

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
06/06/2016**

**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**

1 Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order 6:30pm

DG – Stated KC is not here today, he is working.

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.

None

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of June 6, 2016.

Staff – Pulled item 5 emergency items.

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Meeting Minutes dated May 23, 2016.

RR – Motion to approve the meeting minutes dated May 23, 2016; Second CT; 3-1 EG abstain

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 we had some food here today for the seniors, tomorrow after the seniors have their lunch, Marty, if you could or someone who is up there let them know that there are a few bag lunches here for them to take. They are first come first serve and what's in the bag is in the bag.

Marty Campbell – Asked where are they located?

EG – Stated they are here (Community Center) in the kitchen.

RR – None; CT – None; DG - None

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 \$112.11; Second CT; 4-0

8 General Business

For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to 1) approve funding the Beatty Senior Center based on the projections for 2017 with the Senior Center open only two days per week and home-bound meals delivered two days per week as well, the total amounts requested for supplementing services are as follows: Congregate \$30,000.00, Home Delivered \$10,000.00 Total - \$40,000.00 or 2) approve funding the grant match requirement of \$4,576.00 for Congregate and the same amount or less for home delivered. – Senior Nutrition Board of Trustees; Marty Campbell

Marty Campbell – Stated basically its cut and dried, we've cut everything we could basically we are down to two days. Every time we turn around to try and raise money there's always been something in the way. One of the things I wanted to bring up was we had an opportunity to get some money from the Nye County Communities Coalition but due to the way that the grant is written up we couldn't get it. That's \$6,500.00 that we could have got and we can't get that. It's like that every time we turn around we're getting no's unfortunately.

We do have a donation of \$500.00 coming toward us through one of the companies up at the Peak they are working on the paperwork right now to find out how we want it to be made out. We are working on trying to get money. The problem we are running into is we do not have the support, everybody says we should try this, we should try that. Carrie's brought up a lot of good stuff but unfortunately every time we turn around we don't meet the criteria of some of the stuff that we are trying to do.

Basically what it says right there (on the agenda) is cut and dried. If we don't get it we are going to end up closing the place down.

Do you have any questions for me?

Jimmy – I think we should give them half \$20,000.00 first and \$20,000.00 later to be sure nobody is putting it in their pocket.

EG – Stated just so that everybody understands that we have been being proactive as a Board. There are things that we have done that we could do on our own. We've had Ricardo start doing the cleaning at the Senior Center which costs us half an hour of overtime daily and that the Town is paying for that. Carrie contacted Beatty Disposal and the trash removal bill that was being charged to the senior center is now being paid by the BTAB. Joe's Sanitation was also contacted and we requested that any future trip charges for the grease trap pump be charged to the Community Center which is around \$400.00 per trip. Also, Carrie helped to complete the funding assistance request to Barrick; we sent grant applications and budget workshops which were created by the Town Office to individuals and entities when requested by Marty, that's all on our dime. We also requested the AT&T bill to see if could help reduce the cost. So everything that we could do on our own we have done.

Mr. Campbell – Stated and it's greatly appreciated.

EG – Went on so that is one thing that I wanted to note.

EG - Asked have you filed for the 501c3?

Mr. Campbell – No the paperwork is still in process.

EG – Stated at a meeting I attended Holly had shared a letter she drafted to send to Ceaser's (Palace) Foundation, their main focus is on senior programs, did the letter get sent?

Mr. Campbell – Stated I haven't heard anything about that, she didn't mention anything to me. That's news to me.

EG – Stated also from the five or six page list that I gave you, of people to contact, my suggestions of what to ask them for, of what they could do to help. What's the progress on that?

Mr. Campbell – Stated the list that you gave me, we have a new board member Wanda Bernhardt. She has a list that is even more complete than the one you had because she is in the business. We have drafted up a letter and we are in the process of finishing the letter and I'm going to stop at the Post Office and see if we can do a bulk mail to send these out without costing us too much money. Unfortunately I didn't bring the letter with me. I was hoping that Wanda would be here but I guess she couldn't make it. So we are working on that. It was also the letter that we sent to get the \$500.00 donation. It (the letter) should be done in the next couple of weeks. We had a meeting last Monday or a couple of Monday's ago we got new members on the Project Council, Wanda is one and Jerry Martin is another one. We have people on the council now that will hopefully give us a little more help. Unfortunately right at the moment, our treasurer she had an operation today on her back so I don't know what's going as far as that goes.

Jimmy – Asked if you give us the money do we have to pay it back?

EG – Replied no, when we give someone the money we give it to them, unless they ask for a loan and I don't think we've ever had that happen; discussion followed.

