

**Beatty Town Advisory Board  
100 A Avenue South  
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**Minutes  
01/11/2012**

**THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 6:30PM IN THE BEATTY COMMUNITY CENTER.  
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THE (BTAB)  
THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS HEREAFTER WILL BE REFERRED TO AS THEIR RESPECTIVE INITIALS.**

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**Dick Gardner (DG) – Chair  
Kelly Carroll (KC) – Vice Chair  
Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer  
Randy Reed (RR) - Member  
Crystal Taylor (CT) – Member**

**1 Pledge of Allegiance**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

**2 For Possible Action -Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of January 11, 2012.**

*CT – Move to accept the agenda of January 11<sup>th</sup>; Second KC; 5-0*

**3 For Possible Action – Approval Meeting Minutes dated; December 14, 2011.**

*EG – Motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2011; Second CT; 4-1 (RR) abstain*

**4 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item.**

Shirley Harlan – Stated she would like to know about the trailer behind the Mercantile, is that a new clinic coming into town.

RR- Stated that it was.

Ms. Harlan – Asked how it is connected to the current clinic.

DG – Stated it is not connected, the trailer is part of the group in Tonopah; Nye Regional Medical Center Outreach clinic; Discussion Followed.

Ms. Harlan - Stated that at the Library Board meeting yesterday afternoon she pledged Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to the building of the new annex for the current Beatty Library. This is a pledge to be considered during the consideration of further grants and for public donations to the Library Building Fund.

**5 For Possible Action – Election of Officers**

**a) Election of Chairman**

KC – Nominated Dick Gardner for Chair; Second EG; 4-1 abstain (DG)

**b) Election of Vice-Chairman**

RR – Nominated Kelly Carroll for Vice-Chair; Second EG; 4-1 abstain (KC)

**c) Election of Treasurer**

RR – Nominated Erika Gerling for Treasurer; Second CT; 4-1 abstain (EG)

**6 For Possible Action – Emergency Items**

No action

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### **7 Presentation – Valley Electric Prepaid Program**

Tom Green – Introduced himself and his coworkers

Tom Green Manager of Marketing, Community Member Services and Government Relations for Valley Electric

Linda Cass Marketing Department

Gina Stewart Head of Customer Service

Mr. Green – Stated Valley Electric will be holding their annual meeting here in Beatty on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Gina Stewart – Spoke about the new prepaid metering program offered by Valley Electric;

The application can be faxed in

It is a pay as you go system similar to a prepaid phone, large deposits can be refunded to your account or you can receive a check in the mail

New customers are not subject to deposits

No late, disconnect, or reconnect fees

Ms Stewart – Gave the example; if you run out of money on your account your meter will go off and you will not have power. If you do run out of money and your meter goes off you just pay what you owe, which is usually a small amount around three to five dollars and deposit an additional twenty five dollars, you're power is instantly turned back on. You can call twenty-four hours a day and put money on your account using a credit card, debit card, or checking account.

Ms. Stewart – Stated the system will start emailing you five days before you run out, if you don't have email the in house unit has an alarm that will sound a warning you that you have approximately five days of electricity before your account runs out of money. The system will tell you how much you have on the account, how much electricity you used the day before and what your average daily use is. The in home unit does have a One Hundred Dollar refundable deposit; Discussion followed.

Ms. Stewart – Stated it is a One Hundred Twenty Dollar Minimum to start an account for a new customer;

\$60.00 connection fee, \$10.00 membership fee, and \$50.00 deposited to your account to be used to purchase your electricity.

Ms. Stewart – Stated if your account is idle for a week on the 8<sup>th</sup> day she will terminate your account and you will not longer have an account with Valley Electric, the connection fee would apply in this instance; Discussion followed.

Mr. Green – Stated Valley Electric is working on bringing the electricity usage monitoring tools available to prepaid customers to all of their customers.

