

**Beatty Town Advisory Board  
100 A Avenue South  
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**Minutes  
08/08/2016**

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

**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.**

None

**3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of August 8, 2016.**

*Staff – Pulled item 6 Emergency Items.*

**4 Presentation recognizing supporters of the Beatty Senior Center by Marty Campbell on behalf of the Beatty Senior Center and the Beatty Senior Project Council**

Marty Campbell – Stated first of all I want to thank all of the members of the Board that were at the meeting we just finished. I hope that it was fruitful and that we can get a few things done.

What I'm doing right now should have been done years ago. We have a lot of people that have helped us out in the past and so we are going to give these people letters of appreciation and some of the ones that aren't here we are going to mail them to them; US Ecology and Corvus Gold.

Mr. Campbell, Mike Watkins, and Wanda Burnhardt called up and presented certificates of appreciation to:

Dick Gardner for the Beatty Town Advisory Board

George Radomski for Beatty Mercantile

Dick Gardner for the Beatty VFW Post 12108

Carol Johnston for KC's Out Post

Andrew Bernhardt for JT3

All of the recipients have made donations and provided support for years.

Mr. Campbell – Presented Carrie Radomski Town Secretary with a certificate for all of her help in getting the Senior Project Council on track and helping them move forward.

**5 For Possible Action – Approval of the Meeting Minutes dated July 11, 2016 and July 25, 2016**

*RR – Motion to approve the minutes dated July 11, 2016 and July 25, 2016; Second CT; 4-1 abstain (KC)*

**6 For Possible Action – Emergency Items**

*Item pulled*

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

KC - None; EG - None; RR - None

CT - Stated just a reminder that Volunteer Appreciation Day is this Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> at Cottonwood Park, 2pm until the fun stops. Dinner is \$7.00 with all proceeds going to the Fire and Ambulance departments.

DG - None

**8 Reports**

i. **Beatty Chamber** - None

ii. **Beatty Habitat Committee** - Ann Marchand - Stated we are waiting for NDEP to reallocate the funds for the trails.

iii. **Beatty Library** - None

iv. **Beatty Medical Clinic** - None

v. **Beatty Museum** - None

vi. **Beatty Senior Center** - Marty Campbell - Stated since the last meeting we have pretty much finalized our by-laws and our next step is an EIN which we plan on doing next week. Then after that we will file with the Secretary of State, this is for our 501c3. Once we get that done we may be coming back to the Board to get some help with the money for filing our 501c3, it's approximately \$950.00. The registration with the State is only \$50.00 and we will take care of that.

Bingo is going quite well we are averaging about \$75.00 to \$80.00 a week.

We had a meeting just a little while ago with representatives from all over the place. We had Congressmen, Senators and people that hopefully that will be able to figure out what we need to do to stay open and prosper.

vii. **Beatty Town Square** - Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary - Stated the Boy Scouts are doing the weed removal, Theresa is working on getting them scheduled sometime in August. I have contacted JM Concrete and we are looking at sometime in middle to late September for the concrete pour.

viii. **Beatty Volunteer Fire/Ambulance** - Chief Harmon is on a run.

ix. **Commissioners** - None

x. **Desert Hills Cemetery** - None

xi. **Nye County Emergency Services** - None

xii. **Nye County Sheriff's Department** - None

xiii. **Ordinances** - None

xiv. **Other** -

**Beatty Economic Development, Inc (BEDC)** - None

**Beatty General Improvement District (BGID)** - None

**Beatty Water & Sanitation District (BWSD)** - EG - Stated they are in their new building and they are holding an open house from 8am to 10am tomorrow. The ATM is still there.

**Boy Scouts** - None

**Beatty Health & Welfare** - None

**Other Community or Civic Organization** - None

xv. **Secretary**

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary - Reported monies for services collected in July 2016; Notary \$75.00, Copy \$4.60, Fax \$7.00; Community Center Rental \$30.00 for a total of \$116.60

USDA food commodities will be done on September 9<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 7pm at the Hill Top Church in the basement.

This for Mike and me both, on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> we will be doing a tour of the emergency facilities out at the Test Site.

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### xvi. Treasurer

EG – Reported 8% of the year elapsed as of July 31, 2016.

