

**FINAL APPROVED MINUTES
INDIAN SPRINGS TOWN ADVISORY BOARD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2010**

7:30 p.m.

715 W. GRETTA LANE
INDIAN SPRINGS, NV 89018

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ann Brauer, Chair
Tom Seaver, Vice-Chairman
Scott Bradley
Jayme Brown

BOARD MEMBER (S) ABSENT:

James Fisher-**EXCUSED**

OTHERS PRESENT:

Approximately 20 others present

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. This meeting was legally noted and posted in conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- B. Chair, Ann Brauer called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

II. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

- A. The February 11, 2010 agenda was adjusted as follows: IX. Discussion Items, Item D. was moved up in the agenda to V. Community Concerns, Item A. All items in V. Community Concerns were adjusted down one item line. The agenda was then unanimously approved.
Motion by Brown; second by Bradley. Vote 4-0. Absent 1.
- B. The January 14, 2010 minutes were unanimously approved as written.
Motion by Seaver; second by Brown. Vote 4-0. Absent 1.

III. PROCEDURES AND CONDUCT

- A. Conduct: Please turn off or mute all cell phones, pagers, and other electronic devices.
- B. Please take all private conversations outside the room.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. **Announcements: 1.** ISTAB member, James Fisher, was excused from this meeting. James notified the Chair, Ann Brauer of his absence. James was not feeling well enough to attend. **2. Clark County Comprehensive Planning-** Starting on February 16, 2010, land use applications **EXCEPT** tentative maps will have a longer hearing cycle. Instead of the normal 4-6 weeks for the applications, it would be the following hearing date after that 4-6 week process. All other timelines remain the same. **3. Nevada Department of Corrections-** There was a Grand Opening Celebration of the Three Lakes Valley Conservation Camp on Tuesday, January 26th.
- B. **Correspondence: 1.** None.

V. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- A. BSA Troop 201 scout, Ross Guaspari, presented the elements of an upcoming Eagle Scout project. This project will entail developing an emergency response plan for the community of Indian Springs. The project will be divided into three (3) parts. Part I- information (Scout Ross Guaspari), Part II- response (Scout Wesley Lawrence), and Part III- organization (Scout Austin McClary). Scouts discussed briefly their part of the plan. It was discussed that the town of Indian Springs will be divided into five (5) areas. A map of Indian Springs was shown. On this map, it showed how the town would be divided. In each of the five (5) areas, there will be a designated leader and each leader will need to be trained for an emergency. Several organizations will be implemented into the plan (Ex: Red Cross, Neighborhood Watch, LVMPD, ISVFD, Creech AFB, etc.). This project has to be written up by the scouts and submitted to obtain approval from the BSA Las Vegas Area Council. Part of the submittal requires a letter of support from the town of Indian Springs (ISTAB). Chair, Ann Brauer agreed to write and submit the required letter of support.
Motion by Bradley; second by Brown. Unanimous approval vote of 4-0. Absent 1.
- B. Creech AFB representative, Lt. Col. Tammy Trychon, was in attendance to report on the Creech AFB activities. **1.** The annual "Indian Springs Appreciation Day" is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16th. The west gate will be open for guests starting at 10:30 am. Handicap parking will be provided inside the gate, but all other parking will be outside the gate. The "Thunderbird" air show will begin at 12:00 p.m. and

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autographs of the “Thunderbirds” will be at 1:30 p.m. in the AFB auditorium. **2.** In preparation for the upcoming air show, the “Thunderbirds” will be practicing their program. Their practice schedule was presented to the ISTAB members. **3.** Lt. Col. Trychon discussed briefly the ambulance situation. Creech AFB is gathering data to justify the return of an ambulance to their base. Creech AFB is still not able to transport patients, but they do have EMTi and equipment to assist the community in an emergency.

