems as they are debt free. Commissioner Wichman explained that the BOCC only cut the subsidy for the Senior Nutrition program. She stated that the petition against the cuts will not help as the money is not there.

Commissioner Wichman pointed out that the Pahrump's assessed valuation declined because of the recession. She added that the State of Nevada has one of the friendliest tax structures in the United States. Assessed value of a property is based on replacement value, not fair market value. When the recession hit, property values were reassessed and some properties' values decreased by 40%. Therefore the tax assessed value decreased. Commissioner Wichman pointed out that the tax cap is at 3% constitutionally with no safety net on the bottom. She emphasized how long it takes to make up 40% with a 3% increase every year. She stated that the State of Nevada set itself up for failure and that the only way to generate more money in taxes is to build like there is no tomorrow. She stressed what happens to the water resources because of this.

Commissioner Wichman stated that the vehicle and building maintenance will continue for the Senior Center. Commissioner Wichman explained that the BOCC and management were asked to give up 10% in pay and all staff members were asked for 5%. She pointed out that the bargaining units are not willing to comply and that the BOCC has to cut another \$1 million. She explained that building and grounds and vehicle maintenance may be outsourced. Commissioner Wichman emphasized that if the BOCC makes certain cuts now, they are setting the County up for the new fiscal year and will not have to make more cuts. She stressed that the BOCC has a budget workshop every year and that it is required by law. James Eason pointed out that the budget workshops for the Town Board are public and that the members discuss and listen, and that different projects can be brought up. Commissioner Wichman stated that she will attend the budget workshop on April 1, 2015.

Betty Reed asked the Commissioner how the Senior Center can match a grant if there is no funding. Commissioner Wichman suggested asking Shirley Trummell, Director of Health and Human Services. She added that the BOCC does not close the Senior Center, they just do not subsidize it. She pointed out that the program is not required by law and that those programs are cut first. Betty Reed inquired as to how the Sheriff can have a 20 mule team participate in a parade if there is no money for the jail. Commissioner Wichman explained that the mule team was a donation and that the Sheriff was just making an announcement.

Commissioner Wichman explained that building codes were adopted state-wide in 2012 and that a movement by the Nye County Planning Department was made to adopt them county-wide. She noted that she is against it because of the cost to administer them. She is of the opinion that it is the State's responsibility to administer them. Commissioner Wichman would prefer having an ordinance for a special use permit. She thinks it would be best to look at everything individually and to have the codes for commercial use only.

Commissioner Wichman pointed out that the fireworks ordinance had been changed and that amendments for shooter sites have been made. She recommends James Eason read it.

3. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to request Commissioner Wichman to sponsor an agenda item requesting of the Nye County Board of County Commissioners to create the Northern Nye County Hospital District as stipulated in the Joint Plan of Reorganization submitted by Nye County during the Prime Care Chapter 11 Bankruptcy proceedings.

James Eason noted that Commissioner Lorinda Wichman was aware of this item as he had talked to her about it. He explained that part of the settlement of the bankruptcy was the creation of a Hospital District. He noted that he is working on getting the numbers to put a solid plan together. Mr. Eason pointed out that it took a lot to save the hospital as it had \$4.3 million debt. He urged everybody to visit the hospital in time of need as the operating costs are very high. He stressed that without a Hospital District, there will not be a hospital much longer serving Tonopah, Round Mountain, Beatty, and other communities. Commissioner Wichman stated that the care has been phenomenal lately. Mr. Eason told the Commissioner that she has to get the numbers from Nye County, but that the Town Board can provide her with the documentation for the legal responsibility of the County. He noted that Tonopah already pays the highest tax in the County so there will be no additional taxation for the Hospital District. The Town of Tonopah will have a decrease in revenues as part of them would go to the hospital if a District was created. Mr. Eason stressed that there was a District until 2009 and that the money would just go back where it was before.

