

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
02/27/17**

**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 - Absent
Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer
Randy Reed (RR) – Member
Crystal Taylor (CT) – Member - Absent**

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order 6:30pm

2 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.

Albert Bass – Introduced himself, he is from Nye Communities Coalition; he helps operate the Veterans Transportation program called "VETrans". It offers free transportation to Veterans for their medical appointments or pharmaceutical appointments. Unlike the DAV we can take Veterans to any medical appointment, even chiropractic. We are not limited to just the VA Clinics. We stated this, we got a grant from the Nevada Department of Veterans Service last June, so we started the program then and we currently serve about fifty veterans in Pahrump. They give us at least twenty-four hours notice to get on the schedule. We go and pick them up in a twenty-five foot cut-away bus, its handicapped accessible. We take them to their appointments, take them to their pharmacy, any other business that they need to do, and then we take them home. It's been a great success so far down there (Pahrump). What we are looking to do is try to expand the program into Amargosa and Beatty. We'd like to see if there are any veterans that would like to participate in the program and then we would pick a couple of days a month where we could come up to Beatty, be here in the morning, pick some veterans up here, go to Amargosa pick some veterans up there and go into town for their appointments and then bring them back that same afternoon. We are trying to see what interest there would be in Beatty and Amargosa, so I'm giving some information out to those communities. If you know of a Vet or are a Vet yourself and are interested in the program call me and let me know.

DG – Stated you have some handouts. Please give some to Carrie and we'll put them on the town website.

RR – Stated he'll announce it at the Senior Center tomorrow.

Mr. Bass – Stated I'll leave some here too. This grant has never been taken advantage down here, we are the first group in Southern Nevada and it's been a great success. This is a very flexible; we will take the Vets to stores for shopping as well. We are working on a monthly trip to Las Vegas; I'll let you know when we have that worked out.

Albert Verrilli – Asked is Nye County Collation a 501c3?

Mr. Bass – Stated yes, the Nye Collation operates in Nye, Esmeralda and Lincoln Counties. They operate off of about twenty six different grants that provide all type of assistance throughout the counties. Actually if the Nye Communities Collation were to shut down and pull out it would greatly affect our economy. They do all of the job training. We have over 220 jobs posted at the Collation, throughout the County. The hardest thing for us is to find qualified people to fill the jobs, or that are interested in working. Some feel they are better off just getting government assistance and say I don't want to work; we get a lot of that. Having people qualified to do the work is a whole other problem. We are a 501c3 that has been operating about fourteen years now.

Mike Harmon; Beatty Volunteer Fire Department Chief – Stated we are planning on starting an EMR class here in Beatty, starting the first part of April. I will get flyers out. If you know anybody interested send them to me.

DG – Stated for the record CT and KC are not here.

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of February 27, 2017.

Staff – Pulled item 5 emergency items.

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Meeting Minutes dated February 13, 2017.

RR – Motion to approve the meeting minutes dated February 13, 2017; Second EG; 3-0

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)

EG – Stated Shannon the Nurse Practitioner that Dr. Reiner was training, is now at the Clinic (Beatty) every Monday. So she’s there on Monday’s and Dr. Jonak is there on Wednesdays.

RR – None; DG- None

7 Up Date – On pit reclamation project at the Barrick Mine Site in Rhyolite by Kevin Hamatake; Barrick Gold of North America, Inc.

Kevin Hamatake – Stated we have selected our contractor to do the work it will be Ledcore. Their office is going to be out of Reno. We are scheduled to start work possibly as early as next Monday, at least prep work. We are going to have a tortoise survey done Wednesday to mitigate any tortoise. The project will last possibly into July. You will see a lot of new faces around. They will be holding a job fair this Thursday; I already contacted Carrie to see what’s out there for local help.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated she will get the Job Fair details tomorrow.

Mr. Hamatake – Stated we are planning on using the water from the pit for now, at the end we may come into town. We are trying to stay away from brining any of that type of traffic into town.

DG – Stated I talked to you earlier and you said a lot of equipment will be coming into town.

Mr. Hamatake – Stated yes it could start arriving as early as Wednesday with more on Monday. They will be staged on the BEDC land until they get the project put together and start moving work.

Audience – Partial inaudible question, how many people will you hire from here?

Mr. Hamatake – I don’t know it depends on the skills; it will all be heavy equipment operators; discussion followed.

DG – Asked do you know who will be in charge out there?

Mr. Hamatake – Stated Kevin Ernst from Ledcore. I’ll be coming out every other week.

8 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 \$502.50; Second EG; 3-0

9 Reports

a. Secretary

Carl Brechtel from Corvus Gold – Did a presentation about the Corvus Gold North Bullfrog project, a copy of the slideshow is available at the town office.

Mr. Brechtel – Stated in summary, Corvus Gold is a Canadian Company that is publicly traded. They are primarily a gold exploration company that had four or five projects in Alaska and the North Bullfrog project. Recently we sold all of our other properties and now we are completely focused on North Bullfrog and all of our work is being done here in Beatty. We have a gold resource north of town, we believe it’s amenable to a conventional cyanide leach milling operation for a vein that occurs in what we call the Sierra Blanca deposit and there are other larger low-grade deposit mineralization that are amenable to heat leaching. In 2015 we put out a publication which is called a preliminary economic assessment, which is sort of a conceptual design of what we think the mine might eventually look like. Our company goal is to deliver value through further exploration of the property and reducing risk and defining the criteria that would be required that would eventually make it a mine. We are a long ways from an actually project. The property is sensitive to gold prices (referred to a slide in the presentation.) We are hoping that gold prices will increase and those things will help us bring the project to the attention of larger mining companies and perhaps it can move forward

Corvus Gold North Bullfrog project presentation continued.

