

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
05/08/2017**

**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 - 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.

None

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of May 8, 2017

Staff pulled item 5 Emergency items and item 9 consent agenda items.

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the minutes dated April 24, 2017.

RR- Motion to approve the minutes dated April 24, 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)

KC – None; EG – None; DG - None

RR – Stated last week we stated backfilling the old Barrick pit out there (Rhyolite) and everything's going good.

7 Presentation – Tiffany Lantow, Soils Activity Lead for the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management Nevada Program – Community briefing about shipments of low-level waste that will be transported this summer from the Tonopah Test Range to the Nevada National Security Site.

Tiffany Lantow – Introduced herself and explained as the Soils and Industrial Sites Activity Lead for the DOE (Department of Energy) and her work on the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) with the environmental administration program there doing clean up and restoration of the DOE's legacy sites on the NNSS relating to Nuclear restorations. A native Nevadan, I grew up in Pahrump so I've been to Beatty many times before and I'm happy to be here tonight.

Ms. Lantow – Summarized the information in tonight's presentation information about some of the environmental restoration activities that we have coming up this summer at the TTR (Tonopah Testing Range). The DOE's predecessor agency tested weapon systems, rockets and artillery on the TTR in the early 1950's and 1960's and some of those tests involved nuclear devices that were detonated with conventional explosives so while it wasn't a nuclear test it did result in radioactive and chemical contamination of the soil and the environment. Our program at DOE has been characterized in remediating these sites on the TTR for about twenty years now. The particular site I'm here to talk about tonight is called Clean Slate 2 it is on the TTR, which is an active test and training range, and it was detonated in 1963 with conventional explosives and resulted in contamination of the surrounding area. It was set off in a bunker covered by soil and so it resulted in the release of radionuclide's to the surface and sub-surface soils. There is also some debris, concrete and metal, that is involved. Most of the radionuclide's concerned are plutonium and it's about 120 acres that has been until now posted as contamination area on the Clean Slate 2 site.

7 Presentation continued

Ms. Lantow – Went on, we have done some cleanup activities but contamination does remain in place. We had air monitoring stations out at the TTR at some of our sties and those air monitoring stations indicate that there is no dispersal of radioactive contamination through wind at the site, so that's good news. The only thing that is detected through those air monitoring stations are radionuclides that are naturally occurring. We did a characterization to determine the contamination because since the 1960's we just had 120 acres roped off and more recently have gone back to find out what the real extent of the contamination is and we found out that it is only about 3 acres that is contaminated above action levels and so we've decided that makes it feasible to actually clean this site up. So we intend to, this summer, remediate that Clean Slate 2 Site. Some of the test debris is also buried a little bit; we'll clean that up too. We've agreed on this clean up approach with both the United States Air Force which operates the surrounding Nevada Test and Training Range and some of the TTR, and the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection which are the State regulators that regulate our environmental restoration activities in Nevada. We intend to remove about 5,000 cubic yards of soil and debris and we're going to dispose of that as low level waste at the NSS which is our area radioactive waste management center which accepts waste from other DOE sites all around the Country. So, there were a lot of factors in deciding to go ahead and perform this restoration activity. All waste transportation will absolutely be conducted in accordance with the regulations for transportation of material and also during the process of actually picking up this material the workers will be using the appropriate PBA and be compliant with all safety standards. One of the reasons that it is desirable to go out and clean this up is the TTR remains in government control and the United States Air Force is actually using it. So by cleaning it up it allows them greater use of their own facility. There is no public access but any changes to the future use will involve renegotiating and reevaluating what we've done. So right now we know what the Air Force wants to use it for and we're going to clean up the site but if they change that and want to use it for something different in the future we would absolutely reevaluate our closure and if anything further needed to be done. We presented this to the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board which is an advisory board that provides DOE recommendations on our environmental management activities. The advisory board came back to us with the same recommendation, they recommended that we do clean and close the site and pick up this contamination. The waste packaging shipment, the waste will be sealed in DOT (Department of Transportation) compliant containers and put on trucks to go to the NSS; the route goes from the TTR down HWY95 to the Nevada National Security Site. Those containers will be surveyed along the way to ensure compliance with safety limits for drivers and anyone that is nearby, service attendants, people like that. We expect this remediation to begin in June and that the waste shipments will start in July. We're planning to ship this low level waste, soil, and debris over fifteen weeks and it'll be about five trips a day four days a week, Monday through Thursday, so about twenty trucks a week. Clean Slate 2, this waste is similar to low level waste that has been transported to the Radioactive Waste Management Center since the mid 1970's from all kinds of DOE and DOD cleanups all over the United States. Since 2009 we've transported more than 27,000 shipments there. In 2015 there were 254 low level waste and mixed level waste shipments along this route from Tonopah to the Test Site to the Nevada National Security Site and in 2016 184 shipments went along that same route. We're committed to ensuring that local emergency responders are prepared. We do fund a grant called the Emergency Preparedness Working Group Grant with more than thirteen million distributed to the counties that surround the NNSS. Between 20014 and 2016 we have a transportation emergency preparedness training program and over one hundred responders living in communities between Tonopah and the site have been trained in emergency preparedness techniques. We participate in local emergency preparedness meetings for Clark and Nye Counties and we also have things in place to support nearby communities with our and the Nevada National Security Site fire and rescue personnel for any kind of emergency, it doesn't have to be something that involves low level radiation. We are committed to a transparent approach and sharing information with the public which is one of the reasons why I'm here. We continue to be engaged in discussions with our stakeholders such as the State of Nevada and Communities about the Clean Slate 2 shipping campaign and the restoration work that we're doing there. We will provide regular updates at the Site Specific Advisory Board meetings but if at any time you have any questions regarding this or anything else that DOE is doing at the NSS please feel free to contact our program. The email address and phone number are included in this presentation, and that's about anything related to the NSS.

