



# Moapa Valley Town Advisory Board

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

**MOAPA VALLEY TOWN ADVISORY BOARD  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2010 AT 7 P.M.  
MOAPA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, OVERTON**

MVTAB members present: Chair, Gene Houston, (via teleconference); Vice-Chair, Guy Doty; Judy Metz; Billy Mildice; Deborah Greco  
MVTAB members absent: none  
Secretary: Clark County Northeast Office  
Town Liaison: Matt LaCroix  
Attendance: 11

## MEETING MINUTES

### I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Conformance with Nevada Open Meeting Law. **CONFIRMED**
- B. Invocation and pledge. **GUY DOTY**
- C. Adoption of agenda. **METZ MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS POSTED. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### II. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

- A. Introduction of Clark County staff and guests. Matt LaCroix, Liaison; John Stastny, CCPR; Sgt. Bret Empey, Metro;
- B. Approval of minutes of January 13, 2010. **GRECO MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. FOUR APPROVED, METZ ABSTAINED.**
- C. Correspondence. Letter received from Moapa TAB regarding the support of the decision of the MVTAB recommendation of the Senior Center Thrift Store. A Letter received from Boy Scouts of America acknowledging the Eagle Scouts in our area. A notice was received regarding an open house meeting discussing the BLM Resource Management Plan Review on Thursday February 11 from 5-8p.m. at the Moapa Valley Community Center. Mildice received correspondence from CCPRO regarding signs in the right of way, they can be removed if found in the public right of way.

### III. PROCEDURES AND CONDUCT

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

### IV. REPORTS

- A. Town Advisory Board committee reports: None
- B. Other Standing Reports:
  1. Clark County Northeast Community Liaison- Matt attended a meeting with UPRR, they will be reviewing RR crossings in the valley for safety and will let the TAB know their findings and what will be done. The Senior Center Thrift Store item went to the PC and was denied for C-2 zoning but recommended C-1 zoning and a use permit. They will be back before the TAB on February 24 and to the BCC on March 3. BLM Resource Management Plan open house meeting is tomorrow, the reason for the agenda item tonight, is all comments are due to the BLM by February 28, and if comments have not been sent, then any attempt to amend parts of the plan will not be considered. A couple of weeks ago with the heavy rains a flood warning was sent out to the valley, which gave the Local Emergency

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Management Team (LEMAT) a chance to have a “test run;” everything went well, and thankfully were not needed to go to full response. There is talk again about Gold Butte and the NCA, Matt will keep the TAB updated. The MV Trail Study has been finalized, the Northeast Office will be asking a CC Planner to formally come to the TAB and explain why it will not be going to the BCC to be approved, but Matt understands it to be that if there are changes later it will make it faster so approvals won’t have to be made by the BCC.

2. Clark County Parks & Recreation Services- Stastny reported that youth basketball is currently going with 26 teams. Adult flag football and volleyball registration is taking place now. Also P&R is working with Little League to use the county’s facilities for their upcoming season. He also commented on the boy scouts earning their Eagle project’s in the valley. A lot of scouts have done projects at the fairgrounds and currently scouts are working on a project by the Fine Arts building. Stastny wanted to acknowledge the good work and support that has been given to the fairground area by the scouts.
3. Moapa Valley Strategic Planning Committee- None
4. Partner’s In Conservation- Elise received a newsletter from the American’s for Responsible Recreation Access in Washington D.C. regarding a giant Public Lands Bill, which would include the Gold Butte Area. This will be a horrible thing if not kept up on, there will be so many areas covered in the bill it will be hard to get anyone to vote against it. Also, she has been out to the Whitney Pockets Area for the Roads Restoration and Designation project and wanted to point out that it is going very well, a lot of trails that have been restored have not been used and vandalism has gone down 50% in the petroglyph areas, great improvement is being made and she feels this would be a very good thing to provide in regard to the Bill. She will be meeting with the BLM Ranger soon to set up a clean up date for the Overton Wash and shooting area. Judy Metz told Elise that Kelly Clark from NDOW would also like to set up a meeting in the valley to go over a way to help the tourism in the area.
5. New Development in Moapa Valley- None
6. OHV Use Committee- Larry Goettsche reported that the committee’s first meeting was held before tonight’s TAB meeting. They went over NRS 490- and what they would like to accomplish on this committee. They would like to continue to meet before the TAB meetings and would also like the public to know they could use more help on the committee.

