

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
04/28/2014**

**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 6:31pm

2 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of April 28, 2014.

Item 5 emergency items pulled

3 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.

None

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Meeting Minutes dated March 24, 2014 Budget Workshop and April 14, 2014 meeting.

RR – Motion to accept the minutes dated March 24, 2014 Budget Workshop and April 14, 2014 regular meeting; Second CT; 5-0

5 For Possible Action – Emergency Items

Item pulled

6 Board Member's Comments (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas)

KC; EG; RR; DG; - None

CT – Stated that the Jr. Miss Beatty could not be here tonight but wanted everybody to know that on May 13th they're doing their Spring Concert at 7pm at the Middle School.

7 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

RR – Motion to approve the town vouchers in the amount of \$166.06; Second CT; 5-0.

8 Reports

a. Secretary

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Reviewed information from the office;

The Mamovan will be here Wednesday April 30th from 9am to 3:15pm, there is an 800 number that you can call to schedule appointments. It also is going to be in Amargosa but we don't have their date. The flyer with the information is on the Town Website and it was sent via email to everybody (on the final agenda emailing list). Let everybody know that's its going to be here and to schedule an appointment. The more people we can schedule the better off we are because then it will keep coming.

A notice was sent to Pam Webster by Beatty Disposal letting her know that there will be an increase in the dumpster fees; for example, a 1 cubic yard bin will be \$15.55 per month starting July 1st. They were \$15.32. On a side note Beatty Disposal is a good community partner; they do donate services to the BVFD and other groups.

Beatty had several items on the April 22nd BoCC agenda, all of the items were approved; Installation of Insulation for the BVFD buildings, Fireworks purchase, and the Mural Lighting.

The Stagecoach Hotel & Casino is sponsoring the 2nd Annual Hot and Spicy Nights on August 23rd. It is an ICS sanctioned chili cook-off from 3pm to 10pm. It is put on by the Ladies Auxiliary and the VFW; all proceeds go to their charities. Flyers will be around town.

Commissioner Lorinda Wichman Reported on several subjects;

Commissioner Wichman- Stated she has an announcement on June 4th at 5:30 at the Tonopah convention center there will be a workshop sponsored by the Conservation Districts, to get the input from anybody who is interested in telling her what they think about the transfer of public lands from Federal management to the State (Nevada). Anybody who has any questions or thoughts about it I would really like to have you there.

DG – Asked if it has anything to do with the Area Plan that we have spent the last 5 years on, for disposable lands (BLM)?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that subject matter of Federal management to State management came up in 2013 legislature. They created a task force to study the details of it; how do we do it, what do you do, where do you get the money from, what kind of legislation is needed to pass federally. That task force has been meeting monthly since then, and I represent Nye County on that task force. What will affect your area plans is that through that task force we have decided that it is best if we phase the transition in order to staff our State public lands office because there are only 3 people who work for state lands. So if we phase it the lands that we would like to acquire first are the checker board land up north, which you know are just a mess for both the BLM and everybody else to handle, and the disposal lands that have been on the request list and been identified by BLM as appropriate for disposal for the last, what, two decades. So, those would be the first things.

DG – Stated the Area Plan has been working for at least 5 or 6 years or longer.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that a lot of those disposal areas have been on the disposal maps since 1996. Many of the communities, I can't say for sure if it was Beatty but many of the communities in my district have had disposal lands identified back since the 90's.

EG – Stated we just updated ours not too long ago, and rearranged some of the areas, it was 6 months ago maybe.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that every community should be doing that. One of the things that we submitted to the task force was whatever your last plan was. I'm not sure I've got the new one; did you add areas in your disposal request?

EG – Stated we added and we took some away.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated that Cheryl Beeman (Nye County Community Planner) has that.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that Cheryl would have been helping you (Beatty) with submitting them to the task force.

EG – Clarified so basically this is the Federal lands that are now managed by the BLM the State (Nevada) would manage?

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Commissioner Wichman – Stated yes, that task force is asking to be treated just like every other State that entered the Union, but we will have an opportunity to discuss it more and have more interaction with people. I've had a hard time through the board of Commissioners, I need input from people, I need to know what your questions are because I can't anticipate everything and so my recommendations are going along with what I have heard, and when I have heard nothing, then the recommendations I have been giving are mine.

