



Searchlight Town Advisory Board
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MINUTES

SEARCHLIGHT TOWN ADVISORY BOARD
WEDNESDAY, November 9, 2011
6:00 P.M.
SEARCHLIGHT COMMUNITY CENTER
200 MICHAEL WENDELL WAY, SEARCHLIGHT, NV 89046

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Bill Bodkin**
Jill Canepa
Verlie Doing
Ellie Shook
Sandra Walters

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: 15 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 November 9, 2011 Agenda.** **For Possible Action**

Bill Bodkin moved, **Sandra Walters** seconded to approve as presented the November 9, 2011 Agenda of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board.

Upon a voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

B. Approval of the October 12, 2011 Minutes. For Possible Action

Jill Canepa moved, **Bill Bodkin** seconded to approve as presented the October 12, 2011 Minutes of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board. Upon a voice vote, motion carried 5-0.

C. Approval of the October 26, 2011 Minutes. For Possible Action

Bill Bodkin moved, **Ellie Shook** seconded to approve as presented the October 26, 2011 Minutes of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board. Upon a voice vote, motion carried as presented 5-0.

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: Lt. Brian Evans

October 2011 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 20
Traffic Citations: 35
DUI’s: 1
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 0
Bookings: 0 Adult, 0 Juvenile
Juvenile Arrests: 0
Juvenile Citations: 0

1) There was a homicide at Six Mile Cove. A couple had just purchased a metal detector and was spending the night at Six Mile Cove camping when a white male suspect, about 6’ 2” to 6’ 4”, about 220 pounds, started shooting at the couple. The suspect shot and killed the female and paralyzed the male who was wounded, unable to move through the night. The next morning the couple was discovered by other campers and the

shootings are under investigation at this time. The suspect vehicle is a 2000-2002 brown Jeep Grand Cherokee; 2) On November 4, 2011, there was a no-force entry burglary at the Senior Center, and there is an idea who the suspect may be, so Metro is following up on that; 3) Metro staffing is down by a sergeant, an officer, clerical assistants, and a service aide. The Sheriff initiated a hiring freeze about two weeks ago so the personnel budget can be evaluated. An additional officer is getting ready to leave in January, and three more sometime next year. 4) Officer James Briggs has been spending a lot of time in Searchlight so anyone who has comments about Officer Briggs should contact Lt. Evans; 5) Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets and toys are being prepared for the 25 families, with 70 children, between Searchlight and Laughlin that will be assisted. Donations gratefully accepted; and 6) Metro will be assisting with the Searchlight Grand Prix on November 12 and 13, 2011.

- B. **Nevada Highway Patrol: Trooper Yvonne Morgan** – No report.
- C. **U.S. Park Service: Andrew Munoz, Public Affairs Officer** – No report.
- D. **Las Vegas Valley Water District: Jordan Bunker**

Jordan Bunker could not attend the meeting, but communicated to the Chair via email that there were no reportable issues with the water system.

- E. **Clark County Water Reclamation District: Jake Jacobson**

Jake Jacobson, reported. 1) In October 2011, 45,000 gallons were treated, a flow decrease of 6,000 gallons per day from last year at this time. There were no sewer service complaints and no call before you dig requests for October; 2) A TV truck has been inspecting lines in Searchlight and that condition assessment will be completed this week. Once the data has been processed and a recommendation from the consultant is received, an update will be forthcoming; 3) The wastewater treatment plant is still in the design phase. The next step will be permitting.

- F. **Parks & Recreation: Debbie Pinkerton**
- H. **Searchlight Volunteer Fire Department: John Palmer**

6. **ZONING:** **For Possible Action**

- A. None.

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

A. None.

8. **COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND CONCERNS:**

9. **STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS:**

A. **Capital Funds Committee – Next scheduled meeting date December 6, 2011**

10. **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. **Searchlight Heritage Partnership – No report.**