Ms. Lantow – Asked if there were any questions?

Ann Marchand – Stated I know that there are roads on the test site, is there not roads that they can take that stuff to the Test Site within the Test Site instead of coming out into the outlying areas?

Ms. Lantow – Stated there are roads that connect the TTR to the NSS; they're not roads we want to take, to transport this waste on because they're not in good repair. So we looked at those roads and the cost to repair the roads would be greater than the cost to clean up the site. So it's not feasible to repair those roads and use them for the shipments.

DG – Asked, Tiffany, these are in closed boxes, correct?

Ms. Lantow – Stated they're actually soft sided containers.

DG – Clarified, I mean they don't have a tarp covering them, they're..

Ms. Lantow – Replied, no it's not an open load with a tarp. These are closed containers and the containers that the waste is in are actually what they will be disposed in. We don't reuse the containers. They actually come off the truck and go directly into the disposal area.

DG – Stated trust me there are a lot of them out there. Kelly have you or anyone on the fire department had emergency training that you can talk about.

KC – Stated we have, it's been a while though.

7 Presentation Continued

DG – Asked the Board Members for questions.

EG – Stated that was one of my questions. Are our Fire/EMS receiving the training and are we receiving any of these grant funds.

Ms. Lantow – Stated yes absolutely, and I do believe that they are still conducting the training so if you need a refresher or have new people on board since the last time it was taken they could sign up for that again.

EG – Stated okay, and if we called you, you could get us what to do right?

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated she (Ms. Lantow) just attended the LEPC meeting for Nye County so this whole presentation was given to Mike the Chief and so he’s got the resources for it.

EG – Stated okay, great, thank you.

EG – Stated I just have one other thing, for the updates you say that the regular updates will be provided at the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board meetings.

Ms. Radomski – Stated Dick is a member and Amina is too.

EG – Stated all right thank you.

Ms. Lantow – Introduced the subject matter experts she brought with her from their characterization contractor, Navarro Ed, Mark and John.

DG – Stated I have one quick question, a flat tire, is there anybody special that you call to come fix it or do you just get somebody off the, get a tire shop to come fix it?

John – Stated we do inspect the trucks..

DG – Stated I understand, I’m sure all of those tire carcasses that you see out there on the highway have been inspected too but..

John – Stated that’s true but the commercial trucking company is a company that routinely transports low level waste and they have contracts with maintenance/repair groups that can respond to those types of things.

DG – Stated, okay so one won’t be sitting alongside the road overnight.

Ann Marchand – Stated so what you are saying is they are not your trucks. You hire a contractor to transport.

John – Stated correct. It’s not just any contractor; they have to go through a lot of rigorous evaluations.

EG – Clarified but they are your containers.

John – Stated they are our containers.

DG – Thanked them.

Ms. Lantow – Restated if you have any questions don’t hesitate to call and thank you having us. There are fact sheets on the back table if you want information to take home.

