

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 25, 2018  
Tonopah Convention Center  
301 Brougher Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049

Tonopah Town Board Chairman Duane Downing called the meeting to order on April 25, 2018 at 6:02 p.m. Also present were Clerk Jerry Elliston, and Board Members Roni Link and Mike Sain. Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski was absent. Seven others were in attendance. Chairman Duane Downing led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The items were taken out of order.

The meeting was not recorded between 6:40 p.m. and 7:06 p.m. due to malfunction of the recording equipment. Motions for items 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 were transcribed based on notes taken by Utility Manager Joe Westerlund during the meeting. Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli was advised by Attorney General staff on May 17, 2018 to reagendaize the items to put the actions taken on a recording. They also advised that the actions taken are legal. As the Show Cause Hearing already took place and the owners of the National Nine were notified of said hearing in writing, according to the Town Ordinance, this item does not need to be reagendaized. No further corrective action is necessary.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board of Trustees sometime between 6:40 p.m. at 7:06 p.m.

1. Public Comment

Horace Carlyle voiced concerns about the Nye County roads and how money is being spent in the County. He also commented on the I-11 Bypass and possible airport developments.

Public Works Director Tim Dahl introduced himself and discussed a few road projects in the Town of Tonopah. He suggested a future agenda item to discuss this in detail.

David Hiebert noted that he is running for Nye County Sheriff and that he would like to introduce new programs in Nye County.

2. Announcements

Roni Link stated that the EMT volunteers are still short on drivers. She noted that she believes the only solution for this is to pay drivers. She was asked to bring this to the Town Board. She added that REMSA/ Renown will be hosting an open house on Friday.

Duane Downing pointed out that the annual Law Enforcement Memorial Run will be held the next four days between Las Vegas and Carson City.

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

No comments.

4. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held March 28, 2018.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held March 28, 2018. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the budget workshop held March 30, 2018.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the budget workshop held March 30, 2018. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held April 9, 2018.

Roni Link motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held April 9, 2018. Mike Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

8. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve the use of Joe Friel Sports Complex by Nye County Sheriff's Office for the 2018 Summer Games.

Deputy Carina Skiles noted that the Sheriff's Office would like to use one of the fields at Joe Friel Sports Complex for the annual summer games. Chairman Duane Downing asked Utility Manager Joe Westerlund whether there will be any conflicts which Mr. Westerlund negated. Ms. Skiles stated that she already spoke to Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli about obtaining the keys for the bathrooms. She added that she already provided the insurance certificate to Ms. Galli. Chairman Downing pointed out that the Town does not charge for the use. Mr. Westerlund stated that the dates are June 4-7, 2018.

Roni Link to approve the use of Joe Friel Sports Complex by Nye County Sheriff's Office for the 2018 Summer Games June 4-7, 2018 at no cost. Jerry Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

9. Deliberation, discussion and possible action to authorize the request of 5/8ths Room Tax, Fiscal Year 2017/2018, in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Central Nevada Grange #24 to advertise and promote the 2018 Jim Butler Days Youth Mining Events to be held May 27, 2018.

Dacoda Blackburn stated that Central Nevada Grange has taken over the youth mining events to be held during Jim Butler Days. The plan is to purchase t-shirts for all participants. She stressed that there will be additional t-shirts for purchase but those will not be paid for by the grant funds. Funding will also be used for advertising of the events through flyers. She explained that there have been about 36 participants in the past.

Chairman Duane Downing explained that the Town will not reimburse them until after the evaluation and all receipts have been submitted. He asked if there are adding other events. Ms. Blackburn stated that they are adding a nail driving event to prepare the youth for the drilling events.

Jerry Elliston motioned to authorize the request of 5/8ths Room Tax, Fiscal Year 2017/2018, in the amount of up to \$1,000.00 to Central Nevada Grange #24 to advertise and promote the 2018 Jim Butler Days Youth Mining Events to be held May 27, 2018. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to authorize the use of the Tonopah Rodeo Grounds for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual L.E.A.N. Benefit Tonopah Trail Challenge to be held August 9-13, 2018.

Bryan Brown presented on behalf of petitioner Alisha Brown. He noted that they are asking permission to use the rodeo grounds for the fifth year and about the eighth event that they have been organizing. Chairman Duane Downing noted that the use & maintenance agreement has already been set up. Utility Manger Joe Westerlund asked if Ms. Brown had already talked to staff about the user fee which Mr. Brown confirmed. Clerk Jerry Elliston referred to the liability insurance. Mr. Brown replied that they will have the same coverage as in prior years.