Richard Stephens – Asked do you have a target price that you think will make it viable?

Mr. Brechtel – Replied, I think its viable at the current prices but it needs to be more attractive to get the bigger companies and that's what our work focuses on is reducing that risk so that they can see it in the same light that we do. Mr. Brechtel spoke about the project location in relation to Beatty, annual expenditures for the past few fiscal years, the locations and types of mineralization deposits, infrastructure available to the project, the land purchase that included water rights that will support the project, the baseline data collection and monitoring wells, facilities on Boiling Pot Road, all while referring to slide presentation.

They plan on finishing up this year's drilling in April.

In 2017 we will continue exploration drilling and the focus will continue to be on trying to find more of the high-grade veins.

We try to work closely with the community; we make this type of presentation every year. We try to support different community groups as they approach us. We support the Senior Center and the Volunteer Fire Department, and I want to mention that we work closely with Mike and his department for safety issues on the site. We are taking out an ad in the Beatty High School year book this year. We make tours available to groups and at Beatty Days last year we had the recreational vehicle chapter of Nevada they drove out to the site. We are looking to our fifth year of participation in Beatty Days.

Albert Verrilli – Asked the high-grade stuff would that be heat leach as well?

Mr. Brechtel – Stated no, that would have to be a mill, a conventional site, we think it would be small about three metric tons per day; discussion followed.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated that;

Studio 401 art class schedule is up on the town website.

Friday February 17th the VFW Post is serving corned beef and cabbage, it's a \$6.00 donation, and the flyer is up on the town website.

Honoring Americas Veterans of Nevada at ease, this is from the Attorney General Office, there is free legal assistance available for veterans, this information is on the Town website.

Dr. Z is coming to Beatty on March 4th, she will be doing vaccinations, the flyer is on the town website.

Town Square update – We did move the railroad ties off of Rupert's property and up here to the Community Center. We should be starting to bring in the equipment to finish up the dirt work so we can install the hardscape.

Abby at Death Valley National Park sent out information about the "Scotty's Castle Flood Tour" this spring, the information is on the town website.

The office was contacted by Kevin from Ledcore and we will be having a job fair on Thursday as soon as I get the details I will push it out to all of my email contact.

Ann Marchand – Stated Town Square, months ago I talked to you guys about the Minor Burro and we didn't know where we were going to put it on the entryway coming in from Las Vegas and you guys said that inside the fence that you might be willing to do a raised bed so that we could see it.

Ms. Marchand – Went on is that still an issue or is all of the masonry work done?

EG – Stated I don't remember about a raised bed.

Carrie Radomski; Stated - There was no discussion about a raised bed but a spot was selected. Yes, the masonry work has been completed. Once the Chamber identifies the type of signage, the dimensions, and all of those things, then we'll go back and look at that particular area to determine what we can put in. We didn't do any infrastructure because we had no idea what the sign was going to look like or what the dimensions were.

Ms. Marchand – Stated we were just trying to figure out if that was an option. We were offered another option and we were trying to figure out if that was an option or if we had to go with plan B because part of this is being funded by the Nevada Commission of Tourism grant and our funds have to be spent by the end of June. So we're wanting to know if that's a possibility or without out it we need to go with plan B.

DG – Stated I don't know, good question.

EG – Stated what we would need to know Ann, is what the sign looks like because originally it was going to be a boulder with the Minor and Burro on it.

Ms. Radomski – Asked if they have a final design?

Secretary Report continued

Ms. Marchand – Stated we have one yeah, but we were kind of waiting to see what you guys were going to do.

EG – Stated what you asked last time was for the space and we all agreed on that so we have a space to put it.

DG – Asked what do you have to have by June?

Ms. Marchand – Stated we have to have the funds spent because it's a grant. So we have to have the funds for the minor and burro all that stuff spent.

EG – Stated but here's the deal, okay so the fence is going to be all around it, so to see that thing it's going to have to high; discussion followed.

Ms. Marchand – Stated we can go with plan B.

EG – Asked what is plan B?

Ms. Marchand – Stated it's across the street by the State marker.

DG – Stated I would say order the sign and then we'll find a place to put it.

Ms. Radomski – Stated there is a spot that is designated in the park, it was agreed on when you guys talked about it. We're not putting anything else in that space right now so that space is there for you. It just depends on what you think is best for your sign.

DG – Asked can you get us the size or concept of what is and then we can make a quick decision on that at the next meeting, so it would give you time to get it ordered.

EG – Stated the only other decision would be if you guys need to build something there...

Ms. Radomski – Stated you just have to come to us with what you need.

Ms. Marchand – Stated okay, we some design plans, a few different ones for different locations just because of the fact that different ones are going to be appropriate for different locations. So I'll come back to you guys to see what we can do.

EG – Stated come back to us at the next meeting.

10 General Business

a. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to set March 13, 2016 at 5:30pm for the FY18 budget workshop. – Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski

Carrie Radomski – Stated this is an annual thing, the exciting thing this year is that Savannah the Nye County Comptroller will be here to present the budget. It is a preliminary budget based wholly on estimates because the *State Performa is not out yet, it won't be out until April.*

RR- Motion to set March 13, 2016 at 5:30pm for the FY18 budget workshop; Second EG; 3-0

11 General Public Comment

None

12 Adjournment

EG – Motion to adjourn at 7:15pm; Second RR; 3-0