8 Reports

i. Beatty Chamber – Ann Marchand – Stated we are gearing up for Beatty Days. Entryway signs we are working with NDOT and hope to get them finalized soon, we are still working with NDOT on an encroachment permit for the one towards Death Valley, and we are getting close to getting that one completed. We are working with you guys on the one for Town Square. I think they will be realized. We just went to Rural Round up and got a lot of good ideas about how we can promote the Town a little bit better and we are working on that as well.

EG – Stated for the Minor and Burro for the park, I gave you those dimensions so you can just go ahead with that.

Ms. Marchand – Stated I did.

EG – Stated we’re working with Bob on the gates and the sign.

Ms. Marchand- Replied okay awesome, and the park’s looking great.

ii. Beatty Habitat Committee - None

iii. Beatty Library – None

iv. Beatty Medical Clinic – None

- v. **Beatty Museum** – Vonnie Gray – Stated there is a lot of activity, our building is almost finished. Our floor was done yesterday so we are going to be... that building most of the money for it with help from the Town, the money was donated by a gentleman named Leon Abrahams who, we've been hanging on to that money for a long time so we could start something. We are going to be closing the Museum for about two weeks possibly a little bit longer in order for us to rearrange, revisit, we've already had so many discussions of how it is supposed to go. So we're still kind of looking at trying to get the Museum to have a flow, have it more themed rather than just when you walk in it's like all this great stuff and we're not quite sure. Just so people know the Museum is going to be closed. If you see someone there you're more than welcome to come in and help us out. We're also looking for extra help because right now we have nobody to fill in when Amina or Nicole cannot be there and so we need an extra employee. We are looking at doing a grand opening on July 1st and that way we are all ready to go. Many of you read about the theft case that is going to be going to arraignment on May 26th. We also are in the process of reroofing so all of that's supposed to be happening between now and July 1st. We've got a lot of things going on so if you want to come and help and volunteer we'll take you on.
- vi. **Beatty Senior Center – Jerry Martin** – Stated we've been very busy on Thursday we had a luncheon for the annual meeting of the Ash Meadows folks, served 55 people, so that was good. Saturday I had a crew of six other people and myself at one of the aid stations for the bicycle race over at Gema's. There were more of us than there were bike riders at any given time so they all got super service. According to an email I received this morning the Beatty Senior Center will be closed this week and perhaps for the future some time. The word I get through the grapevine is that we don't have a cook. So it'll be closed this week for sure. I know nothing other than that from the email I got from Jennie Martin today.
- vii. **Beatty Town Square** – EG – Stated I received the quotes for the gates and the post caps. I sent that to Carrie so she'll be in touch with Gilbert Machinery. I didn't get the quote for the entrance way sign but I approved all of that stuff, he Neil and I met about all of that stuff.
- viii. **Beatty Volunteer Fire/Ambulance** – None
- ix. **Commissioner's** – None
- x. **Desert Hills Cemetery** – None
- xi. **Nye County Emergency Services** – Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated the generator was approved by the Board of County Commissioners but the DA (District Attorney) would not let us use the PSST (Public Safety Sales Tax) for it so we had to use the ad valorem, but it was approved.

DG – Stated I went up to the ambulance barn to talk to the Chief and the generator was sitting there just waiting to be installed.
- 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)** - None
 - Beatty Boy Scouts** - None
 - Beatty Health & Welfare** - None
 - Other Community or Civic Organizations** – DG – Stated the VFW did a breakfast, Karl was out there with a group doing breakfast at the bike race. There is a memorial service here for Les Parsons here Saturday starting at 3pm.
- xv. **Secretary**

Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary – Stated Nevada Legal Services sent their May bulletin out, this is the Senior Law Digest. It's posted on the Town website and if anyone wants a copy let me know.

The Interior Department released a list of monuments under review and it announces the first ever public comment period for Antiquities Act Monuments. The reason that I'm bringing this to your attention is because there is a monument that was declared at the very end of last year and there was a bit of controversy around this, the Bears Ears and another one in Nevada. This has never happened before where the public has been able to comment on National Monuments being established. If anybody is interested I'll be happy to send you the link for this.

xvi. Treasurer

EG – Reported 83% of the year elapsed as of April 30, 2017.

