

**TONOPAH TOWN BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 22, 2015
TONOPAH CONVENTION CENTER
301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049**

Tonopah Town Board Chairman Horace Carlyle called the meeting to order July 22, 2015 at 7:02 p.m. Also present were Tom Seley, Janet Hatch and Duane Downing. Doug Farinholt was absent. Nineteen others were in attendance. Chairman Carlyle led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Duane Downing was not present between 7:15 p.m. and 7:46 p.m. due to work.

The Town Board recessed to the Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board of Trustees at 7:30 p.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 7:46 p.m.

The order of the items was changed due to requests from the public to have item 6 at a later time so they could attend. Item 7 was postponed until after the public hearing.

1. Public Comment

Mike Metzger wanted to see if there was anything he could do to help with the arena. He noted that he was wondering if Alisha Brown needed help with the trail challenge. Tom Seley suggested contacting her.

Mike Metzger stated that he had checked the tractor and found that it needed to be serviced. Account Supervisor Becky Braska noted that she will inform the maintenance staff.

Chairman Horace Carlyle thanked Mr. Metzger for the great job he did at the rodeo. Janet Hatch added that she wanted to thank him for all the work he has done at the rodeo grounds. Mike Metzger noted that some banding needed to be fixed as the bulls were in there. Town Manager James Eason stated that he will check the arena as time allows. Mr. Metzger said to let him know if he can help.

2. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held May 27, 2015.

Tom Seley motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held May 27, 2015. Duane Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 10, 2015.

Duane Downing motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 10, 2015. Tom Seley seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the special meeting held June 18, 2015.

This item was tabled.

5. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to enact Tonopah Town Ordinance stating "The Town of Tonopah is on Land in Peace".

Vice-Chairman Duane Downing noted that he does not see the petitioner. Chairman Horace Carlyle stated that he does not understand the agenda item and that he would like to table this item so that the petitioner can attend the next meeting to discuss the item with the Board.

This item was tabled.

8. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to advertise the Town of Tonopah in the TravelWest + Life Magazine.

Horace Carlyle asked James Eason if he had further information about the magazine which Mr. Eason denied. Mr. Carlyle stated that he could see the Town advertising a full page in four issues. Mr. Eason explained that the Town can submit photos and a graphic designer will do the design. Duane Downing pointed out that a half page in four issue would be about \$2,800. Tom Seley questioned that the TravelWest magazine was the best place for advertisement and for the Tonopah money. Horace Carlyle stressed that their readers are in the age group that has the money to travel.

James Eason stated that the Town has advertised in the Nevada magazine in the past. Bruce Jabbour pointed out that the Nevada magazine offices are in the same building as the Nevada Commission on Tourism. He explained that they have huge campaigns promoting Nevada. He suggested doing some research about the cost to cost to advertise in the Nevada magazine.

This item was tabled.

Timed Item: Public Hearing

- 1) For possible action, discussion and deliberation to adopt, amend and adopt or reject Town of Tonopah Bill No. TTO- 15-01: an ordinance amending Title 22 Tonopah, of the Nye County Code by adding section 22.02.010, annexing into the Unincorporated Town of Tonopah Boundaries the area of the Tonopah Library District, consolidating the legal description of the entire Unincorporated Tonopah Town Boundary; and providing for the severability, constitutionality and effective date therefore and other matters relating thereto.
- 2) This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 21st day of August, 2015.

No public comment.

Town Manager James Eason explained that the proposal is to expand the Tonopah Taxing District to include the Tonopah Library District. He noted that the possible impact had been discussed at prior meetings.

Chairman Horace Carlyle stressed that Nye County was in a financial shortfall and that the expansion of the Taxing District would allow keeping the money in the community

and not having it go to the south. He added that it would be nice to have the opportunity to increase the Town's revenue as the Town gave up money towards the Hospital District. Mr. Carlyle explained that the Town of Tonopah was able to confirm that they should be deciding how the Sales and Use Tax will be distributed. He emphasized that this money will also stay in the north and not be distributed to the south of Nye County. Mr. Carlyle stated that the Town Board would be in the position to help the outlying areas with their volunteer fire departments or other related issues. Mr. Carlyle pointed out that property owners in the new Taxing District will be able to run for a position on the Town Board and that it will be one big community. Tom Seley agreed and added that property owners can be part of the process and voice their opinion. He asked whether anybody had contacted the Town Office about this matter which James Eason denied. Mr. Seley asked what the rate increase will do. Mr. Eason explained that the tax rate can only go 3% higher than what one is paying right now due to the cap.

