



# Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board

February 27, 2025

## MINUTES

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Board/Council Members:	Dan Chaney, Chair Ernie Freggiaro	Randy Soltero, Vice Chair Sean Reeh	Brenda Talley
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### **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  
Ernie Freggiaro Present  
Brenda Talley Present  
Sean Reeh Present  
Randy Soltero – Not Present

### **II. Public Comment**

Brenda Talley spoke of the Clark County School District and Lundy ES. Many questions regarding the build and PreK. Also looking into the insurance for paying for some of the construction. They want to make sure all residents get information on the upcoming opening to make sure all kids get signed up. A contact was given for parents to sign up. [ozmunlm@nv.ccsd.net](mailto:ozmunlm@nv.ccsd.net) Lindsey Tomlinson the Regional Superintendent. Michelle M is a full-time teacher at Lundy ES. She will be interviewing other teachers and getting ready for the upcoming school year.

### **III. Approval of January 30, 2025 meeting minutes**

**Motion to approve by: Dan Chaney**

**Action: Approved**

**Vote: 4/0 - Unanimous**

### **IV. Planning & Zoning**

WS-25-0018 Mount Charleston Trust and Jim D Mesalic Trustee – improvement proposal

Brenda Talley asked for confirmation on being a wall and wanted to make sure the drainage would not go to any other residence. That was confirmed.

**Motion to approve by: Ernie Freggiaro**

**Action: Approved**

**Vote: 4/0 – Unanimous**

**V. Informational Items**

1. **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 is not present but sent a letter. Dan Chaney read it (attached).

2. **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 shared stats for the previous reporting period: 34 calls for service, 23 were medical related and 9 were fire or assists, 2 were misc. calls. Fire did some control burns to get rid of excess brush. March 1<sup>st</sup> will be coffee w/ Cop and Fireman @ 9am. April 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> is the Defensible Space Class. Sign-ups are online at mcfmv.org, look for events. The class is free for mountain residents. May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, they will pick up any brush for the chipper for free. Up to 12" diameter branches. May 31<sup>st</sup> will be Pine Needle Pick up. May is Prevention month. A resident in Deer Creek did some control burns to keep clean. This will be shown in the Defensible Space Class. USFS assisted and was a successful task. Jason did put in for the License Plate Program for 2 medical devices, stair chair and an auto pulse electronic CRR device. The fire department is currently working with SGT for evacuation ideas. There will be another class for that.

Dave Martin VFD asking for volunteers. If you are interested in an auxiliary member or full EMT/fireman, the meeting is the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Volunteer Fire Station. There was an issue at the Lee Canyon Fire roll up door and the VFD was able to help with funding that.

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

Jason Bailey and Aaron Gamble attended. The wells are in the concerned levels. Only got ½" of rain last month. Year to date we are 15% of a 16-year average. It is a very dry year. They will get back to us on the upcoming water restrictions. Aaron had a resident ask about a frozen water line. He warned residents to pay attention to leaky or wet areas due to frozen damaged pipes. Resident Mona asked if a fire breaks out, will the wells get turned on to keep from emptying. Another resident asked if we don't get any more water, what will happen this summer? Aaron ensured that other operations will come into play so we don't run out. The best option to save water is residential outdoor conservation. Ernie asked if there is anyone that will patrol due to overwatering or on an off day. LVVWD can tell when overuse is happening. The hotel is on their own well. A resident asked about moisture testing. Aaron will have to investigate it and get back to us.

4. **Receive a report from Metro Volunteers regarding activity member activities and events (for discussion only)**

Donna Thompson is not present – they just need more volunteers.

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

Lieutenant Elinsworth presented. They cover a large area and try to make it to the meetings. Staffing is low, they only have 2 officers currently but they are adding one more. There will be a new SGT coming on. Brandon Crawford (coming back). Last year there were just under 1000 citations and 80 crashes. This year to date there are 100 calls and 6 crashes. They will not be submitting to the License Plate Program this year, but their new thermal imaging is great and used. March 18<sup>th</sup> this district will be getting a new

Lieutenant, Sam Stefik. A resident asked about abandoned cars. There are 2, Lt asked if anyone had more information on the cars. Ernie asked what we can do as a community to help since they are so short staffed. He answered with 'nothing'. Due to low application rate within the department, there is nothing we can do besides wait. Lt Stefik sstefik@dps.state.nv.us

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

Katy Gulley presenting. USFS motto is to educate then enforce. They will start enforcing monetary fines when it comes to the wild horses. 37 tickets issued last month due to vandalism, fighting, extended stays and simple possession. New USFS officer Lonny Johnson will be patrolling consistently on Saturdays and Sundays. He will be at the meeting next month. Dan Chaney asked about the video of the wild horse and person that was on the news. They did get all the information, sometimes it takes a bit to get to all the things, but that doesn't mean they are not working on it. Katy and Ray asked to keep sending these type of videos and sightings, as it will help move the process along. Brenda Talley asked about the government HR issues and terminations. Are there any personnel issues on the mountain – Katy answered with not much information is available just yet. They will also be asking for more volunteers and bringing on more camp hosts. This started happening in the last US administration, so they have been prepared. A resident asked about the possible picnic tables and BBQs in the Echo area. Katy expressed that there are no plans for that. They will have more information on Trail Canyon and Mary Jane Falls soon. Mona (a resident) stated the bathrooms at the Mary Jane Trail head smell really bad. Katy will send someone to get it taken care of. A resident asked if there was a definition of harassment with the horses? None is written, just using common sense is best. Feeding them is considered harassing. The ticket money goes to big government, but they are getting closer to getting them homes. They are watching an old burro due to his health. Jason Douglas asked about guard rails, Katy talked about it being a NDot road. Ray spoke of fires. No fire occurrences last month. They did assist in the control burns that went well. There will be more in Cold Creek coming up. Katy announced that our area will get to provide the Capital Christmas Tree in DC. They have a couple in mind they are watching here in Mount Charleston.