Department	Expenditure	Balance	
Admin	\$143,134.00	\$343,503.00	29% of the budget used
Translators	\$3,338.28	\$1,661.72	67% of the budget used
BVFD	\$133,897.57	\$89,102.43	60% of the budget used
Cemetery	\$2,295.98	\$7,704.02	23% of the budget used
Com Cnt Serv & Supplies	\$17,018.82	\$182,981.18	9% of the budget used
Chamber	\$24,679.87	\$23,064.13	52% of the budget used
Museum	\$27,906.25	\$19,838.75	58% of the budget used
Town Tourism	\$2,987.15	\$115,261.85	3% of the budget used
Sheriff Pub. Safety	\$0	\$99,523.00	0% of the budget used
Fire Pub. Safety	\$54,393.76	\$41,131.24	57% of the budget used
Capital Projects	\$8,470.00	\$552,371.00	0% of the budget used
Special Capital	\$0	\$202,835.00	0% of the budget used
Room Tax Capital	\$53,683.34	\$118,032.66	31% of the budget used

9 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.

- a. For Possible Action – Discussion of any item from the Consent Agenda Items that needs review before a decision is made.
- b. For Possible Action – Approval of Town Vouchers
Item pulled

10 General Business

- a. **For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve sending a letter of support matching the position of Organized Karma; “to strike a balance among all of the public lands, including development, conservation and recreation, taking appropriated measures to conserve the relatively few places that remain in an intact, natural condition” to the Bureau of Land Management, and all matters pertaining thereto. – Aida Blankenship**

DG – Stated she is not here. I will not sign one of these letters, they mentioned non-motorized vehicle activities and they mention it in a weird way. In the fiscal impact it goes on and mentions people specifically tied to quiet recreation on BLM lands. If that’s the case it takes care of using ATV’s, motorcycles, Jeeps, anything on the trails; Discussion followed.

EG –Stated I would like to say that since there is currently no RMP where they are requesting public comment, that is why I wouldn’t support anything like this, because when the public comment period for this RMP for Battle Mountain District then at that time we have an opportunity just like we did for the SNVO one, to go through it and submit public comments as a Board or as community or individuals that it affects; Discussion followed.

EG – Reiterated that when the RMP comes up that is the opportunity for us to submit public comment and be supportive or not be supportive of whatever the plan is because we don’t even know what the plan is right now; Discussion followed.

Karl Olson – Stated this group appears to be an environmental lobbying group and signing a form letter like that is ridiculous; Discussion followed.

Item died for lack of motion

b. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to help petition the County to leverage the BLM for a multiple lap race, car, truck, UTV centered around Beatty, SNORE 250 Off Road Race, and all matters pertaining thereto. – Ken Thatcher; SNORE Board of Directors

Ken Thatcher – Introduced himself as a member of the Board of Directors and introduced the President of SNORE John Pellisseier and Lynn Dickton the Treasurer.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated just a brief summary about SNORE, it's one of the oldest, continuous motorsports sanctioned bodies in the Country, also it's a non-profit. What we are trying to do is put a race on here and bring the impact to Southern Nevada, we've been around for 48 years and it's the SNORE 250. We've applied for a permit to have that event here in October, the 7th and 8th here in Beatty. We're working out some of the details. The BLM had mentioned they wanted to do a point to point race because of possible degradation to the courses and stuff that you guys have dealt with in the past with Best in the Desert. We're not like Best in the Desert, we don't have the high car count or the high horsepower vehicles that they have and also we're more community based. We're not here today, gone tomorrow. We want to help the community as well as have the community help us put on a great event. We do a race in Lincoln County up in Caliente, an annual event there. We have about 100 racers show up and an awesome event for the community there. We bring in approximately 1.2 million dollars annually for that weekend, our race weekend and we're trying to make this a second stop in that series and to match that or make it better than that.

So what I'm asking for is your help to talk to the County. I would like to keep the race centered around Beatty for economic impact and things of that nature. The course, we're looking to do a four lap event, 67 mile loop, there's two highway road crossings which we will be in touch with NDOT on as well as using the NDOT gravel pit as our start and finish area. I know that there are some people around town that have been favorable and there has been some unfavorable stuff spoken about us in the past as far as SNORE.

SNORE itself has not run an event in Beatty since 1990, so anything that anyone has heard in regard to SNORE is just not true. We have six races a year, we work with the BLM on and off, it's all on a volunteer basis, we all have regular jobs, it's something that we do after work and on the weekends, myself and John just got back from Caliente up there doing some course work for our upcoming event and we plan on doing stuff like that here. What we are looking at is the weekend before we'll come up, we'll do a course marking. We're interested in doing a fun run 35 mile an hour controlled speed, we charge \$20.00 per car average and then we take that money and we give it back to the community.

