

Laughlin Town Advisory Board

November 14, 2023

MINUTES

Board Members: Kathy Ochs - Absent Kathleen Hoss – Chairperson - Absent Hermon Walker

Pamela Walker - Vice Chairperson

Fred Doten

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- I. Call to Order by Pamela Walker, Pledge of Allegiance led by Fred Doten.
- II. Public Comment: None

III. Approval of Minutes for October 10, 2023. (For possible action)

> Moved by: Pamela Walker Action: Approved as written

Vote: 3-0

IV. Approval of agenda for November 14, 2023, and hold, combine or delete any items (For possible action)

Moved by: Pamela Walker

Action: Approved

Vote: 3-0

V. **Informational Items:**

1. Receive a report and updates from the South County Liaison Mark Moskowitz regarding updates on the Grand Celebration Yacht Party, Trunk or Treat, Coffee with a Cop, Community Achievement Awards, Veterans Day Breakfast with Commissioner Naft and Nevada Treasurer Conine, Remembering Don Laughlin, and any other updates from Clark County. (For discussion only)

Mark Moskowitz said he had a busy month, he provided a slide show of the recent events he attended. He thanked everyone who helped facilitate and participated, which included Law Enforcement Support Technician Renee Yepez for the trunk or treat, and Post 60 Commander Pamela Walker for the Veterans Day Breakfast.

Commissioner Naft, State Treasurer Zach Conine, and Mark attended the memorial for Don Laughlin. Mark expressed his condolences and said Father Charles Urnick was a wonderful speaker.

Mark and Commissioner Naft toured the construction of the new school. He said the construction is coming along nicely and the walls are already up and appreciated the help of Principal Estes for giving us a tour.

Phase one of the road construction is wrapping up and phase two will possibly start mid-2024.

Commissioner Naft's newsletter is on the back table and contact our office if you would like an electronic version sent to your email.

Hermon Walker voiced his concerns regarding the water storage project and heard there was a windfall of money available. Mark Moskowitz said he will check into it and ask Big Bend Water District representative Jason Bailey to address the question.

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

Sgt. Deshawn Myles provided the report.

October 2023 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 255, decrease of 18.27 % from this time last year.

Traffic Citations: 123

DUIs: 0

Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 4

Bookings: 21

Juvenile Citations: 0

Laughlin High/ Middle School: 1, there is now a full time Clark County officer at the school.

Bennett Elementary: 1

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

No report

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

Diversions: October 2023, 276 - acre feet. 2023 Total diversions: 2691 acre-feet

The Big Bend Water District storage project remains on the State Revolving Fund Loan priority list, and management and staff continue to seek additional external funding sources. Jason Bailey addressed Hermon Walkers question and asked Mr. Walker to be more specific on his information since he was not aware of any windfall that was available to the Water District. Mr. Walker said he heard something on the radio but was unable to get the entire story. Mr. Bailey said he will research the information and get back to the board.

5. 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 1.55 MGD, producing clean water returned to the Colorado River. Flow decreased by 180,000 gallons per day from this time last year.

Sewer Service Complaints: None

Odor Complaints: None

Call Before You Dig: 78 C.B.Y.D. Laughlin Tickets received for October 2023

6. Receive a report from Mike Jackson, Executive Director with Southern Nevada Transit Coalition. (For discussion only)

Mike Jackson handed out a report to the board and the public. Fixed rate ridership is showing improvement over the previous year. Paratransit ridership is staying steady.

Vegas Express ridership is showing a slight increase.

Silver Rider will be offering free rides on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. He asked everyone to take advantage, be safe and stay off the roads and ride the bus.

Silver Rider has their third annual employee appreciation picnic and Bus Roadeo. It was a great success with community leaders and employees having a chance to compete in a driving contest and have a good time.

SNTC participated in the health fair at the Aquarius and National Night Out. Sue Bishop, Laughlin Operation Supervisor, and family decorated our haunted bus and participated at Laughlin and Searchlight events.

A brief discussion with Vice Chair Walker to combine efforts for the Toy Drive's and focus more on the older kids who get overlooked.

7. Receive a report from Parks & Recreation regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Statistics: October 2023

Programs – 19 Participants: 1,212

Updates: Spirit Mountain Activity Field Trips:

- Pomegranate Arts Festival
- Fantastic Indoor Swap Meet
- Boulder City Holiday Trip
- Heritage Holliday at Clark County Museum
- International Marketplace, Premium Outlets

New Senior Cornhole League- Starts Tuesday, November 14th at 6:00 p.m. at Spirit Mountain Activity Center

Trunk or Treat- Thank you to everyone in the community who helped with and attended the Trunk or Treat. It was another successful year.

