



Searchlight Town Advisory Board

September 13, 2023

MINUTES

Board Members: Kyle Myers – Chairperson
James Allen – Vice Chairperson
Kim Colton
Kayla McInnis
Robert Shawn – Absent

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 Kyle Myers at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance led by Kyle Myers.
- II. Public Comment: None
- III. Approval of Minutes for August 9, 2023. (For possible action)

Moved by: James Allen
Action: Approved as written
Vote: 4-0
- IV. Approval of the Agenda for September 8, 2023, and Hold, Combine, or Delete any Items. (For possible action)

Moved by: Kayla McInnis
Action: Approved
Vote: 4-0
- V. Informational Items

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1. Receive a report and updates from the South County Liaison Mark Moskowitz regarding the Searchlight Animal Clinic, new date of Saturday September 30th, Celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the Wedding Capital of the World, and any other updates from Clark County. (For discussion only)

The second annual Animal Clinic will be held September 30th from 9:00 – 11:00 am at the Searchlight Volunteer Fire Station. He thanked Kim Colton and the Searchlight Fire Department for helping to facilitate this event.

Mark Moskowitz spoke about the 70th anniversary of the Marriage License Bureau, Wedding Capital of the World.

Commissioner Naft's newsletter is available in the back.

Kim Colton requested an update about having access to local television channels with out using cable or satellite.

2. Receive a report from Metro Police regarding activity and statistics during the past month and other area crime concerns. (For discussion only)

Officer Jeter provided the report.

Calls for Service: 37
Traffic Citations: 39
DUI: 1
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 0
Bookings: 3
Juvenile Citations: 0

Officer Jeter spoke about a neighborhood watch program and the pros and cons of the program.

Yvonne Bailey voiced her concerns about the length of time waiting for help to arrive.

Kim Colton thought a community watch would be beneficial but the town needs affordable internet.

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

August 2023 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 16
Medical – 12
Auto – 1
Fire – 4

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

August 2023 Court Calendar:

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Arraignments: 21
Status Checks: 26
All – Hearings – Trials: 24

Action Taken:

New Civil Citations Filed: 222
New Traffic or Misdemeanor Citations Filed: 92
New Criminal Complaints Filed: 5
Cased Closed: 281

All courts are open to the public and begin at 10 am.

5. Receive a report from Elias Askins with United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) regarding the Rural Partners Network (RPN). (For discussion only)

Elias Askins reminded everyone of the Rural Partners Meeting in Pahrump, September 21st, starting at 8:00 am. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Mr. Askins spoke about a Grant for home repairs for senior citizens, 62 or older.

Questions were asked by the board that included:

TV antennas
Farmers Market
Community Garden
Co-op
Broadband Network

Mr. Askins provided updates or will investigate these things.

6. Receive a report and updates regarding the Avi Kwa Ame National Monument from Jimmy Linares, Outdoor Recreation Planner, with the Bureau of Land Management. (For discussion only)

Jimmy Linares spoke about the monument and provided updates regarding co-management agreements for maintenance and services. The York Fire burned over 9,300 acres including the Joshua Trees. There are specific areas not open to the public yet and are asked to stay out of these areas. The area's that are open to the public is asked to stay on the trail.

Walking Box Ranch is currently closed due to structure issues.

Chair Myer inquired about disposable lands and asked to get additional information. Mr. Linares said he had some information and would email Chair Myers.

7. Receive a report and updates from Luis Plancarte, Community Relations Manager with Equinox Gold. (For discussion only)

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Luis Plancarte provided a PowerPoint presentation that included maps and explained the process of mining and what to expect in the future.

Phase two will need 500 contractors to build the new site and recruitment for 300 job openings. There is a green house on site that will help BLM with the transplanting Joshua trees. Adopt a Cactus may be scheduled in November, more information at a later date.

Questions were addressed by the board and the public which included:

Transportation to the job sites
Email notifications for job openings
Time frame when applications will be available.
Ground water concerns
Emergency response on site and helipad

8. Receive a report from Kathy Flanagan with Las Vegas Valley Water District regarding the status of the water system. (For discussion only)

No report

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

Kayla McGinnis read the July report.

August 2023 Statistics:

August 2023: Treated an average of 42 gallons per day.
August 2022: Treated an average of 45 gallons per day.
Flow, Decreased by 3,000 gallons per day from this time last year.

Sewer service complaints: 0
Call before You Dig Tickets: 2 tickets received for July 2023.

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

A'Lonn Bilbray provided the report.

Statistics: August 2023
Programs: 5
Visits: 94

Cal-Nev-Ari:
Programs: 4
Visits: 39

Updates:

The new renderings for the Splash Pad will be ready for the October 11th Town Board meeting.

Contact information:

A'Lonn Bilbray, Supervisor

Michele Brown, Recreation Assistant

Searchlight Office: (702) 297-1682

Office hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Laughlin Office: (702) 298-3413

11. Receive a report Tyler Young from the Searchlight Library regarding current and upcoming programs. (For discussion only)

Tyler Young spoke about current and upcoming programs. He will be attending the National Night Out being held October 3rd.

The Searchlight Library supports Project Marilyn, which is a non-profit organization that supplies women's hygiene products. The Searchlight Library has supplies on hand if needed.

Contact the Library for dates and times of the classes and events.

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

Chair Myers reported some streetlights that were out. Kim Colton said there was debris on the roads from the recent storms. Judy Bundorf requested Grandpas Road to be grated.

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

VI. Planning & Zoning: None

VII. General Business:

1. Review and finalize the FY 24-25 budget request(s). (For possible action)

The Board members voted to remove two items from the list. "Rex Bell Botanical Garden Walk" and "Rex Bell Foot Bridge". Chair Myers read the amended list and motioned to approve the 24/25 Budget Request. Motion passed upon a voice vote 4-0.

VIII. Public Comment:

Judy Bundorf provided additional information for Walking Box Ranch. A clean up day is scheduled for November 4th. More information to follow.

IX. Next Meeting Date: October 11, 2023

X. Adjournment: 8:11 pm

*These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the October 11, 2023, meeting.
Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the November 15, 2023.*

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