



# Searchlight Town Advisory Board

December 12, 2018

## MINUTES

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Board Members:	Ellie Deever – Chair, Present Kyle Myers – Vice Chair, Present PJ Dye – Present	Donna Moore – Present Vacant
Secretary:	Tammy Harris (702) 298-0828 tammy.harris@clarkcountynv.gov	
Town Liaison:	Dr. Brian Paulson (702) 298-0828 bkp@clarkcountynv.gov	

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I. Call to Order by Chair Ellie Deever at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance led by Kyle Myers.

II. Public Comment: None

III. Approval of November 14, 2018, Minutes.

Moved by: Kyle Myers  
Action: Approved as presented  
Vote: 4-0

IV. Approval of November 28, 2018, Minutes.

Moved by: Kyle Myers  
Action: Approved as presented  
Vote: 4-0

V. Approval of December 12, 2018, agenda, and hold, combine or delete any items. (For possible action)

Moved by: Kyle Myers  
Action: Agenda approved as presented.  
Vote: 4-0

VI. Informational Items

1. Receive a report from Metro Police regarding activity and statistics during the past month and other area crime concerns. (For discussion only)  
Officer Curt Schelin provided the November report.

November 2018 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 15  
Traffic Citations: 58  
DUI: 1  
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 0  
Bookings: 4  
Juvenile Citations: 3

Yvonne Baily had a concern regarding extra police presence for Searchlight. The officer did not have an answer but would discuss with Lt. Hewes about additional man-power.

Jack Weaver said he invited two residents who have a complaint due to the way they were treated by the police during a recent traffic stop.

Kathleen Henderson said on December 1, 2018, she pulled up to the Nugget where she works and had a police officer behind her. The officers asked her to step out of her vehicle where she was handcuffed and claimed she was traumatized during the incident.

Chair Deever asked her why she was stopped. Ms. Henderson said it was due to a warrant, but said it was not her warrant.

The officer addressed the situation and explained how the computer system works. When they encounter a warrant for domestic violence, it is their policy to immediately put the suspect in handcuffs since this could be a volatile situation.

As it turned out, the warrant was for someone with a similar same name with a birthday that was only off by a day or two. Because it was dark outside, the officer did not know who was driving. He approached and asked her name which matched the warrant. He cuffed her until he could verify her identity. Once the officer determined it was not the same person, she was removed from the handcuffs and he apologized to her and explained why that happened and sent her on her way.

Officer Schelin said if there were any questions or any other issues you can contact the commander, Lt. Hewes.

A comment was made that she was handcuffed for a half hour and there was blood on her wrist. The officer did say they were wearing body cams and she was not handcuffed that long.

2. Receive a report from Nevada Highway Patrol regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns. (For discussion only)

NHP Trooper Davis provided the November report.

November 2018 Statistics:  
Citations: 586  
Arrest: 6  
DUI: 8

At the last town board meeting, the board requested that one of the troopers be in town

during the hours of 6:00 and 10:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. The hours were adjusted so a trooper was in Searchlight between the hours of 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. as shift change is at 10:00 p.m. Trooper Davis said they took their request seriously and we have trooper in town.

Kelli Carlson asked when the construction would be finished. Trooper Davis said he doesn't know but advised the speed limit is still 55 mph until the road is completed.

3. Receive a report from Kim Colton with Searchlight Volunteer Fire District regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues. (For discussion only)

Searchlight Volunteer Fire Department statistics for November 2018:

12 calls for service, which is a decrease from last year.

10 calls for medical

1 Auto

1 fire calls

Ms. Colton cautioned everyone on the use of heaters and stoves for heating. They do present fire hazards.

Currently, the toy drive is partnered with the Bullhead City Holiday Fire Fighters. All the forms have been passed out to the children through the school. Any child that is not in school or under school age and is in need should contact Kim Colton or Theresa Marshall. The deadline for filling out the forms is December 14<sup>th</sup>. This program gives out four presents per child.

The annual Christmas Carolers will be Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. at the Fire Station. Carolers will be leaving directly from there. Following the caroling, there will be hot chocolate and cookies. This is open to all ages.

4. Receive a report from Judge Richard Hill with Justice Court regarding statistics and other activities during the past month. (For discussion only)

No report

5. Receive a report from Omar Saucedo with Las Vegas Valley Water District regarding the status of the water system. (For discussion only)

No report

6. Receive a report from Greg Turner with Clark County Water Reclamation District regarding the status of the water system and water usage. (For discussion only)

In Greg Turner's absence, PJ Dye read the November report.

November 2018 Statistics:

November 2018 - Treated an average of 47,000 gallons per day.

November 2017 - Treated an average of 43,000 gallons per day.

Flow increase 4,000 gallons per day from this time last year.

Sewer service complaints: 0 complaints for November 2018  
Call Before You Dig: 0 tickets received for November 2018

7. Receive a report from Patrick Knierman with the U.S. Park Service regarding current issues and activities in the area and other related concerns. (For discussion only)

Patrick Knierman provided the November report.

Incidents:

- Violation Notices Issued – 2
  - Arrest – 0
  - MVA - 0
  - EMS – 1
  - Fires – 0
  - Search and rescues – 1
- Ranger responded to Goldstrike Canyon for an individual with a leg injury. Individual was carried to the river and evacuated by boat to Hoover Dam, then flown to trauma center.