Holiday Tree Lighting- Sunday, December 3rd from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Mountain View Park. Senior Holiday Party- Wednesday, December 20th from 12:00-1:30 pm. at Spirit Mountain Activity Center.

Contact Info:

A'Lonn Bilbray, Supervisor Laughlin Office – 702-298-3413

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)

Kelly Lehr provided information on the programs, which included the STEM (now STEAM) and the 4-H programs. She is currently holding classes at the school for Coding and Robotics. Anyone who would like to find out more about volunteering, donating and additional information her office hours are Tuesday – Thursday at 55 Civic Way, Laughlin.

Hermon Walker inquired about Radon test kits, Ms. Lehr said she will be receiving test kits in January.

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

Laughlin Chamber of Commerce Events:

Networking and Education at the Laughlin Chamber Offices:

A'lonn Bilbray from Clark County Parks and Recreation , November 17 at 830am Call Michelle to book a date. 702-298-2214 ext. 3

Community Achievement Awards, that was held November 4th, was a great success with 520 people in attendance. The American Legion, Post 60 was the Premier Sponsor.

Connie Davis 5K Walk and Roll, to be held March 2, 2023. Early registration discounts until the end of the year.

Additional services:

Notary

NDOW registration agent for fishing and small game license.

Visitor's Center Host

Membership:

Members - 307

New Laughlin Members – 0

Volunteers in Partnership (VIPs). Anyone interested in volunteering as an Airport Ambassador, an Usher at town wide concerts and events are encouraged to pick up an application at the chamber.

Opportunities for volunteers:

SNORE Off Road Races Laughlin Bullhead Airshow

Call Donna at (928) 404-3859

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)

Laughlin Bullhead Airshow

Saturday April 6, 2024 – Official Day

Friday April 5th is reserved for Student STEM Festival – NASA, SpaceX, Air traffic Control, Commercial and Private Pilots, Armed Forces, Aviation Science and History

Anyone interested in volunteering on one of the airshow planning committees show contact me direct by sending an email to jackie@laughlinchamber.com

https://laughlinbullheadairshow.com/

https://www.facebook.com/laughlinbullheadairshow

Rockets over the River

Independence Day – July 4th, 2023

Message to the Stars – Providing our tri-state residents with the opportunity to send messages on a cannon to their loved ones. Letters accepted after May 15th.

11. Receive a report from Tanya Brown-Wirth with Laughlin Library regarding current and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

No report

12. Receive a report from Laughlin school system regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

No report

- 13. Announcements of upcoming neighborhood meetings and County or community meetings and events. (For discussion only) None
- 14. **Announcement:** Laughlin Town Advisory Board will begin accepting nominations for the 2024 Laughlin Citizen of the Year on **November 14, 2023**, and nominations will close on **December 29, 2023**.

Nomination forms are available at the Laughlin Library, Community Resource Center, Spirit Mountain Activity Center, the Laughlin Administrative Office, or on the Clark County website at: https://clarkcountynv.gov/LaughlinTAB

Nomination forms must be turned into the Laughlin Administrative Office, Laughlin Regional Government Center, 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, NV 89029, by **December 29, 2023**, 5:00 p.m. Only nominations utilizing the nomination form will be accepted.

The Laughlin Citizen of the Year Award is given annually in honor of the late Jim Edwards and is intended to recognize and thank the outstanding citizen of Laughlin who has given his / her private time and effort to help local government make Laughlin a better place to live.

It is expected that the 2024 Citizen of the Year recipient will be announced and honored at the Tuesday, **February 13, 2024,** meeting of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board, at 1:30 p.m.

Vice Chair Walker read the Citizen of the Year announcement.

VI. Planning & Zoning: None

VII. General Business:

1. Review, discuss, and approve 2024 Laughlin Town Advisory Board meeting dates, and take any action deemed appropriate. (For possible action)

Fred Doten moved to approve the 2024 Laughlin Town Advisory Board dates. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

2. Letter of support for the establishment of the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Park Trail Advisory Council and Authorizing the Advisory Council to Perform Community Service and Outreach. (For possible action)

Vice Chair Walker read the support letter. After a brief conversation the support letter was approved and will be sent to the Board of County Commissioners. Upon a voice vote the support letter was approved 3-0. Kathleen Hoss and Kathy Ochs were absent from today's meeting.

VIII. Public Comment: None

IX. Next Meeting Date: December 12, 2023

X. Adjournment: 2:30 pm

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the December 12, 2023, meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the January 9, 2024, meeting.

To listen to the audio recording of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board go to: http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/administrative-services/laughlin/Pages/LaughlinTownAdvisoryBoard.aspx

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