## **V. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**A.** Presentation by Matt Stinchfield of Broadbent & Associates describing an ARRA program through the State of Nevada to locate abandoned or orphaned storage tanks. *The state of Nevada is conducting an assessment on orphaned or abandoned storage tanks; emphasis is on orphaned tanks. The project will be looking for these tanks and documenting their location, so future steps can be made. The objective of this investigation is two-fold: 1) review available resources in an effort to locate and build an inventory of orphaned and/or abandoned gasoline and/or diesel underground storage tanks (USTs) within the State of Nevada that were never properly assessed and/or closed at the time they were taken out of use; and 2) potentially address sites identified with the highest priority, depending on available funds. “Nevada has a very aggressive and effective tank release clean up program, 2450 releases from underground storage tanks have been made and 93% of leaks are complete.” Matt’s project is to identify tanks before 1988 when the state initiated a recording process. There will not be any liability made to the property owners of these tanks, and no one will be entering private property without consent of the current owner. If further information or questions are needed contact Matt Stinchfield the Moapa Valley Contact at 702-592-2397; or Kirk Stowers, South Region Manager at 702-563-0600.*

**B.** Discussion and Action to determine scoping issues to be recommended for inclusion in the revision to the Las Vegas Resource Management Plan and associated Environmental Impact Statement. Comments due to BLM by 2/28/10. *LaCroix started the discussion that Elise McAllister*

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was asked to start a letter since she is most familiar with the Resource Management Plan. McAllister read draft of letter and supporting documents which include; 1) thank you for multiple meetings held in the rural areas, 2) why is this necessary at this time, 3) request that MV's Essential Rural Conservation Components be applied, 4) request that the rural values be included, 5) that MV would like involvement during all aspects. The TAB members agree to what she has and also talked about adding Open Space & Trails Plan, Logandale Trails Master Plan, Valley of Fire Master Plan, OHV/ATV, MV Vision Plan, Road Closure review. McAllister stated the PIC will be sending comments in. TAB members asked that the letter be added to the next agenda in case any changes need to be made or addressed. **METZ MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE LETTER WITH ADDITION OF ITEM SIX AND THE CHAIRMANS SIGNATURE. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **VI. COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

- A. Street lights to be repaired. None
- B. Other community concerns. None
- C. Public comment. None

### COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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.

## **VII. ZONING**

### **NZC-1446-04 (ET-0005-10) – STEINBECK, JOHN C., ET AL:**

**ZONE CHANGE SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME** to reclassify 8.3 acres from R-U (Rural Open Land) Zone to R-E (Rural Estates Residential) Zone for a single family residential development within the Moapa Valley Overlay District. Generally located on the northeast corner of Heyer Street and Gubler Avenue within Moapa Valley (description on file). TC/gc/dr: *David Turner of Baughman & Turner Inc. represented the applicant applying for extension of time. Applicant is in the process of doing a series of parcel maps on the property and it has taken more time than originally anticipated. With the economy the way it is they had to refocus the way the site was going to be developed into phases. Doty opened the discussion to the public. Dorene Starita asked why the applicant is asking for an extension of time when the property is for sale. Ralph Starita asked about clean up on property, last time zone change it was settled in good faith the property would be cleared. TAB members questioned what necessary requirements of improvements to property are needed. TAB members also questioned what drainage requirements are being met, how drainage issue will be taken care of. Applicant representative stated applicant will be required to comply with drainage study and off-site improvements. Doty commented on private roads, he thinks public roads should be required. Metz is uncomfortable granting the extension because she's very worried about drainage issues on parcel. Houston asked why the board is addressing other issues when applicant is asking for an extension of time. Turner stated that the applicant won't be able to get map recorded or develop site without doing improvements and dealing with all issues, as of right now need extension to continue to work on issues. METZ MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE EXTENSION OF TIME FOR TWO YEARS WITH REQUIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH PREVIOUS CONDITIONS, COMPLIANCE WITH APPROVED DRAINAGE STUDY, AND REQUIREMENT OF PUBLIC STREETS. WITH RECOMMENDATION TO BE PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA ON FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> SO STAFF CAN REVIEW DRAINAGE ISSUES. MOTION PASSED. 4/1 HOUSTON OPPOSED.*

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next Town Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday February 24, 2010 in the Moapa Valley Community Center. *These minutes are in draft form only and will be formally approved at the meeting held on February 24, 2010.*

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