

Laughlin Town Advisory Board

September 9, 2025

MINUTES

Board Members: Pamela Walker– Chairperson – excused absence Fred Doten

Kathy Ochs- Vice Chair Kathleen Hoss – excused absence

Bradley Beck

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- I. Call to Order by Vice Chair Ochs, Pledge of Allegiance by Fred Doten, and Roll Call, Pamela Walker and Kathleen Hoss absent.
- II. Public Comment: None
- III. Approval of Minutes for August 12, 2025. (For possible action)

Moved by: Fred Doten Action: Approved as written

Vote: 3-0

IV. Approval of the agenda for September 9, 2025, and hold, combine or delete any items (For possible action)

Moved by: Fred Doten Action: Approved

Vote: 3-0

V. Informational Items:

1. Receive a report from the South County Liaison Mark Moskowitz on current events and any updates from Clark County. (For discussion only)

Mark Moskowitz along with Metro Lt. Rogers, Sgt. Cox and Renee Yepez recognized Sue Bishop with Silver Rider for all her hard work and dedication over the years. She facilitated the haunted bus at Halloween, helped with transportation with events such as Shop with a Cop, National Night out, Headed the Toy Drives to benefit the children of Laughlin and Searchlight. This is just to name a few. She will be retiring and leaving the area soon. Everyone wished her well and thanked her for her dedication to the community.

2. Receive a report from Lt. Rogers with Metro Police regarding activity and statistics during the past month and other area crime concerns. (For discussion only)

August 2025 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 316 Traffic Citations: 101

DUIs: 4

Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 4

Bookings: 24 Juvenile Citations: 0

Laughlin High/ Middle School: 2

Bennett Elementary: 1

- Lt. Rogers provided information for Coffee with a Cop. The Blood Drive being held September 17th, National Night out, to be held October 8th at Spirit Mountain Park. The Toy Drive will be starting and anyone wanting to donate a new unwrapped toy please contact Metro.
- 3. Receive a report from Sgt. Tim Waller with Nevada Highway Patrol regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns. (For discussion only)

Trooper Pacifico provided the September report.

Traffic Stops: 292 Citations: 208 Auto Accidents: 2

Arrest: 0

4. Receive a report from Clark County Fire Department regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues. (For discussion only)

Statistics August 2025: Total responses: 189

The boat has been repaired and back in service.

5. Receive a report from Jimmy Linares with the Bureau of land management to discuss upcoming events at the Avi Kwa Ame National Monument. (For discussion only)

Eamon Brennan provided the information.

National Public Lands Day Event, to be held September 20th at Searchlight and Avi Kwa Ame National Monument. The public is invited to enjoy night sky viewing activities. Telescopes and educational information will be provided by the Las Vegas Astronomical Society.

Junior Ranger Day will be held at Walking Box Ranch, October 25th.

York Fire rehabilitation activities will start in the fall, installing signs and barriers to protect resources and public safety.

Castle Mine Ventures upcoming scoping meetings. Opportunity for public comments.

6. Receive a report from Jason Bailey with Big Bend Water District regarding the status of the water system. (For discussion only)

Diversions: August 2025: 280 - acre feet. 2025 Total diversions: 2079 - acre-feet

Water System Update:

Staff performed maintenance on the ozone injection pumps to increase reliability.

Water Resources Development Act (WRDA): Authorization for \$29 million for BBWD improvements passed the House and Senate in late 2024. Staff continues to work with U.S. Army Corp Engineers on 219 Environmental Infrastructure program. A letter was submitted with intent to facilitate the design phase of one 2MG storage tank.

7. Receive a report from Will Smith with Clark County Water Reclamation District regarding the status of the wastewater system. (For discussion only)

The Laughlin Water Reclamation Facility treated an average of 1.71 MGD, producing clean water returned to the Colorado River.

Sewer Service Complaints: None

Odor Complaints: None

Call Before You Dig: 1 C.B.Y.D. Laughlin Tickets received for August 2025

8. Receive a report from Kelly Lehr, Southern Clark County Coordinator with UNR Extension regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Upcoming classes and events:

Zoo animals Robotics

Outdoor NV

Shooting sports, that includes archery, and air pistols and rifles.

Master Gardner classes

Save the Beat / CPR class and instructions.

Flyers in the back.

For information regarding classes and programs contact:

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9. Receive a report from Carrie Larson with Laughlin Chamber of Commerce regarding current and upcoming business activities in Laughlin. (For discussion only)

Laughlin Chamber Events:

Donald J. Laughlin Memorial Bridge Dedication – to be held October 3rd at 11:00 am.

Lunch Mob – First Fridays to flash mob the local eateries.

Roadhouse Round-up – Searchlight to Gnat's Landing. Silver Rider provides transportation.

National Night Out: October 8th at 5:00 pm

Community Achievement awards: November 1st at 5:00 pm

Services:

Notary service, by appointment only. Fishing and small game license are available. The license is good for one year. Visitor's Center Host **Business Center Services**

Laughlin Chamber of Commerce (702) 298-2214 www.laughlinchamber.com

10. Receive a report from Jackie Wallin with the Laughlin Tourism Commission regarding current and upcoming events and activities. (For discussion only)

Fall Concerts:

Miranda Lambert – September 27th Jason Aldean – November 8th

W.O.N. Fishing Tournament – 43rd U.S. Open on Lake Mohave October 5-8. Open to the public.

- VI. Planning & Zoning: None
- General Business: VII.

1. Review and finalize the FY 26 budget request(s). (For possible action)

After a brief conversation, it was decided to hold this item, so the secretary would be able to get the TAB members' final priorities list to be approved and voted on at the October meeting.

2. Receive a presentation from the Big Bend Water District regarding the proposed water rate increase and make a recommendation to; (a) fund essential system improvements over a five-year period or (b) fund essential system improvements and a new storage tank over a nine-year period. (For possible action)

A PowerPoint prevention was provided explaining funding of critical operations and maintenance, delivering safe and reliable water to the public.

Two funding options were presented, one with a baseline increase, and the other including the new water storage tank.

After a long discussion and public input regarding rate increases and other options for a water storage tank, the TAB members voted on the Baseline increase with an option of researching other options for the water storage tank. Upon a voice vote, motion approved 3-0. This item will be heard by the Big Bend Water District Board of Trustees for final action later this year and if approved the rate increase would become effective January 1, 2026.

Brad Beck requested to agendize the option from last year to possibly use the Fort Mohave Development Funds for building the water storage tank.

VIII. Public Comment:

Renee Yepez inquired about an update regarding the Boys & Girls club.

Bob Bilbray recognized students who had good attendance with tickets and transportation to the Sphere to see the Wizard of OZ in Las Vegas. He purchased 100 tickets.

Jill Ramelot provided information for the upcoming Duck Pluck. Ducks can be purchased online www.riverfundinc.com the event will be held Saturday, November 15th.

IX. Next Meeting Date: October 14, 2025

X. Adjournment: 4:35 pm

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the October 14, 2025, meeting.

Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the November 12, 2025, meeting.

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