Roni Link asked Mr. Brown to explain the event. Mr. Brown noted that the event is like an obstacle horse on horseback. There will be events throughout the day and at night. Every rider gets three attempts at each obstacle. He noted that they have had about 50 or more participants the last few years. Clerk Jerry Elliston pointed out that they have had great prizes in the past.

Mr. Westerlund asked why the agenda item says that it will be the fifth and final year. Mr. Brown explained that he is not sure yet whether she will give up the event. Mr. Westerlund asked if someone else will take over the event if she gives it up. Mr. Brown noted that he is not sure.

Jerry Elliston motioned to authorize the use of the Tonopah Rodeo Grounds for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual L.E.A.N. Benefit Tonopah Trail Challenge to be held August 9-13, 2018 for the fee identified in the user agreement. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

10. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to name the Stargazing Park in memory of Clair Blackburn.

Clerk Jerry Elliston explained that this item was placed on the agenda by Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski who cannot attend the meeting as he is in Albuquerque for training. Mr. Elliston added that Mr. Kaminski is very passionate about this item and wished he could have been present for it.

Mr. Elliston read the background of the item into the record (see backup). He pointed out that he used to work with Clair Blackburn for over 25 years and knows that he was very passionate about astronomy and stargazing. He stressed that he supports this.

Roni Link motioned to name the Stargazing Park in memory of Clair Blackburn. She added that she thinks it is a wonderful idea and that she thinks Clair would really like this. Mike Sain seconded. Jerry Elliston pointed out that Clair's wife Teralyn and the family are planning to have a memorial on May 19<sup>th</sup>. He asked if it was possible to have a

plaque by then. Joe Westerlund replied that he already has ideas. He noted that if they cannot have a plaque, they can possibly have something in writing. Duane Downing stated that an announcement could be made. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

11. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve new rates and application for advertising on the Town of Tonopah Electronic Reader Board.

Utility Manager Joe Westerlund explained that Becky Braska established suggestions for new rates and a new application. He pointed out that he does not know what the old rates were. He added that the Town would only charge businesses for their advertising, not non-profit organizations.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve new rates and application for advertising on the Town of Tonopah Electronic Reader Board. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

12. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to approve the format for the Temporary Utility Service Application.

Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the format for the Temporary Utility Service Application. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

13. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to set the date, time and place for a Show Cause Hearing for delinquent Transient Lodging Business License Tax owed by National Nine.

Jerry Elliston motioned to set the date, time and location for a Show Cause Hearing for delinquent Transient Lodging Business License Tax owed by National Nine to be held on May 9, 2018 at 6:20 p.m. at the Tonopah Convention Center. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

14. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to authorize Tonopah Chief Financial Officer to administer all the funds within the Community Foundation of Western Nevada Funds; Tonopah Community Fund, Tonopah Community Endowment Fund, Mining Park Fund, Tonopah Library Fund.

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15. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to award the bid for the Tonopah Convention Center Bathroom Renovation Project.

Jerry Elliston motioned to award the base bid for the Tonopah Convention Center Bathroom Project to Perchetti Roofing & Construction. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

16. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Department Staff Reports:

- a) Town Administration
- b) Town Maintenance
- c) Fire Department
- d) Pool
- e) Parks
- f) Rodeo Grounds
- g) Joe Friel Sports Complex:
- h) Tonopah Historic Mining Park
- i) Convention Center
- j) Tourism/Events, Room Tax
- k) Capital Projects
- l) Tonopah Public Utilities – Water Fund: Administration, Operations, Distribution, Transmissions, Wells
- m) Tonopah Public Utilities – Sewer Fund: Administration, Operations, Treatment Plant

Please see backup.