Department	Expenditure	Balance	
Admin	\$13,448.78	\$427,028.22	3% of the budget used
Translators	\$0	\$5,000.00	0% of the budget used
BVFD	\$9,579.94	\$216,420.16	4% of the budget used
Cemetery	\$0	\$10,000.00	0% of the budget used
Com Cnt Serv & Supplies	\$82.12	\$199,917.88	9% of the budget used
Chamber	\$2,374.40	\$40,508.60	6% of the budget used
Museum	\$2,570.72	\$40,312.28	6% of the budget used
Town Tourism	\$0	\$118,249.00	0% of the budget used
Sheriff Pub. Safety	\$0	\$99,951.00	0% of the budget used
Fire Pub. Safety	\$0	\$99,954.00	0% of the budget used
Capital Projects	\$2,010.00	\$487,318.00	0% of the budget used
Special Capital	\$0	\$149,255.00	0% of the budget used
Room Tax Capital	\$10,619.33*	\$156,300.67	6% of the budget used

\*Town Square project expenses

Ann Marchand – Stated those are for fiscal year 17 which started in July and ends on June 30, 2017

### 9 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 pay the town vouchers in the amount of \$4,075.00; Second CT; 5-0*

DG – Stated that is for the June and July payment to the Senior Center that the Board authorized a while back.

### 10 General Business

**a. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to support a 100 mile off-road trails system signage project and all matters pertaining thereto. – Karl Olson**

Maps of the two trail loops were on display

Karl Olson – Introduced himself and stated what I came here to talk about tonight is we designed two trails. This idea started four years ago. This (referring to the map of loop 1) is the actual poker run that happened for the last two years. This (referring to the map of loop 2) is the new one. The poker run has been a great success and I wanted to do the poker run different than a normal one so we came up with a historical and geological idea. So it's a learning experience not just a race around the desert to get your card stamped.

To give you an idea of why I'm here tonight, that run that you see the second one, the new one, that's two years in the making. I have about 400, almost 500 miles in that because you go on a computer system to design it and to design it you actually do three trails. You have to go out and drive them all to figure out which ones will fit. Dan Anderson and Bill Marchand are probably sick of me having them drive me around the desert because it's kind of hard to GPS and drive at the same time. Then you come back and put it in the computer program. I'm just explaining this so you will understand why I'm going to present what I am going to present. So like I said there are over 400 miles in that (loop 2) alone to get it where it's at now. Of course you have to get the BLM permit and we are permitted it's going to be October 15<sup>th</sup>.

I don't want all of this work to go to waste, both of those and that amount of time. TerraSpectra, I'm sure everybody here has seen this and of course the course guide (held up a smaller map of loop one and the booklet/course guide). It explains all of the geology, history and mines as you go through them. We are in the middle of writing one for the second course. Genne from the Parks she's a geologist, she worked out here in the mine. So she's quite familiar with the area, she does the geology parts. Her and I go together, she writes the geology I do all of the history research and then TerraSpectra, Elaine, they make the map.

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This year, I learned a lot from the first one, this year it's actually, when we are done, it's a twofold thing, it's the poker run and when we are done it's a jeep, ATV, dirt bike trail. One other thing that I don't think anybody in here is aware of. There is a group, I actually met with them last night, and this is how it's going to tie in, hopefully. They are building a trail system all the way from Laughlin, below Laughlin, and what this group does, it's called Back Country Trails, and they've done it in three states already. You go on their website; these things are unbelievable the amount of time and effort these people put in. So I met with them last night, and they designed a trail, the trail leaves Laughlin and comes up and winds around and eventually they are running them through every small town they can in Nevada all the way to the Oregon border. So when I met with them last night and they came into Beatty, what they are trying to do in small towns, and we're actually ahead of the game, is on their webpage, if this all works out, they'll take our trail system and they'll put it (on their site). So when people come here on the trail, and they are kind of doing it like hiking on the Appalachian Trail or the Cascade Trail, so every place you come like Beatty, Goldfield, Gold Point, they'll run it out through the whole area, you get a button and at the end of it all you've completed their whole trail to the Oregon border, their trail system. They'll take our mapping, our stuff and they'll put it on their webpage so when people come here they have another trail system, now we'll get down to why I'm here.

Actually 75% of the work in what I'm presenting tonight is done, that's the main brunt of it. I've been driving around a lot and Ann just brought some (photos of trail markers) tonight from Utah and Ely. I traveled a lot around the west before I settled here. I'm going to read what we put together for the background on this. Our first historic and geologic Jeep rally was in 2014, now this is the third year. The first year was beyond our expectations, I had no idea, we were hoping to get twenty people, and we got a lot more. Last year really went well, and thanks to the storm it worked out well for the Town because they all got stranded here. During the two events, the first year the (High School) Volley Ball team, we bought their uniforms and last year the girl's and boy's track and field team came and worked and they got their money. The Boy Scouts, if they would have got a little adult help they might have made a grand (\$1,000.00). It's a community thing; we have volunteers that help us from Tonopah, Pahrump, and the Amargosa radio clubs, so it's kind of not just here it's kind of like a Nye County thing.

