

Beatty Town Advisory Board
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Minutes
06/09/20

THE BEATTY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 6:30 PM 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
Randy Reed (RR) – Vice-Chair
Erika Gerling (EG) – Treasurer
Perry Forsyth (PF) – Member

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order 6:30 pm

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.

Marty Campbell – Stated this pertains to item C general business tonight. Joann and I are going to donate \$1,000.00 to the Beatty Senior Inc program. We feel like it's going to be a good program and we're looking forward to it getting off on the right foot.

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of June 9, 2020

Staff pulled item 4 the minutes and item 5 emergency items and item 7 consent agenda items.

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the minutes dated; May 11, 2020 and May 26, 2020

Pulled

5 Emergency Items

Pulled

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

RR – Stated I'm doing an ex parte disclosure, I'm a member of Beatty Seniors Inc. and I will not personally benefit from the item related to that on the agenda tonight.

EG – Stated Suzie McCoy long time Beatty resident passed away. Suzie was instrumental in writing many histories about Beatty and Rhyolite; she was a lot of fun. Her and her late husband, Riley, were custodians and guides out at Rhyolite for a long, long time. She was a founding member of the Friends of Rhyolite and worked to promote and educate about our history. And I've just got to say... she was a lot of fun, she organized a lot of tours out there at Rhyolite and we had a sorority, that was a group sorority at that time and she got us all to dress up and play parts out there that represented the citizens of Rhyolite at that time. She really contributed a lot so I just wanted to send my condolences to her family.

6 Board Member's Comments continued

EG - Moving on, ordinances, there's been a lot of questions; I've gotten a lot of questions from residents about ordinances, specifically curfew and fireworks. So, I'm posting that they can go to nyecounty.net then you can get on Chapter 19, it's all about Beatty Nye County Code, it will direct you. Yes, we have a curfew and yes, safe and sane fireworks are the only thing you can shoot. Also, just an update we have developed a map and sent our letter out to the BLM and the mine, AngoAshanti, that shows all of the areas that are important to us, the Cheese Rocks, and where the mining exploration or operation are overlapping areas. If anybody would like a copy of the letter or the map please contact Carrie at the Town Office. I'm still going, Corona (Virus) now. So, the State had said they thought they would see an increase in cases when we reopened, which we did. So, I've just about got the poster done and Carrie and I with the help of a couple of other people, the posters reflect the CDC and County guidelines; wear a mask, wash your hands and 6 feet apart, all of that and all of that information can also be found at NevadaHeathResponse.NV.Gov. One last thing, in light of everything that's going on in the world I'd like to ask the Sheriff and or the Board of County Commissioners if they are doing a review of the hiring practices, the disciplinary practices to just name a few for the Nye County Sheriff's Office. We could invite the Sheriff to give us a report on the status of her department regarding these issues or ask the BoCC to give us a report, or we could send a letter formally requesting that. So, here's my hope that between this meeting and our next meeting in two weeks that we will have heard from the Sheriff or the BoCC. If we haven't, I will ask for an item on our next agenda and then as a Board, we can decide if we want to move forward on asking what are your practices. That's all I have under Board member comments, Thank you.

PF – Stated I've been thinking a lot about Suzy McCoy, she's done a lot for Beatty. I would like to request that the Board consider a letter of thanks for her contributions, be sent to her family.

DG – Stated the only comment I have is that the VFW bought the church from Suzy and Riley ten years ago, so yeah, we knew them also.

7 Consent Agenda Items – These are items that Staff recommends for approval. The Board reserves the right to move any consent agenda item to the regular segment of the agenda should issues arise that need to be addressed.

Pulled

8 Reports

- i. **Beatty Chamber** – None
- ii. **Beatty Habitat Committee** - None
- iii. **Beatty Library** – None
- iv. **Beatty Medical Clinic** – None
- v. **Beatty Museum** – None
- vi. **Beatty Senior Center** – None
- vii. **Beatty Volunteer Fire/Ambulance** – None
- viii. **Commissioner's** - None
- ix. **Desert Hills Cemetery** – None
- x. **Nye County Emergency Services** – None
- xi. **Nye County Sheriff's Department** – None
- xii. **Ordinances** – None
- xiii. **Other**

Beatty Economic Development, Inc (BEDC) – None

Beatty General Improvement District (BGID) – None

Beatty Water & Sanitation District (BWSD) – None

Beatty Boy Scouts – None

Beatty Health & Welfare – None

Valley Electric Association

Other Community or Civic Organizations – DG – Stated the VFW had their Statewide meeting here this weekend. We had 161 people here for banquets and meetings. We used the Senior Center and the Community Center.

- xiv. **Secretary** – None
- xv. **Treasurer** – EG – Stated 98% of the year has passed and all of our departments are doing very, very, well.

