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MINUTES

LAUGHLIN TOWN ADVISORY BOARD

**December 14, 2010
1:30 P.M.**

**REGIONAL GOVERNMENT CENTER
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***PUBLIC NOTICE:
LAUGHLIN TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS
WILL NO LONGER BE TELEVISED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE***

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janet Barela, Vice-Chair
Michael Bekoff
Candice FitzGerald
Ted Pamperin

MEMBERS ABSENT: James Vincent, Chair – Excused Absence

OTHERS PRESENT: 18 Guests Signed In

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.**
- B. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.** James Vincent, Chair, called the Meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. The Reverend Doug Wesley gave the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Michael Bekoff.
- C.** Agenda items may be taken out of order if deemed necessary.

2. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Approval of the December 14, 2010, Agenda of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board.**

Michael Bekoff moved, Candice FitzGerald seconded to approve as presented the December 14, 2010, Agenda. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1 (absent).

B. Approval of the November 9, 2010, Minutes of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board.

Michael Bekoff moved, **Candice FitzGerald** seconded to approve as presented the November 9, 2010 Minutes of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1 (absent).

C. Approval of the November 30, 2010, Minutes of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board.

Michael Bekoff moved, **Candice FitzGerald** seconded to approved as presented the November 30, 2010 Minutes of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1 (absent).

3. PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCY REPORTS

**A. LV Metro Police, Laughlin Substation Report: Lt. Brian Evans,
Commander**

Statistics for the month of November 2010:

Calls for Service: 296, down 3.58% from November 2009
Traffic Citations: 470
DUI's: 5
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 7 adult, 1 juvenile
Bookings: 35
Juvenile Bookings: 0
Juvenile Citations: 4 (residents)

Women's Health Fair. On November 6, 2010, a LVMPD officer and LVMPD volunteers attended the Women's Health Fair held at the Tropicana Express, answering questions and distributing crime prevention information.

Thanksgiving Baskets. Thirteen Laughlin families were given Thanksgiving baskets of food in conjunction with Target and the Colorado River Food Bank. The baskets were prepared on Saturday, November 20, 2010 and distributed to the families on Wednesday, November 24, 2010.

***B Sergeant Mack** was not present when called to report, however, following **CURRENT ZONING ITEMS**, was invited by the Vice-Chair to give his report when he joined the meeting.

Nevada Highway Patrol, Department of Public Safety Report: **Sergeant Novelt Mack**

C. Clark County Fire Department: Roy Session, Battalion Chief

Chief Session could not be attendance due to recruit testing. **Captain Shawn Williams**, Station 76, reported.

Statistics: For the Laughlin Division of the Clark County Fire Department in November 2010 there were a total of 201 calls for service, with 2,552 calls for service year to date. There were three (3) rollovers on Highway 163, Christmas Tree Pass and Cal-Nv-Ari,

with

three patients flown to UMC Trauma for treatment and care.

Toy Drive. A Toy Drive was conducted with the Tropicana Hotel. All of the toys were picked up and delivered to Fire Station 85.

EMS Re-Certifications. EMS re-certifications are being finished up for paramedic and EMT.

Training. School and shelter-in-place drills are being conducted, and on going fire training.

4. **PREVIOUS ZONING ACTIONS:**

Previous Zoning Actions. (For additional information see Clark County web site on the Internet at http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/Depts/public_communications/Pages/Agendas.aspx then go to NOFA (Notice of Final Action) on the month and date the item was heard and look for the item number (i.e. UC-0000-10).

- A. **UC-1052-07 (ET-0161-10) – SOUTHPOINTE PROPERTIES, INC:**
USE PERMIT SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME to commence on-premise consumption of alcohol (tavern).
WAIVERS OF DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS for the following: 1) off-sites (including paving); 2) attached sidewalk; and 3) exterior materials.
DESIGN REVIEW for a tavern on 3.0 acres in an H-1 (Limited Resort and Apartment) Zone in the MUD-1 Overlay District. Generally located on the north side of Casino Drive and the east side of South Bay Parkway (alignment) within Laughlin. To the Board of County Commissioners 11/17/10. **HELD PER THE APPLICANT TO 12/22/10 BCC.**
- B. **UC-0323-10 – NEVADA GROUP, LLC:**
HOLDOVER APPEAL USE PERMIT for a massage business in conjunction with an existing shopping center on a portion of 0.6 acres in a C-2 (General Commercial) Zone in the MUD-1 Overlay District. Generally located on the west side of Casino Drive, 2,000 feet south of Bruce Woodbury Drive within Laughlin. To the Board of County Commissioners 11/17/10. **DENIED.**

