

MINUTES

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

September 15th, 2015
10:00 A.M.

REGIONAL GOVERNMENT CENTER
101 CIVIC WAY, LAUGHLIN, NEVADA

Members Present: Public Works

Fred Doten
Shawn Escarzaga
Jim Bodley (Excused)
Steve Collins
Jim DeWoody (Excused)
Marty Knauss
John Pantages

Other Attendees:

Julie Fairman, Laughlin Times

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. **Fred Doten** called the meeting to order 10:00am as a quorum was present
- B. The meeting was conducted in conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- C. Agenda items were taken out of order as the tour was conducted after closing the meeting at the Government Center..
- D. The Public Works Committee did not combine two or more agenda items for consideration.
- E. The Public Works Committee did not remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item at any time.

2. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

Prior to discussing the agenda items **Fred Doten**

A. **Approval of the September 15, 2015 Agenda.**

Shawn Escarzaga moved and **Steve Collins** seconded the approval of the agenda. Motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

B. **Approval of the Minutes of the August 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

Shawn Escarzaga moved and **John Pantages** seconded the approval of the August 18, 2015 minutes as written.. Motion carried on a vote of 5 to 0.

3. COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

There were no comments from the Public reference any of the agenda items.

4. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

- A. **Receive a briefing and tour the Southern Nevada Water Reclamation facility on Bruce Woodbury Dr.** The Committee travelled to the Reclamation facility and met with **Greg Turner**, who provided a brief overview of the facility and discussed some of the questions sent to him. He first discussed the universal rates used within the district. He noted that this is the rate paid by all within the Reclamation District. The major advantage of doing this is it subsidizes the smaller communities. As for Laughlin, **Greg Turner** noted that the fee presently being paid covers the cost of treating the water; however, it does not cover the cost for capital improvements which is substantial. **Greg Turner** also stated that the management team looks for grants and loans to help pay for capital investment. He also noted that there was work being done at the plant to include life safety projects and rehabbing electrical panels to the tune of \$2-3 million. There would also be some efforts on-going to upgrade some of the clarifiers and the lift station on Casino Dr. **Greg Turner** also mentioned that our rates were lower than most of the southwest area.

Fred Doten asked with **Jake Jacobson** gone, how did it impact the organizations operational structure. **Greg Turner** responded by stating the County Commissioners run the District; however, the District has a general manager who runs the organization. Under him is a Deputy Manager, who is **Greg Turner's** boss. **Greg Turner** noted that there is another manager similar to him who runs the main facility in Las Vegas. This facility processes 100 million gallons of sewer daily. **Greg Turner** noted that he is in charge of all the other facilities within the District. He also noted that the Laughlin facility is staffed with very highly skilled technicians who produce the highest quality of water within the state of Nevada for many, many years.

Greg Turner went on and discussed the breakdown of personnel. He noted that there was a maintenance staff and an operations staff at each facility. The maintenance staff maintains the equipment such as pumps, valves, etc. The operations staff operates the equipment and is the group responsible for the quality of water produced. He also said all the maintenance personnel at all the facilities come under one manager in Las Vegas. This allows for the reallocation of staff within the District to meet short term maintenance needs that require a larger crew for specific tasks.

Julie Fairman asked about the installation of a new sewer line through the Power Plant's land. **Greg Turner** noted that this was out of his area of work; however, he believed all this was on hold pending the sale of the Power Plant. This would allow the Reclamation District to deal with the new owners and their preference as to the routing of the new line.

Greg Turner gave a brief overview of the flow through the plant and how the waste water was treated and where it entered the river. He passed out some pamphlets and then led the group to the start of the tour where he introduced everyone to **Dean Welsh** who did the actual tour. The tour was very comprehensive and covered each phase of the waste water passage through the plant. At each stop during the tour questions were answered.

- B. **Receive an update on recent traffic studies in Laughlin and recent work orders submitted to Public Works and take any action Deemed appropriate.**

Fred Doten started the discussion by asking all to turn to the chart and discussed the following.

Marking of El Mirage: **Fred Doten** commented that at our last meeting **Kaizad Yazdani** stated he would look into this and get back to us as to what they would do. He still has not heard from him.

No Sidewalk along Mesquite Lane. **Fred Doten** noted that at the last meeting **Kaizad**

Yazdani indicated that a walking path could be constructed. **Fred Doten** stated that he had followed up with a question as to who would do this but has not heard back.

Restriping of white lines on Needles Hwy: **Fred Doten** noted that he did not feel anything would be done to restripe Needles Highway.

Inoperable Street lights: **Fred Doten** said this was going well. As lights are reported they are fixed..

New sign for Chamber Access Road: **Fred Doten** said that he had sent in an email to **Kaizad Yazdani** that he had received from **Deborah Murray** that talked about new signs for the park area. He noted that he did not know if they would be included in the new sign package for Casino Drive

El Mirage Drainage at Banyon: **Fred Doten** noted that **Kaizad Yazdani** had sent an email saying this erosion issue had been forwarded to engineering.

