

Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board

July 31, 2025

MINUTES

Board/Council Members: Dan Chaney, Chair Randy Soltero, Vice Chair Brenda Talley

Ernie Freggiaro Sean Reeh

Secretary: Tracy Chaney, tracymctabsec@gmail.com

Clark County Department of Administrative Services,

500 S. Grand Central Parkway, 6th Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155

County Liaison(s): Michelle Baert, 702.455.5882, Michelle.Baert@clarkcountynv.gov

Clark County Department of Administrative Services,

500 S. Grand Central Parkway, 6th Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:05 p.m.

Roll call taken

Dan Chaney- Present Randy Soltero - Present Brenda Talley - Present Sean Reeh - Not Present Ernie Freggiaro - Not Present

II. Public Comment

None

III. Approval of March 27, 2025 meeting minutes

Motion to approve by: Brenda Talley

Action: Approved Vote: 3/0 – Unanimous

Approval of July 31, 2025 Agenda

Motion to approve with adjustments by: Brenda Talley

Action: Approved Vote: 3/0 - Unanimous

IV. Planning & Zoning

None

V. Informational Items

1. Receive a report from Clark County Administrative Services regarding communications with any updates from Clark County (for discussion only)

Michelle Baert shared the district new letter and went over upcoming events. Resident reported that a

loose dog is running around Rainbow subdivision and asked if there can be signs put up about dogs on leashes. The resident will send Michelle the information with pictures directly.

- 2. Receive a report from CCDS regarding activity member activities and events (for discussion only) Brandon McLaughlin from CCSD Construction Development gave a report on the final stages of the Lundy ES remodel. Students are due to start school on Aug 11 and the ribbon cutting celebration will be on Aug 13th. Brenda asked what the inside upgrades were. Brandon listed new flooring, paint, low voltage CCTV, intercom, fire safety and phone system among other items done. Michelle Muenteisen is the master teacher and announced 2 job openings that are listed online.
- 3. Receive a report from Metro regarding activity and statistics during the past reporting period and other area crime concerns (for discussion only)
 - Sgt. Kevin Zafiris on vacation. Sgt Matt Marlow of SAR said to be careful and make sure to bring food and water on these hotter days while hiking.
- 4. Receive a report from Mt. Charleston Fire Protection District & Volunteer Fire Department regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues (for discussion only)

Chief Jason Douglas on vacation, but Chief Dave Martin VFD reported: 41 calls for service, 7 were traffic assists and 9 were fire or assists, 22 were medical calls. 3 of the firemen from the mountain were assisting at the Utah fire and 3 firemen assisted on the Arizona fire. This will help with their ongoing certifications. Mt Charleston Fire Department signs were added to the posting boards at the communities. They also did some clean up around the boards.

Dave Martin VFD asking for volunteers. If you are interested in an auxiliary member or full EMT/fireman, the meeting is the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Volunteer Fire Station.

- 5. Receive a report from LVVWD regarding the status of the water system (for discussion only)

 Jason Bailey and Aaron Gamble attended. The wells are at the concerned levels. We received 1" of precipitation in June. 77% of a 15-year average. Jason gave an update on the pipeline grant. The grant should be approved in the House in October, then will be sent to the Senate. For extra support we can contact Senator Cortez Masto and Senator Rosen regarding the Community Grant for KCWD. Sean Collier, the LVVWD Hydrologist, attended and explained how cloud seeding works. This adds approx. 10% to an existing storm to create more snow pack (presentation material attached). This is a state funded program. Resident Mona asked how it impacted the environment. Sean stated the silver iodine is solid and will not evaporate in the air, but very small droplets of silver as to not harm any animals or humans.
- 6. Receive a report from Metro Volunteers regarding activity member activities and events (for discussion only)

Donna Thompson reported using the monies received in the past from a grant was used to purchase a connex container to hold the equipment used by the Metro Volunteers. They are also looking for more volunteers and will provide training. They use about 8 hrs. per month.

- 7. Receive a report from Nevada State Police regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns (for discussion only)

 Not Present
- 8. Receive a report from NV Energy with updates and other service-related concerns (for discussion only)

Scott Hoffman reported an unplanned outage on May 17th due to weather conditions. PSOM event on June 21st. They attempted to hook up the micro grid but had some issues with one of the generators. After the fix, they reattempted the connection with success. Another outage on July 17th due to lightning. The micro grid was used on this one. Questions were asked about how they determine the use of the micro grid. Scott explained safety and timing are factors. Dan, Sr Project Manager for NVE spoke on the work

being done. They are currently working on clearing debris and pole replacement. New amendments were filed for the permanent micro grid. They are looking at completion in 2027. The benefit of this will resolve 90% of the PSOM events. Resident Mona asked if a re-seeding of trees can take place due to all the trees that are being cut down due to power lines.

9. Receive a report from United State Forest Service regarding current issues and activities in the forest and other forest-related concerns (for discussion only)

Jeremy Dorsey, USFS manager, spoke on current events. The national Christmas tree is coming out of Nevada and they are in the process of choosing one either from the Carson City area or Mt Charleston area. MaryJane Falls is in the early stages for reconstruction. Looking to open 2027. The eastside fuels reduction project will be 6000 acres reducing fuels in Kyle Canyon, Deer Springs and Lee Canyon. Wood opportunity is coming on a 1st come 1 serve bases. It is a small amount this year and will be announced early this fall. National Public Lands Day is Sept 27th. There will be opportunities to volunteer for clean up in Lovel Canyon. On July 5th, there was a fire on Trail Canyon and burned about 30 acres. The wild horses were gathered and brought to a USFS facility in Enterprise UT for evaluation and veterinary services. They are adopted. Residents asked about the adoption process and if the sanctuary was going to come and speak. At this time, that is not planned. USFS has provided a list of trails they plan to prioritize for clean up. Resident asked about blue dye on trails and if it is toxic. JD is unaware of the blue dye, but there has been some work on the noxious weed program and the forestry only uses non-toxic products. Any questions can be directed to JD via email Jeremy.dorsey@usda.gov or at the Spring Mountain Visitors Center.

VIII. General Information

- 1. The Red Rock Audubon presented on birds and native plants.
- 2. SNORR will be available this year with same day turnaround. They have had 16 recoveries this year so far on the mountain.

VI. No Public Comment

IX. Next Meeting Date

October 30th, 2025

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:02 pm.