9 General Business

- a. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to apply for a Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) grant for the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Program, grant requires a 10% match, proposed grant amount is \$8,175.00 requiring a match of \$817.50. – Chief Harmon; Beatty Volunteer Fire Department**

EG – Motion to apply for a Nevada Division of Forestry (NDF) grant for the Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Program, grant requires a 10% match, proposed grant amount is \$8,175.00 requiring a match of \$817.50, there is money in BVFD operating to make the match; Second RR; 4-0

- b. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to set Friday, June 26, 2020, at 5pm as the deadline to accept letters of interest for an open seat on the Beatty Town Advisory Board due to the resignation of Rob Shirley – Carrie Radomski; Beatty Town Office**

RR – Motion to set Friday, June 26, 2020, at 5pm as the deadline to accept letters of interest for an open seat on the Beatty Town Advisory Board; Second PF; 4-0

- c. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve, amend or reject the Beatty Seniors, Inc. request for supplemental funding in the amount of \$20,000.00 for covering utility costs for the Beatty Seniors Inc. former Beatty Senior Center. – Marty Campbell, Vonnie Gray, Patti Butler and other Beatty Seniors Inc.) board members**

RR – Motion to accept supplemental information; Second PF; 4-0

Marty Campbell; President Beatty Seniors Inc. – Introduced Secretary Vonnie Gray, Treasurer Patti Butler, we have Mike Watkins, Randy Reed as members here, and Jerry Martin who is not present. At this time I would just like to say that we thank you for all that the Town Board has done for the Senior Center up till this time and hopefully you guys will continue to help us and I'm going to turn this microphone over to Patti who is our Treasurer and she will give you the supplemental information that you have in front of you. Thank you.

Patti Butler - Stated, ladies and gentlemen of the Board thank you for hearing this tonight. My name is Patti Butler, some of you know me. I am the Treasurer for the newly formed Beatty Seniors Inc; we are a 501c3 corporation that was created by local volunteers with the intent to privatize the existing Senior Center which is currently under the Nye County Senior Nutrition Program (NCSNP). It's our goal to become the local operating agency for the Beatty Senior Center for the purpose of supplying our seniors with quality, nutritious meals and a place for positive social activities. I've had the opportunity to talk with some of you before and I look forward to talking and working with you as we move forward. I'm here with our Chairman Marty Campbell and some of our Board Members, we are here to ask for your monetary support of \$20,000.00 for the first 90 days of operation and ongoing support for the monthly utility costs of the building. It is our intent to be self-sustaining as quickly as possible and if at the end of any year we have any monies left we would reimburse it back to the Board, you're Board. Before you is a spreadsheet of our estimated monthly expenses and incomes. All of the expense figures were taken from actual invoices and NCSNP profit and loss statements from the past two years and averaged out for a monthly estimate. The income figures are in part also based on history where supporting documentation was available and the rest are my best guess because none of these events have ever been tried before. We will be asking the County to lease us the building and supply insurance, maintenance, and IT support. Regarding the transportation, it is our intent to leave that to the County for the time being until such time as we are financially able to take it over and have the means to pay a driver and all costs associated with the vehicle. That was our original intent; I have since found out that the County would actually prefer to keep the transportation of the Senior Center and with that in mind they will also be responsible for a certain portion of our payroll, so in our expense line that will reduce our payroll by a few percent as well. We have had a van donated to us from Coeur Mining, we're looking into how much it would cost to insure and maintain, and if we cannot secure a sponsor for those costs we will put that into our budget as well. I would be please to go over the expense and revenue estimates and take any questions you may have at this time.

DG – Stated I see on the proposed utilities, I don't see anything for trash.

Ms. Butler – Stated, it's my understanding that the Board (Town) does that now. Is that something that will continue?

9c General Business continued

DG – Stated there's another thing, the grease trap, I don't think we pay the grease trap.

RR – Stated, yeah we do.

DG – Stated, where was I?

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated we've been paying Beatty Disposal and Joe's Sanitation for probably three or four years.

Mr. Campbell – Stated that's why I thanked you all for what you've been doing for the Senior Center.

DG – Stated that was the only thing that got me on that. If the County wants to keep the van and they pay the fuel and all of that, upkeep and maintenance...

Ms. Butler – Replied, yeah we would not have to worry about the transportation end of things at all.

Mr. Campbell – Stated because that's a different grant all together... transportation, it's (senior center) under two separate grants.

PF – Asked, are you talking about \$20,000.00 overall including utilities or \$20,000.00 plus utilities?

Ms. Butler – Stated the \$20,000.00 would help our startup costs for the first 90 days and then the utilities would be an ongoing monthly cost and what we can do, depending on the way the Board would like to, we can either draw off of an account or we can submit the bills directly to you.

PF – Stated I would like to postpone a decision on this to the next meeting if at all possible. The reason for it is, Patti, I'm going to ask you to draw up a financial draft proposal and give us actual figures.

Ms. Butler – Stated certainly, I'd be happy to do that.

