



# Clark County Shooting Complex Advisory Committee PUBLIC MEETING

6:30pm Tuesday June 19, 2012

Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89155

## MEETING MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ron Lurie-Vice Chair, Roy Clark, Art Dixon, Kevin Kelley, Linda Lane, Chuck Musser, Martin Olson and Tuesday James for Steve Ross

**MEMBERS ABSENT (EXCUSED):** Glenn Trowbridge-Chair, Reginald Beatty, Scott Lofgren and Brandy Ornelas

**ATTENDANCE:** 8

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jane Pike Director of Parks and Recreation, Janice Ridondo Liaison-Commissioner Collins, Steve Carmichael Complex Administrator, Iris Kikuchi Secretary, Kip Rahmig Shooting Complex Specialist and Betty-jane Kuhlendahl Office Specialist.

**NOTICE POSTED:** Clark County Government Center Lobby, Clark County Web site: <http://www.clarkcountynv.gov>, Regional Justice Center, Paradise Community Center, Desert Breeze Community Center, Winchester Community Center, Clark County Shooting Complex (Complex Office, Shotgun Center, Rifle-Pistol Center)

### **I CALL TO ORDER:**

- A. This meeting was called to order at 6:34pm by Vice-Chair-Ron Lurie
- B. Silence all cellular phones and pagers.
- C. Conformance with Nevada Open Meeting Law-**CONFIRMED**

### **II PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- A. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **III ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS**

- A. Roll call was taken. Eight (8) board members are present. A quorum was met.

### **IV ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS:**

- A. The June 19, 2012 meeting agenda was unanimously approved as written. Motion by Art Dixon, second by Roy Clark.
- B. The minutes of the May 15, 2012 meeting was unanimously approved as written. Motion by Art Dixon second by Kevin Kelley.

### **V PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- A. Bill Schwarz, User Group, Safety First Training has had to secure other locations for his training next year. He presented a calendar graph noting that Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) will be reserving 85% of the complex and classrooms on Saturdays for the 2013 calendar year. There is a need to build more ranges. The Shooting Complex has set programs such as the Legacy Program, Capital Naming Rights and Range Grading to bring in revenue. How much money has these programs brought in? Who is in charge of these programs? The tourism complex is shovel ready that could bring in revenue for the complex. On July 2, 2012, 125 User Groups are submitting reservation requests for the 2013 calendar year and there are not enough available ranges for all.
  - Steve Carmichael adds that there has been no response on the Legacy Program from any heavy hitters such as Beretta, Winchester, Krieghoff, or Perazzi. We need the world championship or nationals to be held at the complex to justify the current naming rights fees. The fees don't balance with the events we are capable of handling at the current time.
  - Ron Lurie comments that it should be a good thing that we are in demand. We need to convince the county that we need to expand to make the complex self-sufficient.



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- Bill adds that if we build an Archery building with a classroom, that room can be rented. We need that building.

## VI STAFF REPORTS:

- A. Gravel Update – Jerry Stueve from Real Property Management (RPM) introduced the proposals for the complex: We could receive a minimum of \$42,000 annually; (.98/cubic yard gravel, and .20 for other dirt materials. The company has the ability to produce 500,000 cubic yards annually if the demand is there for it. RPM met with the contractor and wants to discuss and negotiate terms.
- Ron Lurie questions how long it would take before contract is confirmed? Jerry answers two years.
  - Chuck Musser questions where is the original contract that was previously approved by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC)? Jerry answers that he was not available during that time.
  - Ron insists that we keep the gravel update on the agenda for monthly updates.
  - Steve comments to move forward. Jerry/RPM are still negotiating and the attorneys are viewing the contract.
- B. Steve Carmichael, Complex Manager presented the Shooting Complex Briefing:
- Last month in the minutes, you asked about the employee courier service delivering flyers to businesses. The handout states when, where, and the date when flyers were delivered. No questions asked by the committee.
  - Public Information Specialist – the committee should have received an email with an attachment of 4-5 pages of the duties and tasks for this position and list of accomplishments for the last two years. No questions asked by the committee.
  - Safety Videos – Videos have been completed for Rifle-Pistol and Shotgun Centers. For eight weeks, meetings were held with our Range Safety Officers and Supervisors, with discussion and input regarding the new videos. The county filmed new footage two weeks ago and will be updating the complex name and logo. Customers have asked for closed captioning which will be included in the new videos. Should be ready in the next few weeks.
  - Shooting Complex Organizational Chart – Steve presented a handout of the organizational chart for the complex starting with Ed Finger, the Assistant County Manager and down through the ranks of each employee level, including volunteer hosts.
    - a Ron Lurie asked if there are any vacancies that the complex needs. Are we operating with sufficient amount of employees?
    - b Steve responds that it does not show vacant, only current positions. We handle issues on a daily basis. Right now we have Volunteer Hosts away for the summer and in October we will have a full house. Our structure is pretty well organized for now, and for the next fiscal year 2013 we budgeted for additional part-time staff adding more services to the complex. Beginning July on Wednesday and Thursday nights, all ranges will open until 10pm through the summer months of July, August and September. The new hire, Kip Rahmig Shooting Complex Specialist will make a shift change in schedule so there is a full-time staff present during the evening hours and at closing. We are following our customer's demand. In October, we will fall back to only Wednesday nights at the Shotgun/Archery center opening from 7am-10pm for leagues and public shooting.
    - c Martin Olson, NDOW notes that it is not easy or convenient to hold classes on Mon/Tue evenings because the gate is locked at nights and parents cannot get in to drop off or pick up their children. If the

