



Moapa Valley Town Advisory Board

"We are dedicated to maintaining a rural lifestyle and rural quality of life in our valley."



WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11, 2012 AT 7 P.M.
MOAPA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, OVERTON

MVTAB members: Chair- Judy Metz, Vice-Chair Dustin Nelson, Michael Otero, Ann Markle, Gene Houston
MVTAB members absent: None
Secretary: Northeast Office Staff
Town Liaison: Janice Ridondo, District B
Attendance:
Posting Locations: Moapa Valley Community Center; Overton Post Office; Logandale Post Office; Logandale Chevron

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Please silence all electronic devices; and take all private conversations outside the room.
- B. Conformance with Nevada Open Meeting Law- **CONFIRMED**
- C. Invocation and pledge. **Dustin Nelson**
- D. Introduction of Clark County staff and guests. **Carrie Ronnig, BLM; Jill Williams, Moapa Valley Chamber of Commerce; Joe Yatson, Clark County Public Works; Bob Ross, BLM; Shawna Dooman, BLM, Gayle Marrs-Smith, BLM, Chuck James, CC RPM, Bret Empey, LVMPD.**

II. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

- A. Adoption of Agenda. **MOTION MADE TO ACCEPT AGENDA. APPROVED, UNANIMOUS**
- B. Approval of draft minutes for December 28, 2011. **MOTION MADE TO APPROVE MINUTES AS WRITTEN, APPROVED, UNANIMOUS.**
- C. Correspondence. **NONE**

III. REPORTS

- A. Town Advisory Board committee reports. **Judy Metz** reported on the Fire Protection District – they went over their five year capital outlay list and rearranged it. They got a report from the three chiefs – they have a better understanding of the Clark County purchasing process. The good news is that Russ Cameron was made Deputy Chief of the Rurals. He lives out here and is a bonus for us. There is an EMT on line class on 2/26/2012. The new District by-laws will be voted on at the next meeting.
- B. Other Standing Reports:
 - 1. **Administrative Services: Janice** reported that the Mesquite Clerk's office is closing. The additional money for the Muddy Valley West Levee is for design. There is a request to get some information on the standing committees, so please put it on the next agenda.
 - 2. **Parks & Recreation Services. John Stastny** - Program report: currently have youth gym, cheerleading with kindergarten through elementary, basketball with 22 elementary teams and 30 children in middle school teams, plus we still have the active learning still on-going.
 - 3. **Partners In Conservation. Elise McAllister** - PIC partnered with PLCC in December to clean up in Whitney Pockets. We are trying to get a road monitoring program going, but there is no money available so we are encouraging people to do this on their own.
 - 4. **ATV/OHV Use Committee. Elise McAllister** – Keeping in touch with NDOT, but there is no new information.

IV. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Update on Moapa Valley Trails, Phase 1, Joe Yatson (Presentation) – Joe Yatson gave a short background of the project and how it developed with the Strategic Plans Committee. They are currently advertising for bid with an expected February 21 award date. The end of construction is scheduled for March, but may want to push to after the fair. There is a two month construction scheduled. **Jill Williams** asked if the multi-use trail is ATV. The answer is No. **Mike Otero** asked if Lyman is closed down, how do the fire trucks go in and out? The answer is they are only closing south of Frehner. **Ralph Starita** asked if you are closing from Frehner to Neal, how will the residents get out. What about flooding in this area? The answer is local residents will be provided access, and they are working on the detention basin for the flooding issue. **Pat Hanley** asked why wouldn't you wait until after the detention basin is built? The answer is that the money must be spent before the expiration. **Winette Bodily** asked what is the trail? The answer is for joggers, etc. **Matt Hodkowski** said this has been in the works since 2001, you said 2009. I'm confused about the issues you are bringing up. What is the cost now? The answer is \$1 million, down from the original \$3.2 million. **Matt** asked when are the next phases going to begin? **Janice Ridondo** said are any problems foreseen? Would it be better if it could be done while school is out? **Matt** said I don't understand why you don't push it back further to delay for the flooding work?