Significant Incidents:

- Rangers discovered unknown individuals had torn out post and cable fencing along Placer Cove Road to allow access to the desert area. They then set up an illegal shooting range. Investigation ongoing.
- Disorderly conduct – Male harassing a female prison work crew helping do maintenance in the campground. He was removed from the park.

Community events:

- Rangers participated in Boulder City Electric Light Parade and Lake Mead Parade of Lights.
- Rangers participated in Shop with a Cop in Bullhead City and will be participating in Laughlin's event this weekend.

For full NPS report as presented to the Searchlight Town Board, contact the Laughlin Town Manager's Office for a copy.

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

Michele Brown provided the P&R report for November and December.

Upcoming events:

- Parade of Lights to be held Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, starting at 5:00 p.m. In the future, if residents would like the parade on a Saturday, Parks & Recreation will look into scheduling it on that day.

- Programs for the adults are going well with higher participation.

Contact information: Richard deClercq, Supervisor

Searchlight office: (702) 297-1682

Laughlin office: (702) 298-3413

9. Receive a report from Kelli Carlson with Searchlight Library regarding current and upcoming programs. (For discussion only)

Kelli Carlson provided the November report.

#### 1. Children's Activities:

- a) On December 13, 18, and 20, the kids' programs will focus on creating gifts to give family members, including formal painting projects with the new assistant, Ali, and craft buffet items.
- b) No scheduled programs for students from December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 1, 2019, as school is closed. Kids are always welcome in the branch as there are many things to entertain them.
- c) Ongoing on Wednesdays, Snack & Play with the Parks & Recreation crew after school, or when Parks & Recreation isn't here, open play is available in the Library.
- d) Will Douglas of Laughlin 4-H will continue science lessons in January.

#### 2. Adult Activities:

- a) Book Club will resume after the holidays on January 8, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. in the Senior Center. See Kelli Carlson for details.
- b) Sip and Paint on December 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the community room. Plans are underway to present some painting technique classes next year, likely beginning in February.

#### General News:

- New assistant, Ali Currasco, started in the branch on November 27<sup>th</sup>. She is doing a great job and is quickly learning the ins and outs of the Library.
- Cottonwood Apartments Outreach is every other Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Next visits are December 19<sup>th</sup> and January 2, 2019.
- Holiday Library closures: Christmas on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, and early closure at 5:00 p.m. on December 31<sup>st</sup>, with closure on January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's.
- Library training and partnership: Safe place and Stop the Bleed. In addition, certification is held every two years in CPR/AED.
- See the Library's Facebook page (@Searchlight Library) for full details on all

programs.

10. Receive a report from Janis Kostecky with Searchlight Senior Center regarding current and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

No report

11. Receive a report from Kyle Myers regarding current road conditions and Public Work concerns. (For discussion only)

No report

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

None

13. Clark County Water Reclamation District is proposing changes to its Service Rules related to sewer use, access and charges. The rates and charges impact capital improvements that currently include 62 projects representing a \$1.4 billion investment over the coming 15 years. Comments accepted on-line at [rates@cleanwaterteam.com](mailto:rates@cleanwaterteam.com) until December 14, 2018. Board of Trustees public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on December 18, 2018 in Commission Chambers at 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. (For discussion only)

Chair Deever read the item.

## VII. Planning & Zoning:

1. **WC-18-400242 (WS-1848-04)-COSTELLO, GARY ET AL:**  
**WAIVER OF CONDITIONS** of a waiver of development standards requiring streetlights on/near corners of all intersections in conjunction with an existing single family residential development on 16.3 acres in an R-1 (Single Family Residential) Zone. Generally located on the south side of Cottonwood Cove Road and the east side of Harry Reid Road within Searchlight.

No final action at the time of this posting.

## VIII. General Business:

1. Review, discuss, and approve the 2019 Searchlight Town Advisory Board meeting dates, and take any action deemed appropriate. (For possible action)

After a brief discussion, Vice Chair Kyle Myers motioned to approve the dates as presented. Donna Moore seconded the motion. Motion passed upon a voice vote 4-0.

2. Discuss Bureau of Land Management denial of Crescent Peak Renewables, LLC Application Lease #NVN-090068; support a petition for a new Castle Mountains ACEC designation in the Paiute/Castle Mountains region; and reaffirm TAB position against wind farm energy near and around Searchlight through previous resolutions approved in 2012 and 2016, and

take other action deemed appropriate. (For possible action)

Vice Chair Kyle Myers motioned to continue (reaffirm) the Searchlight Town Advisory Board resolutions on wind energy farms from 2012 and 2016. PJ Dye seconded the motion. Motioned passed upon a voice vote, 3-1. Donna Moore voted nay, stating she opposed the continued resolution.

IX. Public Comment:

Judy Bundorf spoke about the Crescent Wind project and Eolus and why their proposal was turned down by the BLM, including environmental impact, mining claims, Native American issues, and hunting.

Kim Colton requested an update for the Fund 422 balance update.

X. Next Meeting Date: January 16, 2019

XI. Adjournment: 7:55 p.m.

***These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the January 16, 2019 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the February 13, 2019.***

To listen to the audio recording of the Searchlight Town Advisory Board go to:

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/administrative-services/town-liaison/Pages/Searchlight%20Town%20Advisory%20Board.aspx>