

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 12, 2011

Town Board Vice Chairman Glenn Hatch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Jon Zane, Horace Carlyle, Duane Downing, and Javier Gonzales. There were thirteen other people in attendance.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, new members Duane Downing and Javier Gonzalez and re-elected member Glenn Hatch were sworn in by Nye County Clerk Sandra "Sam" Merlino.

1. Election of Officers: Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk.

Horace Carlyle made a motion to nominate Jon Zane as Chairman of the Board. Duane Downing seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Duane Downing made a motion to nominate Horace Carlyle as Vice Chairman of the Board. Javier Gonzalez seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Jon Zane made a motion to nominate Javier Gonzalez as Clerk of the Board. Glenn Hatch seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes, in context from Regular Meeting held on December 22, 2010.

Horace Carlyle made a motion to approve the minutes, in context, from regular meeting held on December 22, 2010. Glenn Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-2-0 (Duane Downing and Javier Gonzalez abstained).

3. Approval of 5/8ths of 1% Room Tax Grant to advertise and promote the 2011 TMS Booster Club Basketball Tournament.

Toni North, TMS Booster Club President information on the outcome of the TMS Booster Club Basketball Tournament from 2010. She noted that with the funds they were provided last year, they were able to feed 250 people. She explained that the funds were used to purchase tee-shirts for all the players and coaches participating in the tournament.

Horace Carlyle made a motion to approve the 5/8ths of 1% Room Tax Grant to advertise and promote the 2011 TMS Booster Club Basketball Tournament in the amount of \$1498.00. Glenn Hatch seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Presentation of plaques to two (2) past Town Board Members honored for their years of service.

Mariah Rivero noted that one of the plaques to be presented had not yet arrived. She made the suggestion to the Board that the presentation of the plaques be tabled until the January 26, 2011 Tonopah Town Board Meeting. The Board agreed.

Presentation tabled until January 26, 2011 Tonopah Town Board Meeting.

5. Tonopah Department Budget Reports

No comments.

6. Tonopah Development Corporation Report

No comments.

7. Public Comment

No action taken by the Board.

Bill Verbeck, Director of Great Basin College and representing Nye County, presented information regarding the Great Basin satellite center opening soon in Tonopah. He invited the Board and the residents of Tonopah to the Open House on Wednesday January 19, 2011 at 12:00 pm at the Tonopah Station. Great Basin College is setting up a satellite center in Tonopah with the goal to promote higher education and workforce development. He noted that they have already enrolled two high school classes. He explained that they do offer classes for high school juniors and seniors. He noted that on Thursday January 13, 2011 they would be interviewing for tow part time positions.

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

Chris Mulkerns noted that on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Wayne Carlson from PooPac will be presenting a workshop called "Positive Governance." She noted that the Town will be inviting other Boards in Nye County. The workshop will be at 4:30 pm in the main meeting room of the Tonopah Convention Center.

Chris Mulkerns presented the plaque and certificates given to the Town. The plaque and one certificate were presented to the Town from the Nye Community Coalition in honor of the Town's Participation in their Youth Work Development. The second certificate came from the Tonopah Farmers Market in honor of the Town's support.

Horace Carlyle called attention to the Tonopah Public Utilities report from Joe Westerlund. He felt the board needed to keep an eye on the health inspection of the water system, in particular the water tanks and overflow, which is now being challenged by the new inspector. He noted the

section in the report which the possible expenditure if the finding is not overturned. He noted that since the Public Health Engineer has been moved to the clean Water Act section of EPA of Nevada they are taking a different approach. He felt it was something that Shaw Engineering may be able to correct without too much expense if Susan Dudley or Joe Westerlund can have them inspect it. He felt it may be better to have Shaw Engineering look at it and see how the inspector's objections can be accommodated if necessary.

Horace Carlyle mentioned that he attended the Business Meeting of the Fire Department Tuesday evening. He mentioned that for the first time the Town Board and Town Manager have rendered a letter of support and cooperation to the Fire Department for possible equipment needs or training. He noted that for the last 4-6 months they have been working on replacing some communication equipment. Some of the equipment is obsolete and they have repaired what they could but some cannot be repaired. He felt the moral was very good.

Horace Carlyle mentioned the Visitor Center at the Texaco. He noted that it should be locked and that Jeff Galli made blanks so could the building could be secured. He mentioned that there is a problem with the building in that there are no lights and it was unsecured 24/7 for months. He noted that Clair Blackburn was looking at how to get it functioning with regards to wind generation. He noted that when it comes time for budget hearings some money may have to be spent on it. He is against leaving it unsecured 24/7 with no lights. He feels it is a liability if the Board does not come up with a plan to control the building and make it usable and beneficial.

9. 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.

This item was tabled.

10. Closed meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with Town's Management Representative regarding labor negotiation issues, and other personnel issues

This item was tabled.

11. Discussion deliberation, and possible decision on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in the closed meeting

This item was tabled.

12. Closure of meeting pursuant to NRS 241.015(2)(b)(2) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation

This item was tabled.

13. Closed meeting, pursuant to NRS 241.015(2)(b)(2) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation

This item was tabled.

14. Discussion, deliberation and possible decision on conference with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation presented in the closed meeting

This item was tabled.

15. Correspondence

Tonopah Farmers Market Certificate: Locally Grown Hero Award – 11/22/2010  
Community Service Award – 11/22/2010  
Open Meeting Law Training Session on January 11, 2010– 12/23/2010  
News Release: Heller Blasts Interior’s Actions to Create De-Facto Wilderness – 12/27/2010  
Salazar, Abbey Restore Protections for America’s Wild Lands – 12/27/2010  
Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda – 12/28/2010  
Alternative Service Concepts, LLC: Nevada Public Agency Insurance Pool – 12/30/2010  
Nye County Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda – 01/03/2011  
Tonopah Veterans Service Outreach – 01/03/2011  
Great Basin College Open House for Tonopah Education Center – 01/04/2011  
BLM Seeks Public Land Input – 01/04/2011  
Battle Mountain RMP Newsletter – 01/04/2011  
Ethics Training Session on January 27, 2011 – 01/05/2011  
BLM Nevada News: Battle Mountain District Resources Management Plan – 01/06/2011  
BLM Nevada News: “Shoe Tree” Vandalism – 01/06/2011  
Nevada State Office of Energy: Nevada Tops in the Nation – 01/06/2011  
U.S. Dept. of the Interior, BLM: Crescent Dunes Solar Energy Project – 01/06/2011  
Tonopah Town Board Notice of Possible Quorum – 01/07/2011  
Nye County Board of Commissioners Teleconference Agenda– 01/07/2011  
BLM Nevada News – 01/07/2011  
Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda – 01/11/2011  
Open Meeting Law Boards and Commissions Training – 01/11/2011  
Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda – 01/12/2011  
Nye County Board of Commissioners Special Meeting Agenda – 01/18/2011  
Reminder of Ethics Training – 01/12/2011

Horace Carlyle pointed out the correspondence for the Mining Park showing their work and financial contributions. He felt it was outstanding and hopes that they know that their efforts are deeply appreciated.

16. Approval of Vouchers for Payment

The vouchers were reviewed and all were signed by Board members. Horace Carlyle made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Glenn Hatch seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

17. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40

Minutes transcribed by:

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Approved:

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Jon Zane, Chairman

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Horace Carlyle, Vice Chairman

Javier Gonzalez, Clerk

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Glenn Hatch, Member

Duane Downing, Member