I designed the trails in 2014 and 2015 and I also designed that trail (loop 2). Genne Nelson did the geology and historical expertise, definitely we couldn't do it without Elaine Ezra of TerraSpectra, there's no way I could design it. The way I was going to do it can't even compare to what they (TerraSpectra) did. I'm going to go meet her tomorrow, I've been down there (Las Vegas) three times already and I'm going to go back tomorrow and put that (loop 2 map) into this form (the handout format). I explained about the guidebook and then when we were done I told Ann and I told the Museum, this was a VFW sponsored the poker run, after that my whole intent for this was for the Town, the Chamber, the Museum and if the businesses want to sell them so that when people come here wanting to do something rather than just running around out here really not knowing what this wonderful area has to give, it's spectacular. Folks really don't realize what a treasure this place is as far as off roading and hiking.

The Beatty Chamber, they used grant funds and they reprinted the books and the maps and they are in the Museum and the Chamber. Now, what I came here tonight to do is, I can't go any further, I'm already working on the third one (loop) for 2018. I can't go any further with this without the help of the Town and the County, there's no way, you just can't do it. You need the support. Mr. Spicer is doing it on his bicycle trails but he has a company, well Karl is not a company, I'm just one person. So, I went and met Carrie and we talked and I said I'd like to give this presentation and see if I can get the Town to approach the County and then together you will have to approach the BLM (Bureau of Land Management). Carrie and I did a lot of work, looking at the different roads to see which roads are county roads and basically most of the roads that we run are County roads, it looks like.

We got some signage quotes. We looked at both courses and tried to figure out how we could sign them in different spots, everywhere you see the turns will be a GPS point and then there would be a marker there to give the mileage to the next one or the next feature. I talked to a lot of people in Rhyolite and actually one ATV group stayed here for three days and ran these (trails) and I asked them for their input. Their biggest problem was they didn't realize about gates, that you are allowed to open a gate to go through and close it. A lot of them see that and if they are not from around here that freaks them out. The other thing was that it was kind of hard without the exact mileage and GPS points. So I'm going to change that if this all works out. It will actually be like if you bought an ATV or jeep book and you read the route, that's how we are going to make it.

Right now I'm approaching the Board and the Town to look for a way to go to the County and make this proposal for the signage. So, with the help of Carrie honestly, we went and we went to a couple of different companies just to get an idea, as far as cost goes and we got a quote. I don't like to get quotes because what if we need more signs than the 60 I said but basically it's \$3,000.00 for the signage. Like I said the brunt of the work is done and I'd like to take it and turn it into something for the area. Unless we take the next step and sign the routes it's just a map. I think it would help the area a lot and I really got good input back from people about it.

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Ann Marchand – Stated I've been to Marysville Utah and they really know how to do it. Just up by Marysville alone there are over nine hundred miles of ATV trails. I took a picture and gave it to him a few minutes ago, if any of you have seen the sign markers or trail markers that Dave (Spicer) has out there on his trails, they use those same markers. It tells you what trail it is, it tells you what location you are at. If any of you have been up in the Belmont area the Forrest Service has markers so if you come to a "y" in the road you can say okay, that's trail number 69 this one's 74 and you can look at your map and determine which way to go. I think for emergency services and stuff like that it would be very helpful. It would also be helpful that hopefully people don't get lost. I don't know what type of signage that Karl is talking about right now but that is one of the things we observed when we were up there. We also saw them in Ely, if Ely has them they're in Nevada, it's like okay where did they come from? It was through BLM, there were BLM markings on everything. One of the things that were brought to my attention was that the ATV registrations that are in place, there is a portion of that money that is supposed to be used for signage. So that might be an option that maybe we should run by them. We could approach; I think it's DMV about some of this.

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated Jen Scanland who does the National Parks, that did Town Square, she's also over the grant administration for the trail signage.

Ms. Marchand – Stated that's awesome but that is also an avenue because I know that the County Commissioners are really low on funding right now so if we can get some funding from some other source....

Ms. Radomski – Stated we wouldn't be asking them for funding anyway, just for support and easement approval for signage.

EG – Clarified and that's what you're (Karl) after tonight, right, is for the Town to pursue getting the permission from the BLM or from the County to place the signage on the County road or the BLM road.