11. **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION REPORTS:**

A. **Public Works/Roads: Bill Bodkin - No report.**

B. **Senior Center: Kate Dobbie**

Senior 50 Plus Club Election. The Senior 50/Plus Club Election was held on October 27, 2011. New officers are: President, **Al Randolph**; Vice-President, **Margaret Knoles**; Treasurer, **Jean Groves**; Secretary, **Juanita Johnson**; and Members at Large, **Bev Beaver**, **Betty Birch**, **Verlie Doing**, and **Cora Jepsen**. Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, 2011, 1:00 PM, a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner will be served for the usual donation of \$3 over 60 and \$4 under 60. Please sign up in advance. Senior Center Closure. The Senior Center will be closed on Friday, November 25, 2011. **Yard Sale.** The Senior Center had its yard sale on Saturday, October 8, 2011. It was very successful and all proceeds will benefit the Senior Center Nutrition program. Thanks to **Al Randolph** and all those involved in planning and helping with this event, and special thanks to **Verlie Doing** for the use of her lot for the event. **Pool.** The Senior Olympics Pool competition was held last week. **Tom Hamilton** won 2nd place and **Al Randolph** won 3rd place. Pool practice is Monday mornings, 9:00 AM and Friday evening, 5:30 PM. **Volunteer Drivers Needed.** Dependable volunteer drivers with a good driving record are needed for Homebound Meals. **Thrift Nook.** \$1/bag sale every Tuesday. Open during regular Senior Center hours. **Memorial Tree.** There is a memorial tree in the rear of the lobby with leaves available to have your loved one remembered with a leaf on the Memorial Tree for a minimum donation of \$5. **Searchlight Senior Center/50 Plus Club.** Open Monday thru Wednesday 8AM-1 PM, lunch served at 11:30 AM (transportation available). Open Thursday and Friday at 1 PM with dinner served at 4:30 PM (suggested donation now \$3 for those over age 60 and \$4 for those under age 60). Bingo starts at 6 PM-8 PM on

Thursday, and pool immediately follows dinner on Friday. **Homebound Meals.** Homebound Meals can be provided for anyone unable to get out to go to lunch or dinner. Please call the Senior Center at 297-1614.

The Senior Center is going through economic difficulties at this time, as are most people and organizations. Donations are happily accepted and very much needed.

For more information on events and services call the Senior 50 Plus Club at 297-1614.

C. **Museum Guild: Jane Overy** – No report.

D. **Special Events**

Mitch Canepa announced that the 14th Annual Searchlight Grand Prix (SGPRA) with motorcycles, quads and UTV's will be held November 12-13, 2011, 7:00 AM Saturday through 2:00 PM Sunday. Gate fees are \$10 for overnight camping for the weekend and \$5 for cars per day. There is a 50% payback to participants, and on-line registration is available at www.searchlightgrandprix.com. Many local children participate, are very good, and fun to watch. Food will be served. Special thanks to the Searchlight Nugget Casino. Proceeds are given back to the community through various programs.

“Project Sole” Fund Raiser sponsored by the Las Vegas Extreme Baseball, is asking for donation of your new or slightly used shoes for distribution to those in need. A drop box will be available for your shoe donation at the Grand Prix event.

E. **University of Nevada Cooperative Extension: Debbie Marcusson, Ext. Educator** – No report.

12. **COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:** This is a period for the Public to comment on items within the jurisdiction of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board, but not appearing on this agenda. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of their comments, this will be done by the Chairman, or the Board by majority vote. When speaking during a specific item or during the Public Comments sessions, please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address – please spell you name for the record – and limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes. No vote may be taken on any matter not listed on the posted agenda.

Judy Bundorf, Grandpa's Road, Searchlight, NV. 1) She spoke with **Greg Helseth** of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) today and the draft Environmental Impact Statement for Searchlight Wind Project had been scheduled to be published in the Federal Register effective either December 9 or 16, 2011. There

will be a 90-day review period of the 550-page document, which will be available to the public online, as a CD, as a Thumb Drive, or as a Hard Copy. The Public meetings will then be in late January or early February 2012. Comments will be due late February or early March 2012.

Jackie Brady reported that the Clark County Parks & Recreation Department is purchasing and replacing all of the Searchlight Skate Board Park equipment because the old equipment was unsafe. A diagram of the replacement plan was distributed to the Town Board.

Kate Dobbie thanked **Mitch and Jill Canepa**, on behalf of the church, for their 2010 donation to the Camp Fund. The Holiday Parade of Lights is scheduled for December 10, 2011 (the second Saturday of December, 2011), lineup at 4:30 PM, parade at 5:00 PM, followed by Santa and cookies at the Searchlight Community Center.

13. **NEXT POSSIBLE MEETING DATE:** The next possible meeting date is Wednesday, November 30, 2011, and the next regular meeting is Wednesday, December 14, 2011, at 6:00 P.M., Searchlight Community Center, 200 Michael Wendell Way, Searchlight, NV. 89046. Agenda items due no later than November 21, 2011, and December 5, 2011, respectively.

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

Jill Canepa adjourned the meeting at 6:30 PM.

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the December 14, 2011 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the January 11, 2011 meeting.