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EG – Stated I know that we are at two days a week. I know that it costs \$70,000.00 a year for this two day a week service. Now here we are again at a deadline and we're being asked to give \$40,000.00 because the Senior Nutrition Program is up against a deadline. Which should have already been submitted last week and I just think it's just...

Mr. Campbell – Stated I know where you are coming from. I have no control over it myself.

EG – Stated I'm just saying all these things do not have to be left to the last minute. If when we gave that over \$12,000.00 we knew we were going to be here the next month we should have been here doing the same thing not four days after the deadline.

Mr. Campbell – Stated I do agree with you, I have no control over the grant part, but like I say every time I turned around to try to do something... we had this, I had this all set up I had a contract signed and the whole shooting match but due to the fact that we have grant through (Division of Aging) our hands are tied in a lot of places. I'm not going to give up, I'm going to keep trying believe me and like I said we are going to have that letter going out to all of the people around here and hopefully we will get some money that way. We've still got our BINGO going. I don't know if you've heard about the thrift store. We had to close the thrift store down because the trailer that was there was never transferred over to the Project Council.

DG – Asked why did you close it?

Mr. Campbell – Stated because we can't use the trailer.

EG – Asked why not?

Mr. Campbell – Stated because it doesn't belong to us.

DG – Stated but it didn't belong to you, the Council, for the eight years you were operating it.

Mr. Campbell – Stated it didn't it was never transferred over to us.

DG – Went on, why don't you just keep using it?

Mr. Campbell – Stated it still belongs to Flight for Life and if we transfer it over that is 8 to 12 years of back taxes that we would owe that we could not afford and titles and all of that stuff.

EG – Stated anyway personally I think that was a good decision, it was costing you money and you weren't making any money and it wasn't open.

Mr. Campbell – Stated we still have the annex up here where we are going to...

EG – Stated here's the thing. Everything is we are going to, we are going to, we are going to, we're working on the letter, well you've got to get some things done.

Mr. Campbell – Stated that's true.

DG- Asked for comments.

CT – Stated last year we approved x amount of monies for the grant match and then you come back and say this isn't enough, this isn't enough, not on you personally and I understand that, this is not personal by any means. Just reiterating what Erika said you know well we're in the process, in the process, in the process. Well, last year you were in the process, six months ago you were in the process, March, April you were in the process, three months ago. Unfortunately the words in the process hasn't shown very much of an action of this is what we are really doing, here's how we can prove it, here's monies coming in. Unfortunately you're working on this letter; you've got this list to work on the letter. Do you have a letter to show us that you are working on this?

Mr. Campbell – Stated I do have a letter; I should have brought it with me.

CT – Asked is the grant that you are trying to get what held you up with Nye County Coalition?

Mr. Campbell – Stated yes.

CT – Clarified this (grant) ties your hands. I said that last year, I am against this grant because it does tie your hands in so many ways.

Mr. Campbell – Stated I am against the grant too, but without the grant we would be closing the doors, cut and dried. I'm like you, I don't like this grant but we have to have something to keep things going until we can get something else going is what it boils down to. I wish we could do it without the grant believe me. If we had somebody that would give us some money it would relieve a lot of pressure because we could actually do stuff like this without having to worry about it.

EG – Stated but here's the thing, we don't know about this Ceaser's Foundation grant which is a huge multi-national, multi-billion dollar company and we don't even know about that. And that was months and months ago.

Mr. Campbell – Stated unfortunately I just heard about that.

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EG – Stated I heard about it sitting at the table with you guys over there. That's when I heard about otherwise I would know nothing about it. That's just it we don't know anything. We haven't got the Board of Trustees minutes; we get the reports at the last minute. You know we've been sending the checks from that last \$12,000.00 before we even get the bills we've been sending the checks.

Mr. Campbell – Stated I will talk to Dave Hall the Chairman of the Trustees and I will make sure you guys get this paperwork within a week.

CT – Stated unfortunately that was supposed to start happening in March when we asked, we need this, when we had the emergency meeting we need this much money in March.

EG – Asked how about a year ago?

Mr. Campbell – Stated a month ago was the first time we actually had a meeting with the Board of Trustees and they actually had an agenda and had minutes at that time. Before that they didn't have anything going. We are working on it, I know you don't want to hear that, but we've got some people on the Board of Trustees that are trying to do the job that should have been done years ago. This happened years ago it just didn't happen overnight and we've finally got some people on the Board of Trustees that are willing to do something and we're not the only one in this boat. Amargosa is in the same boat that we are right now. They are going to have to cut back, maybe not as much as we do. Fortunately Tonopah has somebody that gives them \$15,000.00 a month to keep them going. We don't have anybody like that here and everybody says why aren't we doing as good a Tonopah? Well, they've got somebody that's giving them money.

