



Searchlight Town Advisory Board
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MINUTES

**SEARCHLIGHT TOWN ADVISORY BOARD
WEDNESDAY, June 13, 2012
6:00 P.M.
SEARCHLIGHT COMMUNITY CENTER
200 MICHAEL WENDELL WAY, SEARCHLIGHT, NV 89046**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sandra Walters, Vice-Chair
Bill Bodkin
Verlie Doing
Ellie Shook

ABSENT: Jill Canepa, Chair (Excused Absence)

OTHERS PRESENT: 16 persons signed in.

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 June 13, 2012 Agenda.** **For Possible Action**

Verlie Doing moved, **Bill Bodkin** seconded to approve as presented the June 13, 2012 Agenda of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board.
Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1 (**Jill Canepa** absent).

B. **Approval of the May 09, 2012 Minutes.** **For Possible Action**

Ellie Shook moved, **Bill Bodkin** seconded to approve as presented the May 19, 2012 Minutes of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1 (**Jill Canepa** absent).

C. **Judy Bundorf** advised after the motion for approval of May 9, 2012 minutes, that at the top of page 6 of 6 of the May 9 2012 Minutes should be corrected to read Jane Overy and not Judy Bundorf. This was noted and recommended by Sandra Walters to be placed on the next STAB meeting for approval

3. **COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

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 (3) minutes. Please step up the speaker’s podium, clearly state your name and address and *spell* you 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:** **For Possible Action**

5. **GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPORTS:**

A. **Metropolitan Police Department: James Briggs**

May 2012 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 20

Traffic Citations: 52

DUI's: 1

Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 0

Bookings: 4 Adult, 0 Juvenile

Juvenile Citations: 0

On May 1, 2012 a male was arrested at a local gas station for malicious destruction of property. There were 4 (four) other individuals involved.

On May 13, 2012 a female was arrested for battery with a deadly weapon. Juvenile Citations is possibly a misprint since there was Citations issued with the destruction of property.

There is a new Captain by the name of Charles Hank.

Lost another Sergeant and currently down by 2 Sergeants. Only one of

those positions will be filled.

Every commissioned Officer currently will be going through a mandatory Use of Force training. Policies will be different for the officers when the training is complete. In addition to the Use of Force training, there will be mandatory training with the use of Tassers or also called Electronic Control Device.

Officers Briggs had a two hour talk with the youth gang that call themselves the Jugalows and advised they are not to hang out at businesses and would like the community to contact Officer Briggs when there might be possible problems. Officer Briggs can be contacted at 466-8944 day or night.

B. Nevada Highway Patrol: Sgt. Novelt Mack reported.

May 2012 Statistics:

Accidents: 5 property damage accidents, 323 contacts with the public resulting in 258 citations issued. 2 individual were arrested and 3 warrants were served.

Traffic Citations: 258

- 1) In the month of May at the intersection of Hwy 163 and Casino Dr. one officer was struck by a driver that was under the influence of either alcohol or drugs. The Officer is currently recovering from her injuries and the driver has been charged.
- 2) Still short on manpower but still able to assist with the same level of service.
- 3) Advised the community to always carry drinkable water while traveling during the hot summer months and do not us your drinking water in the radiator if your vehicle over heats. Also advised to check tires on your vehicle before starting a trip, and make sure the spare tire is in good repair and holding air.

C. U.S. Park Service: Andrew Munoz, Public Affairs Officer – No report.

D. Las Vegas Valley Water District: Jordan Bunker

- 1) The system remains in stable condition; and 2) System improvements are still on hold awaiting grant funding.

E. Clark County Water Reclamation District: Jake Jacobson was unable to attend. Report read by **Sandra Walters**

1) In May 2012 an average of 41 thousand gallons were treated, a decrease of 1,000 gallons per day from this time last year; 2) There were no service complaints; 3) 0 Call Before You Dig service tickets.

F. Parks & Recreation: Report written byCarolynn Johnson read by Sandra Walters.

1) The Summer program for children starts June 18, 2012 and the youth center will be open Monday through Thursday from 10am till 12pm. There will be several field trips scheduled. 2) The Searchlight Community 4th of July celebration will be held on Saturday June 30th. There will be games and music and food will be sold by local organizations at the community park starting at 4pm till 7pm. The parade will begin at 6pm; the parade theme will be “Glory Days”
3) If anyone has any ideas they would like to share for community activities please contact Carolynn Johnson at Parks and Recreation.

G. Searchlight Volunteer Fire Department Station 75: John Palmer, Fire Chief - No report.

H. Justice Court: Judge Richard Hill

Monthly revenue for May 2012 was \$44,496.05. Revenue is down compared to May 2011 of last year at this time of \$85,749.00. The reason revenue is down according to Sgt Mack is because of the new bridge opening and there is less traffic and the speed limit was changed from 65 mph to 75 mph, resulting in less speeding tickets. Approximately 90% of the revenue is from traffic citations.

Court Calendar - Total activities for May 2012

Arraignments	5
Preliminary Hearings	6
Status Checks	7
Trials	5

Community Interest

Harry Reid Elementary Program / field trip to the Justice Court.

