

**TONOPAH TOWN BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 23, 2019**  
**Tonopah Convention Center**  
**301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049**

Tonopah Town Board Chairman Don Kaminski called the meeting to order on October 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Also present:

Member Mike Sain

Clerk Marc Grigory (as nominated and elected under item 8)

Absent:

Vice Chairman Jerry Elliston

Member Duane Downing

8 others were also in attendance.

Chairman Don Kaminski led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Approval of the Agenda for the Tonopah Town Board Meeting held this day, October 23, 2019

The agenda was approved as submitted, with the exception of Item 5, which was tabled.

3. Announcements

Tonopah Historic Mining Park Tour Guide Jeff Martin updated the Board regarding the recent visit from the Clampers and their dedication of a plaque at the opening of the Burro Tunnel located at the THMP. Mr. Martin stated "they were well behaved" and that they made him an honorary Clamper.

Administrative Manager Chris Mulkerns with the following:

Pump testing at the fire house today, everything passed, per John Campbell.

Grand opening of Affiliated Therapy, tomorrow, 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Round Mountain Gold Corp. Community meeting tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. She and Utility Manager Joe Westerlund plan on attending.

The offices (Town and TPU) will be closed October 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Nevada Day.

Chairman Kaminski welcomed new Member Marc Grigory to the Tonopah Town Board.

4. Town Board Members/Department Manager's/Nye County Commissioner's Comments/Tonopah Development Corporation

Nye County Public Information Officer Arnold Knightly (PIO) with the following:

Public Works Encroachment Permits Workshop at the Board of County Commissioner's Chamber (BoCC). Time and place: 6:00 p.m. on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Presenter: Public Works Director Tim Dahl.

Events and Tourism Director Kat Galli with the following:

Upcoming events this weekend.

She gave praise to Tabitha Reid and her crew for the set up of the Haunted House at the Convention Center. Admission is free to kids on Friday night and free to teenagers and adults on Saturday night.

Parties at the TLC, Mizpah Hotel, Mizpah Club.

She requested events for the upcoming Christmas poster.

She thanked Mr. Knightly for requesting and sharing Town Events/Info on the Nye County website.

Update regarding TDC and Main Street Program (she stated she is a non voting member of the Main Street Board). Ms. Galli stated they have been meeting almost every week. Hopefully next week they will have a flyer made available explaining who Main Street is and what the benefits are for businesses and community members. This in hopes to start bringing donations in.

The first fundraiser is a raffle with the prize being Golden Knights tickets. Tickets are for either on the level close to the ice or the "lounge area". Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

The Room Tax email that was sent out by Deputy Town Clerk Jennifer Mills was incorrectly labeled by the Treasurer's Office. It was labeled July and should have been September. A corrected report will be sent when made available.

She stated, however, that another record was broken with the income of room tax for September.

The Main Street Program has taken over the Santa Crawl, which is scheduled for December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Tonopah Historic Mining Park Tour Guide Jeff Martin apprised the Board regarding the Silver Top project. After being lifted off the foundation and moved to the side, Simerson Construction got out of the way and Stretchco came in. Mr. Martin stated Stretch's job was to expose the timbers of the mine shaft. He brought in a backhoe and dug down, with intention of going down 8 feet, but at 5 feet they hit bedrock which was a good thing. Because that tells you the mineshaft is pretty tight. They rebuilt that 5 foot section and encapsulated it using expanding foam. Then covered it in and took it to grade. He stated it looks beautiful.

The concrete was poured and needs 28 days to cure.

Ms. Mulkerns stated they will be back on the 28<sup>th</sup> because the engineer came to the conclusion that it's good to go. No need to wait the 28 days.

Ms. Galli created a Facebook event for the repositioning of the headframe.

Ms. Mulkerns mentioned the BLM Permitting Workshop in Goldfield; November 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Westerlund (regarding new meter project) stated 2 of the first 3 meters had leaks, down at Sierra Vista Apartments.

A work change directive was done for \$25,000.00.

The reliner people are back and they are on their second to last line.

Inquiry of the Comfort Inn by Chairman Kaminski. It is set to have the work completed by our contractor, per Ms. Mulkerns, at the expense of Comfort Inn.