5. **CURRENT ZONING ACTIONS:**

- A. **None**

Zoning Appeal Process : Planning Commission and Board of County Commission meetings are both held at the Clark County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89155-1841. Planning Commission Meetings are scheduled on the first & third Tuesdays of each month and the following Thursdays at 7:00 PM. Board of County Commissioners Zoning Meetings are scheduled on Wednesdays at 9:00 AM following the first & third Tuesdays of each month. *If you appeal a Planning Commission action, you must be present at the Board of County Commissioners meeting to present your appeal.* Appeals are made by filling out a "Filing An Appeal" form, available from the Department of Comprehensive Planning, Current Planning Division. You may call Current Planning at (702) 455-4314 to request the form. Once in the automated phone system, press Option #2, listen closely to the options and press Option #2 again. This will connect you to a person who can help you with the appeal form. Once you have filled out the appeal form, fax it to (702) 455-3271, then call (702) 455-4314 to verify the appeal form was received and ask when it will be heard by the Board of County Commissioners. *Appeals must be done within five (5) judicial (business) days from the time the item was heard by the Planning Commission.*

- *B **Sergeant Mack** was not present when called to report, but was invited by the Vice-Chair

to give his report when he joined the meeting.

Nevada Highway Patrol, Department of Public Safety Report: **Sergeant Novelt**

Mack

Statistics for November 2010:

Sergeant Mack reported that the Christmas and New Years Holiday are coming up and reminded everyone not to drink and drive and to plan your trips accordingly to have a designated driver if you will be drinking.

the Total Violations on Citations: 417, a 42% reduction in total and speed citations issued for previous month. This reduction is attributed to the opening of the bridge in Boulder City, which has terminated the detour that brought about our increased traffic originally.

Occupant Restraint Violations: 13, a 60% reduction from the previous month.

Accidents: 1 injury accident

DUI: 1 Arrest

Warrants: 3 Misdemeanor

Laughlin Junior/Senior Driver Education Class. Highway Patrol troopers visited the Laughlin Junior/Senior Driver Education Class on three occasions in November and spoke to fifty students about many topics including basic rules of the road, texting while driving, distracted driving, and drinking and driving. Thanks to the Clark County School District and the Laughlin High School Principal, **Dr. Reugemer** for allowing the Nevada Highway Patrol this opportunity.

of **Highway Patrol Training.** On December 1 and 2, 2010, the Highway Patrol used the Laughlin Regional Government facilities for defensive tactics annual re-certification training. This class is an annual event to instruct personnel in the use of force and physical defense techniques, and the Laughlin Town Manager and her staff were thanked for the use of the facility, which minimized overtime and the costs associated with having to travel to Las Vegas for this training.

fallen **Roadside Memorial Service.** A roadside one-year memorial service was observed for Las Vegas Metropolitan police officer **Dan Leach**.

60% **Michael Bekoff** asked about the impacts to the community of the Hoover Dam By Pass Bridge opening and **Sgt. Mack** responded that there is a 40% reduction in citations and a reduction in child restraint violations, and a 60-65% reduction in traffic and trucks.

6. COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND CONCERNS:

- A. **Receive a report from Clark County Sheriff Douglas C. Gillespie and Detention Center Chief Jim Dixon regarding the results of the Laughlin Tucker Holding Facility six-month trial operation and future operational plans for the facility, and take any action deemed appropriate.**

Clark County Sheriff Douglas C. Gillespie reported that **Chief Dixon** was unable to join him today.

Sheriff Gillespie reported that the six-month pilot project on the Laughlin Tucker Holding Facility saved roughly \$17,000. When operation impacts to the law enforcement community

in this area were examined, in my opinion, didn't warrant the closure of the Tucker Holding Facility. What we will be doing over the next two or three weeks is working a modified plan