Lynn Dickton – Stated last year in Caliente we gave \$2,000.00 split up between the VFW and the Rodeo Club, and two other.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated basically people will come up here and stay the whole week, it's a getaway vacation, spend time with their families. I'm a second generation off-road racer, I race here in Nevada, I was born in Las Vegas, and I wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for this sport and what it's done for me. I know plenty of other people who have said the same thing it's just a good community, family event that we want to put on for Beatty.

DG – Asked what's the RX?

Mr. Thatcher – Replied that's road crossing.

DG – Stated okay and CP could be command post?

Mr. Thatcher – Stated that's a check point.

DG – Replied check point, okay that will work. You said it's a 57 mile loop.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated it 67.

DG - Stated okay, and you said 4 laps.

EG – Clarified 67 mile four times?

Mr. Thatcher – Replied yes.

DG – Asked is this for motorcycles and cars?

Mr. Thatcher – Stated we don't have any motorcycles or quads that race our events. We have side by sides, UTV's, trucks and buggy's. It's no motorcycles or quads involved.

DG – Asked what about, there's always a question like after Best in the Desert, there's always a question about grading the roads.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated I've actually talked to Karl about this. We go back in and basically fix the areas that are of concern that you guys feel need fixing. Like I said we're not here today gone tomorrow. I know there were some problems with Best in the Desert grading. Some areas they got graded 100 yards across which is unnecessary, and dealing with the BLM they like as minimal an impact as possible. We have a week to fix the utilities, two weeks.

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John Pellissiner – Stated its two weeks to basically put them back in preexisting condition. The existing roads and trails, utility roads, we try to get those right away. Usually we get those within 24 hours of the event just because we're here, so if there's anything else that needs to get done, we'll get those within a week.

DG – Stated I understand, and went on Karl did you take a ride out there with them?

Karl Olson – Stated I didn't take a ride we just looked at the course.

DG – Asked do you have any comment?

Mr. Olson – Stated yeah, a lot but let him finish.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated there's been a lot of talk back and forth about Best in the Desert; we battled with them in the past. They didn't like our events and things of that nature. The guys that come and do this are community people, the guys that will come out and do the Poker Run (VFW). They're not the high budget teams that will fly in, in a helicopter and be gone tomorrow. The one thing we want to do and we've done in the past is guzzler repairs, desert cleanups, anything that we can do to help, that would be beneficial to the community; we want to be a part of that, to help the community as well as help up and coming off-road, OHV enthusiasts.

DG – Asked for questions.

KC – Stated get it in before the Air Force takes the land.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated it's actually been submitted, I think it's under review tomorrow.

Mr. Pellissiner – Stated the course is almost all approved. We have a meeting at 11am tomorrow to talk with the BLM. As far as I know they were good with everything, we had to make one revision and as far as I know we should be good on the course. We know about the Air Force plan.

EG – Asked so you think with this one revision...

Mr. Pellissiner – Stated the area that we originally proposed was what they (BLM) considered a medium impact area as far as wildlife, the Desert Tortoise, so we adjusted that. The only thing that they wanted us to do was less laps because it's less impact as far as wildlife. So we adjusted that, the only thing that they wanted us to do was less laps because it's less impact. They'd be happy if we just came in and did one lap.

EG – Asked you're confident about your permitting?

Mr. Pellissiner – Stated they (BLM) are 90% fine with it, we'll know tomorrow.

EG – Asked could you tell me one more time the type of vehicles? What are side by sides?

Mr. Thatcher – Stated they're like a Polaris Razor or a Yamaha Rhino. It's like a little dune buggy.

EG – Stated okay, got it.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated we want to make this an annual event. We don't want to be here just one year and gone, we want to make this a reoccurring thing. The SNORE 250 is coming up on its 50th anniversary in two years, I think.

EG – Stated I remember when SNORE was the race here, I've lived here that long. As far as the roads and the remediation and all of that goes, here's my suggestion to you as a group and us as a community because this is the thing I've asked for, for many, many years. Do a pre-check before you ever have 20 people out there, go check your course and see what the conditions are and afterwards check and then fix whatever is mixed up and give us some evidence that you've done that.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated yes, no problem, we've done that in the past. We've actually done this on a video and in the county and community we've fixed utility roads that they've asked us to fix, places that cross the highway, there have been times when gravel has gotten scattered on the highway we've fixed that. We will probably have a speed limit at each of those with possibly a water truck at each road crossing.