EG – Asked if will be available via video conference here in Beatty?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated she doesn't think they have that capability at the conference center. We are just at the edge of planning this right now but if we have a lot of folks that show an interest in that work group and want to be involved in that town hall I can change the venue, and put it in the Commissioners chambers. If you think that's something we need to do.

Commissioner Wichman – Shared some information about the group that is coordinating this, The Tonopah Conservation District and the Community Weed Management Association, it is the same board they have dual hats they meet at the same time. One of the reasons we decided to do this with their sponsorship is because we have to inspire some membership, we have to get people involved. I truly believe if we are successful with this transfer of Federal lands to State management our Conservation Districts and our Weed Management Groups are going to be the front line of management on those lands. Those are the people who have been taking care of the lands anyway; we need to get them boots on the ground. Right now our Tonopah Conservation District is struggling to get a quorum. We are a 7 member board, we have to have 4 for a quorum and people are just losing heart because they don't see that their efforts are paying off.

DG – Stated look here, that's why we moved to the small room because nobody shows up to the meetings, nobody in the community, as I see it, cares.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated a lot of it is seasonal, you get a few nice days and you lose people for a while and then they come back. That's not the case with the Conservation District it's been a battle, I'm the liaison from the Board of County Commissioners to that group according to their bylaws I'm a voting member of that group. After our last meeting when our Chair resigned on the spot and walked out it left me Chairing the meeting. I had to back and read the bylaws and see if I could do that. I held the Vice Chair's spot only because I could run the meetings if nobody showed up. We need members and it's a good group to be in because those are the folks that the State Lands Office is going to be looking to when the land management transfer takes place.

EG – Stated she can't promise that she would be there but in the interest of getting more participation if you did change the location where it could be video conferenced you have a better chance of the people participating. Not that I'm saying anybody is going to participate, you just have a better shot.

Commissioner Wichman – Said she will write that down, so I don't forget. It will be on a Wednesday at 5:30pm.

DG – Stated that's "D" Day's 70th anniversary.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated she has one more bit of news for the BTAB. At 1:37pm this afternoon, today I received the information on what is happening with dispatch, at 1:37pm today. There is probably an email in Carrie's (office staff) email basket already because I approved that email at 1:37pm. That email basically says, it is a synopsis of what's happening with the Dispatch. Before we go any further with this I'm going to do this one more time, because folks I have had to answer the press about three times a day since your letter came out and the questions that they are asking me, you know that they are not a nice bunch of people to work with, right? So the questions I have been answering are; how could you mislead the community? How could you lie to your community? How could you misdirect questions from you communities? The last time I was here visiting here with you I gave you an update on what I knew about the Dispatch at that time. The only person from this community who has ever called me about dispatch is Frank Jarvis and he called me many, many months ago.

Audience – That's not true I talked to you in person and sent a letter.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that was when I was here and when I brought it up in the meeting, so I'm talking about phone calls. So just be aware I'm not mad I promise I'm not mad it's part of the job, but just be aware when you do those letters that if somebody is treating you badly, if somebody is not giving you the answers, if somebody is misdirecting you name them. Put a name in there.

DG – Stated if you remember I did call you.

CT – Stated we specifically asked about Dispatch, the answer from you specifically was, if there is any changes to dispatch it will be so small you won't even know that it happened.

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Commissioner Wichman – Stated okay, so now Crystal would you like to know what is happening in Dispatch? This is the answer we got at 1:37pm this afternoon. So here's the deal, here's how it lays out; less than 1 attorney we have removed 1 attorney from the DA's Office, that's one of the changes, we have vacated positions that we're leaving empty and that is Bill Becht's, Bill Becht is not a dispatcher, Bob Jones he was with Buildings and Grounds. Those two positions are not going to be replaced. Four years ago when Tony DeMeo was standing before a workshop for the budget it was his suggestion to consolidate dispatch. Four years ago, it's never been enacted. So now what they're doing is they're going to consolidate dispatch and here's how it's going to play out. It will result in 6 positions being eliminated throughout dispatch County wide, but those positions, most of those positions, those people have already taken other jobs. They have already moved to Pahrump, they've already been on jobs in other places, and that's where they are going.