There will be night work at the Court House because they need to shut the water down to change the meter out. They will begin work at 10:00 p.m. on Monday. A couple hours of work anticipated.

5. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the Public Workshop held September 13, 2019  
Item tabled.
6. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held September 25, 2019  
Member Sain motioned to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held September 25, 2019. Clerk Grigory seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.
7. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the Public Workshop held October 4, 2019  
Member Sain motioned to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held October 4, 2019. Clerk Grigory seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.
8. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to nominate and elect a Clerk  
Chairman Kaminski nominated Member Grigory. Nomination was accepted by Mr. Grigory.  
Member Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.
9. Presentation by the United States Census Bureau regarding the 2020 Census  
Presentation by Glen Marsh with the 2020 Census Team.  
Mr. Marsh distributed folders with 2020 census info to the public and Board Members. Census day is April 1, 2020. Inauguration of the Census was 1790.  
They are hiring new census workers: [2020census.gov/jobs](https://2020census.gov/jobs).  
Backup available upon request.
10. Discussion, deliberation, and possible decision regarding remodel/upgrade of the Reader Board located at the Pocket Park on Main Street  
Discussion: Ms. Mulkerns explained to the Board regarding this item.  
She stated this is not necessarily in support of a new sign but for their information. Yesco will not be supporting the current sign, under contract, parts are obsolete. If they are called out to work on it there will be a charge for each trip and for any work done. She explained if they went with a new sign it would be budgeted from FY 2021 capital projects.  
Cost: there are 2 ways for expensing the new sign. Staff's recommendation would be to purchase outright at \$47,800.00 plus monthly maintenance of \$81.25.  
The other option is a lease agreement; 5 year term for a total of \$64,270.00.  
With the new sign they can remote in to fix it, if necessary.

Ms. Galli stated she and Ms. Mulkerns had a conversation with the gentleman from Yesco and it sounded wonderful. She stated she told him she wanted it updated, it fades and the stuff is peeling off.

She said the quote provided was a lot of money.

When driving by you may see 1 or 2 things, so you do get alerted to some things but not all messages are being seen.

She stated leave the existing board in place until they are "literally hitting the last part that is available and then just let it die and then dismantle it." She pointed out that the kiosk is right there and that is up to date and connected to internet.

She suggested a reduction in what is posted on the reader board so it's not so many messages rolling through.

She stated the money could be spent on digital advertising, videos, etc. to reach more people.

She also pointed out only 2 people thus far have advertised on it.

The Board asked that staff research potentially purchasing a new reader board from another company for less money.

Ms. Mulkerns stated she felt this was a community thing where we advertise events for the community. Mr. Westerlund is also in favor of the reader board.

Ms. Eastley inquired if there was a grant received for this. Ms. Mulkerns stated the last reader board was purchased with a grant from Nevada Commission on Tourism with matching funds from the Town.

No decision was made on this item.

11. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action regarding the possibility of hiring a Town Manager

Chairman Kaminski read aloud his letter in favor of keeping the Town Office running as is.

Currently the office is managed by Ms. Mulkerns and Mr. Westerlund and will remain as such.

Copy of letter, as read into the minutes, is attached.

12. For Possible Action Discussion, deliberation, and possible action on Department Staff Reports

Ms. Galli addressed the Board and stated she is alone in her department and sometimes gets overwhelmed and that if something is questioned in a meeting it comes across really aggressive because it always comes across as criticism. She requested that if the Board has questions about what is submitted that they call so that they may discuss in detail off the record. She stated some of it doesn't need to be discussed during a meeting.

She mentioned a community get together next Wednesday; Americans for the Arts Creative Conversation. This year's theme is How the Past is Shaping the Future of the Arts in your community.

Time: 6:00 p.m. in the Blue Room.

At noon on November 22 the Suffrage Marker dedication at the Mizpah. She is waiting for John McCormick to get back to her that that will be able to place it.

Secretary of State may be coming for the event.

Details to follow.

13. Correspondence

Creative Conversation

Round Mountain Gold Corp Community Meeting

Affiliated Therapy Grand Opening

14. Approval of vouchers for payment

The Board reviewed and signed vouchers.

