

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 13, 2016  
Tonopah Convention Center  
301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049

Tonopah Town Board Chairman Duane Downing called the meeting to order on July 13, 2016 at 7:01 p.m. Also present were Clerk Janet Hatch and Board member Don Kaminski. Vice-Chairman Tom Seley was absent. Five others were in attendance. Chairman Downing led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board of Trustees at 7:20 p.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 7:23 p.m.

1. Public Comment

Chairman Duane Downing noted that the question was posed before the beginning of the meeting about whether a patient can be accepted at the local clinic from an ambulance. He clarified that the ambulance service has to transport patients to Hawthorne or Bishop as the clinic is not an urgent care facility or emergency room. Board member Don Kaminski inquired what would happen if he drives to the clinic with a broken leg. Mr. Downing noted that he believes they will probably tell patients that they need to go to another facility.

Chairman Downing stressed that everything is a work in progress.

Tonopah resident Cindy Kaminski stated that x-rays can be taken at the local clinic, but the lab is not running yet. She emphasized that they have only been open for one month and need to be given some leeway. She added that they are currently interviewing people to mesh Renown with the community by hiring locals.

Duane Downing noted that they will hopefully have urgent care or an emergency room someday.

2. Review and approval of minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 8, 2016.

Janet Hatch motioned to approve the minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held June 8, 2016. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

3. Department Budget Reports

Utility Manager Joe Westerlund stressed that the report does not reflect final numbers for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. He emphasized that there is plenty of money left in each fund to move money around so that certain funds are not over budget.

Chairman Downing stated that the ending numbers of each fund are looking good.

Clerk Janet Hatch noted that the room tax collection was higher than expected.

Duane Downing inquired where Nye County with giving the PST money into the Fire Department and Sheriff Department funds. Mr. Westerlund explained that they have not transferred the full amount yet. Mr. Downing noted that the Town Board needs to hold Nye County accountable. Mr. Westerlund stated that Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns is in contact with Auditor Daniel McArthur about this matter.

Chairman Downing added that the Town Board needs to look at how the County is distributing the money. He explained that they do it by population whereas the 2007 Sales and Use Tax Act says it should be distributed where it is generated.

Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli noted that the Board will be approving almost \$30,000 in expenditure for the PST Fire Department Fund tonight.

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

Utility Manager Joe Westerlund stated that the rodeo grounds paint job has been completed by the Youth Werks Summer Work Program. He emphasized that it looks like a brand new facility. The arena is ready for the annual summer rodeo on Saturday. Bleachers will be moved in the following day and Town maintenance staff will rope off handicapped parking. Mr. Westerlund added that there will be additional seating this year as there will hopefully be a great turn out.

Duane Downing asked whether the Town will be fencing off the parking lane at the Brewery where the street dance will be held. Mr. Westerlund stated that they asked to borrow gates.

Joe Westerlund noted that Pool Manager Shari Bombard is doing a great job. She started using cyanuric acid that helps keep the sun from breaking the chlorine as quickly. He explained that he purchased parts to be able to recirculate the water through the slide instead of using additional water. He added that there are six lifeguards working at the pool.

Tonopah resident Cindy Kaminski asked if the Town has a cover for the pool which Mr. Westerlund affirmed. Ms. Kaminski inquired whether the Town has looked into using salt instead of chlorine. Mr. Westerlund stated that he believes the Town would have to change some major components to be able to use salt. He pointed out that it is running great as is. He stressed that Ms. Bombard's management style is great, she gets along great with the lifeguards, and there have not been any issues.

Mr. Westerlund reminded the Board that there will be workshop with EMS before the Board Meeting on July 27, 2016 at 6 p.m.

Mr. Westerlund noted that the Town will be hosting a pool party for all participants of the NyECC Youth Werks program on July 28. He noted that the Town may buy hot dogs from petty cash as this program saved the Town lots of money and all youth have been doing a great job.

Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli noted that Delaney Friel is helping her in the office this summer. She stated that Ms. Friel is doing an amazing job. She explained that Ms. Friel will complete any jobs Ms. Galli asks her to do and will suggest other things to complete.

Joe Westerlund stated that the lawn mower broke down and the parks could not be mowed. He noted that summer help Brendan Eason is trying to catch up.

Chairman Duane Downing inquired what the status is on the Harvey Park signage. Joe Westerlund stated that he is looking into it. He asked the Board what they thought about having the abbreviated name "Harvey Park" on the signs on each corner and only the full name on the plaque by the parking lot. The Board Members agreed that this was a good idea.

5. 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.

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No action taken by the Board.

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

No action taken by the Board.

