



# Laughlin Town Advisory Board

December 14, 2021

## MINUTES

Board Members: Kathy Ochs – Chair Hermon Walker  
 Kathleen Hoss – Vice Chair Pamela Walker  
 Fred Doten

Secretary: Tammy Harris, (702) 298-0828, tammy.harris@clarkcountynv.gov  
 Business Address: Clark County Department of Administrative Services, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, 6th Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155

County Liaison(s): Mark Moskowitz, (702) 298-0828, (702) 455-6173, mark.moskowitz@clarkcountynv.gov  
 Business Address: Clark County Department of Administrative Services, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, 6th Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155

I. Call to Order by Chair Kathy Ochs, Invocation by Pastor Westly, Pledge of Allegiance led by Pamela Walker.

II. Public Comment: None

III. Approval of Minutes for November 9, 2021. (For possible action)

Moved by: Fred Doten

Action: Approved as written

Vote: 5-0

IV. Approval of agenda for December 14, 2021 and hold, combine or delete any items (For possible action)

Moved by: Pamela Walker

Action: Approved

Vote: 5-0

V. Informational Items

1. Recognition for the Winners, Finalist, and Judges for the Nevada Region of the 2021 Laughlin Community Achievement Awards. (For discussion only)

Mark Moskowitz provided proclamations to the following Nevada recipients for the Community Achievement Awards that was held November 13, 2021.

Nevada Judges – Mike Jackson and Denise Berry

Kent Divich: Finalist Entrepreneur Award

Heidi Zenefski: Finalist Educator of the Year Award

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Vanessa Mejia: Finalist Connie Davis Youth Citizen of the Year Award

Sean Hammond: Finalist for the Citizen of the Year and Finalist for the Large Business of the Year Award for the Aquarius Casino Resort

Detective Walt Hemingway: Finalist for Public Service Award and Winner of the Spirit of Nevada Award

Donna Kelly: Finalist for Citizen of the Year Award and Finalist for the Entrepreneur Award and Winner of the Spirit of the Colorado River Award

Matt Laughlin: Winner for the Citizen of the Year and Winner for Large Business of the Year Award for Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort and Casino and Finalist for Business Expansion and Retention Award for Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort and Casino

2. Receive a report and updates from the South County Liaison Mark Moskowitz. (For discussion only)

Mark Moskowitz acknowledged and thanked Pamela Walker for her inspiring speech at the Bennett School assembly.

Mr. Moskowitz acknowledge and thanked Chair Kathy Ochs for her participation of the annual Laughlin Tree Lighting at the Spirit Mountain Activity Center.

Mark Moskowitz provided an update for the new bridge and said construction is under way.

Nevada Legal Services and Clark County Business Office will continue their services into the New Year. They will be at the Clark County Laughlin Regional Government Center the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month.

The Clerk Records Kiosk is back and ready for use. In the coming months a new machine will be installed that will be more advanced with additional features.

3. 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)

November 2021 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 320, increased 5.61% from this time last year

Traffic Citations: 277

DUIs: 2

Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 4

Bookings: 20

Juvenile Citations: 1

Lt. Rogers said Shop with a Cop is this Saturday. The children will be provided breakfast at the American Legion and will be transported to Target by Silver Rider.

Lt. Rogers commented regarding News Years Eve. He said the hotels are close to capacity and there will be twelve additional officers in Laughlin and plus officers will be working overtime during the holiday.

Lt. Rogers said there will be six officer retirements and new officers will start after the New Year.

Chair Ochs requested a meeting with the LTAB members to get acquainted with the new officers.

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)

Fire Captain Dennis Williamson provided the November's report.

#### **Statistics November 2021:**

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Station 76:  
Total responses: 146  
Station 85:  
Total responses: 97  
Total Calls for service: 243. Increased 19% compared from last year.

Herm Walker commented and thanked the Fire Department regarding Christmas lights that are displayed on the fire station building.

5. Receive a report and updates from Bob Leuck with Clark County Public Works. (For discussion only)

Bob Leuck provided updates regarding the new bridge. Construction will start on the dam to divert the water so the piers can be built during the low water level this month. The bridge will be a two year project.

He spoke about the ten year plan for flood control, which include three projects.

- Bridge Canyon Detention Basin
- Hiko Detention Basin expansion
- Laughlin Marino to Desert Marina Dr.