C. LVMPD representative, Sgt. Erik Fricker, reported on community concerns. **1.** It was reported that the ‘350 Raleigh’ address situation is progressing. The Assistant D.A. is working with the LVMPD in getting this situation resolved. The process of how this will be done was discussed. **2.** It was reported at the last meeting, that there was an “armed robbery” at The Bar. The suspect was armed with a shotgun and an undisclosed amount of money was stolen. The LVMPD is asking for any information that will lead to an arrest. The suspect identity is not known at this time. The only information that is known is that the suspect is a male and could possibly live in the community. It is now reported that the robbery was an inside job, due to surveillance evidence. Any information on this crime can be given anonymously to the LVMPD through the Secret Witness program. There is a reward amount of \$2,000 being offered for information that will lead to an arrest on this crime. **3.** It was reported that there is a decrease in ‘calls for service’. **4.** Four Mt. Charleston Metropolitan Volunteer Program (MVP) members were present at this meeting. Adrienne (?) is the lead volunteer and she explained what they do as MVP members. Sgt. Fricker then proceeded to explain the process for a local MVP in Indian Springs. Interested individuals are required to be at least eighteen (18) years old, go through a background check, which could take up to three (3) months to complete, and go through extensive training. The MVP is allowed to use the extra LVMPD black and white vehicle, but MVP members are required to complete training, using the LVMPD vehicle, at the driving course. There is a need for at least five (5) volunteers to justify the MVP in Indian Springs. Officer Al Gibson will be the Indian Springs MVP coordinator for the LVMPD. **Question:** What kind of personal security does a MVP member have? **Reply:** A MVP is unarmed, but they have radio/phone contact with LVMPD. **Question:** If a MVP witnesses a crime, can a MVP make a citizen arrest? **Reply:** For personal safety, it is recommended that the police be contacted ASAP and that the MVP will be very useful as a good witness. **Question:** How does the LVMPD recruit for the MVP? **Reply:** By word of mouth and pass along. More information is to follow at the next ISTAB meeting.

D. ISVFD representative, Assist. Fire Chief Matt Pinkerton reported on community concerns, activities, and upcoming events. **1.** It was announced that all of the ISVFD members have been recertified. **2.** At the last ISTAB, there was a discussion on landing sites for “flight for life” helicopters. Pinkerton reported that Mercy Air could land down on Highway 95, if the situation was critical enough. The highway would be shut down in these kind of circumstances, but they generally go to Point ‘B’ to land. Alternative options of landing sites were discussed, but Mercy Air will land where they want to anyway, with the least amount of obstacles as possible. **3.** To certify more EMT’s for the ISVFD, there is required training. EMT training should have been starting up in the next few weeks, but due to conflicts of interest, the training has been delayed. ISVFD is waiting on training to begin. **Question:** What does it take an EMT to become an EMTi? **Reply:** There are three to four (3-4) months of additional training required. **4.** It was reported that the ISVFD had two (2) recent school fire drills. There was one fire drill that was scheduled and it went well, but there were some minor problems. There was another fire drill that was unscheduled and it also went well, even better than the scheduled fire drill. The ISVFD will be holding a “shelter in place” drill in the near future. It was commented on the recent occurrence of an eighteen-wheeler that turned over on highway 95. When this happened, the school was notified and within minutes the school went into “shelter in place” mode. It was not certain, at the time, if the contents of the truck were hazardous or not. Within thirty (30) minutes, the school was notified that there was no risk and classes resumed.

E. Parks and Recreation representative, Mia Guaspari, was not present to report on upcoming events. ISPTO representative, Michelle McClary, reported on Parks and Recreation, from her ISPTO notes. **1. Open Rec-Friday and Saturday nights from 5-9 p.m.** The cost is \$1.00 for admission. This is for children 8-18 years of age. **2. Movie Night-is coming back.** It will be on the last Friday of each month during Open Rec. **3. Weight Loss Support Group-meetings are held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.** **4. Skate Park Field Trip-was held on Sunday, January 17th.** Each participant seemed to have had a good time. **5. Tai Chi-classes have started up.** They are held on Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. **6. Knitting Class-has been discontinued,** due to lack of participation. **7. Spring Break Play-“Alice in Wonderland” will be held at the school theater.** **8.** For more information, on any activates, please

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call Mia at the office (879-3890).