Chairman Horace Carlyle stressed that the documents are legally binding. He suggested going to the Town Office to read them and added that he would like to persuade Commissioner Wichman to support the needs of Tonopah and the surrounding communities. Doug Farinholt noted that he needs more information and accurate numbers. James Eason explained that Nye County owns the hospital building. He added that the plan of reorganization was committed to the success of the hospital for everybody it serves. Mr. Eason noted that a federally appointed board was created for the hospital and that the next step is to create a Hospital District. He emphasized that the hospital will close without a District and that Nye County will end up owning an asset that will never again open and will be worth zero dollars. Commissioner Wichman asked to be provided with the necessary backup.

Janet Hatch motioned to request Commissioner Wichman to sponsor an agenda item requesting of the Nye County Board of County Commissioners to create the Northern Nye County Hospital District as stipulated in the Joint Plan of Reorganization submitted by Nye County during the Prime Care Chapter 11 Bankruptcy proceedings. Doug Farinholt seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

- 4. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve sending a letter to Commissioner Wichman requesting a copy of the dispatch report/study to be sent to the Town of Tonopah for Town Board review and resend the letter dated April 18, 2014 by the Tonopah Town Board to Commissioner Schinhofen requesting that questions 1-5 be addressed and included in the dispatch report/study.**

Commissioner Wichman inquired as to whether the Sheriff was contacted to request the report. James Eason explained that issues with dispatch had been brought up at the last BOCC meeting and that the Town of Tonopah had never received a response to their letter. Commissioner Wichman noted that Commissioner Schinhofen had given the letter to the Sheriff. Mr. Eason pointed out that the relocation of dispatch has impacted multiple departments in Nye County. He noted that the letter was asking to address certain questions. He emphasized that the addressing system should have been taken care of before dispatch was moved. Mr. Eason stressed that the Town of Tonopah was told there would be redundancy, but that dispatch has been out at least three times that he knows of. There was never a plan of who would get called in case of a blackout. People are calling John Campbell, a volunteer for the Fire Department.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve sending a letter to Commissioner Wichman requesting a copy of the dispatch report/study to be sent to the Town of Tonopah for Town Board review and resend the letter dated April 18, 2014 by the Tonopah Town Board to Commissioner Schinhofen requesting that questions 1-5 be addressed and included in the dispatch report/study. Doug Farinholt seconded.

Janet Hatch asked whether there will be backup of information on the blackouts with the letter. James Eason noted that he had talked to Vance Payne from Emergency Medical Services. He noted that John Campbell should not be the dispatcher in case of a fire. Commissioner Wichman stressed that comments made by Betty Reed and Cindy Kaminski during BOCC meetings will be included in the report.

Deb Cobb stated that this matter has been brought to her attention. She noted that the dispatchers in Pahrump are not aware of the distances in Tonopah and send deputies to the wrong locations. She added that dispatch has called deputies to ask where places are and that ambulance calls are not being relayed to the hospital.

Christy Perry, Town employee, gave two examples of failed 911 calls. First, she explained that she had seen an intoxicated man get in his vehicle at the local grocery store Scolari's. Dispatch did not send anybody out to stop the man from driving away because Ms. Perry did not know the exact address of the store, she only knew the street. Second, there was an incident at the pool the previous year with children fighting. She called dispatch and they did not send help as she only knew the name of the park adjacent to the pool, not an exact address. She added that she filed police reports about both incidents.

Commissioner Wichman asked for the meeting minutes to be sent to her to be included in the investigation.

Janet Hatch noted that it is great to see so many people attend the meeting. She added that the Board needs input from the public and needs to know what the public wants.

Motion carried 3-0.

5. Town Board Member's/Department Manager's/Nye County Commissioner's Comments

Commissioner Wichman noted that the County seat is where all the records are. She explained that changing the County seat would accomplish getting all the files, but Pahrump already has duplicates of everything. The only other change would be having the first meeting of the month in Pahrump, not Tonopah. She pointed out that with the new technology, it does not matter where the seat is. Commissioner Wichman added that changing County lines would have to be a constitutional change that is rare to be voted on. She added that 1 out of 40 is employed by Nye County in Tonopah and 1 out of 202 is employed by Nye County in Pahrump.

