TONOPAH TOWN BOARD

July 13, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Tonopah Convention Center

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

Chairman Don Kaminski brought the Tonopah Town Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on July 13, 2022 and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Tonopah Town Board recessed to the Tonopah Library Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. and reconvened as the Tonopah Town Board at 7:15 p.m.

Present:

Vice-Chairman Jerry Elliston Member Duane Downing

Absent:

Clerk Marc Grigory Member Zachary Newell

12 others were in attendance

- 1. Public Comment.
 None.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda for the Tonopah Town Board Meeting held this day, July 13, 2022. Agenda approved as submitted.
- 3. Town Board Member's, Department Manager's, Nye County Commissioner's, Tonopah Main Street and Nye Communities Coalition Comments.

Joni Eastley with Tonopah Main Street:

Red White and Booze event.

Next event to be determined for Halloween.

Statement read into the minutes by Ms. Eastley:

"We are grateful for the contribution the Town of Tonopah makes each year to the Tonopah Main Street Program. Although this financial contribution is required for us to maintain our status as an

active member of the Nevada Main Street Program, it demonstrates town leadership's commitment to

our Mission: We are dedicated to improving the quality of life and revitalizing the business climate while preserving our unique, historic past. We have always considered you our partners in

this mission and our volunteers work hard and donate thousands of hours to improve the business

climate on Main Street, which in turn generates tax revenues for town government.

For those town board members who weren't aware of the specific process, Tonopah Main Street submits

proof of its eligible expenses to the town, and those expenses are reimbursed to us until the town's \$25,000 commitment is met. We were shocked and confused however, to discover recently that a

\$735 "in-kind donation" was charged by the town against that \$25,000. When we questioned the

charge, we were told that it was for town maintenance staffs time for filling the reservoirs in the

planters on Main Street with water.

Your agenda tonight includes an item to approve an MOU with Round Mountain Public Utilities for

fees and scheduling when assistance is provided by TPU in that community. This, of course, is the

action you should take so that each party understands the other's obligations and responsibilities.

As I mentioned previously, Tonopah Main Street is run strictly by volunteers. In fact, if it weren't for volunteers, the quality of life in this tiny community would deteriorate. Your volunteers donate their time and money to help our veterans, organize special programs for children

and seniors, and sponsor events that not only offer opportunities for family fun and entertainment

for our citizens, but bring people in from other towns and cities to have fun with us. These all

have the potential of generating revenue for town government-and do.

We realize the Town has the authority to dictate charges for in-kind donations and we accept that.

Our volunteers will organize other fundraisers to try and recoup the \$735 loss to our operating

budget. But what we don't understand and find difficult to accept, especially in view of the fact

that the town did not put an MOU in place as was done with the Town of Round Mountain, is why this

has happened. Our volunteers are demoralized. We'll do our best to repair that, but what cannot be

repaired are the hard feelings that come from knowing we're not important enough to be consulted.

Again, we have appreciated being partners with the Town of Tonopah as we advance the important work

of Tonopah Main Street."

Explanation provided by Town Manager Joe Westerlund. Short staff explanation for the in-kind amount.

There are now 50 planters, before 25-30.

Time spent; about a day and a half every 10 days, person.

Chairman Kaminski: could TMS do the watering? Ms. Eastley: the volunteers have full time jobs. She also asked if the fee continue to be charged July-September.

The plants are removed around September due to the change in weather.

Mr. Westerlund said the charge is only calculated each time they water.

What's the rate being charged, per Ms. Eastley. Mr. Westerlund stated it's a loaded rate, unknown at this time.

Ms. Eastley stated they would have liked to have been advised of this charge.

Discussion for a possible MOU, proposed meeting between TMS and Town staff.

Nye County Commissioner Bruce Jabbour. Was a participant of the RW&B event. Nice experience.

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska:

Pool going great. 209 people on season passes.

Town Manager Joe Westerlund:

9 concrete pads being poured for blacksmithing

Pole for solar system to be set at Sportsmans Park

4. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve meeting minutes, in context, from the March 25, 2022 budget workshop and April 13, April 27, June 8, 2022 regular meetings.</u>

April 13, 2022 & April 27, 2022 minutes were tabled.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve meeting minutes, in context, from the

March 25, 2022 budget workshop and June 8, 2022 regular meeting.

Member Downing seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

5. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation and possible action to approve a request to change the dates of the Equine Trail Challenge from June 25 and 26, 2022 to August 27 and 28, 2022. Event will still be held at the Tonopah Fairground.

Chrissy Pope presented.

Low attendance is the cause for date change.

No questions.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve a request to change the dates of the Equine Trail Challenge from June 25 and 26, 2022 to August 27 and 28, 2022. Event will still be held at the Tonopah Fairground.

Member Downing seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

6. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve and sign a letter of support for the Nevada Offroad Association to move forward with a grant request and application to Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program.</u>

Town Manager Joe Westerlund presented.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve and sign a letter of support for the Nevada Offroad Association to move forward with a grant request and application to Nevada Off-Highway Vehicles Program.

Member Downing seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

7. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve and adopt Resolution 22-01; Town of Tonopah Support of the Annual Jim Butler Days Festivities.</u>

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

Removal of Chamber of Commerce and waiving of fees.