Audience – But did they want to?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I'm sure they wanted to remain employed, I'm pretty sure that's what they wanted. So, there will be 2 positions in Tonopah that are eliminated, there will be maybe 2 people that will be laid off. One of your dispatchers from here (Beatty) has already taken a position in Pahrump, 2 from Tonopah have already taken a position in Pahrump. Beatty will go first sometime this first week in May they'll make their total transition in Beatty. Let me tell you what's going to remain there, the com system modifications were all, have been done last year and they have been in place for a year being tested. March of 2014 there was a meeting with the SO's representatives, March is last month, Crystal, I wasn't here last month. I came to you before that and told you soon as I knew anything you would know it. Now I don't know if you guys are pissed off at me, I really don't, I don't know who the letter was directed at but by god if you've got a beef pick up the phone. I'm not a teenager anymore you can pick up the phone and cuss at me and we will get a lot done, we really will. So if your upset with me, if you need answers I will give them to you, I have no problem with it, none. You may not like the answers that I give you, but you will know that you are getting the truth, okay. Just so everybody knows it's a whole lot easier to communicate if we're all on the same playing field. 2 Dispatchers in Beatty and 2 in Tonopah, that's how it plays out, will not be there anymore, no, I'm sorry, 2 will be left in Beatty and 2 will be left in Tonopah. As I said you've got this email, you may want to print it out for your board.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated she would go do that.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated they will also handle all the calls from the community, the licensing; everything that front office administration would do during the day. Your office will be open from 6am to 6pm. Surveillance 24/7 security video cams, whatever they have up there for security will be there 24/7. As I said 2 dispatchers from Tonopah have already accepted jobs in Pahrump, and one from Beatty. They are still going to stay here if I understand correctly but they'll be traveling back and forth. What that allows for, is that will also provide rural education and knowledge to those folks down in Pahrump from the people who are coming from the Northern Communities, into Pahrump, they'll be able to teach them about, yeah there's something north of Pahrump. The work stations here in Beatty will remain operational and they will be dedicated as back up call centers if anything happens in Pahrump, so this will be the secondary. Radio communications will remain the same, and transfer of all 911 calls in Beatty will take place this first week of the month (May) and Tonopah later on in the month, probably about the 6th or the beginning of the second week, something like that. Everything should be in place and those are with AT&T contracts. Are there any questions on that? I'll try to answer but I got the information like I said at 1:37pm.

EG – Stated she would just like to make a couple of comments. I'm not specifically mad at you, I think the whole thing broke down and everything you just said is information that we have already received from the time you were here to now.

Commissioner Wichman – Asked, from Frank?

EG – Stated from the Sheriff, the Assistant Sheriff, and whoever these guys spoke to because they spoke to a couple of people. My problem is that when you were here, this situation didn't just happen a couple of months ago. This situation has been in the works

Commissioner Wichman – Stated for 4 years.

EG – Continued, for however long, 4 years you say the Sheriff says another thing. The Sheriff says this is your plan, you guys say it's the Sheriff's plan. You know and I understand, first the Commissioners don't have control over the Sheriffs budget, but then you do have control over the Sheriffs budget.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated no, no, no, budget is the only thing we have control over.

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EG - Continued, okay, so at every step, and I listened, I wanted to be really sure that I understood what was said. I reread the minutes, I listened to the recording and when you left here at that meeting we really felt like it was going to be, for Beatty if you see cuts at the SO it would be like a cut of duty of an individual, not an individual. Just so you know there are two things the Board of County Commissioners can handle when we are talking about another elected officials office, within the Sheriff's that's the budget and the buildings. Okay, so I understand that so part of, so it doesn't matter who's fault is was or wasn't, but part of the thing is when all this stuff is happening, nobody not, the Sheriff, the Commissioners, the County Manager, nobody came and said, and those people that are taking these jobs in Pahrump, I know why they are taking those jobs in Pahrump because I've talked to some of them. When they heard this was happening, rather than lose their job and their benefits when they have children and families, they said I'm transferring. It's not what they wanted to do; it's what they had to do.

Commissioner Wichman - Stated that's what most of us would do.

EG - Stated, you know, so it's not like some golden opportunity, it's what they had to do or be out of a job. So anyway one of the things you guys do have control over is the Sheriff's budget.

Commissioner Wichman - Stated that's it.

EG - Stated, Right?

Commissioner Wichman - Stated and the buildings, just like I told you, just like what you read.

EG - Continued, okay and the budget isn't final.

