TONOPAH TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 2019

Tonopah Convention Center 301 Brougher Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Don Kaminski called the meeting to order on August 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Also present were: Vice-Chairman Jerry Elliston Member Duane Downing Member Mike Sain Clerk Roni Link - telephonically

6 others were in attendance.

Chairman Don Kaminski led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Tonopah Town Board recessed to the Tonopah Library Board of Trustees at 6:55 p.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 7:06 p.m.

1. Public Comment

Jess Rosner with Nye Communities Coalition shared an email from Joye with Salvation Army regarding their employee Shambra, she is no longer an employee. A plan will be put into place. Mr. Rosner will send out an email once he knows more.

2. <u>Approval of the Agenda for the Tonopah Town Board Meeting held this day, August 28,</u> 2019

Items 6 and 7 were tabled.

3. Announcements

Clerk Link made a short announcement regarding Storm Area 51; Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement are taking this very seriously and suggesting everyone be prepared.

4. Town Board Members/Department Manager's/Nye County Commissioner's Comments
Nye County Public Information Officer Arnold Knightly apprised the Board of what was
discussed at today's BoCC meeting. He reiterated Clerk Link's announcement regarding
Storm Area 51. He stated the BoCC unanimously approved a declaration of emergency.
This event is also the weekend as Life is Beautiful, a music fest in Las Vegas and the I
Heart music fest.

Strategies and tactics are still being worked out, nothing is set in stone, per Mr. Knightly. He stated Rachel, NV has announced that Tonopah is the nearest place for fuel. The local grocery is planning on stocking extra water.

Chairman Kaminski mentioned the workshop for the Convention Center.

5. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 26, 2019

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 26, 2019.

Member Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held July 10, 2019

This item was tabled.

7. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held July 24, 2019</u>

This item was tabled.

8. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve providing a letter of support from the Town of Tonopah for a grant application for upgrading rural utilities and broadband access within the town of Tonopah. The grant application will be submitted to the University of Nevada Reno Department of Engineering

Jacob Holloway presented this item to the Board. Mr. Holloway is the County extension Educator for Nye County and Esmeralda County.

He told the Board if they needed him for expert information he would be available, in regard to agriculture or natural resources.

He stated this grant is a significant amount of money, at least 1-2 million dollars.

The caveat is they would be competing with rural communities all over the United States. He does feel they have a strong case.

He stated the people in their engineering college feel like Tonopah is the best place to go to push this grant.

He stated they (engineering college) have a lot of questions and Mr. Holloway is trying to provide as much as possible regarding power and rural water usage. Ms. Mulkerns stated she has also provided information regarding water.

Mr. Holloway stated this project could create 2 part time jobs or 1 full time job.

Member Downing motioned to approve providing a letter of support from the Town of Tonopah for a grant application for upgrading rural utilities and broadband access within the town of Tonopah. The grant application will be submitted to the University of Nevada Reno Department of Engineering. Member Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

9. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision to donate ground penetrating equipment to</u> Central Nevada Museum/Historical Society

Joni Eastley with Central Nevada Historical Society addressed the Board regarding this item.

She stated the equipment is about 15 years old but would suit their purposes. They are interested in finding things like graves that might be outside the boundaries of the cemetery. Ms. Mulkerns and Mr. Westerlund stated the equipment has not been used in years. Mr. Westerlund stated they tried using the equipment once and stated using flags and people was a lot more successful than using the device. It was discussed that this is radar and not a metal detector. Ms. Eastley stated they are looking for anomalies underneath the ground.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to donate ground penetrating equipment to Central Nevada Museum/Historical Society. Member Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

10. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve the purchase of a gallery track system for the Convention Center Blue Room to properly display art exhibits, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00

Ms. Mulkerns explained this would be paid out of the Convention Center bldg./grounds maintenance fund. She explained that we are in the BRX program with Carson City and that most of that art will be displayed in the Main Room of the Convention Center.

She stated Events and Tourism Coordinator Kat Galli is encouraging local artists to have displays in the Blue Room of the Convention Center. She stated this system would hang on the grid system opposed to being nailed to the walls.

The shipping costs are not yet determined.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve the purchase of a gallery track system for the Convention Center Blue Room to properly display art exhibits, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. Member Downing seconded. No further discussion. The motion carried 5-0.

11. <u>Discussion</u>, <u>deliberation</u>, and <u>possible action to approve paying for the Jim Butler Days and Tonopah Historic Mining Park annual website maintenance</u>

Ms. Mulkerns explained to the Board how the Town would be taking on the expense and that it would be paid out of the Town Admin Professional Fees fund.

Quotes were received from Teresa Madsen.

The Mining Park Foundation thought they were paying for this but Ms. Madsen was donating her time.

Ms. Mulkerns and Ms. Galli felt with the time being put in by Ms. Madsen she should be compensated.

These sites are currently within the Tonopah Nevada website.