to reopen Tucker Holding Facility, but cannot commit at this time to a 24 hour a day/7 day a week operation. It will reopen and we will incrementally go back to close to what we were doing before, if not meeting that, at Tucker Holding Facility. **Sheriff Gillespie** stated "we wanted to take a hard look at it and see what the dollars and cents said, and compare that to our operational effectiveness, and it just isn't worth it in my opinion". **Janet Barela** asked when the final schedule will be determined, and **Sheriff Gillespie** reported it will take two or three weeks to put the plan together. There was a recommendation to **Sheriff Gillespie** to continue the study for another six months, but the Sheriff did not see a reason to continue the study so his direction was to come up with a plan to have it back in operation with a plan in two to three weeks. **Judge Tim Atkins** was a big proponent of having it reopened and he and **Sheriff Gillespie** have had constant conversation in regard to Tucker Holding Facility. **Michael Bekoff** asked if Tucker Holding Facility could go back to 24/hours a day at least on the weekends during peak tourist visitation and work out the rest of the details later, but **Sheriff Gillespie** responded that he cannot commit to that at this time, but will leave that up to the Chief and his staff. A number of the employees that were working at Tucker Holding Facility have now been assigned at the Clark County Detention Center and there are contractual issues with regard to change of assignments and a variety of things that need to take place. Balancing those aspects with the operational aspects, two or three weeks would be workable.

Janet Barela asked for a round of applause that Tucker Holding Facility is going to be reopening. **Sheriff Gillespie** responded that he hopes we don't have to revisit this matter as the economy moves forward, but stated he appreciates the community and Laughlin Town Advisory Board patience and support. He feels Laughlin was very fair in allowing the assessment, which he considered essential in discussing the opening or closure of the facility with the County.

B. Receive a report from Michael P. Logan, Chief Executive Officer, River City Shuttle (Greyhound), consider a request for a letter of support for a transit project "Southern Mohave Area Rural Transit – SMART", and take any action deemed appropriate.

Jackie Brady stated the **Mr. Michael Logan** is in the audience and he's welcome to say something, but she has asked that this item be tabled. **Janet Barela** stated that the Laughlin Town Advisory Board is not going to be able to take any action on this item today, but invited **Mr. Logan** to speak. **Mr. Logan** introduced himself and asked if instead of tabling the matter, perhaps the letter of support could exclude the approval of any location because the proposed location for an interline with Silver Rider is on County property. **Mr. Logan** asked if this is something that will take awhile, and **Jackie Brady** responded yes. If the Laughlin Town Advisory Board wants to consider just the concept of the proposal, that's fine, but not to approve or provide support for any specifics at this time (such as location). After discussion **Ted Pamperin** moved to table this matter until further information is obtained. After further discussion, **Ted Pamperin** moved, **Candice FitzGerald** seconded to table this matter until more information is obtained. Upon a voice vote, motion carried

4-0-1 (absent).

Janet Barela invited **Mr. Logan** to talk about what it is that he's doing. **Deborah Murray** stated that if **Mr. Logan** wishes to speak, he may do so under Public Comment, but the

agenda item has been tabled and it is not appropriate to hear comments or discussion at this time. **Jackie Brady** explained that action has already been taken on this item so it is done.

- C. **Announcement that applications are now available at the Laughlin Town Manager's Office or on the Clark County website at www.clarkcountynv.gov/laughlin for appointment to the Laughlin Town Advisory Board Standing Committees for 2011. Applications will be accepted through Friday, January 21, 2011, at the Laughlin Town Manager's Office, 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, NV.**

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No action was taken, but **Janet Barela** announced that anyone currently serving on a Town Advisory Board Standing Committee who wishes to continue to serve on a need not complete a new application, but must notify the Laughlin Town Advisory Secretary, **Leslie Uncel**, of the intention to continue to serve.

- D. **Review and approve the 2011 Laughlin Town Advisory Board meeting dates, and take any action deemed appropriate.**

Michael Bekoff moved, **Candice FitzGerald** seconded to approve the 2011 Laughlin Town Advisory Board meeting dates as presented. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1 (absent).

7. **COMMUNITY REPORTS:**

- A. Clark County/Town Manager's Report: **Jackie Brady, Town Manager**

New Web Site Address. The new Clark County web site went live on Friday, December 10, 2010, with a new address of www.clarkcountynv.gov, and Laughlin can be found under Administrative Services. The old address of www.accessclarkcounty.com will still be in use for some time to come, however. As an example, my new email address is jab@clarkcountynv.gov instead of jab@co.clark.nv.us. The new web site is very different and took many months to complete.

Michael Bekoff asked if there has been any movement on the second bridge since the two meetings last month. **Jackie Brady** responded that the consultants are reviewing the comments and incorporating them into a final submission document that will go to FHWA requesting a FONSI, a final decision indicating no significant impact, which should be coming out relatively soon. At that point, if FHWA does render a FONSI then design can start.

