



# Searchlight Town Advisory Board

February 13, 2019

## MINUTES

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Board Members:	Kyle Myers – Chair Donna Moore – Vice Chair Martin Batchelor	Ellie Deever Janis Kostecky
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County Liaison:	Dr. Brian Paulson, (702) 298-0828, bkp@clarkcountynv.gov	

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

II. Public Comment: None

III. Approval of January 16, 2019, Minutes.

Moved by: Ellie Deever  
Action: Approved as presented  
Vote: 5-0

IV. Approval of February 13, 2019, agenda, and hold, combine or delete any items. (For possible action)

Moved by: Donna Moore  
Action: Approved as presented  
Vote: 5-0

V. 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 Moises Ortiz provided the January report.

January 2019 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 21  
Traffic Citations: 91

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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LARRY BROWN - JAMES GIBSON - JUSTIN JONES - MICHAEL NAFT - TICK SEGERBLOM  
YOLANDA KING, County Manager

DUI: 0  
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 0  
Bookings: 3  
Juvenile Citations: 2

Kim Colton inquired about updates regarding the local thefts. Officer Ortiz said he did not have any updates but will get back with the information soon.

Jane Overy said it was reported in the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* that there would be two officers for each populated town of 1,000 people. Her question was whether Searchlight could obtain an officer based on its population. Officer Ortiz said he would bring it up with Lt. Hewes for an update.

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

Trooper May was detained but was able to provide his report at the end of the meeting.

January Statistics:  
Violations: 960  
Citations Issued: 850  
Arrest: 18, five of which was DUI

If you have traffic concerns or complaints, call the Department of Public Safety.

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)

Kim Colton provided the January report.

January 2019 Statistics:

Calls for service: 15 – no change from last year  
12 for medical  
3 for auto

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)

Kathy Flannigan provided the January report.

Water usage was five million gallons for January 2019 which is an increase of 630,000 gallons from last year.

Beginning February 25<sup>th</sup>, the Water District will commence a 3-4 week project on a pipeline that runs from S-1 Well at the entrance of Searchlight to Nipton Road. An old pipeline is being excavated and being replaced with PVC which will be buried five feet to protect it from being washed out from the rain.

The work will only impact one service customer with public information staff working with that location. The costs of the improvements are covered by the Army Corp of Engineers.

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

In Greg Turner's absence, Vice Chair Donna Moore read the report.

January 2019 Statistics:

January 2019 – Treated an average of 46,000 gallons per day.  
January 2018 – Treated an average of 38,000 gallons per day.  
Flow increased 8,000 gallons per day from last year at this time.

Sewer service complaints: 0  
Call Before You Dig: 4 tickets received for January.

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 NPS report and updates.

Incidents:

- Violation Notices Issued – 3
- Arrest – 0
- MVA – 0
- EMS – 0
- Fires – 0
- Search and Rescues – 0

Significant Incidents:

There was an arrest of four juveniles for a stolen vehicle. While dealing with the juveniles and stolen vehicle, a DUI driver drove through the scene. The vehicle was stopped but the person took off running and had to be chased down. After he was apprehended, EMS was called for a stroke victim, followed by a mental patient who wandered into the headquarters and caused problems. A subsequent motor vehicle accident was dispatched and within a two-hour timeframe, seven people were jailed.

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)

Michelle Brown provided the current activities and programs for January.

January 2019 Statistics:

- 22 programs
- 381 total attendance for the month
- 702 total building use

Upcoming Special Events:

- April 6<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Egg Run with inflatables.

Updates:

- Open Rec on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. (Monday and Fridays at the Youth Center; Wednesdays at the Community Center)

Contact information:

Richard deClercq, Supervisor

Michele Brown, Recreation Assistant (Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.)

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 January report.

1. Children's Activities:

- a) Snack & Play with Parks & Recreation after school will be ongoing on Wednesdays, or when Parks & Recreation isn't here, open play is available in the Library.
- b) Will Douglas with Laughlin 4-H will continue the Ozobot coding classes through February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- c) Rigamajig building will be held on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.
- d) Children's Craft will be held on March 7<sup>th</sup>.
- e) Snacks and open play are always available on Thursdays after school until 4:00 p.m.

2. Adult Activities:

- a) Book Club will meet on Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> and March 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. See Kelli Carlson for details.

- b) Sip and Paint will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. Library Assistant Ali Currasco has chosen a spring flowers picture and will teach paint layering and depth with highlight techniques. All supplies will be provided by the Library which is in the process of ordering new paint brushes and additional paints.