Commissioner Wichman - Stated until May 19th, but yeah basically it is final. Here's what's really final about the budget, is that every year that I have been in this position, we have had to find cuts of a million dollars, every year, since I've been in this job. So trying to find ways to make up a million dollars in a budget that is already short, simply because we have to maintain two separate seats of government is difficult to do, it's very difficult to do. The Sheriff's Office gets the lion's share of the entire budget, it's not quite 50%, but it's almost 50% of the entire budget goes to the Sheriff's Office, and you know as well as I do that over the last, what has it been, 10 of the last 12 years, the Sheriff has gone grossly over budget, which is illegal, by the way.

EG - Stated, right.

Commissioner Wichman - Continued, we have, we can do nothing, we can't do anything to another elected officials department. We have no control over another elected official, other than approving their budget, and we control the buildings, most of the buildings belong to the Commissioners.

EG - Stated okay, can you try to answer this question for me?

Commissioner Wichman - Stated I'll do my best, but you have to know, you're going to get the truth as I know it right now, as new information comes in I'll share the information.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary - Returned and told Commissioner Wichman that the email has not come in yet.

EG - Stated that's fair, so what I would like to know is, it's probably a stupid question because I don't really want to place blame, I want this whole thing to go away, what I want to know is that when I call 911 and it gets routed through Pahrump, that the call, the radios are actually going to work, but let me get to my question. Just so I know who's being upfront with me and who's not, when the Sheriff's Office and the County Manger met and discussed their budget, not FY15 the one that we are coming into, not this one were in, it would be FY12 to 13 because they were supposed to be enacted in that year, is what I was told, the cuts for these 6 positions. Who's plan was that?

Commissioner Wichman - Stated it has to come from the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff can do whatever he wants with his budgeted funds.

EG - Stated okay.

Commissioner Wichman - Went on, so if he wants to put every bit of it into cop cars, well no that wouldn't work because we have to approve purchases, but if he wanted to put every bit of that into 5 DARE officers, something stupid, he could do that. He can do whatever he wants with his personnel.

EG - Stated okay well that answers my question.

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Commissioner Wichman – Stated there is one thing, this is being recorded, there is one thing that I will tell you folks and this is the same thing that I said when I was running for office, I will answer my phone, I will respond to my email, I will come when you call if it's at all possible, and I don't lie. My campaign signs gave my entire campaign integrity period, that's what it was. I don't lie, it's tough to stand up here and tell you folks, that somebody in your community got cut because of budgets or two of your people in your community got cut, but it is a fact of life and if you know the truth we can all deal with it we can all work on it. It's when you get the little misdirection's and the lies and the have you, that you can't work with that. It's like I told the legislative committee last week I learned that I cannot argue with drunks when I was a young woman and in this job I have learned that I cannot argue with a liar. That's me that's personal, so that's what you're going to get.

DG – My only gripe on this thing was that when we heard this rumor the first time I was down at the office and I called the County Manger and the secretary said that she was in a meeting and she would have her call me right back, this has been what? Three, four months I haven't heard a word from that, now that gripes me. Now, I did call you and I did call the Sheriff both of you called me back. I think that was just before you came to that meeting, the second round of rumors and such, I just didn't know where to go. It didn't do any good to call the County Manager because I figured she was not going to call me back anyway. We sent out that letter because the whole county, in a way, is suffering from that same situation that we are. Now maybe not effecting Round Mountain the same way as it effects us.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated we haven't had a deputy for years.

DG – Continued, well yeah but we had gotten, it was read in the record, I believe it was the Fire Chief from Round Mountain talking about the radio, so with that when we composed this letter we sent it out to everybody that could be effected by it we did send it to all of the Commissioners, we didn't just send it to you.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I realize that and like I said I'm not, like I said, I have written my share of those letters.

DG – Okay, yeah were ticked off that all of this is happening.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that when you do hear stuff and you are not sure you don't know what's going on please for all of our sakes give me call, if I don't know anything about it I'll darn sure go try and find out.

DG – Stated that's fair enough.

Commissioner Wichman – Continued, I don't get to be privy to all of the meetings and the stuff that's going on unless it's something that the Board of Commissioners are voting on. So if it's something internal going on with the County Manger, Sheriff's Office communications, whatever it is I don't get that information unless it's something we have to vote on, unless I stamp my feet and get it.

EG – Stated that is a policy you guys need to change because apparently the County Manager and the Sheriff's Office has been talking and you guys don't know, because if you had known you would have told us something different when you were here.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I gave you the information that I had from that day.