Horace Carlyle stressed that collected taxes will stay in the community and that property owners will feel more involved. Tom Seley noted that it will be much nicer to have the Town and the Library have the same boundaries. James Eason explained that the Taxing District will include the Smokey Valley Basin which is designated as Tonopah's secondary water source and backup by the State Water Engineer. He noted that it also includes the Town's new well fields. Tom Seley stressed that there are a lot of very positive points. Janet Hatch added that the annexed areas will be getting the Town services. Tom Seley pointed out that the areas are already receiving fire and emergency services which legitimizes the expansion of the taxing district even more.

Public Hearing closed.

Janet Hatch motioned to adopt the Town of Tonopah Bill Number TTO-15-01; an ordinance enacting a revision and codification of the general ordinances of the Town of Tonopah, an ordinance amending Title 22 – Tonopah of the Nye County Code by adding Section 22.02.010, annexing into the Unincorporated Town of Tonopah boundaries the area of the Tonopah Library District, consolidating the legal description of the entire Unincorporated Tonopah Town Boundary; and providing for other matters properly relating thereto. This Ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 21st day of August, 2015. Tom Seley seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

James Eason explained that once the ordinance is adopted on August 21, a surveyor will survey the new boundaries. Tom Seley asked whether this will be a paper survey as a "real" one could be costly. James Eason affirmed this. Tom Seley stressed that the mailing list for the property owners should be double-checked. Mr. Eason pointed out that the Town received the official list from Nye County.

6. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve renaming Highland Park located on Globemallow Lane as the Javier "Harvey" Gonzalez Memorial Park, in memory of Harvey Gonzalez, and approval of expenditure for new signage on site.

Duane Downing explained that he had looked into the significance of the name of Highland Park as he would like to rename it in memory of former Board member Harvey Gonzalez who dedicated thousands of hours to the community. He noted that he would like to honor him and his legacy. James Eason suggested leaving options for signage

open so that the “right” sign can be found that will withstand the weather and cannot be peeled or shot. Horace Carlyle proposed having “something different”.

James Eason pointed out that the public in attendance probably has a tough time speaking about the matter. He stressed that seven people are attending the meeting for this item as they are in support of renaming of the park. Five more members of the public joined the meeting after Mr. Eason made this statement. Mr. Eason noted that the public present was not capable of speaking because of the emotional attachment to Harvey Gonzalez. Duane Downing added that he had seen posts about this matter on Facebook and that people had approached him stating that they were in support of renaming the park.

James Eason noted that once the Board decides on the style of the sign, a location can be chosen. Duane Downing asked for an official dedication ceremony when the sign is placed at the park.

Janet Hatch motioned to rename Highland Park located on Globemallow Lane as the Javier “Harvey” Gonzalez Memorial Park in memory of Harvey Gonzalez, approval of expenditure for new signage on site, and approval for staff to get estimates of expenditure and sign designs. Tom Seley seconded. Duane Downing pointed out that Harvey Gonzalez’s family was present at this meeting. He thanked them for attending the meeting. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve entering into a form of agreement with Workforce Connections Youth Programs, Work Experience Worksite Agreement utilizing the Town of Tonopah as a worksite for future Youth Program Participants.

Jess Rosner noted that the contract has changed and therefore needed approval by the Town Board. He added that there might be other changes and that the matter will be brought back to the Board in that case. He explained that the youth can be placed with the Town, but the Program would pay their salaries. James Eason pointed out that youth in the program can work for the Town or Library without additional contracts and delays. He added that this program helps support different people in the community. Duane Downing stated that he has no issues with this contract. Tom Seley agreed.

Duane Downing motioned to approve entering into a form of agreement with Workforce Connections Youth Programs, Work Experience Worksite Agreement utilizing the Town of Tonopah as a worksite for future Youth Program Participants as presented. Tom Seley seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

9. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve expenditure to repair the Old Firehouse Siren and spotlights for Stealth monument located at the Old Firehouse on Main Street, as outlined in Quote #3064 received from Central Nevada AC/DC Electric.