Brett Perchetti stated that when he mentioned the BOCC wants to move the County seat, he meant the Commissioners are trying to move the jobs to Pahrump. He asked what will happen to the Justice or District Court and whether people will get "shipped back and forth". Commissioner Wichman pointed out that the County only has to spend \$400,000 in fuel that way, but the jail costs \$800,000 and is empty. Mr. Perchetti inquired how many people will have to be laid off due to the cuts. The Commissioner replied that that is the Sheriff's decision. Mr. Perchetti asked why jobs need to be moved if there is new technology like the Commissioner referred to. Commissioner Wichman noted that the BOCC employs the County Manager and that it is her who is responsible for appointing the department heads.

James Eason presented documentation for Nye County's assessed valuation, consolidated tax, population, property tax revenues, a revenue to expense comparison, total revenues, and revenue funds. He noted that the documents have not been edited yet and might have some errors. He added that the sources for the documents were the Department of Taxation and the Nye County audits. Mr. Eason pointed out that Nye County has an annual budget of \$30 million and that 1% of that is \$300,000. He stressed that funding the Senior Nutrition program is less than 1% of the County's total budget. Commissioner Wichman stated that she was happy to see a BOCC Teleconference being scheduled to review the contract with the Animal Shelters to change it to a month-to-month contract.

James Eason stated that Nye County collects around \$3 million of PILT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) every year and that Pahrump only makes up about 5% of the land in the County. Commissioner Wichman explained that PILT goes towards the general fund. James Eason suggested taking Tonopah's percentage to fund the senior program. He added that the communities in the north have proven they are doing their part. Commissioner Wichman noted that the State of Nevada has abated taxes and that Nye County does not receive taxes from Solar Reserve. Mr. Eason replied that the County did receive money in the form of consolidated taxes from Solar Reserve and Round Mountain Gold.

6. Presentation and discussion by Nye County GIS Administrator Ken Plewe and Nye County Assessor Sheree Stringer on Nye County Addressing Method.

The item was tabled due to illness of one of the presenters.

7. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from regular meeting held March 11, 2015.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held March 11, 2015. Doug Farinholt seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

8. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from budget workshop held March 4, 2015.

Doug Farinholt motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the budget workshop held March 4, 2015. Janet Hatch seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

9. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve use of Joe Friel Sports Complex and Highland Park for the 2015 Tonopah Little League Season.

James Eason explained that there have been three Use and Maintenance Agreements as backup for this item. One was last year's agreement in which the wording had not been revised and the insurance requirements had not been updated. He noted that this year's agreement is now like the one with the Nye County School District. Horace Carlyle asked Chuck Fox whether he was satisfied with the fields. Chuck Fox stated that Joe Friel is in great shape. James Eason clarified that a crew weeded at Highland Park the day before. He asked Mr. Fox to take a look at Highland Park to see where the sand should be. Mr. Fox pointed out that the insurance requirements were raised from \$2 million to \$3 million. He stated that he had sent in the dues, but had not received the updated insurance certificate yet. He asked if practice could start even if the current certificate only covers \$2 million. Chairman Carlyle said he does not see a problem as the certificate is in the process. Doug Farinholt added that Mr. Fox should submit it to the Town Office as soon as he receives it.

Chuck Fox stated that free sign-ups were offered this year and that about 145 children were signed up. He hopes for an active season and would like to start the following week. He pointed out that the Little League schedule will not interfere with the School District's schedule and that their season will end sometime in June. James Eason suggested ending the agreement on June 30, 2015 and added that the Great Games were scheduled for the end of June. Chuck Fox assured that the Little League will not interfere with the Great Games.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve the use of Joe Friel Sports Complex and Highland Park for the 2015 Tonopah Little League from today through June 30, 2015. Doug Farinholt seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

10. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve use of the Tonopah Rodeo Grounds for the first annual Tonopah ATV Rodeo & Smackdown Bull Riding Event held July 17th & 18th, 2015.