Linda Cass – Stated the 2012 Scholarship Program is available again this year, the program closes on March 12, 2012;

High School Seniors- a four year One Thousand Dollar Scholarship

2 Full time Vocational School Scholarships – One Thousand Dollars per year for two consecutive years, this is open to all Valley Electric members.

2 Part time Continuing Education Scholarships – A Five Hundred Dollar one time grant, open to all the membership, anyone who is a member or a child of a member.

Mr. Green – Stated the information is on their website or you can call the local office.

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### **8 For Possible Action – Board Member’s Comments (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)**

RR – None; CT – None; KC – None; EG- None

DG – Stated he attended the BGID, BWSD, and BTAB Riverbed Cleanup Workshop. About six or seven years ago BGID signed a paper stating they would continue to keep the riverbed clean. Due to budget issues they are looking for options to cleanup the riverbed and keep it clean, to eliminate the possibility of flooding should we get heavy rains. The next workshop is scheduled for February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

DG – Stated that at the last BTAB meeting Joni Eastley spoke about splitting Nye County, all five commissioners will represent Pahrump. One of the five commissioners will be all northern communities and have a small portion of Pahrump.

DG – Stated that he is looking into voting at large; Discussion followed.

Shirley Harlan – Suggested that the BTAB spearhead a voting at large initiative.

DG – Presented Jim Benshoof with a plaque recognizing his 17 years of service on the Beatty Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Benshoof retired from his 12 year position of Chief on December 31, 2011.

Mike Lasorsa – Spoke about Mr. Benshoof’s history and service with the Beatty Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Benshoof - Thanked the Town for the plaque and the BVFD for the honor of serving with them.

EG – Welcomed Randy Reed to the board, it is his first meeting.

### **9 Reports (Informational only)**

#### **i. Beatty Area Plan**

DG – Stated that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **ii. Beatty Economic Development**

Albert Verrilli – Stated that the interest in the property he spoke about a few months ago is still active, and there is a meeting scheduled for the 16<sup>th</sup> with a very interested party.

#### **iii. Beatty Medical Clinic**

EG – Stated the Commissioners approved the contract with Nevada Health Centers for Beatty and Amargosa. Beatty’s coverage is through June.

EG – Stated Nye Regional Medical Center has their mobile unit here and they are in the process of setting it up.

#### **iv. Beatty Town Square**

EG – Nothing new to report.

#### **v. Commissioner’s**

Carrie Radomski – Stated Commissioner Eastley had a scheduling conflict and apologized for not being able to be here.

Ms. Radomski – Stated the Nye County Airports December 2011 Status Report has been received and is available at the Town Office should anyone like a copy.

#### **vi. Desert Hills Cemetery**

Carrie Radomski – Stated the meeting is scheduled for tomorrow the 14<sup>th</sup>; the committee will be discussing plans for 2012.

EG – Requested a budget from the Cemetery Committee prior to the Town budget meeting usually held in March.

#### **vii. Emergency Services**

BVFD Fire Chief; Mike Harmon – Reported that there is a 1<sup>st</sup> responder class starting next month, please contact him if you are interested. A copy of the schedule is on the back table.

Chief Harmon – Reported the number of calls;

7 fire calls most of which were fires at the dump December 18, 24,30 and January 6th, they may be being intentionally set, if anyone has any information about who might be setting them please contact him.

4 Vehicle accidents

11 Medical assists – Most of which were lift assists for the ambulance service; discussion followed.

**9-Reports Continued**

**viii. Ordinances**

Carrie Radomski – Stated that the Transient Lodging Business Tax public hearing has been set for February in Tonopah.

Ms. Radomski – Stated that the Nye County Fireworks Ordinance revised draft may be presented to the Commissioners sometime in February.

EG – Asked if the Fire Department part of Ordinance 19 has been completed.

Mr. Benshoof – Stated he does not believe it has been completed.