7. **Receive a report from CCDS regarding activity member activities and events (for discussion only)**

CCSD not present but provided a letter. Sean Reeh will read (attached)

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

Michelle Baert liaison for Commissioner Becker presented. Paving for Echo Rd, the areas on the side of the road are federal land and will not be part of the paving. The County will alert the federal government for those areas. License Plate program has 3 applications thus far. Lower Kyle has a vacancy on the board. She started a Facebook page and asked to join others on the mountain. Shared the Fix It Clark County website. Any information you want to share with the county can be downloaded directly to the website to be addressed. Dave Martin explained there are some old abandoned plastic barricades that are falling apart. This is at Rainbow and Bristle Cone. Michelle will get with the county on these.

9. **Receive a report from NV Energy with updates and other service-related concerns (for discussion only)**

Representative not present

## VIII. General Information

1. License Plate Grant Program extended to March 13<sup>th</sup> then will be reviewed on the next meeting. Brenda Talley asked if the board could get a copy of the complete application instead of just summaries.
2. Updated meeting dates will be odd months plus October. 2025 March 27<sup>th</sup>, May 29<sup>th</sup>, July 31<sup>st</sup>, Oct

30<sup>th</sup>. For 2026 Jan 29<sup>th</sup>. Michelle reiterated to confirm the dates.

3. Resident Mona asked what the ratio of salt and sand Clark County and NDot used. Dan Chaney asked if Michelle could get that mix design from the entities and if they share it.
4. Review of By-Laws – Brenda Talley is a registered Parliamentarian and is qualified to review by-laws and keep us in compliance. At this moment we are not. Her suggestions basically stay the same, but here are the suggestions for change. Section V A stays the same, B change, C same, D change and add the cancelation article. Good until Sec VI A change, B change, C change, D change, E change then renumber. A Section VII will have to be added completely. With these changes Dan Chaney, Erine Freggiaro and Sean Reeh all approve. Brenda will clean up her changes and suggestions then will send the revisions to Michelle Baert for Clark County to review.

IX. **Next Meeting Date**

Next meeting date March 27, 2025

X. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:41 pm.

**From:** Kevin Zafiris <K13339Z@LVMPD.COM>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 27, 2025 5:15 PM  
**To:** tracymctabsec@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Re: MT Charleston TAB Meeting Feb 27, 2025

Good evening, Tracy!

My apologies for being unable to make tonight's meeting.

Here is all I have (and can remember) to pass along for the meeting:

I have submitted the Mount Charleston License Plate Grant to Clark County for approval on their end. LVMPD has approved the purchase of 11 AGM Global Vision ObservIR LRF for our officers to utilize. These optical devices allow officers to utilize thermal imaging, night vision, include range finding capabilities and also have the ability to record. These optical devices will greatly assist officers and first responders in a multitude of missions to include lost/injured hikers rescue missions, recovery missions, and apprehension missions. Thank you so much for your support!

2 more officers have graduated from the LVMPD collision investigation school. This will help our citizens on our State Routes with response times and services from our officers.

The Mountain Highway Coalition has gained interest in starting up again. The first meeting will be in the beginning of March.

LVMPD is hosting a massive tabletop exercise with High Desert State Prison, Department of Forestry, NHP, Creech AFB and others for emergency preparedness purposes. This exercise will also take place in the beginning of March.

Unfortunately, since I was in collision investigation school all week, I was unable to gather statistics without access to our systems. I will provide updated statistics on the next MC TAB.

Hopefully, I'm not forgetting anything else. As always, never hesitate to reach out to me for any questions or concerns, and have a great day!



**Sergeant Kevin J. Zafiris**  
**P# 13339**

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February 27, 2025

Mr. Dan Chaney, Chair  
Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board  
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Subject: Earl B. Lundy Elementary School Construction Updates  
CCSD MPID#18001

Dear Mr. Chaney,

Thank you for inviting the District to provide updates on Earl B. Lundy Elementary School (ES).

The Board of School Trustees is scheduled to meet on Thursday, February 27, 2025, to consider the design-build contract for the Earl B. Lundy ES improvements; therefore, Trustees and District staff are unable to attend the Town Advisory Board meeting.

The District remains committed to the culture of communication shared with your Board and township on January 30, 2025. This update is provided in our absence to be read aloud at the meeting.

On February 27, 2025, the Board of School Trustees will consider awarding a \$7,821,765 engineering and construction contract to Martin-Harris Construction following a successful Design-Build procurement process.

If the Board of School Trustees approves the contract, construction fencing and storage containers are expected to be delivered as early as Friday, February 28, 2025, and work will progress quickly with additional workers arriving within two–four weeks.

The contractor plans to make the building safe for occupancy by August 1, 2025, ahead of the first day of school on August 11, 2025. Work will continue through September 2025 on the drainage channel, final paving, and other site-related activities.

Thank you for allowing this written update for this meeting, and we look forward to joining you at a later meeting.

Thank you,



Brandon McLaughlin, AIA, NCARB, ALEP  
Assistant Superintendent