James Eason pointed out that the Board approved work on the Star on Mount Brock to start. He noted that he had been waiting for a quote about repairing the siren as there have been requests from the community to bring it back. Horace Carlyle inquired whether there was anything less intrusive. Duane Downing stated that the siren was standard across the country. James Eason added that it can be used for emergencies and that it is nostalgia. Mr. Eason noted that the quote was in conjunction with putting the lights back

on the flight mural. He explained that a portion of the expense could be charged to the Fire Department Budget, the Mural Fund, and the Monuments Fund.

Duane Downing motioned to approve expenditure to repair the Old Firehouse Siren and spotlights for Stealth monument located at the Old Firehouse on Main Street, as outlined in Quote #3064 received from Central Nevada AC/DC Electric in the amount of \$5,472.86. Tom Seley seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

10. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve/deny to purchase ADA compliant handicap accessible ramp for use with the portable stage not to exceed \$5,000.

James Eason explained that Becky Braska had put this item together. He noted that there is no ADA access to the new stage. He stated that the Town would have liked to use the stage for handicapped seating at the rodeo but the ramp would not have been delivered in time. Mr. Eason pointed out that the stage was set up in between the bleachers as an extra viewing area. He stressed that the Town ensured that handicapped viewers had parking access to stay in their vehicles. Mr. Eason explained that the stage has multiple uses and therefore a ramp is needed.

Becky Braska clarified that cost for the ramp from the vendor that the stage was purchased from would have been almost as much as the cost of the stage. She stressed that the one she presented in the backup was fully ADA compliant. She emphasized that it can be configured as needed.

James Eason pointed out that the ramp does not have to be bought right away as there are no events coming up soon, but that the Board could approve the expenditure now. Becky Braska proposed checking into prices in the meantime. Janet Hatch asked whether a motion "not to exceed \$5,000" would limit the choices. Mr. Eason stated that if the ramp would cost more, the item could be brought back to the Board. Ms. Braska stressed that the ramp was portable. Tom Seley inquired whether the Town has the space for storage. Mr. Eason explained that the stage and the ramp will be stored in the old fire house.

Duane Downing motioned to approve to purchase an ADA compliant handicap accessible ramp for use with the portable stage in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. Janet Hatch seconded. Janet Hatch noted staff should purchase the ramp when needed. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

11. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to repurpose ERU's owned by Tonopah Town Board which are associated with the Pink Motel (L & L Motel) property located on Main Street for pending new applications.

James Eason stated that over the course of eight or nine months, multiple people had requested service. Staff had informed these people that Tonopah Public Utilities (TPU) was waiting for the master water study to be completed in order to make a decision. He explained that after TPU had received the master water study and was working with West Kirkland Mining on supplying water, the ERU's (Equivalent Residential Units) of the Pink Motel were brought up. These ERU's were verified with Engineer Paul Winkelman. Mr. Eason stressed that the Town of Tonopah owns these ERU's as the Town purchased the property in 2003. Mr. Eason explained that out of the ERU's associated with the Pink Motel, the Town utilized two for the front portion of the property known as the Pocket

Park and three for the New Firehouse. He noted that the Town owns 50.5 remaining ERU's.

James Eason noted that Tonopah resident Ed Tomany had made a point that unused ERU's owned by the Town could be repurposed to service "smaller" applicants. He asked Bruce Jabbour how long he has been waiting to get an ERU. Mr. Jabbour noted that he had applied for water service over 6 months ago. Mr. Eason explained that Mr. Jabbour owns a lot that has never been serviced with water or sewer. He stressed that repurposing the ERU's associated with the Main Street property is one option to service these applicants. Mr. Eason added that the Nevada Rural Housing Association (NRHA) had land donated to them by Nye County and turned an application in for 37 ERU's. He noted that the NRHA will come before the Town Board to discuss the 37 ERU's that they applied for as it was discussed that the Town donate these 37 ERU's to them. Duane Downing emphasized that this would be a substantial donation. James Eason clarified that it would be just under \$60,000 to help with the cost so that the NRHA can start developing.