EG – Stated but that's the hard thing. Everybody says yeah, we'll fix the roads but I'm not going out and driving on it afterwards, before or after, to know that it was actually done.

Mr. Pellissiner – Stated the BLM, they'll inspect everything in advance, and then that's what they do with us in our district. They're really strict on all of that and we have to put things back the way we find them within... sometimes they actually do better than what we started with.

EG – Stated it's just very hard for us as a Community to know, even from the BLM, that they've checked it before or they checked it afterwards or that anybody did. So, that's all I'm saying.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated we've gone and done repairs on the course and hand raked a bunch of that, I know John has done it in the past, where we've actually had to go in and hand rake areas out where somebody had gotten off course, we actually had to go do that by hand because we don't want to leave a big footprint in the area. We're very conscious; we want to keep the desert open for future use. We're a responsible group.

Mr. Pellissiner – Stated we are the only organization, to my knowledge, that has ever done rehabilitation to sizeable areas of land when we've done some degradation, we've done stuff on unintelligible lands, we've done

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stuff in the Gene area, we did stuff in the Apex area, where we went back out, we graded the land back out, we went and bought the plants, we went out and replanted them, we went out and watered them twice a month for a year to get things back in place as everything was set forth by the biologist and we put things back in place. It's either a fine, they'll say like \$10,000.00 and we'll do it, that's what the BLM tells you and then they don't do it or they'll say give us \$2,000.00 and go do it yourself and that's what we do....

EG – Stated or we (they) don't want you to come back.

Mr. Pillissioner – Stated yeah, they do everything they can to discourage us it seems like even though it's free money for them, and we enjoy our rapport. We have the mentality of respect, protect it and enjoy it but it's a double edged sword working with the BLM.

Ms. Dickton – Stated well, the difference between SNORE and Best In The Desert is SNORE is a family organization, it's not about making money, it's not a business. Like Kenny said, and John and I both, I started racing when I was 18. It's a family event, we grew up in it and now he's got his son in it, that's what SNORE is about. It's more of a family organization; it's that key thing, the family as a unit. Kids who aren't involved in this type of thing are out doing other things. We're not in it to make money, we're a non-profit organization.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated I got into SNORE when I was 12 years old; I started racing my own car when I was 15 and I'm going to be 40 in two weeks. I've been around it that long and I just have a love and a passion for the outdoors, and I don't want to see... there's a lot of stuff that's happened in the past and I feel like a lot of what we do, doing the guzzler runs, the repairs and the degradation repairs, the clean up areas... There are areas where we used to race that we're not allowed to race anymore, you go on up there and they're just covered in shotgun shells. We spent hours and days out there cleaning these areas up and we filled up two dumpsters full of trash that people leave out in these areas. I'm very passionate about it.

Karl Olson – Stated the only thing, and like I said this is a discussion not a debate, we're moving our Poker Run (VFW) course this year because I did not want to go from Crystal (Springs) over to Indian Springs again, I wanted to leave that alone. We're trying to do something else here, completely opposite of what you're (SNORE) doing. We're trying... what we're working on right now is to get an actual signed route. So that is any organization comes by and says that they want to do a wilderness ride, they you can say these are established jeep trails. On all of our Poker Runs we have guide books for each route; this will be third time (for the Poker Run). I guarantee you, if they race that thing four times in a circle it will be the last time anyone will go from Crystal Springs to Indian Springs. We're moving so we're not... I didn't want to do it two years in a row. I was going to try and stagger it out because that thing (the road) is pounded. According to Bill Marchand, it was, we won't point fingers, we won't accuse anybody, that was a good road before they (BLM) let them race on it. I think things like that should be taken into consideration because they are absolutely un-repairable, there's no way. When that's done it's done.

Mr. Thatcher – Asked are you talking about dirt roads?

Mr. Olson – Stated no. I'm talking about when you come from Crystal Springs... If, he's going to give me a bigger blow up (of the map), it's kind of hard to tell on here but I know you have to come that way. There's no other way out of the valley.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated one thing we could do, like I said, is come back up here and we can go around together.

Mr. Olson – Stated well, I want Paul Amar.

Mr. Thatcher – Agreed yeah, I'm fine with that too.

Mr. Olson – Stated I think we need to get... the problem is there's never been enough pressure put on the BLM to make the racing groups restore the roads. I went out with him (Paul), I went and rode the last one, he wasn't going to allow, I'm not picking on Paul, all I'm saying is we went out and looked at areas that weren't repaired from the last debacle and Paul took pictures. Casey (Folks BITD) was supposed to fix it, that racing group was supposed to fix it, right? They're (the damage) still there, so why didn't they make them come back and fix it? It's not anything against racing, it's what happens to our road systems, it just can't keep taking it, if we're going to move ahead. If the community doesn't care about marked ATV trails it doesn't matter.