- B. Clark County Water Reclamation Dist. Report: **Jake Jacobson Assistant Manager
Laughlin Services**

November Statistics:

Wastewater Treated:	1.85 million gallons/day-up 110,000 gal/day from 2009
Wastewater Flows:	55.5 million gallons treated and returned to the river-up 3,600,000 gal/month from 2009
Spills/Overflows:	None
Complaints:	None
Call Before You Dig:	38 mark-out requests.

SNORE Race. The SNORE race occurred last weekend and went well. The site is currently being demobilized and at this time no problems with the racetrack have been identified.

Project Updates. Last weekend during the race an incident happened at the northeast corner of Casino Drive and Bruce Woodbury Drive. The bottom of a manhole EW1B caved in while preparing this manhole for scheduled rehabilitation as part of Project 638, part of the Clark County Public Works Casino Drive improvements. A CIP (Cured in Place) liner was scheduled for installation to rehabilitate the manhole in an effort to extend the life of the asset for an additional twenty years. Per standard operating procedures, a large vacuum truck was onsite to suck up and remove the material and re-establish sewer flow in the manhole. Emergency traffic control was established and a trench was excavated. Temporary bypass pipe was placed in the trench to re-direct flows via bypass pumps from EW1B to EW1, thus removing the compromised manhole from service. The trench was plated immediately to facilitate maximum traffic flow of northbound Casino Drive. No sewer overflow occurred. The District is installing two new manholes and redirecting the sewer flows removing excessive bends, and re-connecting the gas station at an alternative location. The sewer pipes that flowed from EW1C to C7B, which included two 90-degree bends, will be removed and straightened out and re-run to the mainline located in the center of Casino Drive. The gas station will be re-connected at an alternative location. Both driveways to the gas station on Casino Drive will remain open and accessible. The west driveway at the gas station located on Bruce Woodbury Drive will no have accessibility, however, the east driveway will remain open and accessible. The Silver Rider bus stop located on Casino Drive will remain open and accessible. During construction of the new pipeline the northbound #1 lane will be closed. Construction will take place during the daytime until the pipe is run to the #2 lane, then the closures will swap and the construction hours of operation will be conducted at night. A dedicated contractor, not the one working on the project, will perform this emergency work prior to the New Year's holiday traffic rush.

Janet Barela asked when the work taking place in front of the Laughlin Chamber of Commerce Office might be completed, and **Mr. Jacobson** responded that it was removed from the project. The intent was to redirect it and take it off the property at the Chamber of Commerce and run it down to Casino Drive to connect, but it was removed from the project.

After Casino Drive is completed, there is a five-year no-dig policy, but **Mr. Jacobson** will look into it and hopefully be able to increase the maintenance on it and will follow up **Ms. Barela**.

Michael Bekoff asked the cost of the emergency repairs and whether funding had to be sought to hire a contractor. **Mr. Jacobson** responded that he is unsure of the cost at this time but will follow up and report at the next meeting. There is a contract set up for emergencies with money set aside for this sort of emergency, so the cost of contractor repairs will come out of that fund. No sewer services were disrupted due to this incident, and no

services will be disrupted during the repairs.

- C. Big Bend Water District Report: **Jordan Bunker**, Public Services

Mr. Bunker was unable to attend the meeting, but **Janet Barela** read a brief report received via e-mail as follows:

Service Line Replacement. Contract 1316 for Polyethylene service line replacements in Laughlin Estates, El Mirage Estates and El Mirage Park has been awarded to JNJ Engineering Construction and should begin within the next couple of months.

Bullhead City Report: **Brenda Richardson, Senior Administrative Analyst**

BATS Ten Years of Service. The Bullhead Area Transit System (BATS) has just passed the ten years of service to Bullhead City with their official start date of December 1, 2000. The BATS system has provided rides over the past ten years to 1.1 million people and people rely on this service for employment, education and medical needs transportation.

Red Light Cameras. Red light cameras have been a hot topic to letters to the editor recently. The issue of installing enforcement cameras at key intersections on SR Highway 95 in Bullhead City (BHC) first went before the City Council in 2009. Since the matter was first discussed, Bullhead City has four new council members, a new city attorney and a new city manager, so staff is preparing additional research and statistics to go before the BHC Council in the spring of 2011. There are currently no red light enforcement cameras in use in BHC, however, there are small sensors resembling cameras (for emergency vehicles) mounted above the traffic signals.