General News:

Due to low attendance, the Cottonwood Apartment Outreach program has been discontinued.

Library will be closed for Presidents Day on Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>.

Stop the Bleed class was a success. See the Library if interested in providing the class to your work or social group. The class is presented free of charge.

Ms. Carlson introduced Will Douglas from the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, who provided a demonstration of a rocket launcher that was designed by his father and used for the 4-H program in Searchlight. The attendance in Searchlight has been good with approximately 14 kids enrolled.

Mr. Douglas will be in Searchlight every other Thursday to provide classes. The next class will be training kids to build robots with Legos, which is based on color coding. Upcoming programs will include gardening and photography.

Mr. Douglas requested to be on the agenda quarterly for updates with the 4-H program.

See the Library's Facebook page 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)

Janis Kostecky provided information on the current and upcoming activities scheduled for the Senior Center.

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

For the month of January, Chairman Kyle Myers reported on over growth of vegetation. He reported five street light outages the month prior.

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

Jane Overy expressed gratitude to Kelli Carlson and Will Douglas for what they do to help the local youth.

Ms. Overy spoke about the Searchlight Betterment Organization and the first event is town clean up, possibly scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Brian Paulson introduced Mark Robledo, a new management analyst with the Laughlin

Town Manager's Office. Mr. Robledo comes with almost 30 years of municipal experience with the City of Pomona in California.

13. Searchlight Town Advisory Board to provide a brief introduction of their backgrounds (For discussion only)

Ellie Deever: As past chair of the Searchlight TAB, Ms. Deever has lived in Searchlight for 20 years. She has taught at various schools in California and Nevada. Ms. Deever is an artist and recently has started dance. She supports Searchlight and what's going on and invites everyone to get involved.

Janis Kostecky: Ms. Kostecky has lived in Searchlight since October 2014 and is the current president of the Senior Center. Beginning her first term as a TAB member, she is treasurer of the Museum Guild, Queen Mum of the local Red Hat Society, and mother to two children, one of whom resides in Henderson. In her spare time, she enjoys cross stitching.

Donna Moore: Ms. Moore moved to Searchlight part time in 2010 in preparation for retirement. Since 2015, she has become a permanent resident and is currently the property manager at Cree's Mobile Home Park. She has over 20 years' experience as an operational director at several large U.S. and international wireless telecommunication companies. Prior to her move to Searchlight, she was an operations manager for a large international chemical company. Ms. Moore is married and has a B.A. in Business Law and Business Administration/Operations.

Martin Batchelor: Mr. Batchelor has been a Searchlight resident with his wife Leesa for about 1.5 years. They moved here from Utah to work on Highway 95 south of Searchlight and liked the town and decided to stay. He applied for the town advisory board to be a positive and productive member of our community.

Mr. Batchelor has been in the transportation field for almost 32 years. During that time, he spent 20 years in the oil fields of Utah as a truck driver and five years as a safety representative before making the transition to traffic control dispatching. He also spent 10 years as a volunteer EMT and acquired an advanced certification with a specialty in pediatrics.

Kyle Myers: Mr. Myers has lived in Searchlight his entire life and has been employed by the local restaurant since 2010. His interest in politics was sparked in high school as he always wanted to be involved with his community. In 2016, he was elected to his first term on the town advisory board, serving as vice chairman. In 2018, he was re-elected to the board and is currently serving as chairman. He appreciates this opportunity from the community to serve on the board and is hopeful Searchlight can be a great place to live for the children and their children.

VI. Planning & Zoning: None

VII. General Business:

1. Discuss a request from Debbie Dauenhauer, Executive Director, Southern Nevada Transit Coalition (SNTC) Silver Rider, for support of SNTC's request for continuation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding for the community of Searchlight, send a letter of support to the Board of County Commissioners, and take any other action deemed appropriate. (For possible action)

Ellie Deever motioned to approve the support letter. Janis Kostecky seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, motion passed, 5-0.

VIII. Public Comment:

Kim Colton updated the board with the Community Development Advisory Committee, or CDAC. The main focus is on homeless shelters and the youth.

Jane Overy said she served on CDAC for 15 years and explained during that time, various capital improvements for Searchlight were completed, including two water tanks, a fire truck, an ambulance, a fire hydrant, and new wells outside of town. Ms. Overy said that these were just a few of the things they were able to bring to town. She suggested that the board needs to look around town to see what is needed.

IX. Next Meeting Date: March 13, 2019.

X. Adjournment: 7:50 p.m.

***These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the March 13, 2019, meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the April 10, 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>