F. ISTPO representative, Michelle McClary, reported on community concerns, activities, and upcoming events. **1. Accelerated Reading Program**-explained this program and announced that the school is now subscribing to an online service with 40,000+ available tests for books that the children can read. With each book that is read, a test is now available for that book. After a child has read a book, the child will take a test and then receive points for correct answers. The points are accumulated and then they can be used to get items in the AR store, which was explained. **2. Nevada Reading Week**-will be held on Monday – Friday, March 1st – 5th. There will be daily activities for the children to participate in. The ISTPO is sponsoring at the annual “Green Eggs and Ham” breakfast for the elementary students on Tuesday, March 2nd. There is a need for volunteers to help with this breakfast and help is needed in decorating the elementary school halls and doors for reading week. This will need to be done the week prior (February 22nd – 26th) to this event. **3. Bike-a-thon**-will be held on Saturday, March 20th. There is a need for volunteers to help with this event. All proceeds will be donated to fund/replenish the AR store inventory. Steve and Mia Guaspari are the lead volunteers for this event. **4. Field Day**-will be held on Friday, April 23rd. The theme for this year is the “Olympics”. Michelle McClary is the lead volunteer for this event. Parent/volunteer involvement will be greatly appreciated. **5. Staff and Teacher Appreciation Week**-will be held on Monday – Friday, May 3rd – 7th. Meghann Marchello is the lead volunteer for this event. Again, volunteer involvement will be greatly appreciated. **6. “Box Tops for Education”**-is a program that is set up to provide funds for the school. The children tear off official ‘box tops’, bring them to the school, and then they are sent in to exchange for money. It was commented that the community could also help by doing this too and taking them to the school, so the school can redeem them.

G. Representative, Scott Bradley, from the ART reported that Clark County Code Enforcement was in Indian Springs recently. Bradley called Code Enforcement and left a message asking them to call him back. It was suggested that when Code Enforcement visits our community that they contact a representative from ART. **Question:** Why was Code Enforcement in Indian Springs? Was it a follow up visit or what? **Reply:** Chris Munhall will find out about the recent visit and work on the County notifying the ART on any visits that they may make to Indian Springs. Code Enforcement was reported as being seen on property that Scott Bradley manages.

VI. TOWN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

A. **Ann Brauer**-reported on her attendance to the open house for the BLM Resource Management Plan Revision on Tuesday, February 2nd. She will report further on this during IX. Discussion Items A.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **Community development/infrastructure**-Jim Brauer was also in attendance to the open house for the BLM Resource Management Plan Revision. He also reported that AT&T coverage drops out of 3G in certain spots on the highway, it was suggested to switch to 2G for better coverage. He also suggested that the Boy Scouts implement, in their emergency plan, correct street spellings, update addresses, update community maps, and then forward these corrections to the police and fire department.

VIII. REPORT BY STAFF

A. Chris Munhall reported on County items. **1.** The new 2010 meeting dates cards were dispersed to the ISTAB and secretary. **2.** To get feedback from and inform the public of the current County budget crisis, the BCC is reaching out by holding a town hall meeting and then by sending out surveys, to find out what is important to the public and what can the public live without. Commissioner Brown’s **budget town hall meeting** was held on Tuesday, January 26th at 6:30 p.m. at the Mountain Crest Community Center at 4701 North Durango. The town hall meeting had approximately 120 in attendance. The Clark County budget and the challenges that the County is facing were discussed at this meeting. Comments, in reference to the importance of UMC, the LVMPD, the CCFD, labor issues, etc. were discussed. Within the last year, the County has decreased their spending by asking each County department to cut their operational expenses by 5% and then they were asked to do it again by cutting out another 5%. Now every time the County has any vacancies, they are left unfilled. There are approximately 400 positions that are unfilled, due to retirement or some other reason. Labor costs will need to decrease, either by wage concessions or by laying people off. **3. Capital projects**-the County needs to move forward with their capital projects. Due to growth in some areas, the County has not been able to keep up with parks and roads that need to be fixed and built. Some of the large projects have been cancelled, which allows the County the ability to do the small projects that might not have gotten done. Indian Springs will be looked at to receive a shade shelter for the playground equipment

