

# Spanish Springs Citizens Advisory Board

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Spanish Springs Citizen Advisory Board held March 12, 2014 at the Spanish Springs Library at (7100A Pyramid Lake Highway)

 CALL TO ORDER/ DETERMINATION OF QUORUM - The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by David Espinosa, Chair. A quorum was present. David Espinosa reviewed the protocols for public speaking during the meeting.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** – Dawn Costa-Guyon, At-Large, David Espinosa, At-Large, Catherine Gustavson, At-Large, David Schneck, At-Large Alternate, James Scivally, At-Large, and Ken Theiss, At-Large.

**MEMBERS ABSENT -** Charity Rosasco, At-Large Alternate

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Ralph Theiss led the salute to the Flag.
- 3. \*PUBLIC COMMENT
  - Arnie Brock introduced Mary Brock who is a candidate for the City of Sparks Justice of the Peace.
  - Yvonne Stave stated concern regarding speeding motorcycles and off road vehicles causing hazards to local neighbors and children playing in the area. Ms. Stave stated concerns including whether the vehicles are street legal and also for the amount of dust that is being raised. Ms. Stave suggested that speed bumps may deter some of the reckless and speeding drivers. The property is adjacent to Gator Swamp Park on property owned by Jesse Haw, HAWCO. Ms. Stave added that debris and mud is being tracked out of the area onto streets.
  - Commissioner Vaughn Hartung suggested that this item be scheduled on the next SSCAB agenda for discussion and possible recommendations.
  - Under Sheriff Tim Kuzanek introduced himself and announced that he is a candidate for Washoe County Sheriff.
  - David Espinosa asked for further public comment and hearing none, closed this agenda item.
- **4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2014. MOTION**: Ken Theiss moved to approve the March 12, 2014 agenda as posted. James Scivally seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 8, 2014 MEETING. MOTION: Ken Theiss moved to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting as submitted. Catherine Gustavson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### 6. \*COMMISSIONER UPDATE

A.\* Washoe County Commissioner Vaughn Hartung provided updated information on items being heard be the Board of County Commissioners and of interest to local citizens. Commissioner Hartung reported that a master plan amendment to allow for multi-family development has been pulled. The applicant may come back with a new proposal in the future. Expansion construction at the corner of McCarran and Pyramid is scheduled to commence soon. Commissioner Hartung can be reached at (775) 328-2007 or via email at <a href="mailto:vhartung@washoecounty.us">vhartung@washoecounty.us</a>. (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB).

### **Comments and Concerns**

- In response to questions raised, Commissioner Hartung stated that the multi-family application was
  denied and the applicant will have to reapply with a new proposed project. The developer's
  representatives stated on the record that they would present the application to the SSCAB for
  recommendations.
- Commissioner Hartung stated that the developer does not have a project at this time. The Master Plan Amendment has been denied.
- Commissioner Hartung reviewed the history of development in Spanish Springs which is on the east side of Pyramid Hwy. and is primarily horse property with one acre per dwelling minimum. Residents have stated that they want to maintain the rural/suburban lifestyle. Commissioner

- Hartung defined where the City of Sparks abuts Washoe County. Commissioner Hartung stated that property can be developed according to current code and allowed uses.
- In response to questions raised, Commissioner Hartung discussed PUD's (Planned Unit Developments). The master plan has not been amended to allow multi-family development. Commissioner Hartung stated that the Washoe County Commissioners has the ability to change the Character Statement. The Washoe County Commissioners do not have the ability to change the Regional Plan.

### 7. \*PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES

A. Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) – Undersheriff Tim Kuzanek., Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) introduced himself and reported the operations at the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Department has initiated a crime reduction method and identification of specific crimes. Part of the crime reduction strategy is public educations of safety measures individuals can use to protect their homes and vehicles. Under Sheriff Kuzanek urged citizens to contact the Sheriff's Office to report illegal or suspicious activity. (This item was for information only and no action was taken by the CAB.)

# **Comments and Concerns**

- John Bradbury requested targeted speed enforcement on Eagle Canyon at Alena Drive.
- Commissioner Vaughn Hartung stated that the Sheriff's staff has been placing congested area signs in areas that are too close to residential development. It is illegal to shoot firearms over roadways.
- Concerns were raised regarding shooting near the golf course within the City of Sparks. Residents heard what appeared to be automatic weapons.

# 8. NEW BUSINESS

A.\* REMSA Community Health Programs Update - Melissa Krall, REMSA presented information by PowerPoint and printed materials on the REMSA Community Health Program. Ms. Krall reported on the Community Health Program and the grant funding for the program. Ms. Krall discussed Ambulance Transport Alternatives such as urgent care facilities, clinics or community triage center. There are thirteen facilities in the Truckee Meadows that can treat other than emergency medical. Citizens are urged to call the Nurse Health Line at 775-858-1000 with other than emergency medical questions or concerns. Following her presentation, Ms. Krall addressed questions from the CAB and the audience. Contact Ms. Krall at <a href="Mkrall@remsa-cf.com">Mkrall@remsa-cf.com</a> 775-858-5700 ext. 6227 or 775-858-5731. (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)

#### **Comments and Concerns**

- John Bradbury thanked REMSA for emergency medical assistance he experienced.
- In response to questions raised, Ms. Krall addressed potential cost savings as a result of the new programs.
- Ms. Krall stated that referrals come from Doctors and hospital staff.
- Concerns were raised regarding conditions in the medical emergency rooms where peoples who
  are intoxicated or coming down from drug overdoses have first come first serve priority over other
  patients who may have serious medical conditions. The ability of REMSA to take non-emergency
  patients to alternate facilities is a huge benefit for the real medical emergency patients.
- **9.\* CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS** David Espinosa announced the CAB training on March 19, 2014. Mr. Espinosa thanked everyone who are attended the SSCAB meetings and being engaged in the community issues and concerns.

**Next Agenda Items:** Reckless and speeding recreational vehicles.

- 10.\*PUBLIC COMMENT David Espinosa asked for public comment and hearing none, closed this item.
- **11. ADJOURNMENT** Ken Theiss moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. James Scivally seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Administrative Recorder Services

<u>Those in Attendance</u>: Commissioner Vaughn Hartung, six CAB members, Undersheriff Tim Kuzanek, Commissioner Hartung, twelve members of the audience, one presenter and two Administrative recorder personnel.