Member Sain motioned to approve the vouchers as submitted for payment. Clerk Grigory seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

15. Announcements

Ms. Mulkerns announced the Rotary Foundation Dinner November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

To be held at the Convention Center; tri-tip dinner prepared by the Elks and a no host bar provided by the TLC. \$25/person.

16. Public Comment

Mr. Westerlund announced that the William Stark project is complete.

17. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

## TOWN BOARD

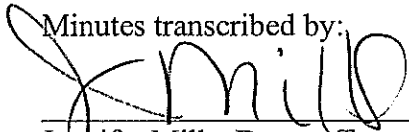
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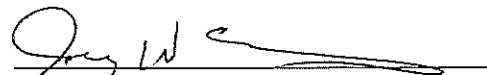


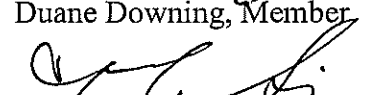
I asked for the workshop to open dialog between the town board and the town managers, Chris and Joe in order to affirm the information the board would like the managers to pass on each month and reaffirm the fact that the board is open to hiring additional personnel if needed to maintain the level of operational effectiveness that the town managers, Chris and Joe have in the past and continue to provide to the people and town of Tonopah. I believe at this time that there is no need for changing the current structure of management that exists and the cost of a single town manager would NOT get us anything more than what Chris and Joe are currently providing. Once again, I feel that Chris and Joe are doing an outstanding job managing the day to day operations of the town of Tonopah. Thank you both for a job well done.



Don Kaminski, Chairman

Tonopah Town Board

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Jennifer Mills, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved:  
  
Don Kaminski, Chairman  
  
Jerry W. Elliston, Vice-Chairman  
  
Marc Grigory, Clerk  
  
Duane Downing, Member  
  
Michael Sain, Member

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Approved November 13, 2019

**TONOPAH LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 23, 2019**  
**Tonopah Convention Center**  
**301 Brougner Avenue, Tonopah, NV 89049**  
**6:15 p.m.**

Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees Chairman Mike Sain called the meeting to order on October 23, 2019 at 7:25 p.m.

Also present:

Vice Chairman Don Kaminski

Clerk Marc Grigory (as nominated and elected under item 6)

Absent:

Trustee Duane Downing

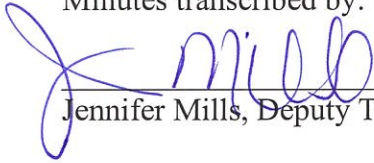
Trustee Jerry Elliston

1. Public Comment  
None.
2. Approval of the Agenda for the Tonopah Library District Board of Trustees Meeting held this day, October 23, 2019  
Agenda approved as submitted.
3. Announcements  
Vice Chairman Kaminski regarding the report from the Library. He stated they changed the hours to winter hours and due to lack of staff. He also inquired if anyone has applied. Ms. Mulkerns stated 3 have applied and the job runs again tomorrow in the paper.
4. Library Board Member's/Manager's Comments  
None.
5. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held September 25, 2019  
Vice Chairman Kaminski motioned to approve minutes, in context, from the regular meeting held September 25, 2019. Trustee Grigory seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.
6. Discussion, deliberation and possible action to nominate and elect a Clerk  
Vice Chairman Kaminski nominated Trustee Grigory to be Clerk. Vice Chairman Sain seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.



7. Discussion, deliberation and possible action on the Library Staff Report  
Report looked good, per Library Board.
8. Correspondence  
None.
9. Approval of vouchers for payment.  
The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers.  
Vice Chairman Kaminski motioned to approve vouchers as submitted. Clerk Grigory seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.
10. Announcements  
None
11. Public Comment  
Tonopah Development Corporation Member Joni Eastley stated to the Board regarding the Main Street Program: "if more information is needed please let her know."
12. Adjourn  
Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.


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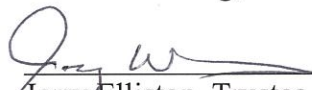
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Michael Sain, Chairman

  
Don Kaminski, Vice-Chairman

  
Marc Grigory, Clerk

  
Duane Downing, Trustee

  
Jerry Elliston, Trustee

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