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and to receive asphalt at Trucks Field. Which will include all or part of the area used for parking between the ISVFD and the park. It may also include access from the parking area to the ball field. Commissioner Brown will work on moving these projects forward. **4. Water Reclamation** met with the BCC for approvals on January 19th. They got some approvals. (1) The Water Reclamation District and Creech AFB has entered into a contract to be a participant in the new wastewater treatment facility. (2) To award the bid for the new treatment facility. (3) An administrative order that came from the Nevada Department Division of Environmental Protection involving the existing facilities to increase the capacity until the new facility is built. Water Reclamation will be coming to the next meeting to answer questions/receive comments. **5. Refurbishment of the "Thunderbird" aircraft-** Chris Munhall reported that the funding has been received and has gone out to bid. Refurbishments should begin mid May and the completion should be done by mid June. It was suggested that the rededication of the aircraft be held on the 4th of July. **6. Graffiti** on Highway 95 speed limit signs and culverts was previously reported to the County by Chris Munhall. The graffiti is still present. Chris will remind the County again of this graffiti. **7. Dying trees** on Highway 95 was commented on. Jayme Brown as been in contact with NDOT in reference to the condition of the trees. **8. Blinding lights** on Creech AFB at the east gate was reported. What can be done to remedy this problem for travelers going north bound on Highway 95? It was reported that the lights are setup and taken down daily. Adjustments need to be made every time that this is done. **9.** It was reported that there is a significant pothole on Boulder and Sky. The cut road on Boulder has not been filled in with asphalt either. The cut on Sky and Raleigh has yet to be resolved/corrected. **9.** It was reported that Commissioner Brown met with Public Works to request a visit to Indian Springs to check the road conditions and work on the repairs needed. **10.** It was also reported that the private property damages made by the MacFarland Estates development has yet to be resolved. Could Public Works look at that too? In reply, it was reported that since the property is not a public right a way, there it nothing the County could do. They lost their leverage over the developer, when the property was auctioned off. **11.** What of the long-standing request for the pedestrian trail on MacFarland to include Boulder Lane?

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. There was a discussion to submit scoping comments from the ISTAB to the BLM revision of the Las Vegas Resource Management Plan at the meeting. Chair Ann Brauer, reported more on her attendance at the BLM open house on February 2nd. There was a fifteen (15) minute presentation at the meeting. It was suggested that a letter, from the ISTAB, be sent to the BLM to remind them of the needs and concerns of Indian Springs. It was also suggested that public comments forms be submitted by mail or use e-mail or submit comments online by using the SNBLM website (Resource Management Plan Revision link). **The deadline to submit comments is 02/28/10.** The comments should include the need to move the utility corridor behind Grandpa Mountain. Any questions should be directed to Carrie Ronning of the Southern Nevada BLM. Carrie is planning a future visit to Indian Springs to explain the process and keep us up to date. BLM is also looking at changes to the disposal areas. There are disposal areas in Indian Springs. If the BLM does decide to release those disposal areas now, it could affect the property values in Indian Springs. It was suggested that Indian Springs does not want these changes in the Indian Springs area. Any other issues that the public is interested in, this is the time to submit those comments too. There was a motion given to have Ann Brauer send a letter to the BLM to submit a scoping comment to move the utility corridor behind Grandpa Mountain, so that it does not go through private property in Indian Springs.

Motion by Bradley; second by Brown. Unanimous vote 4-0. Absent 1.

B. The scheduled date, of April 10th, for the upcoming Spring Community Clean-up was discussed and confirmed. The "Community Pride" funds have been suspended. There will not be any funds for this clean up. Kevin McClary will lead up this event and try to find donations for a BBQ and for T-shirts. If T-shirts are obtained, artwork will be requested for the shirts. The ISFVD will do the cooking for the BBQ.

C. Kevin McClary presented information on the "12 Step" program, which has been adapted from Alcoholics Anonymous. This adaptation includes all types of addictions. This is an accredited program that is sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Anyone is invited to participate in these meetings. Meetings will begin Thursday, February 4th at 7:00 p.m. at the LDS church building and they will continue every Thursday evening thereafter. Individuals are court mandated to attend an accredited rehabilitation program. These meetings can satisfy the court mandate in our community. **Question:** Is this meeting location is on the court approved list to refer individuals to? **Reply:** Kevin is not certain of that, he will find out. Confidentiality is stressed and first name only is required.

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D. Discuss and take appropriate action on the ISTAB supporting the local BSA Troop 201, in behalf of the community, for their upcoming Eagle Scout projects. These projects entail developing an emergency response plan for the community of Indian Springs. The scouts involved in the projects will do the presentation. The scouts are Wesley Lawrence, Austin, McClary, and Ross Guaspari. Troop 201 will be requesting a letter of support from the ISTAB. **Moved up to Community Concerns V. A. on this agenda.**

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. None.

XI. NEXT PRIMARY MEETING

A. The next primary meeting will be held on Thursday, March 11, 2010. It will be held at 7:30 p.m., at the Civic Center.

B. Agenda items, for the next primary meeting, are due to Michelle McClary by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 2nd. She can be reached at the TAB office 879-3004 or at her home 879-3526.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at approximately 9:35 p.m.

Motion by Brown; second by Seaver. Vote 4-0. Absent 1.

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