Michael Bekoff asked if Red Flex Corporation, who was seeking the contract for the cameras, has come under fire in other jurisdictions and in those cities many of the cameras have been removed. **Ms. Richardson** responded, yes, that is true and City Council wants to proceed carefully if they plan to move forward with the red light enforcement cameras.

Michael Bekoff congratulated Bullhead City on their magnificent holiday display at Marina Boulevard and SR Highway 95.

- E. Clark County Laughlin Senior Center Report: **Richard Declercq, Recreation Director**

Holiday Tree Lighting. There were between 200-250 people in attendance for the Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony at Spirit Mountain Activity Center. Instead of putting Christmas lights all over the park, paper bag luminaries were used. A children's craft was held for the children, the Rotary Club did pictures, hot chocolate and coffee were served (donated by Laughlin Coffee), cookies were served (donated by the Community Church) and there was a

volunteer Santa (Phil from the Community Church).

Busiest Time of the Year. This is the busiest time of the year at the Laughlin Senior Center and yesterday (December 13, 2010) there were 62 people at the center.

Field Trips. This would normally be the time of year when field trips to Las Vegas to go shopping, or field trips to see holiday lights would be happening, but the van has been in the shop for some time. Hopefully it will be ready for pickup this week and some field trips can be planned.

Christmas Luncheon. On December 15, 2010, the Christmas Luncheon will be held with 40 people signed up to attend with a White Elephant Gift Exchange planned.

Thanksgiving Luncheon. In November the Thanksgiving luncheon went well with about 40 people attending. Turkeys were donated and several hotels cooked turkeys that were purchased by the Senior Center.

F. HopeLink Family Resource Center: **Robyn Kelley, Executive Director**

Statistics. For the month of November 13 new cases were opened with 8 on-going case management cases, so there are about 12 cases that are constantly being worked on.

Energy Assistance and Food Stamps. Energy assistance and food stamps continue to be in high demand.

Silver Rider. A big thank you to Silver Rider who has taken on several of our families for Christmas. Our funding was short and we weren't able to do anything for some families, so Silver Rider stepped up with their funding from the Legacy Foundation, who provides holiday funding for Laughlin families in need, to take on those families to ensure that they will have a proper Christmas.

G. Laughlin Chamber of Commerce: **Connie Davis, Director of Operations**

Speak Out. The Laughlin Chamber of Commerce is participating in "Speak Out", a spotlight on business on KNTR 980 AM radio once a month. The purpose for partnering with the station is to keep the community informed on what is going on at the Laughlin Chamber of Commerce. There is a lot of work in progress that you may not know about and we are always looking for opportunities to inform the public. The next show is December 21, 2010, at 1:00 PM.

A Chance for Change. The Chamber of Commerce will be offering classes by Dave Crockett on "A Chance for Change", a three-day class on how to search for employment and how to think outside the box. Possible targets for this class would be the unemployed, the under-employed, retired folks looking for additional things to do, recent college graduates and the folks thinking of relocating. The first session will be January 12-14, 2010, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, then a break for lunch and sessions continue from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. There will be another session in January and February, 2011. Please call the Laughlin Chamber of Commerce for more information on this free program.

Empty Bowls Fundraiser. Last week the “Empty Bowls” fundraiser was held at Harrah’s on November 11, 2010, at 5:30 PM for the River Fund and Boys and Girls Club. The boys and girls made over 100 soup mugs that were filled with soup and sold. There was good

attendance, although there are still some mugs left that need to be sold for \$20 apiece at TV2 and the American Legion. The money goes to the River Fund and the Boys and Girls Club, and they need the revenue to help cover the cost of making the mugs. Thanks go out to the American Legion for being gracious enough to sponsor the event and providing the delicious soups, desserts and drinks. They did a wonderful job.

Chamber Mixer. The next Chamber Mixer will be a “VIP Appreciation” event to be held at the Regency Casino on January 20, 2011.

H. Laughlin Tourism Commission: **Jena Morga, Executive Director**
No report.

I. Laughlin Library: **Karen Lassen, Branch Manager**

J. Bennett Elementary School: **Dawn Estes, Principal**

Dawn Estes, Bennett Elementary School Principal, introduced **Michelle Wright**, School Counselor.