\$900 for the Jim Butler Days site and \$540 for the Tonopah Historic Mining Park site.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve paying for the Jim Butler Days and Tonopah Historic Mining Park annual website maintenance. Member Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

12. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve applying for a Tourism Marketing Grant through TravelNevada for the distribution of the Tonopah brochure and to approve grant matching expenditure from FY 19/20 funds in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 Chairman Kaminski inquired about the backup which stated; if they get the grant it will cost \$19,000.00 and if they don't it will cost \$30,000.00.

Ms. Mulkerns stated that Ms. Galli's recommendation is if they don't get the grant they don't do it.

It was stated, by Chairman Kaminski that this would include 120,000 brochures and would be distributed across the state.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve applying for a Tourism Marketing Grant through TravelNevada for the distribution of the Tonopah brochure and to approve grant matching expenditure from FY 19/20 funds in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 if the grant is awarded.

Member Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

13. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to allow Tonopah Development Corporation to use a small office space located within the Town Office for the administration of the Main Street Program at fair market rent plus a percentage of the Town's utility bills for the Town Office, as an in-kind contribution towards the Town's commitment of funds for the Tonopah Main Street Program

Ms. Mulkerns stated the annual cost with utilities works out to around \$2,100.00.

Joni Eastley with the Tonopah Development Corporation stated she believes this would go towards the \$25,000.00 in-kind commitment. This would be credited against that commitment.

Member Downing motioned to allow Tonopah Development Corporation to use a small office space located within the Town Office for the administration of the Main Street Program at fair market rent plus a percentage of the Town's utility bills for the Town Office, as an in-kind contribution towards the Town's commitment of funds for the Tonopah Main Street Program.

Member Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

14. <u>Discussion</u>, <u>deliberation</u>, and <u>possible action to authorize payment of utility bills and/or all bills</u>, including Bank of America credit card statements under specific circumstances prior to Board approval at a regularly scheduled meeting

Vice Chairman Elliston had concerns with this letter and it's wording.

He inquired "what does all bills mean?"

Ms. Mulkerns explained the certain situations lined out in the letter.

Vice Chairman Elliston stated it needs to be in the motion as identified in the letter.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to authorize payment of utility bills and/or all bills, including Bank of America credit card statements under specific circumstances prior to Board approval at a regularly scheduled meeting as identified in the letter to the Nye County Finance Department dated August 28, 2019. Member Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

15. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action on Department Staff Reports

The Board agreed the reports looked good.

Regarding the Tourism and Events report: Chairman Kaminski inquired about the TDC taking over the Tonopah Main Street Program and the Town of Tonopah holds a non-voting position on the Board. He stated he had a concern since they are the ones donating the money.

Ms. Eastley with TDC explained that is how the other Main Street Programs are run, the Town holds a seat on the Board but it's not a voting position.

She also stated they are only an affiliate member of the Main Street Program and until they are fully accredited, they cannot use the Main Street name.

There was concern from all Board Members and further discussion.

It was suggested to add the Tonopah Development Committee back into item #4 so that updates regarding the TDC and Tonopah Main Street Program can be provided to the Town Board.

16. Correspondence

Email: Healthy Smiles Prenatal Health and Dental Care – NV Department of Health and Human Services.

17. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers.

Member Downing motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Vice Chairman Elliston seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

18. Announcements

Clerk Link announced that Jeff Kayser will no longer be providing chiropractic care in Tonopah.

19. Public Comment

Jacob Holloway stated he is looking at hiring 2 people in his office; part time.

20. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:

Jennifer Mills, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:

Don Kaminski, Chairman

Jerry W. Elliston, Vice-Chairman

Vacant, Clerk

Duane Downing, Member,

Michael Sain, Member

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TONOPAH LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 2019

Tonopah Convention Center 301 Brougher Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049 6:15 p.m.

1. Public Comment

No comment

2. Approval of the Agenda for the Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees held this day, August 28, 2019

Items 6 and 7 were tabled.

3. Announcements

None

4. <u>Library Board Member's/Manager's Comments</u>

The Board discussed the library expansion drawings.

Ms. Mulkerns explained that once approved it has to be in the newspaper for 3 weeks. And that it would most likely be into October before bids come in if they approve and advertise now.

It was discussed pushing the project out until spring.

Trustee Elliston also suggested this extra time would allow them to get the design the way they want it.

5. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 26, 2019

Vice Chairman Kaminski motioned to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 26, 2019. Trustee Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held July 10, 2019</u>

Item was tabled.

7. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held July 24, 2019

Item was tabled.

8. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to authorize payment of utility bills and/or all bills, including Bank of America credit card statements; under specific circumstances prior to Board approval at a regularly scheduled meeting

Member Elliston motioned to authorize payment of utility bills and/or all bills, including Bank of America credit card statements; under specific circumstances prior to Board approval at a regularly scheduled meeting detailed in the letter to the Nye County Finance Department dated August 28, 2019. Clerk Link seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

- 9. <u>Discussion, deliberation and possible action on the Library Staff Report</u> No report was submitted.
- 10. Correspondence

None

11. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers.

Trustee Elliston motioned to approve vouchers as presented for payment.

Trustee Downing seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 5-0.

12. Announcements

None

13. Public Comment

None

14. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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