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- B.** Gold Butte Recreation Analysis – Carrie Ronning (Presentation) – **Carrie Ronning** – She is the Habitat Plan Coordinator for the BLM Las Vegas Field Office. This is the Gold Butte Recreation Project. We are going to be holding public meetings in March. The goal is to gather information about non-motorized use in the area. We are hoping to develop a range of alternatives. This is the last stage of data collection going into the planning process. We need to seek a balance in the seven areas of critical concern. We have been told that the communities want to be involved in the planning. We are talking about camping, picnicking, trails, parking and staging areas, educational signs and exhibits. We would like to collect information on: Where do you camp; where do you picnic; where do you park; do you use certain trails and are the multi-use compatible; do we need more education and of what type; are there any areas that should be improved; are there any areas that should be restored; what place names do you know. This effort will complement other efforts we have been doing. **Dustin Nelson** said there seems to be a big disconnect between managing the lands and writing reports. We need more people out there. **Carrie** said if you have commented on Gold Butte before, I have all those comments. We are going to have three public meetings in March: one in Las Vegas, one in Mesquite, and one here at the Overton Community Center. There is a 60 day comment period and that clock doesn't start until after the last open house. We expect the draft Environmental Assessment in the autumn of 2012. You can comment to blm_nv_sndg_goldbutte@blm.gov.
- C.** Moapa Valley Chamber of Commerce – Jill Williams (Presentation) – Tabled until next scheduled meeting.

V. ZONING (Possible Action)

NONE

VI. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- A.** Discussion regarding park access along Bunnell. **Chuck James from Clark County Real Property Management** said they are going to erect a fence with three walk ways. At Heyer they will wrap the fence to the existing baseball fence. We have three quotes and plan to install within the next 60 days. **Chip Longman** said he is having a tough time with the whole thing. There is as much traffic all around that areas on that road. You are creating another eye sore for the people who live there. **Janice** said the complaint is there are several people who launch off there. **Gene Houston** said the trail plan puts a fence along Frehner. **Pat Hanley** said your fence won stop this. **Janice** asked if folks are allowed to drive here on ATVs. **Bret Empey** said no, unless given specific permission. **Judy Metz** said that the bottom line is that the community was not involved. The feeling is that before anything is done, we need a meeting. **Ralph Starita** asked if Mateuse runs through the property along his fence line. **Dustin Nelson** asked the audience if they would be happy with a fence with access points. A comment was made that there have been no problems there. **John Stastny** said last week there was a girl on an ATV doing wheelies on the ball field grass. **Matt Hodkowski** suggested a special call meeting to discuss. **Janice** responded that neighborhood meetings are taken more seriously than Town Board meetings. Regardless the fence is going up. **Chuck James** said he would go back to the office and discuss this with others and with Janice. Janice will let everyone know the final outcome. Chuck will share the concerns about fair parking if they fence Frehner with the Trails planning group.
- B.** Street lights to be repaired. **NONE**

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

If you wish to speak on an item appearing on this agenda, public comments will be heard with each agenda item, prior to the action of the Board, after receiving recognition by the Board Chair. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes; the length may be extended by majority vote of the Board. If you wish to speak to this 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.

According to Nevada's Open Meeting Law, it is the Board's discretion to take Public Comment during times other than during a Public Hearing or during the Public Comment Session. In all other instances, a citizen may speak on any matter before the Board after receiving recognition and consent of the Chairman of the Board. Public comment will be limited to three minutes. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, the Chairman of the Board will do this by majority vote. If you wish to speak on a matter not listed as a public hearing or on a matter not posted on the Agenda, you may do so during the Public Comment Session.

B. Other Community Concerns & Public Comment.

Matt Hodkowski – He does not understand if it is a law enforcement issue, or what. On the Trails report he said there are a lot of things in this report that are not clear. This is another example of people not being involved.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting is for 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 15, 2012 in the Moapa Valley Community Center with a special call date for Wednesday February 1, 2012.

The Moapa Valley Community Center is accessible to individuals with disabilities. With 24 hours advance request, a sign language interpreter may be made available (phone 702-455-3530 or TDD 702-385-7468) or Relay Nevada toll free (800) 326-6868, TT/TDD.