The roads in Laughlin have been rated which started in 2018, most roads in Laughlin are in fairly good condition, however, there are some roads that rated low which will be in the first phase of repair. Mr. Leuck provided a website for the public to contact and leave information. Clark County fix it. [https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/residents/fixit\\_clark\\_county.php](https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/residents/fixit_clark_county.php)

Herm Walker expressed is concern regarding a cross walk at the intersection of Las Palmas and Needles Highway.

Chair Ochs requested a cross walk study to be added to the Public Works list to evaluate the need for a crosswalk at Las Palmas and Needles Highway.

Jackie Wallin expressed her concerns for the lack of safe crosswalk on Needles Highway.

Fred Doten suggested a cross walk similar to one that is located in Bullhead City that has the pedestrian pushing a button that activates a flashing light to stop traffic. Mr. Leuck said the system is called a HAWK system (*High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk*) and could be considered.

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

Will Smith provided the written report but had to leave the meeting early.

Statistics: November 2021

The Laughlin Water Reclamation Facility treated an average of 1.57 MGD, producing clean water returned to the Colorado River. No change from this time last year.

Sewer Service Complaints: None

Odor Complaints: None.

Call Before You Dig: 18 C.B.Y.D. Laughlin tickets received for November 2021.

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

Diversions: November 2021, 238 acre feet. There are no issues or leaks.

8. Receive a report from A'Lonn Bilbray with Parks & Recreation regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

**Statistics:** November 2021: 18 programs, 420 monthly visit.

**Updates:**

- Senior Holiday Party will be held December 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00- 2:00 pm at the Spirit Mountain Activity Center.

Contact Info:

A'Lonn Bilbray, Supervisor

Laughlin Office: (702) 298-3413

9. Receive a report from Hayley Maio University of Nevada Cooperative Extension regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

No report.

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

Jackie Wallin recognized and thanked this year's judges for the Community Achievement Awards.

Michael Jackson – SNTC

Mark Moskowitz – Clark County

Denis Berry – The Riverside Resort

Ms. Wallin recognized and thanked Sean Hammond for his involvement of Feed a Family program.

Membership – 302. Laughlin had two new members.

With Michael Jacksons help NDOT has agreed to replace the signs between Las Vegas and Hwy 163 that were removed during the I-11 construction project.

Ms. Wallin acknowledge and thanked Commissioner Naft and Mark Moskowitz for a new community billboard.

Contact Info:

Laughlin Chamber of Commerce

(702) 298-2214

[www.laughlinchamber.com](http://www.laughlinchamber.com)

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

Jackie Wallin provided the report and updates.

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Town Wide Concerts Sponsored by LTC

- Kane Brown – March 4, 2022
- Pitbull – May 28, 2022

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

No report – Contact the Library for a complete list of programs and events.

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

Dawn Estes provided an update with completed projects and time frames of upcoming projects.

Ms. Estes recognized and thanked Bob & Sandy Ellis for their generous donations of new shoes and socks to the 720 children of Laughlin, pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. This is the sixth year the Ellis's have provided shoes.

Fred Doten inquired where the new building was going to be, Ms. Estes said the school will be re-located behind the gymnasium.

14. Announcements of upcoming neighborhood meetings and County or community meetings and events. (For discussion only)

Chair Ochs read the announcement.

- a) Laughlin Town Advisory Board is accepting nominations for the 2022 Laughlin Citizen of the Year through **December 30, 2021**.

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 30, 2021**, 5:00 p.m. email: [tammy.harris@clarkcountynv.gov](mailto:tammy.harris@clarkcountynv.gov) or fax (702) 298-6132. 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 2022 Citizen of the Year recipient will be announced and honored at the Tuesday, **February 8, 2022**, meeting of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board, at 1:30 p.m.

VI. Planning & Zoning: None

VII. General Business:

1. Nominate and appoint ten (10) members for Citizen of the Year Review Committee. (For possible action)

After a brief discussion the LTAB agreed to send their nominations to the secretary directly. No further action was taken.

VIII. Public Comment: None

IX. Next Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

X. Adjournment: 02:53

*These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the January 11, 2022 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the February 8, 2022 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>

To see live stream of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board meeting, go to You Tube and in the search bar type:

LaughlinTown as one word. Or use address <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWo5ABfxMjLhtQ5keDBhEOQ>

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