Enrollment. Currently Bennett Elementary School has an enrollment of 329 students, up from 298 last year.

Fall Activities. **Mrs. Craft**, the second grade teacher, led students through the “Military Outreach Program” to fill Christmas stockings there were shipped to troops to Iran and Afghanistan as part of the community project service.

Holidays. In November 10 students were selected through the “Clothes for Kids” Foundation that received a \$100 shopping at Kohl’s. Christmas Kelley donated 40 bags of Christmas presents to students that are currently on the “Backpack Program”, a program that provides a bag of food every Friday to the 40 students who participate in the program so they can make it through the weekend without going hungry.

Student Character. Bennett Elementary School is focused on student character and promoting kindness for the twenty-first century student. As future leaders of the community, and the world, we are trying to develop within our students those characteristics that are going to give us those leaders. Through the Josh Stevens Foundation, a foundation established by his parents in the memory of **Josh Stevens**, a student in the Clark County School District that was killed in a tragic accident, the foundation focuses on the character traits that make an outstanding student. The foundation provided t-shirts for Bennett Elementary School staff that say “Be Kind, It’s Contagious” and every Wednesday staff wears the shirts and talk to students about those characteristics. The shirts are also available for students to purchase and wear on Wednesdays. The money raised will be used to provide a \$200 scholarship for one of the students, because that is another goal that it’s never too early to focus on college. Monthly nominations by students and staff are being made and Friday, December 17, 2010 will be the first drawing and the name drawn will receive a “Be Kind” Certificate also provided by the foundation that will contain things like

a free In and Out burger.

Santa Visit. Santa will be on campus, December 17, 2010, 2:00 PM to visit the children and

is sponsored by PTA members.

Book Donation. Around this time last year a Kindergarten teacher, **Mrs. Freshman**, was lost tragically and her niece raised over \$500 and donated that amount in books to Kindergarten students, so they will all take home a book at Christmas in her memory.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Community Development

Janet Barela, Co-Chair

Bikini Bar Discussion. **Janet Barela** reported that there will be a meeting tomorrow and **Mr. Gish** will be in attendance representing the bikini bar that is looking for a Special Use Permit for live entertainment in the mall. Anyone who wishes to participate or listen to the discussion should plan to attend.

Holiday Movie and Craft Program. The holiday movie and craft program that the Community Development Committee was participating in has been cancelled.

The next meeting of the Community Development Committee will be December 15, 2010, 3:00 PM, Laughlin Regional Government Center.

B. Parks & Recreation:

James Vincent, Co-Chair

No report.

**C./D. Public Safety
Public Works:**

**Candice FitzGerald, Co-Chair
Michael Bekoff, Co-Chair**

Public Safety. **Candice FitzGerald** reported.

The Public Safety and Public Works Committee met briefly on November 16, 2010, because the quorum was lost just following a presentation by Southwest Gas Corporation.

The meeting of the Public Safety/Public Works Committee scheduled for December 21, 2010, has been cancelled due to the Christmas holiday, so the next meeting will be January 18, 2011, 10:00 AM, Laughlin Regional Government Center.

Public Works. **Michael Bekoff** reported.

The focus of the November 16, 2010 meeting, prior to losing the quorum, was the presentation by Southwest Gas Corporation. The District Manager for the Laughlin/Bullhead City District, **Frank Hart**, made a presentation to familiarize the committee with the types of pipelines in use in Laughlin and various procedures for inspections, safety, and emergency response. The recent gas explosion in San Bruno, California, destroyed over thirty homes and killed a number of people, so the committee wanted to know what types of gas lines were under the streets in Laughlin and whether such

an occurrence could happen here. **Mr. Hart** advised those present to report any gas odors immediately and don't wait.

The meeting of the Public Safety/Public Works Committee scheduled for December 21, 2010,

has been cancelled due to the Christmas holiday, so the next meeting will be January 18, 2011, 10:00 AM, Laughlin Regional Government Center.

E. Social Services:

Ted Pamperin, Co-Chair

CRRYS. **Debbie Marcusson**, Extension Educator for the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, was a former employee of CRRYS, an acronym for a facility for abandoned and runaway children. The facility no longer has the \$750,000 per year grant funding, so they are looking for a place for abandoned children from the Laughlin and surrounding area. The committee is looking to see what they can do help with funding.

