



Searchlight Town Advisory Board  
SEARCHLIGHT COMMUNITY CENTER  
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**MINUTES**

**SEARCHLIGHT TOWN ADVISORY BOARD  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2014  
6:00 P.M.  
SEARCHLIGHT COMMUNITY CENTER  
200 MICHAEL WENDELL WAY, SEARCHLIGHT, NV 89046**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Sandra Walters, Chair  
Bill Bodkin, Vice Chair  
George Beyer  
Ellie Deever**

**ABSENT: Mark Blair (unexcused)**

**OTHERS PRESENT: 18 persons signed in.**

*Judge Richard Hill, Searchlight Justice Court,  
in and for Clark County, Nevada,  
to swear in new Searchlight Town Advisory Board member  
**Ellie M. Deever**  
to the Searchlight Town Advisory Board to serve remaining term  
that will end on January 2, 2015.*

## **Public Announcement**

Appointments to the Town Advisory Boards (TAB) and Citizens Advisory Councils (CAC) are for two-year terms beginning January 5, 2015. TABs and CACs hold public meetings at least once a month. Applicants must be eligible to vote, live within the area encompassed by the TAB or CAC they are applying for and attend annual training.

TABs and CACs disseminate information to citizens as well as provide input to the Board of County Commissioners and Planning Commission on matters pertaining to town issues such as long term planning, zoning, public works projects, new ordinances and community concerns.

### **Please submit applications by December 1, 2014**

Applications are available from your TAB or CAC secretary, the Clark County Manager's Office at (702) 455-3530 or on the Clark County Website at [www.clarkcountynv.gov](http://www.clarkcountynv.gov)

Laughlin Town Managers Office

101 Civic Way Laughlin, NV

Phone (702)298-0828

All appointees to TABs and CACs must be available for training on January 10, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Las Vegas Valley Water District, Mead Rooms 1 – 3 1001 S. Valley View Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89153

### **1. CALL TO ORDER:**

- A. Conformance with Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- B. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by **Bill Bodkin**
- C. Items on the agenda may be taken out of order.
- D. The Searchlight Town Advisory Board may combine two or more agenda items for consideration.
- E. The Searchlight Town Advisory Board may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item at any time.

2. **ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS:**

A. **Approval of the November 12, 2014 Agenda.**

**For Possible Action**

**Bill Bodkin** moved, **George Beyer** seconded to approve as presented the November 12, 2014 Agenda of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board.  
Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1.

B. **Approval of the September 10, 2014 Minutes**

**For Possible Action**

**George Beyer** moved, **Bill Bodkin** seconded to approve as presented the September 10, 2014 Minutes of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board.  
Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - *This is a period devoted to comments by the general public about items on this agenda. If you wish to speak to the Board about items within its jurisdiction but not appearing on this agenda, you must wait until the "Comments by the General Public" period listed at the end of this agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes. Please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address and please spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.*

4. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

5. **GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPORTS:**

A. **Metropolitan Police Department:**  
**Officer Stevens** reported for Metro

**Lt. John Healy**

**October 2014 Statistics:**

Calls for Service: 15  
Traffic Citations: 40  
DUI's: 1  
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 0  
Bookings: 1  
Juvenile Citations: 0

**Officer Stevens** announced that the Thanksgiving and Christmas Food baskets will be delivered a week prior to the Holiday. Also Shop with a Cop will be December 6<sup>th</sup>.

B. **Nevada Highway Patrol:** **Sgt. Yvan Pittmon**  
Was unable to attend

C. **Las Vegas Valley Water District:** **Kathy Flanagan**  
**Kathy Flanagan** reported the system remains stable.  
No issues were reported.  
Water use continues to decline, for October 2014 residents used 500,000 gallons less than this time last year.  
Design on the arsenic treatment structure on Well S-2 has commenced.  
We expect to get approval for construction in December and at that time we will start the bidding for construction.

D. **Clark County Water Reclamation District:** **Jake Jacobson**  
**Jake Jacobson** provided the report

Statistics: October 2014-treated an average of 44 thousand gallons per day.  
Flow decreased by 1,000 gallons from this time last year.  
No sewer service complaints for the month of October.  
2 (two) call before you dig tickets received for Searchlight in October 2014.

E. **Parks & Recreation:** **Carolynn Johnson**  
Was unable to attend  
**Sandra Walters** provided a report with the current activities

F. **Searchlight Volunteer Fire Department Station 75:** **Jon Palmer,**  
**Assistant Fire Chief**  
**Jon Palmer** reported 10 calls, 6 for medical, 2 fires and 2 autos.  
Jon Palmer also provided the Fire report for September since there was not a meeting due to not having a quorum.  
There were 9 calls for service, 3 for medical, 3 auto accidents, and 3 fire calls.  
We had the annual vaccinations at the fire Dept. and this was a free service we provided to the community. We provided approximately 70 shots for the flu, shingles and pneumonia vaccines.  
There was also a pharmacist and a nurse from **Walgreens** who came out as a service and helped to provide the shots.

Bill Bodkin asked how the public was notified of this event and Jon Palmer said notices were posted throughout the town and at businesses.

G. **Justice Court:** **Judge Richard Hill**  
**Judge Hill** provided the Justice Court report.

Court Calendar for October 2014:

Arraignments – 5  
Status Checks – 9  
In Custody – 3  
Preliminary Hearings – 0  
Trials – 2  
Traffic – 6  
Video Arraignments – 5

Action Taken:

Warrants Traffic – 106  
Warrants Criminal – 5  
Protection Orders – 0  
Citations Combined Total – 368

Court Dates:

Criminal – November 18<sup>th</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Traffic – November 19<sup>th</sup> and December 3<sup>rd</sup>

All court dates are open to the public and begins at 10am

**Judge Hill** asked **Officer Stevens** about getting a couple of new officers, **Officer Stevens** advised that in December there should be one new Sargent and one new officer.