Urgent Care Sign on 163: **Fred Doten** said that this had be removed.

Stripping Coming Loose: **Fred Doten** noted that the only place where there is an issue is at the intersection of Thomas Edison with Hwy 163. As of now it has not been repaired

Bus Stop Signs: **Fred Doten** commented that he needed to contact the School District on this.

Sign hidden on El Mirage: **Fred Doten** made the point that the tree covering the sign will be a continuous issue. He felt it better to move the sign and eliminate the problem for good.

Road Repair Priorities: Still waiting for this to come to the LTAB.

- C. **Discuss Zone Inspections and take any action appropriate:** **Fred Doten** noted that the reports were being submitted and issues were slowly getting repaired.

COMMUNITY INPUT/ PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no comments from the Community or from the committee members

5. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting date for the Public Works Committee is **October 20, 2015**, 10:00 AM, Laughlin Regional Government Center, 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, Nevada.
Agenda items due no later than 9 October , 2015.

6. **ADJOURMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 at the Water Reclamation facility hrs.

NOTE: *These meeting minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the October 20, 2015 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the minutes of the October 20, 2015 meeting.*

SIGN IN SHEET

Meeting: Public Works Committee

Date: August 18, 2015

Time: 10am

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NAME	ORGANIZATION	ADDRESS	PHONE NO.
1. Fred Doster	PW Committee	3517 Cottage Meadow Way Laughlin	702-228-3492
2. TOM BARTLEY	PSC	CADLE	
3. Michelle Vestal	SNTC	2600 E Laughlin Cvi Dr.	702-298-4485
4. John Fantuges	PWC	2322 Cottage Ridge	702-298-3740
5. Jim Bodhey	PWC	1838 OASIS CT Laughlin	702-299-0005
6. MARAN KRAUSS	PWC	3826 Ave of EARC CT Laughlin	978-640-0899
7. VIM DE WOODY	PWC	2385 CANYON SONG, LAUGHLIN	702-299-3766
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2015-8-18 Public Works Workorder Status Report

DATE	PRIORITY:	ISSUE	LOCATION	REPORTED BY	RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT	STATUS
11/20/2012		Street sign wrong place	200 yds South of Laughlin Civic Drive	Fred Doten 702-298-3492	Traffic	At Last Meeting Marvin Hoggard said he would have the sign removed
4/16/2013		No Parking Signs missing	New Section of El Mirage/James A Bilbray	Jon Safranek 702-299-0473	Traffic	Kaizad Yazdani said fixed. Need to convalid
4/16/2013		Sidewalk Missing	Mesquite Lane	Elden Thayer & Fred Doten	Traffic	Kaizad Yazdani said he would check this out.
7/16/2013		Continous white lines	Needles Highway	Bruce Clark	Traffic	Discussed at last meeting . No resolution
9/13/2013		Inop Street Lights	Needles Highway	Fred Doten 702-298-3492	Traffic	Being called in to INTHEWORKS
02/18/14		New Signs Needed	Casino Dr at Bridge Trailhead Rd	Jim Bodley	Traffic	Provide a List to Kaizad Yazdani
3/18/2014		El Mirage Drainage	El Mirage from Banyon to Needles Hwy	Steve Collins 702-299-0195	Traffic	Package sent to Engineering
6/17/2014		Bennett Elementary School Sign Rotated on Pole	Needles Highway	Jon Safranek 702-299-0473	Traffic	Kaizad said would be replaced
6/17/2014		Business Sign	Casino Dr at Bruce Woodbury	Steve Collins 702-299-0195	Traffic	Need to check to see if fixed
9/16/2014		Urgent Care Sign	Hwy 163	Julie Fairman		Need to check with NDOT
11/16/2014		Yellow Strip coming loose	Bruce Woodbury at Cougar Drive	Fred Doten 702-298-3492	Traffic	Will be replaced with paint
1/20/2015		No School bus warning signs	On El Mirage Loop	Tom Bartelmy 702-299-7255	Traffic	This is a School System issue as CCPW does not handle school signs
1/20/2015		Street sign hidden	Willow Bay intersection	Tom Bartelmy 702-299-7255	Traffic	Kaizad willt fix as required
1/20/2015		Street Sweeper	Bilbray Ranch	Steve Collins 702-299-0195	Traffic	Kaizad Yazdani to check if road were transferred
5/19/2014		Road Repair Priority	All Streets	Kaizad Yazdani 702-299-0195	Traffic	Submitted to Jackie Brady for her comments.
6/18/2015		Bent Stop Sign	Sunkenship Dr intersection with Cookies	Steve Collins 702-299-0195	Traffic	Called in to Intheworks