Colorado River Food Bank & Clothes Closet. **Marie Pollack**, representing the local Food Bank, reported that there has been a 30% increase in the need for food in the area over the past several months. The local Food Bank supplies the residents of Laughlin, NV, Cal-Nv-Ari, Bullhead City, AZ, and Needles, AZ. The largest increase of food requests have come from Bullhead City, AZ, residents, now represents 50%-60% of the food bank requests. The committee requested an audit of where the food was all going so new funding sources can be explored.

2011 Goals and Objectives. The committee examined an example of the magnetic File for Life folder that was discussed previously by the Social Services Committee. There has been no funding source for File for Life, but the committee is looking for funding for 1,000 folders for seniors to place on their refrigerators in case of emergency with vital information for the Fire Department and Police.

Family Resource Center HopeLink. **Robyn Kelley** reported to the committee for the month of November 2010.

Laughlin Mental Health Clinic. **Cheryl Seipke** reported on the rising number of clients at the Laughlin Mental Health Clinic necessitating two new staff members who are being added at the clinic.

The next meeting of the Social Services Committee will be January 13, 2011, 8:30 AM at the Laughlin Regional Government Center.

9. COMMUNITY INPUT/PUBLIC COMMENTS (No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken).

Document(s) Submitted: None.

Speaker(s) Present:

- 1. Jackie Brady**, Laughlin Town Manager's Office
- 2. Ted Pamperin**, Laughlin Town Advisory Board Member
- 3. Jordan Ross**, 3650 South Pointe Circle, Laughlin, NV

1. **Jackie Brady** announced that the community would like to say thank you to **Ted Pamperin** who has chosen not to be considered for reappointment to the Laughlin Town Advisory Board. **Jackie Brady** stated “Thank you for the service you have given as a member of the

Town Board and I wish you the very best in the future”. New appointments to all Town Advisory Boards and Citizens Advisory Councils will be made on January 3, 2011, at around 9:15 AM to 9:30 AM. There will be a swearing in for all Town Board members, hopefully by **Judge Atkins**, on January 11, 2011, in the Laughlin Regional Government Center just before 1:30 PM and the commencement of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board meeting.

2. **Ted Pamperin** thanked **Jackie Brady**, **Deborah Murray** and **Leslie Uncel** for all their help. **Mr. Pamperin** stated: “It has been a great learning experience for me and I’ve met some tremendous people. Unfortunately, I’ve had a lot of things happen this year in my life from a personal standpoint so I decided, at the urging of some people, to put my forward again. But, when I went back to Wisconsin for a couple of weeks in October I got some devastating news about one of my family members so it’s going to be hard for me to attend the meetings with going back and forth (to Wisconsin). From a personal standpoint my family comes first and I appreciate everybody I have worked with and who has helped me. It has been a great experience and I sincerely appreciate all the help. Thank you so very, very much.”

Michael Bekoff and **Candice FitzGerald** thanked **Ted Pamperin** for his service to the Laughlin Town Advisory Board.

3. **Jordan Ross** requested that the substance of his remarks be reflected in the record, and stated that he has been asked to read into the record comments addressed to the Laughlin Town Advisory Board from **Novelt Mack**. “There have been rumors that he (**Novelt Mack**) is on the Public Safety Committee and he has not attended meetings. To clear things up, he wants to state emphatically he is not a member of the committee and only attended one meeting as a visitor in his official capacity, reference an upcoming road detour due to construction. He did apply to the committee (Public Safety) but all of the positions were filled. Also, he has never been contacted of any openings or alternate position vacancies. He confirmed with Laughlin Town Manager, **Jackie Brady**, that he was never added to the committee.”

Michael Bekoff stated that it is his understanding that the Laughlin Town Advisory Board did receive an application from **Mr. Mack** and voted on it and the minutes of the committee reflect that he is a member and has had unexcused absences as reflected in the official minutes. **Jackie Brady** responded to the Chair that she will check into that to see what happened.

10. **NEXT POSSIBLE MEETING DATE:** The next possible meeting date is Tuesday, December 28, 2010, and the next regular meeting is Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at 1:30 P.M., Regional Government Center, 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, Nevada. Agenda items due no later than December 17, 2010, and December 31, 2010, respectively.
 11. **ADJOURNMENT:** **Ted Pamperin** moved, **Michael Bekoff** seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 PM. Upon a voice vote motion carried 4-0-1 (absent).
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*These meeting minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the January 11, 2011 meeting.
Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the February 8, 2011 meeting.*