17. Correspondence

Letter from Beatty Town Advisory Board to NDOT, April 13, 2018  
Northern Nye County Hospital District Meeting Agenda, April 19, 2018  
Nye County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Agenda, April 17, 2018  
Carsonnow.org: Nevada tourism industry recognizes Carson City among top advocates with service awards, April 16, 2018  
Notice of Default from Town Board to Hoss Disposal, April 16, 2018  
Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda, April 23, 2018  
Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda, April 24, 2018  
Thank-you-card from David Peterson, TravelNevada  
Letter from Gary Beall re: Hoss Disposal, April 2018  
Letter from DTAX re: Tentative Budget FY 2019, April 17, 2018  
Charters of Freedom Information Packet  
POOL/PACT Annual Meeting Investment Update, April 20, 2018  
POOL/PACT Renewal Presentation 2018-2019, April 20, 2018  
POOL/PACT Stewardship Report, April 20, 2018

18. Approval of vouchers for payment.

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Jerry Elliston motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Roni Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

16. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Department Staff Reports:

Chairman Downing reopened item 16 and asked for an update from Nye County on getting the Town Ordinance codified. He stressed that some offenses cannot be cited as they are not codified.

19. Announcements

Roni Link stated that the Northern Nye County Hospital District is putting on a contest for sixth graders through seniors to design a logo. She added that she attended a traffic information management meeting about better ways for traffic control during accidents. She pointed out that the concerns about the three lanes going through Tonopah were raised and that NDOT said they might reconsider the plans. She suggested that people submit their concerns.

16. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Department Staff Reports:

Utility Manager Joe Westerlund asked whether Nye County will give NDOT the right-of-way to the face of the buildings on Main Street for the Main Street project. Public Works Director Tim Dahl explained that he offered his help to NDOT to clarify the right-of-ways. He noted that he cannot find information about the ownership of about four feet on either side. He stressed that he believes NDOT has more right-of-ways than they think they have. Mr. Westerlund noted that the sidewalks are supposed to be made ADA compliant. He questioned whether there can be four lanes with wide enough sidewalks. Discussions continued about this matter. The Board Members agreed that they need to make the Town's position clear to NDOT.

20. Public Comment

Horace Carlyle noted that Chairman Downing asked the question at the NDOT meeting whether there was still the possibility to have plans changed and got the answer that everything was set in stone. He stressed that he thinks the Town should accept the plans if it came to it as this project will cost over \$20 million. He added that nobody really knows the condition of Main Street, the pipes or the sidewalks. He emphasized that the Town should try to get the best deal but should also consider public health and welfare. If it had to be, the Town could live with three lanes. Chairman Duane Downing agreed and noted that even if the Town has no option they want to let NDOT know of their opinion. Mr. Carlyle pointed out that if NDOT is taking care of some of the problems in Town, the Town will save a lot of money. Chairman Downing agreed. Mr. Carlyle pointed out that the Town Board and the Public Works Director are willing to attend meetings and the Commissioners are willing to listen.

Deb Cobb stated that she believes Tourism/Events Coordinator Shari Bombard deserves an award for putting Tonopah back on the map. She suggested that there should be a citizen's award or employee of the year award. She thinks that the Town should recognize her, not just the State of Nevada.

Mike Jones noted that the school had a meeting about the possibility of moving the middle school to the high school. He explained that there was a lot of opposition, but some of the staff would like to hear opinions. He pointed out that there are issues with some of the buildings and therefore the elementary school is supposed to be moved to the current middle school building. He noted that more people should attend school district meetings and find out why buildings such as Silver Rim are closed and not reopened. He stressed that it is important to keep schools and move forward as a community. Deb Cobb

pointed out that a feasibility study was done years ago and the recommendation was to close the lower part of the current elementary school.

21. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:

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Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:

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Duane Downing, Chairman

  
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Don Kaminski, Vice-Chairman

  
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Jerry W. Elliston, Clerk

  
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Rhonda S. Link, Member

  
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Michael Sain, Member

TONOPA H LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
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1. Public Comment

None.

2. Announcements

None.

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

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✓6. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held April 9, 2018.

Duane Downing motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held April 9. Jerry Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on Library Staff Reports:

- a) Library
- b) Historic Library

Please see backup of item.



8. Correspondence

None.

9. Approval of vouchers for payment.

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

10. Announcements

None.

11. Public Comment

None.

12. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned before 7:06 p.m.

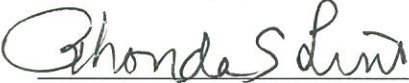
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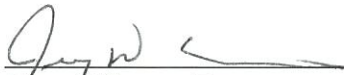
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Michael Sain, Vice-Chairman

  
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Rhonda S. Link, Clerk

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Duane Downing, Trustee

  
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Jerry Elliston, Trustee