Jimmy – Stated we don't have the donations.

EG – Stated it is not a sustainable proposition for this Board to support these levels of funding. It's not sustainable and that's what I as the Treasurer, that's what I'm looking at.

Unidentified audience – Stated we knew that three years ago in March.

EG – Stated okay, I'm looking at the same thing. I haven't gotten any recommendations from anybody about anything.

Unidentified audience – Stated the only fact I can see is how does our local people that were running our thrift shop make up \$50,000.00, see what I'm saying?

EG – Stated I don't know. I don't have the answer to that question.

Unidentified audience – Stated I'm just dealing with facts.

EG – Stated I'm going to give you some facts right now; 501c3 in process I would like to know what the status of that process is, the Ceaser's Foundation Grant I would like to know what the status of that request is, this list with that letter that's been drafted I'd like to know what the status of that list is. Which its great Wanda expanded on the list I'd like to see what people have been contacted and what the status of those requests are and then I can make a decision.

Unidentified audience – Stated I understand where you are coming from and I understand every one of those points and I don't know where Jennie Martin is. You know she's one of the paid employees. What I'm saying is it's a lot more money than we can raise annually.

EG – Stated you know I'm not against having a certain amount of money that we give to the Senior Center every year but we've done that. \$11,000.00, over \$12,000.00 that's just in this past year and a half but we have to have something that's sustainable and until I see something that's sustainable and have the answers to these questions then I don't know where we go from here.

DG – Stated my comments are that everybody knows from the get go that I don't believe in subsidies. When you come here and it's not just this meeting, it's been the first and the second. The very first time when Ms. Martin was here, she made the budget and she didn't know what half of the stuff on it was. I agree with our Treasurer, Erika, it's not sustainable; we don't have the money to keep doing that. How did they get in the hole of say \$50,000.00 or whatever the figure, god knows how that happened. We don't have the County to keep paying for it.

Mr. Campbell – Stated I understand where you are coming from but all I can do is present what I've got and just go from there.

DG – Stated I can see that, Marty I do but once again it comes in late and last minute.

CT – Stated Marty, don't give up on asking for money from other entities don't say whatever our decision is will cut everything off don't go there, continue pushing.

Mr. Campbell – Stated I'm going to keep going.

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CT - Stated and without grant monies there is a possibility you can go back to Nye County Coalition in the future and be able to pick up and get more without this. Please don't give up on the Senior Center and please don't think that we're giving up on the Senior Center.

Mr. Campbell - Stated I won't and I understand.

DG - Asked for comments from the public. There were none.

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DG - Stated at this time I would entertain a motion on number 8.

DG - Stated I hear no motion on number 8; it dies for a lack of a motion.

9 General Public Comment

Marty Campbell - Stated like we were saying as far as trying to make money and stuff like that, the thrift store we had to close that up but our BINGO we are still doing our BINGO on Thursday nights we'd like the people to show up. We actually made \$95.00 last week. We had more people coming in, they are starting to show up but they may slow down during the summer months, we can't count on any money there it fluctuates quite a bit you can make \$95.00 one week and \$10.00 the next week but a lot of people enjoy coming and playing BINGO that's one of the reasons I keep it going. Randy called last week, I actually took money out of my own pocket to help keep that going because I feel that it's very important for some of those people to have some place to go and enjoy themselves.

CT - Asked have you done a survey to find out what would be best for the people or asked them, is it Thursday nights now?

Mr. Campbell - Stated yes.

CT - Continued I know that you bounced around.

Mr. Campbell - Stated it was Thursday nights for years and then they tried Wednesday night for a couple of months and it didn't work so we went back to Thursday. We had to stop BINGO for a short period of time but I did get fired up again and we are back up and running. Unfortunately like I said our Treasurer is in the hospital right now with an operation and from what I understand it went well, so hopefully she'll be back toward the end of the week.

EG - Stated I would just like to say that at any time, even on the 13th for our meeting, you can come back and make another request and if you have answers to any of these questions or any forward movement that will go a long way to maybe a different decision. I'm just saying anything that you can tell us that shows forward movement or progress on these issues would be good.

Mr. Campbell - Clarified Monday the 13th?

EG - Stated yes.

Jerry Martin - Stated I've heard the 501c3 bantered about quite a bit and I want you to know that Shirley (Harlan) has been working for two years now to get the Friends of the Library a 501c3 and I don't think that they are any closer now than they were three years ago. It's a long hard process if we had somebody working on it full time it's a long hard process.

EG - Stated the Library is closer. We did pay their filing fees so they are really close now.

10 Adjournment

RR- Motion to adjourn 7:04pm; Second CT; 4-0