Ruth Walker – Senior Legal Office Specialist, Retired on May 31,2012 after serving 13 years with the Searchlight Justice Court.

Voter Information

Primaries to General Election_50% Rule. If there are only 2 candidates there will be no primary election.

Court Dates

All Court dates are open to the public
All Court sessions begin at 10am
June 19th-Criminal
June 20th-Traffic
July 3rd-Criminal
July 4th-Closed

6. **ZONING:**

A. None.

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

- A. **UC-0032-10 (ET-0023-12) - ROBERT A. SWIFT TRUST, ET AL:**
USE PERMITS FIRST EXTENSION OF TIME to commence the following: 1) electric generating station (solar photovoltaic facility); and 2) public utility structures (electric switching/substation) with all ancillary utility structures and overhead transmission lines.
WAIVERS OF DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS for the following: 1) eliminate the required setback from a non-industrial development; 2) eliminate landscaping and buffering requirements; 3) eliminate on-site paving; and 4) eliminate trash enclosure requirements.
DESIGN REVIEWS for the following: 1) electric generating station (solar photovoltaic facility) with all ancillary structures and uses; and 2) public utility structures (electric switching/substation) including all ancillary structures and facilities on 217.2 acres in an R-U (Rural Open Land) Zone. Generally located 4,000 feet north of State Route 164 and 2,000 feet west of US Highway 95 within Searchlight. To the Planning Commission 04/17/12. Approved subject to certain conditions 04/17/12.

8. **COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND CONCERNS:**

- A. **SEARCHLIGHT STREET ADDRESSES** **For Possible Action**
Discuss the multiple street addresses given to properties in Searchlight, and take any action deemed appropriate.

Report by Diane Kendall.

The main concern is Clark County legal addresses for Searchlight properties do not match the addresses the utility companies use for the same properties.

Deborah Murray explained why a property might have multiple addresses and why the utilities companies have a need to create addresses before an address is assigned by Clark County, thus the utility companies

have no incentive to make the changes once they identify a property with an address. When asked if a letter should be written to **Commissioner Sisolak**, Deborah Murray stated this was not a County issue but suggested several possible solutions to the problem, such as contacting the utility companies, their board or Directors. **Judy Bundorf** also suggested writing a letter to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC). **Sandra Walters's** made a motion to have a letter written to the (PUC) by **Diane Kendall**, **Bill Bodkin** seconded this motion. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 4-0-1.

9. **STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS:**

- A. **Capital Funds Committee:** **Jane B. Overy**
- B. The Searchlight Capital Funds Committee meeting was properly posted for June 5, 2012 at 6pm at the Community Center. Two members were in attendance and two members were absent. Business items were unable to be conducted.
- C. There was a question if the meetings were to be held every 3 months or every 6 months?
- D. Second was; who is the person or County agency who has permission to allocate funds the Committee and the Town Board may want to spend in the future?
- E. (Next scheduled meeting date September 4, 2012)

10. **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION REPORTS:**

- A. **Public Works/Roads: Bill Bodkin** – No report.
- B. **Senior Center: Kate Dobbie-** No Report
- C. Searchlight Wind Energy Project: **Judy Bundorf**
- Judy Bundorf**, Grandpa's Road, Searchlight, NV reported: 1) Judy Bundorf contacted the BLM by e-mail and their response to the FEIS (final Environment Impact Statement) was to assure no decision has been made by BLM for the FEIS project. The estimated time frame for the release of the FEIS is now September/ October. 2) Currently they are working on public comment review and response.3) Other remaining task include, completion of consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Tribes.
- D. **Special Events- Bill Bodkins** reported: The Searchlight Community 4th of July celebration will be held on Saturday June 30th. There will be games

and music and food will be sold by local organizations at the community park starting at 4pm till 7pm. The parade will begin at 6pm. The parade theme will be “Glory Days”.

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Jane Overy, Searchlight:

- 1) Jane Overy would like to report the Museum Guild has now completed 90% of the shade shelter.
- 2) The new fencing for the cemetery has been completed along with the posting of the private property signs. The new gate has also been installed at the cemetery which provides a wider access.
- 3) The new flag poll was installed and new flags were put up for Memorial Day services. The Memorial Day services were outstanding, the VFW did a great job.
- 4) The community clean up was successful and had a great clean up.
- 5) The two Searchlight welcome signs have been placed on the north and the south sides of town. The Museum Guild would like to install solar lighting so the new signs can be seen at night.

13. **NEXT POSSIBLE MEETING DATE:** The next possible meeting date is Wednesday, June 27, 2012, and the next regular meeting is Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at 6:00 P.M., Searchlight Community Center, 200 Michael Wendell Way, Searchlight, NV. 89046. Agenda items due no later than June 18, 2012, and June 29, 2012, respectively.

14. **ADJOURNMENT:** **For Possible Action**

Sandra Walters adjourned the meeting at 7:09 PM.

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the July 11, 2012 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the August 15, 2012 meeting.