Manuel Souza introduced himself and explained that he drove through Tonopah a few months back and was intrigued by the community. He noted that he has lived in Merced, California, for 52 years and is a rodeo contractor. He started organizing bull riding events a few years ago to keep the cowboy way of life alive. Mr. Souza began the same event in Carson City three years ago and it has been very successful. He added that he cannot afford to fail as he has many sponsors and the support from the community. He pointed out that he had to turn away 600 people in Carson City last year because they did not have enough room to accommodate such a crowd. Mr. Souza explained that he organized a bull riding event for "Night in the Country" and sold over 3,300 tickets. He anticipates selling 6,000 tickets this year. He stated that he also organizes a bull riding event in Winnemucca for the Tri-County-Fair and has sold 2,000 tickets. Mr. Souza noted that he had already talked to a lot of businesses in Town that would sponsor the event. One of the sponsors will be Dave Walley Hot Springs Reserve in Gardnerville that

offered a three day trip to their resort as a prize for a ticket holder. James Eason emphasized that promoting tourism is one major goal for the Town of Tonopah. Horace Carlyle stated that he hopes the event will be successful and become a tradition. Doug Farinholt noted that it will be a great event for the community.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve use of the Tonopah Rodeo Grounds for the first Tonopah ATV Rodeo & Smackdown Bull Riding Event held July 17th & 18th, 2015. Doug Farinholt seconded.

James Eason noted that Deb Cobb pointed out that there are two sections of bleachers missing at the rodeo grounds. He explained that about 11 to 12 years ago the former Town Board had allowed the School District to use the bleachers for football games and they were never returned. He noted that the Town will have to inform the School District that they need to return the bleachers. He added that Manny Linares, Maintenance Foreman, has come up with creative ideas for parking and ways to let people view the event from their pickup trucks.

Motion carried 3-0.

11. Deliberation, discussion, and possible action to authorize the request of 5/8ths Room Tax in the amount of \$5,000 from Manuel P. Souza Jr./Souza's Bucking to assist with advertising costs associated with the first annual Tonopah ATV Rodeo & Smackdown Bull Riding Event, to be held at the Tonopah Rodeo Grounds July 17th & 18th, 2015.

Horace Carlyle asked what the grant money would be used for. Manuel Souza explained that it would be utilized for promotions, advertising, belt buckles for the winners etc. Mr. Souza noted that he has four major sponsors. Doug Farinholt inquired as to when the promotions would start. Mr. Souza clarified that they have already begun and will continue until the event.

Doug Farinholt motioned the use of the 5/8ths Rom Tax in the amount of \$5,000 form Manuel P. Souza Jr./Souza's Bucking to assist with advertising costs associated with the first Tonopah ATV Rodeo & Smackdown Bull Riding Event, to be held at the Tonopah Rodeo Grounds July 17th & 18th, 2015. Janet Hatch seconded.

James Eason pointed out that the Town has a contract with KIBS Radio, but a separate advertisement will run more often. Jeff Galli asked if there is enough seating for the event. Gary Davis of the Central Nevada Racing Association noted that they have two portable bleachers that they would lend to the Town of Tonopah for the event. James Eason added that the bleachers from Joe Friel Sports Complex could also be utilized.

Motion carried 3-0.

12. Deliberation, discussion, and possible action to authorize the request of 5/8ths Room Tax in the amount of \$3,000 from Central Nevada Racing Association to advertise the Tonopah Speedway.

Gary Davis and Jay Silas of the Central Nevada Racing Association clarified that they would like to receive grant money to advertise the 2015 racing season for the Tonopah Speedway. They noted that they would like to promote the Speedway in a national magazine (IMCA) to draw out-of-towners to the races. They explained that they had 3,000 people attend the races and a third of those were from far out of town so that they had to stay at hotels and motels. They added that they would like to purchase hats, shirts, and posters, and would like to have advertisement of the

radio. Horace Carlyle pointed out that the races attract visitors. Janet Hatch added that they are important to those who attend them. James Eason inquired how many races will take place this year to which Mr. Davis replied that they will have 13 races.

Janet Hatch motioned to authorize the request of 5/8ths Room Tax in the amount of \$3,000 for Central Nevada Racing Association to advertise the Tonopah Speedway. Doug Farinholt seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

13. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve applying for a Risk Management Grant through the Nevada Public Agency Insurance Pool/Public Agency Compensation Trust (POOL/PACT).