DG – Stated this is also a week before the Poker Run, right?

Mr. Olson – Stated sure, right.

DG – Stated so that's another thing. You said possibly something the week before or whatever.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated what we do is we come out the weekend before and we'll mark the course, there'll be a group of us, it's usually the Board members some racers will come out and put all of the course markings out, the BLM signage that they request us to do, pre-place all of our signage so that when the event comes the day before we can come out and make sure everything is in pace. To Karl's point we have done some of the placard stuff that he's talked about with the designated trails. In 2006 we did the Nellis Dunes area; we did a 67 mile loop out there. We actually went in and put a placard trail system in out there. Legislation changed hands, officers changed positions and it kind of fell apart, to the wayside, but a lot of us spent a couple of days out there putting those placards up with the BLM. So I am familiar with what he's (Karl) talking about. The course that we're

looking at running is hard packed; the degradation will be very minimal to what Casey ran. On the south side most of the course that I saw when I came up here a couple of weeks ago, there was a four mile section basically, over by the airport that turned into a silt bed area where they went in and actually bladed out the area wide. That's one of the areas, that we're going to... we're going to use two miles of that but we're not doing the whole course. We've been putting races for a long time and the degradation that Casey's races put on... they're not always looking for what's best for the community, they're looking for what's best for them. They're going from here to Reno; they're not coming back through here most of the time. We want to have a hard packed area that won't deteriorate under multiple lap use and I can take you to multiple places in Southern Nevada where we've raced on it ten, fifteen years ago and you couldn't even tell we were there, just to give you an example. So, we are, in that aspect, a lot different than Best In The Desert has done in the past.

EG – Asked is the race going to have a starting event in Beatty and an ending event in Beatty, like Beatty downtown.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated the start and finish will be here. It will be four loops. I've talked to Alex Ringle, I've talked to Ed about having a technical inspection Friday before the race, where they go through and check all of the vehicles for safety and all of that stuff, and doing that over by the Stagecoach, there. Things that we've done in Caliente that's gone over really well, is during the school year we have a meet and greet at the school there. All of the racers will take their cars over and put them out in front of the school and all of the kids will come out and get autographed pictures and things like that. It's a really fun event for all of the racers and the kids. So, our main focus is, we're doing multiple lapped event centered around Beatty, is to keep everything here instead of splitting it up between the other towns and stuff. A lot of the racers come from California, they don't want to go too much further north, but we think that Beatty has the infrastructure to handle our event because of the hotels and you have some restaurants and stuff, you have more hotels than Caliente does. A lot of people bring in RV's, pretty much going to sell out the entire town hotel rooms and probably RV spaces.

DG – So, what you're looking for is a letter to ask the County to... ask the BLM for a multiple lap race, but Karl was saying the course... is this course set in stone?

Mr. Pillissioner – Stated at this point yeah, it is. This is for Karl, how much of our course is your Poker Run?

Mr. Olson – Stated the whole bloody thing, I mean, come on there's only so many roads around here.

Mr. Pillissioner – Clarified, so you do the same lap that we do?

Mr. Olson – Stated no, what we've tried, this will be the fourth year we did it and we tried to make it so that, and like I said there is a map and a guidebook that goes to each person participating. So what we try to do is make it that if you buy this book and this map, when you take this book and this map you can do this loop and you can see the mines. It's a mining, geological, archeological tour. So by looping all of these a person can come to town, they're (the books and maps) are at the museum, the chamber and stores around town. ATV people that want to come here like they do in Mina; they do the same thing in Mina. That way it's a continuous stimulation for off-roading. Pahrump's trying to do the same thing now, the Jeep club from down there came up and saw what we were doing, took the idea back to Pahrump and they're actually proposing, and of course they get a lot more County support down there then we do, doing the same thing so it can become permanently marked trails with guide books and then you can use them all of the time. So, every trail no matter where you run on, like when we were talking about Perlite Canyon, Perlite Canyon is unbelievable. I mean the geology in there; we have a geologist that wrote about Perlite Canyon, it's in our guide. That road coming over Crystal Springs, you go through the mining area out there by Pioneer, there's certain sections like I told Paul (BLM) that can only take so much more abuse and Paul's aware of this and you know if the County puts the pressure on the BLM to make sure they fix the darn things, that's the real issue. I want to tell the Board, I was talking to them today, you know how we have to get our permit for the Poker Run, over the Tortoise? It's not even here and I asked them, I said you gotta be kidding me. That map that they gave us that shows the Tortoise area and all, they don't have to honor that.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated that was the revision that we had to make from our initial, when we first came up here.