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complex is open on Wed/Thu until 10pm and the gate is open, we may schedule classes during these times.

- d Steve adds that we would need a kiosk at the front entrance where there is a turn around area and volunteer Hosts can give out information and control traffic. Chuck adds that there is already power and plumbing for a kiosk. Ron asks Jerry (RPM) what it would take to build a shed at the entrance. Jerry responds that we would need an estimate of costs.
- Budget – Steve hands out the complex budget report through May 31, 2012 with comparisons of Fiscal Year 2011 and 2012, containing details of expense and revenue at \$1,340,000 showing 83-84% recovery rate which indicates things are getting better and as Bill suggests, we need more facilities.
  - a Chuck questions, are there are any parks in the department that have a recovery rate of 82% or more? Jane Pike, Director of Parks and Recreation responds, no absolutely not, there are no parks designed to make a 100% recovery rate and we are always in support of the complex and they are doing an amazing job.
  - b Ron notes that the complex needs to be self-sustaining and it is important to send a message to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC).
  - c Art Dixon comments that the sporting clays are being built before tactical ranges. Steve responds that the sporting clays will put us into the black. Ron agrees it will generate additional revenue.
  - d Chuck asked about the Archery classroom. It was already designed and contractors should be using it. Steve replies that the building would not be popular due to a block wall facing the range with no windows. Art comments that this archery building was to be a footprint of all buildings. Kevin Kelley inquired about the 20yd indoor archery range. Steve replied that it would cost us \$1 million and we only have half a million to work with. Chuck also remembers adding an indoor air rifle complex. Kevin questions do we use the money to build Sporting Clays or build a building to call it the Archery Center, only for an additional classroom. Steve notes that we can submit a project under \$500,000 to Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA) for a small building at the Archery range to service our customers with public restrooms, a lobby and classroom for training. Jane suggests getting project information together and adding to agenda next month as an action item. Ron agrees and suggests bringing back to agenda next month.

## VII COMMITTEE MEMBER'S DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. None to report.

## VIII ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Review SNPLMA Round 14 project proposal(s) and make recommendation to forward to the BCC for their consideration (for possible action)
  - Jane asks committee to move item out of order, third bullet on agenda. Round 14 project proposals need to go to the first BCC meeting in August. There is \$500,000 or less of funding available. Steve will work with RPM to reduce the cost of the building. Currently, the cost of the building shown is \$620,000 for 1,377 square ft. If we can trim it down to be eligible, we will submit for approval.
  - Chuck noted that we should ask architect that previously designed the building as they have an obligation to finish out the work. Jerry adds that if they designed it to our specs than they have fulfilled their contract.
  - Ron notes that we are out of the pricing range. Steve notes that the pad is there at the complex and there is no building. Kevin says the classroom will be good for the Archery range. Steve continues that currently there are Archery leagues every Wednesday evening with 60+ shooters. We have to provide a place for customers to wash their hands and we currently have portable toilets for the public. We could possibly build an air-

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rifle/archery indoor range in a different location in the future. With the SNPLMA money for Phase I, we need to get something with the funding currently available.