8. Correspondence

Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda, June 28, 2016

Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, June 30, 2016

Tonopah Room Tax Report for the Month of May 2016, Collected June 2016

Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, July 5, 2016

Beatty Town Advisory Board Workshop Agenda, July 7, 2016

Convention Center Report for June 2016

Park/Recreation Grants Announcement, July 2016

Beatty Town Advisory Board Meeting Agenda, July 11, 2016

Nye County BOCC Meeting Agenda, July 12, 2016

Round Mountain Town Board Meeting Agenda, July 12, 2016

Nye County Water District Governing Board Teleconference Agenda, July 12, 2016

Tonopah Town Collections, June 2016

Letter from Nevada Division of Tourism re: Grant Award, June 29, 2016

Letter from District Attorney Angela Bello to Attorney General Adam Laxalt,  
March 22, 2016

Letter from Attorney General Adam Laxalt to District Attorney Angela Bello, July 5,  
2016

Letter from District Attorney Angela Bello re: Attorney General's opinion, July 12, 2016

Letter from Attorney General Adam Laxalt re: OML Complaint, July 8, 2016

Chairman Duane Downing referred to the letter from the Nevada Division of Tourism and pointed out that Tonopah was approved for their application for advertising in the annual Tourism Guide in amount of \$1,925.00.

9. Approval of vouchers for payment

Utility Manager Joe Westerlund pointed out that the shooting of the promotional video for the Town will take place on Saturday. Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli noted that the Town only pays for one day, but that Todd Simon of THS-Visuals suggested filming the street dance on Friday night at no additional charge. She noted that the team will be shooting the Clown Motel, the historical cemetery, the pool, Sportsman's Park, fly over Main Street with a drone, the Tesla charging station, etc. She emphasized that the team had already filmed the Tonopah Historic Mining Park, Mizpah Hotel, Tonopah Brewing Company, and the Central Nevada Museum for Nevada Silver Trails which allowed the Town to use that footage. Don Kaminski asked whether they will be filming SolarReserve. Ms. Galli explained that Ms. Simon is in contact with them.

Duane Downing apologized for missing the last two meetings. He added that his work and training schedule should allow him to attend all meetings in the near future.

Joe Westerlund noted that Doug Farinholt resigned from the Town Board.

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Janet Hatch motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

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

Duane Downing noted that he would like staff to order a plaque for Doug Farinholt for his service on the Town Board. He inquired when the vacancy will be advertised in the local newspaper. Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli stated that it will be advertised for two weeks starting the next day.

10. Public Comment

Tonopah resident Roni Link asked whether anything has been done about moving the Nevada Silver Trails Tourist Information to Pocket Park. Deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli stated that Bruce Jabbour had noted that this was a very costly endeavor and Silver Trails was therefore not interested in having it moved. Utility Manager Joe Westerlund added that it was estimated to cost about \$11,000 about 10 years. He noted that staff would like to have a little building like at the Best Western with electric where people can get information about Tonopah attractions, restaurants etc. He added that he will ask Dave Peterson about how to run the electricity to the building.

Mr. Westerlund explained that the Town Board already approved having an electric kiosk and brochures at Pocket Park, but it is still a work in progress. He added that it was brought up that there should be parking at Pocket Park. He noted that the Town needs to make Pocket Park accessible so that people do not park in the Tesla spots. He stated that he will have to get a quote for putting parking spots in.

Roni Link asked whether there will be any seating in the kiosk with a vending machine and phone charging station. Joe Westerlund clarified that the Town does not want to get into the vending business and that the Town wants Tesla owners who charge their vehicles to go to the stores and restaurants. Duane Downing added that one of the reasons the Town Board chose that location was to encourage people to eat or shop while

their cars are charging. The Town wants to support the local businesses, not profit themselves.

Joe Westerlund explained that the kiosk will have information about the Tonopah Historic Mining Park and possibly offer to be picked up in the Polaris. He noted that Tesla owners can visit a different attraction, restaurant, store etc. every time they come through Tonopah. Duane Downing noted that there are no more than 150 miles between charging stations right now.

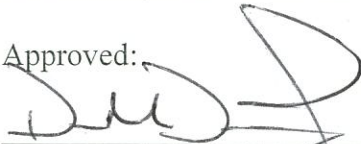
11. Adjourn

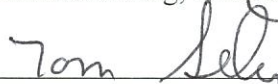
The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by:

  
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Kat Galli, Deputy Town Clerk

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Tom Seley, Vice-Chairman

  
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Janet Hatch, Clerk

  
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TONOPAH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
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3. Library Budget Report

Janet Hatch noted that the numbers are looking good. She inquired whether there will be much more for the renovation of the Historical Library which deputy Town Clerk Kat Galli denied.

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

None.

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers. Duane Downing motioned to approve the vouchers as presented for payment. Don Kaminski seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

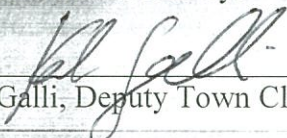
7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

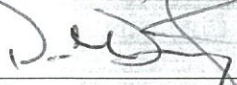
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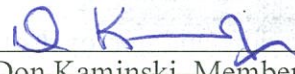
  
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Tom Seley, Chairman

  
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Janet Hatch, Vice-Chairman

  
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Duane Downing, Clerk

  
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Don Kaminski, Member

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Vacant, Member