EG – Continued, you know because the Jail wasn't closing that's important information and if they're having those discussions whether it's something that you guys are going to vote on or not you should be privy to that information.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated not necessarily because a lot of that stuff takes place under union contract so then it blows it, makes a mess if you have to vote on contract.

Dr. Diane McGinnis – Stated I was here when they were drafting the letter and I don't think the intent was to slap anybody's hand, the intent was that it's not too late. They haven't closed it yet, if we let them know that we are so upset and it's really making a difference maybe they might change their minds.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated well, they're not closing anything, let's make that clear.

Dr. McGinnis – Stated well to me it's closed because I called over to dispatch today and Sara answered the phone and I said hey Sara this is Diane I'm responding to a call in my private vehicle just want to let you know and Sara was like okay, great, and I knew her name she knew my name I didn't have to go into this big long thing of what was going on. The dispatch here has also been helping the clinic out, and when we get clinical lab requests for our people they call dispatch, so now when Pahrump dispatch gets a phone number for Beatty Clinic, do they have my phone number on their bulletin board? Because here they do, because I don't give my cell phone number out to the whole town, because I know they'll call me at three in the morning.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated but you have dispatchers from here that are going to Pahrump.

Dr. McGinnis – Stated there is one from here that's going to Pahrump.

Commissioner Wichman – Continued, for that reason they'll be training and they'll be teaching about the rurals.

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Dr. McGinnis – Stated I don't agree that it will be the same. You know what, why don't we get the 6 dispatchers in Pahrump and leave the ones all out here and let Beatty and Tonopah dispatch Pahrump?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated because that's not our call.

Dr. McGinnis – Stated I know it's not, it's not yours, but these are some of the things that we were talking about, the money, our deputies having to transport prisoners because we are not open 24 hours in our detention facility any more. Is that fuel money, that liability insurance and stuff is that more expensive than just saving the positions.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated those questions need to be asked of the Sheriff.

EG – Asked so who do we pose these questions to, the Sheriff? Because I talked to the Assistant Sheriff and the next day I talked to the Sheriff, and it's all the County Commissioners plan.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that's according to our Sheriff.

EG – Stated so, even though his final budget gets approved he can still make whatever adjustments he want to in his budget.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated but he only gets this much, this is your budget do what you can with it.

EG – Stated I understand that.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated let me answer that differently because I happen to know that the meetings that were taking place with the County Manger and the Sheriffs representative, it was the Lead Dispatcher for the Sheriff's Office is the one who helped put this plan together.

EG – Stated and of course she lives in Pahrump, right?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I'm sure, I'm positive, I'm sure, just because of the numbers that's where most of all of the directors are.

CT – It's not necessarily only about two positions being cut from Dispatch and that's another thing that we, as a community, are most concerned about. It's not just losing two jobs, it's about will the radios work 100%, do we know 100% that these radios are going to work, for the Sheriff's Department, it's not just the Sheriff's Department that's effected by the dispatchers moving down, it's EMS, it's the Fire Department, it's the EMT's.

Audience – The Town feels discredited.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated you guys aren't in it alone, how do you guys think Round Mountain feels?

EG – Asked what is going to happen with the Justice Court? So now we transport

Commissioner Wichman – Stated this has nothing to do with the Justice Court.

EG – Continued we can't house the prisoners so we transport them to Pahrump or Tonopah, so then do they get transported back to Beatty for court, then they have to get transported back to Pahrump or Tonopah to be housed, right?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated this is something I can't answer, I don't know.

EG – Asked so now are we going to lose our Justice of the Peace, so now it's too expensive to do that so we shut that down?

CT – Stated plus the fact that we just got a raise on our taxes, to go toward public safety and our public safety just got wacked away from us, because if you have two of our Deputies that live here in town are out of town for whatever reason, that one deputy that we have here has to transport in the middle of the night or at six or seven o'clock at night, transport down to Pahrump, now what are going to do for a Deputy?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated that one thing to make sure that you are clear of is sales tax. The sales tax is a half cent sales tax, a half of which is going to the Sheriff's Office for the detention center. The other half of that is going to the Fire Department so those distinctions need to be made in that conversation. I understand your concerns Crystal, I don't have all of the answers Erika, I don't. Those decisions are taking place inside of other elected officials departments, and I can't answer for all of that. If you have specific questions, here's what I will do, if you will have Carrie collect up those questions and send them to me on an email, I'll go walking through the halls until I get answers on all of them.

