



Mountain Springs Citizens Advisory Council

Mountain Springs Fire Station

State Hwy 160

Mountain Springs, NV 89161

SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Board Members: Paul Whissel, Chair Doug Thompson, Vice-Chair Tanya Harrah Rick Schmalz
Dr. Douglas Seip (Absent)

Secretary: Carol Hignite (Absent) , 702-769-0208, mtnspringssec@gmail.com

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 April 10, 2019
Moved by: Doug Thompson
Action: Approved subject minutes as recommended
Vote: 4-0
- IV. Approval of Agenda for September 11, 2019
Moved by: Doug Thompson
Action: Approved subject agenda as recommended
Vote: 4-0
- 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 updates from Clark County (for discussion only). DR-19-0264 was approved by the BCC. Meggan will report on the current status of the Use Permit for live entertainment at the Mountain Springs Saloon next month.
 3. Receive a report from NDOT regarding the on-going SR160 road construction project (for discussion only). Don Christiansen reported that the project is on track to finish on schedule (August 2020). If the equipment they are going to use is successful, there will be no further need for blasting. Weather conditions will determine when they lay the final, finished surface since it required temperatures to be 70 degrees and rising.
- VI. Planning & Zoning
None

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VII. General Business

1. Discuss sending a letter to the Nevada Department of Transportation making a formal request for installation of a speed reader/display sign within Mountain Springs (for possible action)
Meggan will draft a letter for our review.
Moved by: Paul Whissel
Action: Approved
Vote: 4-0
2. Resident and Fire Chief Mark Baxter will discuss information he has gathered relating to Federal, State and County gun laws and how they relate to use of guns in our community. In addition, he will be re-visiting his desire to provide home and property assessments that relate to fire risk. (for discussion only)
Mark shared information he had gathered from his research regarding shooting laws. Meggan will ask the Chief of Law Enforcement for BLM to attend the next meeting. Chief Baxter shared information about the property assessments for fire prevention. The handout he shared is included with these minutes.
3. Select a representative to serve on the Clark County Community Development Advisory Committee (for possible action). Tanya volunteered for another term. Aly Schmalz volunteered for alternate.
Moved by: Paul Whissel
Action: Approved
Vote: 4-0
4. Review FY 2019 budget request(s) and take public input regarding suggestions for FY 2021 budget request(s) (For possible action). Meggan explained the budget request process and read the list of previous requests. Next month all requests will be considered and a motion will be made by the CAC regarding which ones to add to the final request.
5. Clark County Comprehensive Planning staff to discuss the update process for the Northwest County Land Use Plan (for discussion only). Kevin Smedley and Paul Doer gave information on the Land Use Plan and share that no changes are expected in Mountain Springs.

Comments by the General Public- A period devoted to comments by the general public about matters relevant to the Board's/Council's jurisdiction will be held. No vote may be taken on a matter not listed on the posted agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes. Please step up to the speaker's podium, if applicable, clearly state your name and address and please spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board/Council wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chair or the Board/Council by majority vote.

Chief Baxter found numerous old items while cleaning around the fire station. These items are available for anyone who wants them or they will be properly disposed of.

IX. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be October 09, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

X. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Dear Mountain Springs neighbors,

Due to factors beyond my and Carol Azaria's control, most of what I spoke of at our last Mountain Springs Citizens' Advisory Council meeting was not able to be transcribed into the minutes of the meeting. Although my comments can still be accessed by listening to the audiotape of the meeting, that process would be cumbersome at best and most likely none of you would want to go through the hassle.

For that reason, I have composed the following synopsis of the comments I made, so that you can refer to it and also so that in reading it again, it may motivate additional residents to contact me in order to access the services I mentioned at the meeting.

Here are my comments from the last meeting:

I discussed various services that the fire department has to offer the community. Clark County Fire Department has asked that Mountain Springs residents allow me and other members of the Mountain Springs Volunteer Fire Department onto/into your 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 we 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 us to more effectively protect the property as well as provide for enhanced safety of the occupants as well as of our fire department personnel.

In addition, while on the property, we would also like to have the opportunity to advise the homeowner(s) 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.

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

Thank you for your time and attention and for your support of our volunteer fire department!

Sincerely,

Mark

Mark Baxter

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