**Judge Hill** confirmed that the body found at Cottonwood Cove was a Homicide and it fell on their court to do the Preliminary Hearing and the Arraignments. The suspects will be taken up to the Grand Jury.

6. **ZONING:** None

7. **ZONING – NOTICES OF FINAL ACTION:**

1. **UC-0738-09 (ET-0097-14) – BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT:**

**USE PERMITS SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME** to commence the following: **1)** an electric generating station (windmill farm) with all ancillary structures and uses; and **2)** public utility structures (electric switching and substations) with all ancillary utility structures, power poles, and overhead transmission lines.

**WAIVERS OF DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS** for the following: **1)** reduced roof pitch;

**2)** alternative building materials; **3)** reduced setbacks; **4)** increased height (wind turbines and power poles); and **5)** increased noise levels.

**DESIGN REVIEWS** for the following: **1)** electric generating station (windmill farm); **2)** operations and maintenance building; and **3)** preliminary grading plan within a Hillside and Foothills Transition Boundary area on a portion of 9,396 acres in an R-U (Rural Open Lane) Zone and an H-2 (General Highway Frontage) Zone. Generally located on the east side of US Highway 95 and the north and south sides of Cottonwood Cove Road within Searchlight (description on file).  
**To the BCC 10/08/2014**

**WITHDRAWN - without prejudice.**

8. **COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND CONCERNS:**

A. Receive a report from **Lynn Davis** Senior Program Manager, Nevada Field Office National Parks Conservation Association concerning updated information for the Walking Box Ranch, behind the Walking Box Ranch and the area surrounding the ranch. **For Possible Action**

**Lynn Davis** presented updated information concerning the Walking Box Ranch and surrounding area.

Lynn Davis also brought up the BLM Resource Management Plan.

Lynn Davis said she does not represent the BLM. Information she has is mostly public knowledge and information she has pulled together for this report.

The Walking Box Ranch is now managed by the BLM. The UNLV and BLM have split their relationship and UNLV moved out all the furnishings of the home. Under contract the BLM must provide one tour a month to the public to go out and see the Ranch.

UNLV moved out the collection which was deeded to the University by the Rex Bell family.

The collection items have been stored but there were items in that home that have been sold because they could not be stored.

The Park service can due an evaluation and you could have a Historic Register site or a Heritage area site, a Monument site.

**Lynn Davis** suggested the STAB write a letter to a congressional member to make the request to the Parks service, and a study is done. Then the Park Service makes a determination as to how the property will be handled.

**Lynn Davis** asked if anyone has seen the Resource management plan and there is more land proposed for the Wind development in this area.

**Bill Bodkin** asked who would monitor the BLM to find out if they were giving the tours.

**Sandra Walter** commented and said to her knowledge the BLM was providing the tours.

**Judge Hill** asked if **Lynn Davis** could provide any more background on what happened between the BLM and UNLV.

**Lynn Davis** said she really did not know and did not have any details.

**Judge Hill** asked the STAB if a representative from UNLV could address the STAB and let everyone know what happened.

**Lynn Davis** suggested also asking BLM along with UNLV to discuss and answer questions.

**Jackie Brady** commented that SNPLMA dollars were spent on this project and it would be worth the community finding out if they used those dollars as promised or did something else happen.

**Sandra Walters** suggested inviting a representative from UNLV and BLM.

**Judy Bundorf** suggested asking RMP to extend the comment time.

B. Review, discuss, and approve the 2015 Searchlight Town Advisory Board meeting dates, and take any action deemed appropriate. **For Possible Action**

**Bill Bodkin** move to approve the 2015 Searchlight TAB dates, **George Beyer** seconded the motion. Motion passed upon a voice vote 4-0-1

**9. STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS:**

**A. Capital Funds Committee**

**Jeff Share**, CC Dept. of Finance provided the monthly report for the CC fund 422 monthly report.

- B. **Searchlight Heritage Partnership Trails Committee**  
No report

10. **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION REPORTS:**

- A. **Public Works/Roads:** **Bill Bodkin**  
Nothing to report
- B. **Senior Center:** **Kate Dobbie**  
**Kate Dobbie** reported for November activities and provided a Calendar with the dates and time of the activities list on the back table.
- C. **Searchlight Wind Energy Project:** **Judy Bundorf**  
**Judy Bundorf** reported the Law Suit they filed last year is moving forward. Judy Bundorf said she has the information to listen in on the hearings and to contact her for this information if needed.  
The Management Resource Plan is critical; there is a copy at the Library.
- D. **Special Events**  
Nothing to report

11. **COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:** This is a period for the Public to comment on items within the jurisdiction of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board, but not appearing on this agenda. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of their comments, this will be done by the Chairman or the Board by majority vote. When speaking during a specific item or during the Public Comments sessions, please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address – please spell you name for the record – and limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes. No vote may be taken on any matter not listed on the posted agenda.

12. **NEXT POSSIBLE MEETING DATE:** The next regular scheduled meeting is Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 6:00pm Searchlight Community Center, 200 Michael Wendell Way, Searchlight, NV. 89046. Agenda items due no later than November 25, 2014.

13. **ADJOURNMENT:** Sandra Walters adjourned at 6:50pm  
**For Possible Action**

*These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the December 10, 2014 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the January 14, 2014 meeting.*