Mr. Olson - Stated also to possibly get a memorandum of understanding with the BLM. We are trying to divide it out, what's County, what's BLM. We are running mostly through BLM land. Mr. Spicer was kind enough to let us go down his road over the hill and that's not very far at all. So when Carrie and I went through and checked the courses we are basically on public land except for Mr. Spicer's. A little bit on Coffers Ranch other than that it's all public use. It has to be an effort by the town I don't know if you have to form a committee or how you do it but then you have to work with the BLM. I don't see this to be as complicated as according to what Dave (Spicer) had to do. We don't have to do NEPA; we don't have to do an environmental assessment. These roads have been there forever, one of the roads that are on there is actually the old stagecoach route that ran from Pioneer Mayflower to Spring Dale, that's 1900 or 1908/1907. I mean they have been there a long time. So I guess I want to know if you guys want to pursue it. I just hate to let this go to waste.

DG – Stated say we get signs, and you say it is 99% on BLM land, who would install the signs?

Mr. Olson – Stated me. I'm going to do it; you get the signs. Who else is going to do it?

DG – Asked why don't we just get the signs and put them out there?

Mr. Olson – Stated you can't do that. You want to do it and you want to do it in the right way.

DG – Stated I understand that.

Ms. Marchand – Stated if we have documentation that this has been done in other places, not only Utah but in Nevada, how can they tell us no, if BLM has it in other places in Nevada. Apparently their BLM guy is really on board with off roading and that's the reason that they have it over there. Something else they have, is they have historical signs about different historical places. You've got Pioneer and Mayflower and all of these different places.

Mr. Olson – Stated there is another reason for this, and I feel very strongly about it. When they (BLM) are done with Clark County we are the next county to go under the land use plan and if you have established trails and things are established and we can prove that it is economically feasible. The poker run does really well, not just for the VFW, for everyone, it has. Its filled campgrounds and restaurants, it's been good. If you can prove it's economically feasible, when the environmental groups come and they start their nonsense, we have established trail systems. It's hard to shut them down if they are established trail systems.

DG – Stated I know you are good friends with Tim Coward the manager, the head of the BLM out here in this area. I'm sure you've probably had talks with him on that.

Mr. Olson – Stated no that's why I'm here. I would rather we do it the way we should. He knows about the poker run obviously, he's the one who gave us the permit and he's all for this and the recreational guy up there, the new one, Paul he has an ATV he has a jeep. But you have to do it the right way.

EG – Stated I have a couple of questions. So you have two courses now, so where are the signs going to go?

Mr. Olson – Pointed out the spots on the map where the signs will go (pointing out the junctions on the trail).

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EG - Stated okay I get it. These signs look like a good thing. I've seen them before. So here is my other thing, I think it's a good idea, it would be an established thing, it's something we, the County, the BLM could all be proud of. What I would want and I know Carrie's already helped to do this, is give as much help as possible identifying some of those roads.

Mr. Olson - Stated sure, sure, nobody else will do it.

EG - Stated exactly. So that she's not spending a lot of time searching or researching that. Then we can draft a letter to the County or the BLM requesting the permission that we need.

Mr. Olson - Stated Carrie used the County GIS map and we did the first route.

EG - Stated so you were able to identify those roads, that's the thing. I'm good with that I think it's a great idea.

Mr. Olson - Stated there's one other cost, unless we can get someone to donate it. We need an auger.

EG - Clarified and auger?

Mr. Olson - Stated that's how you actually get them in, with a fence post auger. You auger, you set the carsonite sign in and you put rocks and dirt in. Nobody can pull them out. It would take a tank to yank those things out.

EG - Stated we can figure that out.

Mr. Olson - Asked if anybody had any questions?

General Audience Comments - It's great.

RR - Stated I think it's a great idea, it will help the town.

*RR - Motion to support a 100 mile off-road trails system signage project and all matters pertaining thereto; Second CT; 5-0*

### 11 General Public Comment

Jimmy (no last name given) - Stated I've been trying to understand the senior (center) situation. They are twenty three thousand dollars in the hole for one thing and it seems like they are having a hard time with donations. When they asked you guys for a certain amount, budget, it seems like you never have it to give. I don't understand some of the people never pay for the food, not one red cent.

DG - Stated we just had a meeting, Marty just referred to it, before this meeting. We talked to people from all over the State in person and on telephone, we had quite a conversation. They are working on the issues trying to get this whole thing settled. Yeah, it is a problem, some of the stuff that you talked about but it's being addressed as we sit here.

Jimmy - Stated okay.

Marty Campbell - Stated we had Representatives, Congressmen and people from all different programs that are working to help get this. Not only Beatty but rural communities and senior centers all over, they are having the same problems.

Mr. Campbell - Stated I don't know if you've noticed but the sheriffs have been around a little bit more in Beatty, I went up to one today and thanked him for being here. If people can continue to do things like that it may help also.

### 12 Adjournment

*KC- Motion to adjourn 7:17pm; Second RR; 5-0*