

**Beatty Town Advisory Board
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**Minutes
08/26/19**

**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
Rob Shirley (RS) – Member - Absent**

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.

Kevin Bailey; Las Vegas Valley 4-Wheelers - Stated we are the oldest and largest full-size off-road club in Southern Nevada. I was recently invited up on Saturday by Randy and Perry and got a little bit of insight to what is going on up here, and interested in finding out what trails are available, what trails are full sized vehicles can go off-roading in the community because one of the things that I heard on Saturday was Beatty welcomes 4-Wheelers. We have an opportunity that we can market Beatty potentially as being one of the places where full size off-road vehicles can come and play for the day, spend the night in the hotels, bring some revenue into the community, which is what everybody is looking for all within the legal limits of the public lands, staying within the legal limits of the public lands, staying on public land, using public land correctly, treading lightly and coming back for future. We are also the producers of an event called "Hump and Bump"; we are in our 38th year, this year that we've put that event on in Logan Dale Nevada. It attracts approximately 250 full sized vehicles about 400 people for three days out of a weekend at the end of October, 1st of November. We are looking for a potential second location to have an event, so that's why I'm up here I want to hear a little bit more, I want to learn more of what's going on up here and I want to see what is available for the full-size off-road community.

PF – Clarified, what you are talking about is low speed, family touring style, not high speed.

Mr. Bailey – Stated it is not off-road racing, this is trail riding. We're not into racing we're strictly low impact low speed because we want to be able to keep coming back. We don't want to tear up the land, we're conscious of the bikers, quads, side by sides, runners, bicyclists, and the environment itself. We want to leave it for generations to come. When we're out wheeling today out in Logandale, what we're doing in that community is for the next generation to be able to play, thank you.

DG – Stated we have a second public comment period you can step back up and answer questions if you want to.

3 Approval of the Agenda for the BTAB meeting of August 26, 2019

Pulled item 5, item 4 Minutes dated July 22, 2019, item 5 emergency items and item 7 presentation

4 For Possible Action – Approval of the Minutes dated July 15, 2019 and July 22, 2019

RR– Motion to approve the meeting minutes dated July 15, 2019; Second EG; 4-0

5 For Possible Action – Emergency Items

Pulled

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

RR; PF; DG– None

EG – Stated I guess it was last week Senator Rosen's office was here. They had some VA and senior services staffers and apparently that all went very well. I've heard some real good feedback and we took a land use guy out to Rhyolite and he was very, very impressed so we're still working all of those angles trying to get the word out that they could always use more funding, it was good it was a productive meeting.

DG – Stated for the record RS is not here, he had a meeting he had to go to tonight.

7 Presentation by Dave Hullum Bureau of Land Management Battle Mountain District – Update on burro's

Pulled

8 Consent Agenda Items

a. Action – Discussion of any item from the Consent Agenda Items that need review before a decision is made.

b. Approval of Town Vouchers

PF – Motion to approve packet 1 in the amount of \$2,324.98; Second RR; 4-0

PF – Motion to approve packet 2 in the amount of \$3,765.92; Second RR; 4-0

9 Reports

a. Secretary – Carrie Radomski; Town Secretary reviewed information received in the Town Office and available on the Town Website.

Wednesday September 11th, Brandi NV Veterans service will be here from 10am to 2pm

September 15th at 2pm there will be a bunko tournament put on by the VFW Auxilliary

National Public Lands day is September 28, 2019; the BLM is going to be doing a cleanup out at Rhyolite

b. Beatty Volunteer Fire Department/Ambulance Service

Chief Harmon – Stated we wanted to give you an update on the incident action plan that the County is working on for Storm Area 51. It's all speculation on how many there are going to be and where they are going to be. We are recommending that if you are taking medications that you have them filled by the 15th so you don't have to go out of town, keep your cars full of gas, and make sure you have enough supplies in your house for at least five days.

EG – Asked is the Sheriff and EMS or the County going to put something on their website, facebook page or...

Chief Harmon – Stated everything is on hold until we get the action plan on Wednesday.

EG – Replied, okay and can you do something for me and the Board in general? It's an incident action plan and as with all emergencies you don't know if its an emergency until its an emergency but in the event that there's some incident or something happens and there's going to be a command center or a central place, can you make sure whoever the powers that be include the Advisory Board. Because we start getting calls and we don't know, so we'd like to be included in that organizational or command structure. We may say nothing or have nothing to do but we're there if we're needed.

Chief Harmon – Replied sure.