**ix. Secretary**

Carrie Radomski – Reported monies collected for services performed by the Town Office and sent to the Nye County Treasurer for the month of December:

Notary – \$107.50; Community Center Rental - \$595.00; Fax - \$2.00; for a total of \$704.50 credited to the Town Accounts.

Ms. Radomski – Stated that the item placed on the Board of County Commissioners agenda of December 20, 2011, requesting an increase to the TAB's (Town Advisory Board) spending limit was approved. The increased spending limit is Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) and is effective as of December 20<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Radomski – Read a thank you letter received by the Town Office, from the BVFD. The letter was a thank you for the use of the Community Center for Santa Night.

Ms. Radomski – Stated that if anyone would like information about the off cycle BTAB meeting being held Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> at 3pm; it is available at the Town Office. The meeting is being held off cycle due to time constraints, the Nevada Department of Transportation's deadline to submit pre-applications for the project call out is Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Radomski – Stated that the County Clerk announced there is an opening on the Board of Equalization. It will be advertised.

**x. Treasurer**

EG – Reviewed the budget numbers as of November 2011 with 42% of the year past.

Administration \$54,133.40	25% of the budget
Fire Department \$43,002.63	17% of the budget
Culture & Rec (Translators) \$558.08	6% of the budget
Community Center \$7,901.66	8% of the budget
Museum \$9,058.36	20% of the budget
Chamber \$10,115.37	29% of the budget
Community Support \$5,323.32	6% of the budget

**10 Consent Agenda Items**

**a. Action – Discussion of any item from the Consent Agenda Items that needs review before a decision is made.**

**b. Approval of Town Vouchers**

*CT – Motion to pay the town vouchers in the amount of One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars and Seventy Four Cents (\$1,678.74); Second KC; 5-0*

**11 General Business**

- a. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to sign and submit a letter to the Nye County Comptroller’s Office authorizing the submission of specific utility bills for payment without the signatures of the Beatty Town Advisory Board and all matters pertaining thereto. – Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

Carrie Radomski – Stated this is an annual housekeeping item. This will allow the Town Office to submit utilities in a timely manner for payment. Without this the utilities would need to be held for approval at a BTAB meeting which could result in late payment.

*CT- Move to sign and submit a letter to the Nye County Comptroller’s Office authorizing the submission of specific utility bills for payment; Second RR; 5-0*

For the record DG read the utilities listed on the letter; AT&T, Valley Electric, Suburban Propane; BWS, Ameri Gas, and Verizon.

- b. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to establish a board member to be responsible for the signing of Administrative Documents: timesheets, order requests, vacation and sick leave requests and any other personnel related matters. Consideration should be give to selecting a primary board member and an alternate Board Member. – Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

Carrie Radomski – Explained that this is an annual housekeeping item that will designate who the Town Support staff contacts for assistance and who will be the primary person responsible for the items listed above.

*EG – Motion Dick Gardner Chair be the primary member responsible for the signing of administrative documents; Second KC; 5-0*

- c. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to establish and alternate board member to be responsible for the signing of Administrative Documents: timesheets, order requests, vacation and sick leave requests and any other personnel related matters. When a primary board member is not available. – Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

Carrie Radomski – Explained that this is an annual housekeeping item. That designates who the Town Support Staff will contact in the event the primary is not available.

*KC – Motion EG as alternate contact and RR as secondary alternate contact; Second CT; 5-0*

- d. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and possible decision to authorize the use of temporary help when Town Support Staff takes personal time off during the 2012 calendar year. – Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

Carrie Radomski – Explained that this is a housekeeping item and the use additional of staff is budgeted in annually. The purpose is to prevent the Office from being closed when Staff takes personal time off.

*CT- Motion to authorize the use of temporary help when Town Support Staff takes personal time off during the 2012 calendar year; Second RR; 5-0*

**12 General Public Comment**

None

**13 Adjournment**

*KC – motion to adjourn 7:40pm; Second CT; 5-0*