Christy Perry, Tonopah Memorial Pool Manager, and Becky Braska, Account Supervisor, were in attendance to present the Grant Application. James Eason thanked them for their work and explained that the content of the application was already discussed at the budget workshop on March 4, 2015. Christy Perry added that the purchase of the equipment was already approved. James Eason noted that the Town would be reimbursed by the Grant if they qualify. Doug Farinholt asked whether there were other grants that the Town could apply for. Christy Perry explained that the deadlines were already over, but that she plans to apply for more grants in 2016, one of them being the note-and-float program.

Doug Farinholt motioned to approve applying for a Risk Management Grant through the Nevada Public Agency Insurance Pool/Public Agency Compensation Trust (POOL/PACT). Janet Hatch seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

14. Tonopah Development Corporation Report No action taken by the Board.

15. Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with Town's Management Representative regarding labor negotiation issues, and other personnel issues. No action taken by the Board.

16. Closed meeting, Pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with Town's Management Representative regarding labor negotiation issues, and other personnel issues. No action taken by the Board.

17. Deliberation, discussion and possible decision on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in the closed meeting. No action taken by the Board.

18. Correspondence

E-mail from Nevada Commission on Tourism regarding Rural Roundup 2015, March 12, 2015
Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, March 17, 2015
Nye County Animal Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda, March 19, 2015
LA Times Online Article "California Public Workers May Be at Risk of Losing Promised Pensions", March 17, 2015
Letter from Candy Metscher to the County Commissioners, March 2015
Nye County Water District Governing Board Meeting Agenda, March 23, 2015
Nye County BOCC Meeting Summary, March 17, 2015
Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda, March 23, 2015
Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda, March 24, 2015

- Letter from Nevada Rural Housing Authority, March 9, 2015
- Invitation to Welcome Reception for Bill Brewer, Nevada Rural Housing Authority, March 2015
- Letter from State of Nevada, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources regarding approval of Water Conservation Plan, March 2015
- Nye County BOCC Teleconference Agenda, March 27, 2015
- USDA/Travel Nevada Tourism Workshop Handouts: Identifying & Developing Your Town's Tourism Base, Initial Development Survey, Nevada Division of Tourism Marketing Grant Program, March 2015
- Letter from Jeff Galli to Round Mountain Gold/Kinross, March 21, 2015
- Letter from Jeff Galli to companies at Tonopah Test Range, March 21, 2015

James Eason pointed out that letters had been submitted to different businesses about the BOCC cuts asking them to attend the BOCC meetings.

19. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Janet Hatch motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Doug Farinholt seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

20. Public Comment

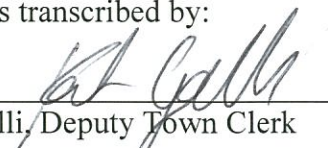
Deb Cobb stated that she loved seeing so many people attend the meeting. She added that it makes her sad to have the young attendees see how we take care of our seniors.

Chuck Fox noted that Commissioner Wichman said the BOCC was not closing the jail, but that cutting the funding for the building was doing the same. He added that cutting the funding for the Senior Nutrition program that makes up less than 1% of the County's budget makes no sense. Mr. Fox stressed that Tonopah does not have enough time to wait and that the Town has to do something because the situation will not improve.

21. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:




Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:



Horace Carlyle, Chairman



Duane Downing, Vice-Chairman



Tom Seley, Clerk



Janet Hatch, Member



Doug Farinholt, Member

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Chuck Fox thanked the Library personnel and the Board for allowing the Cow Bus Preschool to visit the Library every month.

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4. Library Board Member's/Department Manager's Comments

Town Manager James Eason mentioned the budget workshop on April 1, 2015 and noted that great things will be discussed. Horace Carlyle pointed out that the Board is working on upgrading the historical library to make it functional and nurture volunteer groups. He added that the main library will also be upgraded and that the library has great staff as they are committed to children and learning.

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None.

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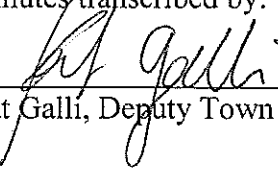
7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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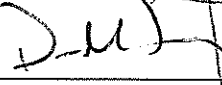
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Tom Seley, Chairman

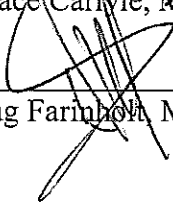
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