Chairman Kaminski wants to see the resolution from 2003.

Problem with rodeo as a for profit.

Liability a concern for the rodeo as a high risk.

Item tabled.

8. <u>Discussion</u>, deliberation, and possible action to approve Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for the Town of Tonopah/Tonopah Public Utilities.

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

Based on what the board approved in the budget.

Department of Taxation requires this.

Chairman Kaminski stated that Sportsmans Park should be at \$100,000 on the capital projects list.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for the Town of Tonopah/Tonopah Public Utilities.

Member Downing seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

9. <u>Discussion</u>, <u>deliberation</u>, <u>and possible action to approve Fiscal Year 2021-2022</u> Indebtedness Report and Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Debt Management Policy.

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Indebtedness Report and Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Debt Management Policy.

Member Downing seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

10. <u>Discussion</u>, <u>deliberation</u>, <u>and possible action to appoint the Chief Financial Officer for the Town of Tonopah</u>, <u>Fiscal Year 2022-2023</u>.

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

Chairman Kaminski suggested Mr. Westerlund.

Vice Chairman Elliston asked Mr. Westerlund who he proposes, he stated Ms. Braska.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to appoint Administrative Supervisor Rebecca Braska as the Chief Financial Officer for the Town of Tonopah, Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Member Downing seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

11. <u>Discussion</u>, <u>deliberation</u>, <u>and possible decision to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Round Mountain Public Utilities (RMPU) for fees and scheduling when assistance is provided by Tonopah Public Utilities (TPU) to Round Mountain Public Utilities.</u>

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

This is a standing MOU.

RMPU will pay loaded rates for whoever TPU sends out.

Vice Chairman Elliston motioned to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Round Mountain Public Utilities (RMPU) for fees and scheduling when assistance is provided by Tonopah Public Utilities (TPU) to Round Mountain Public Utilities. . Member Downing seconded.

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No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

- 12. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on Department Budget Reports.</u>
 Looked good per the Board.
- 13. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on Department Staff Reports.</u>
 Looked good per the Board.

14. <u>Correspondence</u> NyECC Newsletter

15. Approval of vouchers for payment.

The Board reviewed and signed vouchers.

Member Downing motioned to approve vouchers as submitted for payment.

Vice Chairman Elliston seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

16. Public Comment.

None.

17. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:

Jennifer Mills, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:

Don Kaminski, Chairman

Jerry W. Elliston, Vice-Chairman

Marc Grigory, Clerk

Duane Downing, Member

Zachary Newell, Member

Tonopah Town Board Meeting Minutes For meeting held: July 13, 2022

Approved at meeting held: October 12, 2022

TONOPAH LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 13, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

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

Chairman Duane Downing brought the Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees meeting to order on July 13, 2022 at 6:57 p.m.

Present:

Vice-Chairman Don Kaminski Trustee Jerry Elliston

Absent:

Clerk Marc Grigory Trustee Zachary Newell

12 others were in attendance

1. Public Comment.

None.

2. Approval of the Agenda for the Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees Meeting held this day, July 13, 2022.

Agenda approved as submitted.

- 3. <u>Library Board Member's/Manager's Comments</u> Parking lot complete.
- 4. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve meeting minutes, in context, from the March 25, 2022 budget workshop and April 13, April 27, June 8, 2022 regular meetings.</u>

Vice Chairman Kaminski motioned to approve meeting minutes, in context, from the March 25, 2022 budget workshop and April 13, April 27, June 8, 2022 regular meetings. Trustee Elliston seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

5. <u>Discussion</u>, <u>deliberation</u>, <u>and possible action to approve Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for the Tonopah Library District.</u>

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

Required by Department of Taxation.

Trustee Elliston motioned to approve Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for the Tonopah Library District.

Vice Chairman Kaminski seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

 Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Tonopah Library District Indebtedness Report and Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Debt Management Policy.

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

No long term debt. Just a change of the dates.

Vice Chairman Kaminski motioned to approve Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Tonopah Library District Indebtedness Report and Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Debt Management Policy. Trustee Elliston seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

7. <u>Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to appoint the Chief Financial Officer for the Tonopah Library District, Fiscal Year 2022-2023.</u>

Administrative Supervisor Becky Braska presented.

Trustee Elliston motioned to appoint Administrative Supervisor Rebecca Braska as the Chief Financial Officer for the Tonopah Library District, Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Vice Chairman Kaminski seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

- 8. <u>Discussion, deliberation and possible action on the Library on Department Budget Report.</u>
 Looked good per the Board.
- 9. <u>Discussion, deliberation and possible action on the Library Staff Report.</u>
 None.
- 10. Correspondence

None.

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11. Approval of vouchers for payment.

The Board reviewed and signed vouchers.

Vice Chairman Kaminski motioned to approve vouchers as submitted for payment.

Trustee Elliston seconded.

No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

12. Public Comment. Mr. Westerlund: Homeless person sleeping on the bench. Called Nye County Sheriff's Office and he was 86'd from the property. 13. Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m. Minutes transcribed by: Approved: Duane Downing, Chairman Don Kaminski, Vice-Chairman Marc Grigory, Clerk

Jerry Elliston, Trustee

Zachary Newell, Trustee

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