Allen Lynn; Nye County Sheriff's Office – Stated pretty much to echo what Mike (Chief Harmon) said, yeah, we're going to have extra staffing up here, exact numbers are not divulged because we don't really know yet. We're still waiting for the intel to come in from other agencies. Anything can happen, who knows, look for large amounts of traffic coming up here that day. Make sure you have plenty of gas. If you need to go somewhere and the highway is blocked up try going down into Death Valley to Death Valley Junction and over to Pahrump. Just expect a lot of traffic. Burning Man just started last night at midnight, if anybody has been watching the highway you have cars with bicycle's going to Burning Man. Right now we are waiting for the State to say go for it (with the incident action plan).

10 General Business - None

11 General Public Comment

Dottie Harmon – Stated I have one comment about your thing at the end of October; the only bad thing about the end of October is that we have Beatty Days and our hotel rooms are full.

Mr. Bailey – Stated we would be looking at something in the spring.

Mr. Bailey – Stated part of our registration packet that we give out to everybody is the BLM's 16-page pamphlet that talks about Desert Tortoises and everybody that registers for our event is emailed that copy, they have the opportunity to download it if they so wish. They have a printed copy at registration so everybody sees it and all of our trail guides that are doing the trails themselves all know what Desert Tortoise looks like. We don't want to pick them up, we stop, we're not going to roll through them. One of the things about our event that we do up in Logandale is we're there for three day's just for the event. We are there probably two months prior every single weekend in the Logandale trail system. We are a full-size off-road club, we don't allow side by sides, we don't allow can-ams, we don't allow motorcycles, we're family friendly, so we're big vehicles. We're in a lot of the washes, low speed, low impact. On a good day I'm lucky to go seven miles, that's it because we're playing in the rocks. Now, up here we don't know, I'm kind of at a loss of what's here to be offered for our event, that's why I'm up looking. We came up to look at the RMP property about something happening over there for low speed obstacle course, safety training, things along that line. That's where the conversation started; we want to go a little bit further out and to explore. I have no idea where its going to go but the important thing I need to do right now is to get ahold of all of the GPS files.

EG – Stated you can just do it on your phone. We have 230 miles of trails already mapped and GPS'd some with details and pictures, and it has historic and geologic information. We already have that and you can go to... we'll give you the info. Let me say this in public so that everybody can get it. You can go to Nevada OHV and that'll take you to "Get the Dirt" on Beatty OHV.

Mr. Bailey – Clarified, Beatty already has a section on Nevada OHV, Get the Dirt?

EG – Replied, yeah.

Mr. Bailey – Stated very good for you, you are a lot further than Clark County is.

EG – Added, and Polaris, we're on there and we're building our own website.

Mr. Bailey – Stated I've heard a little bit about events but I didn't realize you were on "Get the Dirt", that's great.

EG – Replied, we absolutely are.

Mr. Bailey – Went on, that's awesome because that's what people are looking for.

EG – Stated but you can definitely drive those trails with big trucks or...

Mr. Bailey – Stated I have a Jeep and then half of our club is full-sized pick-up trucks. The neat thing about the events, just to give you a little bit of history, this event is 38 years old. It started out with just a bunch of people sitting around picnic table. Today I'm looking into what this year's event will bring approximately 100 RV vehicles, 50 tents, we use a barn to feed people our Saturday night dinner, 332 people sat down to dinner last year. Every one of those people driving through the city of Logan dale have to stop and get gas, groceries, so there is some definite economic impact to the community. When it's all said and done our event because we are a non-profit organization we leave all the money in the community. We write checks back to the fire station, which as you know Logandale is now a standalone it stepped out of Clark County so that fire department is looking for funding; we've been one of their primary sources. The friends of Metro in Clark County gets funding, the family shelter gets funding us, Partners in Conservation, Our Voice in government about keeping trails open gets money from us, Utah public lands, Blue Ribbon, Share Trails. We don't keep anything for ourselves we turn everything back so there's lots of opportunities but the biggest thing that I heard on Saturday, and that's why I said I wanted to come back tonight, was Beatty loves 4-wheelers, welcomes the off-road community. So, we want to learn more about what you have from our clubs standpoint what do you have to offer and I'm one of the biggest voices in Las Vegas for the off-road community about getting people to go places. Thanks for your time and questions see me I'm here to answer them that's why I drove up here tonight.

Unidentified Audience – Did you mention the amount you donated?

Mr. Bailey – Stated when we were all said and done we wrote \$12,000.00 worth of checks. The year before it was a little bit better at \$17,000.00 that's just the way the economy rolls. Saturday night most of the funding comes from our raffle.

12 Adjournment

RR – Motion to adjourn at 6:53 pm; Second PF; 4-0