Horace Carlyle proposed having a stipulation that if the project was not developed within a certain time frame, the ERU's would come back to the Town. James Eason noted that he believes the County has the same stipulation for the land. Duane Downing suggested giving the NRHA five years as it takes time to get started with funding etc.

Duane Downing motioned to authorize the Town to repurpose ERU's owned by Tonopah Town Board which are associated with the Pink Motel (L & L Motel) property located on Main Street for pending new applications. Tom Seley seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

12. Tonopah Development Corporation Report

No action taken by the Board.

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

Janet Hatch pointed out that more attendees had come for the renaming of Highland Park. Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli noted that she had counted everybody in attendance for that specific item.

Account Supervisor Becky Braska stated that the rodeo was a success. She explained that 272 tickets were sold in Town for \$10 a ticket and about 200 were sold at the event for \$15 a ticket. She noted that there were well over 500 attendees, as children under 7 were let in free of charge, and over 600 hot dogs were sold. Ms. Braska emphasized that Town staff had many ideas to improve the event the next year. She pointed out that banners were sent to the rodeo's organizer Manuel Souza to advertise Tonopah's "annual" rodeo in other towns. Ms. Braska stated that the grand prize in the raffle had not been claimed and that the Town will have another drawing so that locals can win the 3 day/2 night spa packet. She pointed out that attendees will have the chance to enter the drawing until July 31st. Tom Seley noted that everything looked really good and that there were a lot of participants from Round Mountain and Eureka, less from Tonopah. Becky Braska stated that she believes there will be more people participating the next year. Tom Seley added that there were more contestants than he thought the event would have. Horace Carlyle

stressed that the rodeo was a great event. Tom Seley noted that it would be beneficial to repair the roof on the concession stand. He emphasized that Town maintenance crew and the members of the Team Roping Club worked hard to prepare the grounds for the event. Becky Braska noted that it was requested to have doors on the bathroom stalls.

James Eason referred to the correspondence between the Town/TPU, engineer Paul Winkelman and West Kirkland Mining (WKM). He stressed that if the Board members have comments about the draft study, to submit those to Mr. Winkelman. He explained that the possibility of having a workshop on this matter may be scheduled at the next regular meeting so that the Board can discuss everything. Horace Carlyle asked to schedule the workshop at 6 p.m. before the next regular meeting. Mr. Carlyle noted that the Board needs to examine the numbers, that he is "tired of the what-if's" and that WKM needs a decision.

Tom Seley inquired why WKM provided the Town with backup showing maps of their project. He stressed that the only map needed by the Town was one showing the point of their connection. James Eason explained that the NRHA is going to submit a plan that has been approved by their engineer showing the point of demarcation and the location of fire hydrants. He noted that when the State of Nevada approves the development, the State Fire Marshal will review the plans in regards to whether it is acceptable for fire flow, as the customer has to be compliant. He stressed that the requirements are the same for WKM as they are requesting fire flow storage. He pointed out that submitting their plans is a curtesy and the information might be useful at a later date. Mr. Eason noted that the Board may want the infrastructure in the future.

Kat Galli noted that she ordered the digital recorders and accessories recommended by Duane Downing which cost \$371.58.

Kat Galli explained that she had spoken with the Attorney General's (AG) Office about the new posting requirements. She pointed out that she will be posting the agendas according to the information provided by the AG's Office and that she had provided an example in the Board's correspondence. She emphasized that she personally drives to all the locations to post the agenda.

14. 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.
15. 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.
16. Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in the closed meeting. No action taken by the Board.

17. Correspondence

Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda, July 14, 2015

E-mail from Lorina Dellinger regarding OML, July 9, 2015

Kat Galli: Example of Declaration of Posting, July 16, 2015

Letter to Angela Bello, June 25, 2015

Region 6 LEPC Update: Elemental Mercury. Preventing Spills and Exposure at Home
and in the Community, August 2015

E-mail from Angela Bello, July 14, 2015

E-mail from Nevada Electric Highway, July 10, 2015

USDA News Release, July 14, 2015

Round Mountain Town Board Notice of Possible Quorum, July 21, 2015

Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, July 21, 2015

Correspondence and Information Packet regarding Sales and Use Tax, May through July
2015