Mr. Olson – Replied no, where they have the yellow mark (on the map) we have a completely different Tortoise map than you do.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated when he (John) was talking about the revision we had to make, that was the revision that we had to do because of the Tortoise in that area. There's a high density Tortoise population and there's a low density population.

Mr. Olson – Stated you should see our map. They (BLM) wouldn't let us do anything in October, they wouldn't let us do anything before the date we have now. That's beyond what we're discussing now.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated to go back to your trail system there, we have something similar in Lincoln County, Caliente, the Silver State Trails System, in fact we actually race on part of those roads and we actually go back and repair them. There's been times when they've gotten torn up from hunters and regular recreation and we've actually gone out and done repairs on our own dime and fixed those things so that we can keep going back to those communities. We've repaired fences in areas, tortoise fences; we've worked with the BLM in a lot of places.

Mr. Olson – Stated there's only one connecting road from here to Coffers (Ranch) and that's the road that was pushed in for the Best in the West, so everybody has to use that to cross that one pass area.

Mr. Thatcher – Clarified that’s the one behind Dave Spicer’s property?

Mr. Olson – Agreed right, and went on. When you go to the other side of the road there’s only two ways out of that valley, you either come down Windy Gap, and the road you’re talking about is called Little Windy in local terminology. Windy Gap they’ve ripped to living heck, both going up it and coming down.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated you’re talking about the previous race.

Ms. Dickton – Stated and that’s when they used to have 500 cars that used to race the Vegas to Reno, and if the power wasn’t there they’d get stuck and I’ve even been involved, being up there to help.

Mr. Olson – Stated I know you’re not running that but there’s another road that is absolutely beat... the road to the old China Road, nobody will use that again because nobody thought about what racing would do to it. Like I said, I am not against it. I think it would be a good thing for the community. That said we got to get the BLM to make sure this time they’re (racers) going to fix it.

DG – Stated I think what we are looking for here is to send a letter to the Commissioner to try to force the BLM to say we want to have a race, not saying what course, or the fact to pressure them into cleaning or anything. Obviously going on in October I guess you could say time is of the essence to at least to try to get in and get the Commissioners to support, we’re not approving any kind of a course and we’re not approving or disapproving the road maintenance or anything like that afterwards. I think basically what we want to do is just want to get a letter to the Commissioners to say we support this race and leave it at that. I guess we would call it a race. Is there a timed event?

Mr. Thatcher – Stated yeah, basically.

DG – Stated okay, so does that sound reasonable. We could sit here all night and talk about the course and I really believe that we might be able to change something. What we want to do is to get this to the Commissioners to get it going.

Mr. Thatcher – Stated I’m open to taking anybody around that wants to go around and see what we are actually proposing. That way you can actually see what we are looking at and then we can see what you’re concerns are at the same time.

EG – Asked how many racers do you think you will have at this event?

Mr. Thatcher – Stated it will be somewhere around 100.

EG – Asked from your past events, do you have any post race reports from Caliente or BLM or contacts? Could you send Carrie things like that?

Mr. Thatcher – Stated the Mayor of Caliente will be happy to share their experiences with us.

EG – Stated that this is a, even though it’s a group from a long, long, time ago, you guys are new to us again and I don’t think that we should base our whole history of a new group on our experience with a past group.

DG – Stated yeah, but the other groups have left a bad experience.

EG – Stated exactly and that’s why we want documentation.

RR – Motion to send a petition/ letter to the County to leverage the BLM multi lap race, car, truck, UTV, centered around Beatty, SNORE 250 race; Second EG; 4-0

c. For Possible Action – Discussion, deliberation and decision to approve the Town of Beatty final budget for fiscal year 18 (july2017/June2018) and all matters pertaining thereto. - Beatty Town Office; Carrie Radomski

KC – Motion to approve the Town of Beatty final budget for fiscal year 18 (july2017/June2018) and all matters pertaining thereto; Second RR; 4-0

11 General Public Comment

None

12 Adjournment

KC– Motion to adjourn 7:44pm; Second RR; 4-0