



Mountain Springs Citizens Advisory Council

Mountain Springs Fire Station

State Hwy 160

Mountain Springs, NV 89161

APRIL 10, 2019

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Board Members: Paul Whissel, Chair
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Tanya Harrah
Rick Schmalz
Dr. Douglas Seip

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Town Liaison: Meggan Holzer, 702-455-0341, meggan@clarkcountynv.gov

- I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call
The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.
- II. Public Comment
None
- III. Approval of the Minutes for January 16, 2019
Moved by: Tanya Harrah
Action: Approved subject minutes as recommended
Vote: 5-0
- IV. Approval of Agenda for April 10, 2019
Moved by: Tanya Harrah
Action: Approved subject agenda as recommended
Vote: 5-0
- V. Informational Items
 1. Receive a report from Metro regarding activity and statistics during the past month and other area crime concerns (for discussion only) - Metro Sergeant Jeff Dean reported no issues or crime reports taken in the Mountain Springs area.
 2. Receive a report from Clark County Administrative Services regarding shooting regulations and other updates from Clark County (for discussion only). Meggan provided a map of Clark County Unlawful Firearms Discharge Area under Title 12, Attachment A. BB guns and blanks are included in the term "firearm" and it is unlawful to willfully discharge any such firearms within one-half mile of the edge of roadways and 500 feet of any public or private roads.
 3. Receive a report from NDOT regarding the on-going SR160 road construction project. Don Christiansen was present to discuss the roadwork. Blasting will continue for 2-3 weeks and then

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paving will begin on one side of SR160. Once that side of the roadway is paved, the blasting will resume as necessary. Tanya inquired on the status of getting the flashing speed signs up here which was requested months ago. Meggan volunteered to write a letter to NDOT formally requesting these speed signs. Benedict Drive needs to be scraped due to the ruts from the past rains. Don said he would get that done.

VI. Planning & Zoning

3. **TM-18-500230-POTOSI LTD**

TENTATIVE MAP for a subdivision consisting of 145 single family residential lots and common lots on approximately 233.7 acres in an R-U (Rural Open Land) Zone. Generally located on the north and south sides of Mount Potosi Canyon Road, 8 miles southwest of State Route 160 within the Mountain Springs Planning Area. JJ/rk/ja (For possible action) **BCC 4/17/19**

4. **UC-18-1000-POTOSI LTD**

USE PERMIT for a single family residential planned unit development. **DESIGN REVIEWS** for the following: 1) single family residential planned unit development; and 2) preliminary grading plan and alternative development standards within a Hillside Development area on approximately 233.7 acres in an R-U (Rural Open Land) Zone. Generally located on the north and south sides of Mt. Potosi Canyon Road, 8 miles southwest of State Route 160 within the Mountain Springs Planning Area. JJ/rk/ja (For possible action) **BCC 4/17/19**

Representatives present to discuss the above items were:

Lebene Ohene, Land Use and Development Consultant from the law offices of Brown, Brown & Prensirut, Jerry Pascoe, Professional Land Surveyor from L.R. Nelson Consulting Engineers, and John Vornsand, AICP, Planning & Zoning Entitlements

Some community concerns were regarding fire protection since the development is away from the MSVFD; provisions of defensive space around each home; helipad location; water rights, and to have the development agreement return to the CAC.

Neighbors present 17 +/-, 13 neighbors For and 4 neighbors Against, 0 undecided

Motion by Tanya Harrah, 5-0 approved with the following conditions:

- HOA to maintain private roads
- Design reviews for each residence as a public hearing
- Water study
- Helipad for emergencies
- Development agreement back to CAC
- Fire protection/medical/police studies
- Defensible space 30-50 feet around development
- Interior sprinklers in homes
- 2 water reservoirs
- Two 200,000 gallon tanks
- Lake where feasible.

VII. General Business

None

Comments by the General Public-

Mountain Springs Fire Chief Dr. Mark Baxter was present to discuss the services that the fire department has to offer the community. The Clark County Fire Department has asked that Mountain Springs residents allow him and other members of the Mountain Springs Volunteer Fire Department onto/into their property in order for us to perform a "Pre-Assessment" of the property. This will entail identifying the general shape of the structure(s) on the property, points of ingress/egress, type of construction, location of electrical panels, propane tanks and any other potential hazards. The notes they take will be of a very general nature and will not violate anyone's privacy. Having this information ahead of time, before a wildfire or house fire, enables them to more effectively protect the property as well as provide for enhanced safety of the occupants as well as of the fire department personnel.

In addition, while on the property they would like to have the opportunity to advise the homeowner about recommended fuel reduction work (trimming/thinning of trees, shrubs, etc.), removal of fuels that are too close to the house, and other risk factors we see in order to reduce the likelihood that a forest fire could cause their home to burn.

They would like all of our residents to allow them to perform both of these services, both of which are voluntary and **will not be used** for enforcement of fire code violations. They are only here to help.

The Valley Electric Association Newsletter sent out to the residents had an article in it that mentioned the cutbacks underway in the company and the fact that the possibility of installing high speed internet in Mountain Springs anytime in the near future is no longer viable. Representatives were out here last summer to discuss the possibility of installing internet in the community in about 2 years. Now it seems that that issue is off the table indefinitely.

Pauline Van Betten was present to give the community an update on the 20 acres she is representing which is on the North side of SR160, on Benedict Drive. A proposal to purchase this land was submitted to the Director of the Department of Interior quite awhile ago and has yet to be accepted.

The idea of an annual community cleanup was discussed and it was decided that we would forego this year's cleanup due to all the construction. However, Meggan would contact Republic Services to have a couple of dumpsters brought up for the community to utilize. She will let us know when and where they will be.

IX. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be May 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

X. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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