KC – Stated you could start with the letter, because there was a lot in that.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated actually that letter that you have that came out at one this afternoon, that you will have. Pam will probably get it out to you in the morning or something, it is responding to almost everything that is in your letter. I would open my laptop and share it with you but I don't have much battery left.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated I'm sure we'll get it and if I don't I'll call you tomorrow.

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Commissioner Wichman – Stated you call me tomorrow because if she doesn't send it to you by tomorrow, if you don't have it then call me and I'll send it up to you.

EG – Asked is that what, at the last couple of Commissioners meetings, she said and then Commissioner Schinhofen said was going to be published? Is this what that is?

Commissioner Wichman – Stated yes it was to be distributed to each community.

EG – Clarified so that's what they were talking about is this email.

Commissioner Wichman – Confirmed it was and went on to say it's really hard because you never know how things are going to work and what you're going to have to do. There's a lot of fuss, cussing and discussing that goes on about everything, supplies, pens, pencils, all of this stuff goes on, especially when you're having a tight budget. So there's no sense in getting a mass email to all your communities every time you have an idea because that's not solidified. It's like I have a lot of things to worry about in my life and some of them even happen, you know you don't want to have all the worries.

Audience – Stated I think the Board (BTAB) is here to represent the public though, and the public's concerned about public safety. The public is telling them what we are worried about.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated so are the Commissioners that's our primary job, our job is to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the public.

EG – Stated it would be a really, really, good idea if, when this all started being discussed, somebody had come and talked to us.

DG – Agreed

Commissioner Wichman – Stated yeah, but then they are censoring everything they say because if it's being talked about in bargaining agreements, how do you do that?

EG – Stated there are things that we can argue about, which we do very little of on this board, we don't really argue, we have debates once in a while, but when it's something like this, this is something that the whole community is scared about.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated yes, but its fear of the unknown too you know.

EG – Stated and now knowing what we know, it doesn't alleviate my fears any.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I am here to tell you guys that you have not been misrepresented to by me, and that's all I can be responsible for is myself and my own actions. If you have questions after you get that letter tomorrow and you've had an opportunity to disseminate that to your board. Please send me the additional questions that you have and if you can't get answers to them I'll make sure a call back from the right person who can answer you. You know, the County Manger, Dick, she's got a lot on her plate.

DG – Stated I'm sure she does, it's just that this was an instance when we heard of this and that was a specific question I asked the secretary was about this rumor we had heard and I'm really disappointed that she never called us back, but anyway I think we've hashed this over enough. Does anybody have anything else new or that we could bring up. We could sit here and go over this, it's not going to go away but at the same time you understand our concerns.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated I do.

DG – Continued and we maybe should have in hindsight, maybe we should have shot you an email saying hey, get your hard hat and flak jacket on because this is going out in the mail.

Commissioner Wichman – Stated Dick, that's not even necessary. Just ask the question, and you don't have to do it as a Board.

DG – Stated I think you know that I'm not afraid to pick up the phone and call you, I even called you when you were back in Washington DC one time, so that doesn't bother me at all.

DG – Asked if there were any other questions for the Commissioner on any other subjects while she's here; there were none.

DG – Thanked the Commissioner for being here.

9 General Business

- a. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision 1) to approve the Beatty Town 2014/2015 fiscal budget and 2) forward the decision to the Board of County Commissioners.– Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Reviewed the budget revisions that were made as a result of the Budget Workshop held on March 28th and as a result of some updated revenue information received by the County from the State since the Workshop was held. This is the final tentative budget because there still could be a few minor changes before it goes in front of the Commissioners.

RR – Motion to 1) approve the Beatty Town 2014/2015 fiscal budget and 2) forward the decision to the Board of County Commissioners; Second CT; 5-0

- b. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve having a float in the 2014 4th of July Parade and funds to construct/decorate in an amount not to exceed \$250.00. – Erika Gerling**

EG – Stated that she thinks the BTAB should be represented at these events. In years past she has constructed the decorations but this year she may buy some premade decorations and showed a cake decoration she may purchase. She also may not be able to drive the truck in the parade so she may need someone to volunteer for that.

DG – Stated that would not be a problem, we'll find someone.

KC – Asked if we have any materials from last year?