PF – Stated if you would please I would appreciate that. Dick, can I ask you to table this to the next meeting?

DG – Stated, yes you can ask. I want to hear from Erika first though.

EG – Stated I know everybody is going to think I'm so mean and horrible but this is why you guys elected me to be your Treasurer, right? I want to hold everyone that we discuss financial issues with to the same standards, which means I'm asking Beatty Seniors Inc the same questions that I ask NCSNP every year this came up, all right? I'm just saying that I need more time and a little more information before I can make a decision, because I want to make a good decision for our community, for our seniors and for all you people that are putting in your time, because you get paid the big bucks, that are putting in your time to do this. So, there are a few questions that I have and I agree with Perry, I would like to table this at least until our next meeting, that's two weeks. I do understand that one of the things, so this is all an upward thing right? So you get assurance from us, you can go to the Commissioners, you get assurance from the Commissioners, you can go to the State for funding, so I understand all of that but I just want everybody to be sure. Giving you a little more time will help you get through some of these questions. What is the agreed-upon transition date from NCSNP to Beatty Seniors Inc, we need to know that date. Also, has an agreement been reached with Nye County regarding the use of the building, because maybe the Advisory Board may be able to help with the building? Also, the numbers, what it costs to run, and the numbers that we know we can collect, right now what are your employee costs? So, I agree with Perry, I would like to table this item and get some more firm things in place. Because here's what I'm saying guys, let me just bottom line this, if it costs \$100,000.00 to run and you can only count on \$40,000.00 that you know you're going to get, \$20,000.00 of which is ours, and those are not the real numbers... just for instance... EG's phone call dropped off.

PF – Stated we're not against you, we're not against the seniors, we just want the numbers so that we can go into it with more knowledge and belief, that's the way I'm looking at it and I think Erika feels the same way.

Ms. Butler – Stated, I actually agree with you. This is business straight up, whether you like me or anybody else, I understand, its business straight up and I will have all of this information for you for your next meeting.

PF – Stated I don't want Seniors Inc to think I'm being negative, I'm not, in fact, it's the opposite but I need to have this information so that I can entertain a vote within myself, you know, that's why I was asking for more time.

Ms. Butler – Stated, I completely understand, Perry, I've been in business myself and you have to draw a line between business and personal, so I absolutely understand.

RR – Stated I think it's a good idea to table it for the next meeting; I have no problem with that.

Ms. Butler – Asked is there any other information that you would like besides what Perry and Erika brought up.

DG – Asked did you take notes?

Ms. Butler – Replied absolutely.

DG – Stated we'll go ahead and table this until the next meeting, when is that? I don't think we're far off; apparently, some questions need to be answered for some of them.

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Ms. Radomski – Stated if all goes well, tentatively the 22nd of June.

DG – Restated, the 22nd of June, okay.

Richard Stephens – Asked, also can you answer the question that I've got, in terms of what Savannah said at the last meeting about this without her creating an (inaudible). She was wanting to put the Senior Center in the budget and Erika resisted that and she was saying there was no mechanism that she could come up with for doing this but now (inaudible) so I'm wondering how it's going to work.

Ms. Radomski – Stated well, actually she just unfunded the line, but the line still exists in our budget.

Mr. Stephens – Clarified, so you can transfer funds.

Ms. Radomski – Stated absolutely; discussion followed.

Mr. Campbell – Stated I just want to say that we do appreciate what you guys are doing for us.

EG – Stated, I'm back.

Ms. Radomski – Stated, Erika I'm just going to catch you up, they had comments and they motioned to table and Marty Campbell is making a comment right now.

Mr. Campbell – Stated and like Patti says, I do agree we need to get some more information for you guys and hopefully, we'll have what you need by the next meeting and we do thank you for everything you've done for us and continue to do for us and we'll continue to work on this as hard as we can. Thank you

EG – Stated it was suggested to me a couple of weeks ago, here's another thing that you'll not be happy with me about, it was suggested to me a couple of weeks ago that we have a workshop and I think that may be a good idea. We could all sit down, every interested party, so maybe within the next two weeks I guess we'd have to decide if we want to have that, but I think that's a good idea so that when we get to a vote we can actually decide something and have more information. Maybe Senior Center Inc, maybe you guys could have a workshop and we could just come and attend that.

Mr. Campbell – Stated we've had workshops right along and if you guys want to come to our workshops you're more than welcome to.

EG – Asked, why don't you guys set one up? And we'll come and sit down with you and then it's not an Advisory Board thing.

Mr. Campbell – Stated alright if we get more information we'll notify you on the time and date.

EG – Stated, no Marty, here's what I want you to do, set a date and you'll get me out of my house, I'll come out of my house for you, okay; discussion followed.

RR – *Motion to table; PF Second; 4-0*

PF – Requested a 6pm meeting start time for future meetings.

10 General Public Comment

None

11 Adjournment

RR - *Motion to adjourn 7:06pm; Second PF; 4-0*

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