Correspondence and Information Packet regarding West Kirkland Mining, February
through July 2015

TPU Report, June 11 through July 21, 2015

Nye County Water District Governing Board Workshop and Meeting Agenda, July 27,
2015

Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda, July 27, 2015

Nye County BOCC Meeting Summary, July 13 and July 21, 2015

18. Approval of vouchers for payment.

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Duane Downing motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Tom Seley seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

19. Public Comment

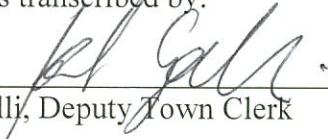
Bruce Jabbour noted that he would like to comment about item 8. He pointed out that the publishers of the Nevada magazine had visited Tonopah a few months ago to present the Town with a plaque. He stressed that there was a strong partnership between the Nevada magazine and rural Nevada. Mr. Jabbour stated that he believes the Nevada magazine will give Tonopah good pricing for advertising.

Bruce Jabbour thanked the Board for the vote on item 11. Horace Carlyle thanked Mr. Jabbour for his points about the Nevada magazine. Mr. Jabbour stressed that Tonopah needs growth and ERU's are very important. Mr. Jabbour noted that he is on the Nevada Silver Trails committee and that he would be more than happy to help with tourism related issues. He pointed out that Tonopah does not have a chamber of commerce and that he used to get brochures for the tourist information center to promote tourism in the area and in the state of Nevada. Horace Carlyle stated that he values Mr. Jabbour's contributions.

20. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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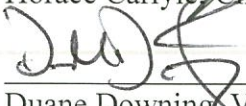


Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:



Horace Carlyle, Chairman



Duane Downing, Vice-Chairman



Tom Seley, Clerk



Janet Hatch, Member

Doug Farinholt, Member

**TONOPAH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 22, 2015
TONOPAH CONVENTION CENTER
301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049**

The Tonopah Library Board of Trustees meeting was called to order July 22, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. by Tom Seley. Also present were board members Janet Hatch, Horace Carlyle, and Duane Downing. Doug Farinholt was absent. Nineteen others were in attendance.

1. Public Comment

Dianne Ryals gave an update about the renovation process of the Historical Library. She explained that the Library had received a connex box on Monday and staff started moving everything on Tuesday. She pointed out that it only took six hours to empty out the Historical Library. She noted that there was only a minor problem with the flooring from previous water damage. Ms. Ryals stated that she was excited to see some work starting.

Dianne Ryals reminded everybody of the event with a storyteller on August 3, 2015. She stressed that it was a family-oriented program that was advertised through flyers and ads in the local newspaper. She pointed out that everybody was welcome as it was not just for little kids.

Dianne Ryals noted that upgrades to the outside of the Library will have to be made. She explained that she has been looking into pavers and added that she had contacted Stretch Baker about helping with ironworks and railings. She stated that Mr. Baker might make a metal compass rose and that he knows of a possible Eagle Scout project that might benefit the Library.

2. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 10, 2015.

Horace Carlyle motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 10, 2015. Janet Hatch seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the budget hearing held June 24, 2015.

Horace Carlyle motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the budget hearing held June 24, 2015. Janet Hatch seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held July 8, 2015.

Horace Carlyle motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held July 8, 2015. Duane Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

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

Horace Carlyle stated that he was excited to see the progress at the Historical Library. Janet Hatch agreed. Tom Seley noted that the building was looking very good and will be put to good use. Janet Hatch stressed that the Library has had increased attendance. Tom Seley stressed that the Historical Library will be very useable.

Dianne Ryals stated that she had talked to former librarian Minnie Perchetti who may have some old pictures of the inside of the Historical Library. She added that there used to be a

tin ceiling which got plastered over. Duane Downing emphasized that plaster should not be removed if it was done before 1977 as it may contain asbestos. James Eason stated that it was done in the 80's. Dianne Ryals added that Stretch Baker will try to find a pot-belly stove for decoration as the Library used to have one in the past.

6. Correspondence

None

7. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Horace Carlyle motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Duane Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.


8. Public Comment

None

9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:



Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:



Tom Seley, Chairman



Janet Hatch, Vice-Chairman

Duane Downing, Clerk



Horace Carlyle, Member



Doug Farinholt, Member