- Suggestions from committee members, shall we build tactical ranges first, possibly the 1200-yd range?
- Martin Olson suggests using the money for short tactical ranges between the public rifle-pistol center and education building. There already is parking and classrooms available, and we need more ranges to rent at the education center.
- Chuck suggests we get revenue from the range-grading project. Jerry responds that will take us 10 years and only getting \$.98 cubic yd or a minimum of \$42,000 annually.
- Bill comments that the tourism range is already designed. Phase III is to build out 39 acres and we have the range specifications. We can propose and get approval by the BCC. With a 2% grading minimum of 50ft wide with minimal standards, we would get in trouble if we didn't follow the specifications and master plan design. Jerry adds that the 500-yd range will be out if we start the range-grading project.
- Martin adds that we are short on ranges and the tourism range would be a great project to extend to 100yd. We (NDOW) rent the 100-yd range at the Education Center when renting classrooms to alleviate the noise from shooters on that range when teaching a class. Bill asked Martin, you don't use the range and also don't allow the Shooting Complex to make any revenue? Martin comments this is not a public range and that Bill is looking at it wrong. Bill adds it is a User Group range, not NDOW's range. As a business owner, I am looking at this economically. Martin adds that he differs on Bill's comment. Bill asks that we go back to the original NDOW agreement where it states that if the agreement doesn't work; either group can cancel agreement with a 90-day notice. If I were this committee, I would consider the revenue from people that use the facilities and start with the User Group list. Martin adds that the original building's sole purposes was as an NDOW range, and not open to the public. It is an NDOW building and NDOW ranges. The Shooting Complex deviated from that original plan and created a Memorandum of Understanding and developed an Inter-local Agreement between NDOW and Clark County. NDOW is allowed to use the building and ranges no more than 50% (182 days) of the time free of charge. At this point we are at 22%. Bill responds how can we be, when you have 85% of Saturdays reserved for 2013? Why would we allow groups to pay nothing and lock up 85% of Saturdays? Martin responds that there are 365 days per year to reserve dates on the range and classrooms. He questions, how long would it take User Groups to pay the county \$400,000 for a facility when we already paid it? Art Dixon adds that the money is from grant money, fees from hunting licenses. Martin agrees that licensing is mandated by the State. He also adds that when your grandchildren are taking hunter education classes in the future and during the class there is a User Group shooting 30-round clips and the student fails class because he/she cannot concentrate from all the shooting outside, then it becomes a problem and that's where it all starts. Bill adds that the Shooting Complex cannot maintain financial responsibility when they allow a group to reserve the facility that does not pay, and other groups are not able to use facility is irresponsible. Comment from the committee was that NDOW paid their money up front.
- Ron suggests voting on a project to submit for \$500,000. Chuck says we could get old school portables to use at the Archery range and get for nothing, to cut costs.
- Steve adds- "What is our priority? The public or User Groups?" Archery is hot and we need to provide a proper place for women and children to wash hands and a bathroom facility.
- Roy Clark works in the designing business and a 6500 square ft steel building would estimate for \$125 sq. ft for metal on a concrete slab for a 60 x 100 insulated building rectangle shaped like the reclamation building.

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- Ron Lurie motions and recommends proposing the Archery building project for \$500,000. Vote was unanimously approved. Motion by Chuck Musser and second by Art Dixon. All in favor with the exception of Martin Olson voting no. Motion by Chuck Musser for project #2, kiosk building at the front entrance of the complex like an information booth at welcome centers. Second by Art Dixon. Vote was unanimously approved. Janice Ridondo would like some help from the committee with the description for submitting kiosk project.
- B. Review proposal clay target fee increase and make recommendation to forward to the BCC for their consideration (for possible action)
  - Steve presented handout with clay target fees, announcing that in the next 12 months due to transportation and petroleum fuel prices going up, the complex is asking for approval by the committee to raise fees to take effect by September 2012. We currently have 3 months of inventory and recommend that we charge fees at \$3 case for User Group's and up to \$.02 per clay bird for retail customers. Vote was unanimously approved. Motion by Kevin Kelley and second by Roy Clark.
- C. Review proposed User Group- storage fees and make recommendation to forward to the BCC for their consideration (for possible action)
  - Steve recommends storage fees for User Group's that have been requesting a place to store their equipment. The annual rate would be \$500 and have priority spaces, monthly rate of \$75 and weekly rate of \$25. Ron likes that this will bring in additional revenue. Vote was unanimously approved. Motion by Ron Lurie and second by Kevin Kelley.

## IX CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. None to report.

## X PUBLIC COMMENT:

- A. Chuck notes that the U.S. shooters have a \$1 million tactical range. We should petition air rifle manufacturers to support ROTC and collegiate shooters. Archery is a fast moving sport and cheap compared to black powder. Get manufacturer to build ranges.
- B. Ron noted that money is hard to come by and not in favor by businesses in town. We need to work on it after election, and there should be more money available.

## XI NEXT MEETING DATE

- A. Steve announced that next month the BLM executives that control the SNPLMA funding will be meeting at the Education Center on July 17-19, 2012. On Tuesday, from 5:15-6pm, he will be giving them a tour of the complex. Steve requests to move July meeting to the Shooting Complex with the possibility of some of our Advisory Committee members meeting the BLM executives. The Advisory Committee can come to the complex tentatively at 6pm (or earlier) to introduce committee to BLM. Committee was in favor of moving next month's meeting to the Shooting Complex.
- B. Ron asked when the 500-yd range would be open for shooting. Steve responds August 1, 2012.
- C. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday July 17, 2011 at 6:30pm at the Shooting Complex in the Rifle-Pistol Training Room.

## XII ADJOURNMENT

- A. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

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