EG – Stated we do and she does reuse what she can, and she uses a lot of her own craft/art supplies, but some of the materials just can't be reused.

RR – Motion to approve having a float in the 2014 4th of July Parade and funds to construct/decorate in an amount not to exceed \$250.00; Second CT; 5-0

- c. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to select the oven(s), refrigeration, microwave and dishwasher for the Beatty Community Center Kitchen. – Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski**

RR – Stated this is a continuation of the Kitchen project. There are two stoves you can pick from, the main difference other than the price is one has a higher wattage than the other.

DG – Stated one of the spec sheets has a warming bin down in the bottom and on one it's just storage. I think that's the difference of the \$300.00 or \$400.00, other than that with the exception of having a burner @3200 watts.

Carrie Radomski; Town Staff – Stated the one with the warming bin is the \$1299.00 one; Discussion followed.

EG – Stated you know me I want to spend as little as possible but when I was looking at the packet I thought one stove, this isn't going to be any better but we're going to get two and they will have five burners, convection oven, and I think that warming bin is a really good idea.

DG – Stated another possibility is one of each.

KC – Stated EG has a great idea, but get two of the same for parts.

Ms. Radomski – Stated some of these prices are discounted and we will have to call when we are ready to purchase for final pricing. We have a \$30,000.00 budget approved; I need you to give me the model number and an up to amount in the motion.

DG – Stated we need the dimensions of the appliances so that when we do tear this thing apart we know exactly what goes where.

EG – Suggested estimating on the high side of the amount; they're \$1300.00 each so let's just say \$1400.00 to be on the safe side.

RR – Stated the refrigerator is a True T-49, stainless steel, double door reach-in.

DG – Clarified, no freezers?

RR – Stated no freezers, just a double door refrigerator; Discussion followed.

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DG – Suggested estimating high on this too.

EG – Asked if we are going to get a freezer.

RR – Stated no we were not going to but we can purchase one at a later date if the demand is there; Discussion followed.

DG – Stated that we were concerned that the water heater does not have enough heat to do the sanitizing. So Randy looked it up and he got the one (dishwasher) that is a high temperature under counter; Discussion followed.

DG – Stated figure \$4200.00 so were looking at \$10,600.00.

DG – I don't want to order now, we are doing this so we have the dimensions.

CT – Stated the only issue I have is the stove tops, because they are the infra-red, they have to be cleaned by somebody who knows how to clean them because if they get scratched wrong they are done.

DG – Stated he had a concern about that too but everybody that he's talked to says they are pretty hardy.

KC – Stated even if you scratch them they still work.

DG – Stated that Ricardo will be doing the polishing on that and if we let the people know, these ceramic tops are pretty common place in the houses, so I don't think it will be that big of a problem.

EG – Stated I think that is something that we include when they put their deposit down, we make sure we let them know what they need to do and how to do it and make the cleaning tools available.

EG – Confirmed so we are going to get everything lined up because we already approved the tile last time, so when we approve all this and we know the measurements and stuff then we are going to have a party and demo.

RR – Motion to select the ovens for the new kitchen two of them in an amount not to exceed \$1400.00 a piece and the model number on the stoves are LRE3085ST and it's an LG, in an amount not to exceed \$3200.00 on the refrigerator which is a True T49 double door reach-in, in an amount not to exceed \$4200.00 on the dish washer which is a Moyer Diebel 351HT under the counter high heat dishwasher, in an amount not to exceed \$400.00 on Amana RCS10DSE Microwave oven; Second CT 5-0

10 General Public Comment

Richard Stephens – Stated that he stopped at the County Yard and spoke to the guys about the condition of the road out at Rhyolite. The next day they came out and did some work, then nothing he waited for a while to see if they would come out and finish the work on the road. Finally he sent an email to Pam Webster and they showed up the next day and did some more work. They did not finish and they have not been back since that day, so he will wait and see what happens.

Dr. McGinnis – Stated that on May 9th she will be out of the clinic, teaching a wilderness medicine course for Nye County EMS. Rob Phoenix will be here in the morning that day and in the afternoon in Amargosa. June 14th through the 20th she will be attending the National Nurse Practitioner conference; Rob Phoenix will be covering the clinic.

Diane McGinnis – Stated the Boy Scouts went to the Scout Expo and went camping this past weekend, about 5 campers participated.

11 Adjournment

KC– Motion to adjourn 7:48pm; Second RR; 5-0