

Sun Valley Citizen Advisory Board

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1. *CALL TO ORDER/ DETERMINATION OF QUORUM – Andrea Tavener called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

Member Present: Bloom, Rodney; Maltman, Vicky; Ortiz, Carmen; Reinhardt, Margaret; Burns, Carol (filled in for Merlyn Blanc). A quorum was determined.

Absent members: Georges, James T.; Blanc, Merlyn;

2. *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - William Maltman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. *PUBLIC COMMENT -

Mr. William Maltman said there is a drainage problem on Lupin and 4th. He said the County came out twice about the culverts on Ricon. He said they are 36 ft culver goes into the culvert box. It gets flooded out every time there is bad weather. The boxes are 5 feet deep, but the water comes right out and flows across the property. The water goes across Lupin and 4th. The ditches need to be replaced. He said just a little bit of rain, the water filled the ditches. He said that road will eventually get washed out.

Liz Priest said the trailer in front of her property has weeds and trash. She said now she has mouse problems. She said she has spoken to the property owner, but nothing has changed. 5156 Sun Valley Blvd is the subject property.

Darin Price said the GID has programs to assist GID customers with dumpster programs and discount trash programs for seniors.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 5, 2015 – Margaret Reinhardt moved to approve the agenda for the meeting October 5, 2015; Vicky Maltman seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Elections by the CAB members will be held to elect the Chair and Vice-Chair to serve for the 2015/2016 term of office which will be effective from the time of election through June 30, 2016 or until a successor is elected. Officers will assume their role immediately after the election.

MOTION: Margaret Reinhardt made a motion to nominated Carmen Ortiz to be Chair. Carol Burns seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Carmen Ortiz made a motion to nominated Margaret Reinhardt to be Vice Chair. Margaret Reinhardt seconded the motion. The vote was called. Vicky Maltman was the only member who opposed. The motion carried.

6.*UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE – This item is limited to updates and announcements from CAB members, or review of correspondence received by the CAB.

Carmen Ortiz said she is happy to serve and work closely with the County.

7.*PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS

A.*Washoe County Commissioner Update – Washoe County Commission Vice-Chair Kitty Jung will provide updated information on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Following her presentation, Commissioner Jung will be available to address questions and concerns from the CAB and audience. Commissioner Jung can be reached at (775) 219-5472. (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).

B.*Washoe County Commissioner Update – Washoe County Commissioner Jeanne Herman will provide updated information on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). Following her presentation, Commissioner Herman will be available to address questions and concerns from the CAB and audience. Commissioner Herman can be reached at (775) 501-0002 or via email at jherman@washoecounty.us (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).

Commissioner Herman said she is happy to see everyone. She hopes we can work hard and get things done. She is hoping to answer questions and move forward. She asked if anyone has any questions. She said the Concerned Veterans of America got together and they cleaned up Mayors park. She said it was a BBQ with a great turn out. They would like to clean up Sun Valley. She said they hope to help some of the people who are disabled or who need help.

She said there is an 88 acre piece of land on the border of Sun Valley. The County is working to get it from BLM to build a school. The BLM is holding on to it even though the endangered species concern was lifted. Commissioner Herman said she can send information. Commissioner Herman said the sage brush is endangered species.

8.*WASHOE COUNTY TRASH AND RECYCLING FRANCHISE AGREEMENT – A representative from Waste Management will provide information on trash and recycling service in unincorporated Washoe County including: the franchise agreement, next steps on the proposed single stream recycling integration, and information on how to stay informed. The presenter will be available to answer questions from the Board and audience. For additional information, please contact Washoe County, Office of the County Manager at (775) 328-2000. (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).

John L'Angelle, Waste Management District Manager, gave an overview of the proposed franchise agreement:

- He thanked the community.
- The new agreement would include single stream recycling
- There is an option to sign a new agreement or 5 year extension to the current contract.
- The franchise fees gives 5% back to the County; \$800K in free services to the County.
- The baskets are antiquated. The wind blows them around. Animals go through the trash. He said we would like to containerize. He said we would like to incorporate Natural gas into the fleet. The trucks are quiet and clean.
- The new contract would include 4 free trips to the transfer station anytime you want. This has been a nice feature for the Reno customers.
- Containers would be a resolution to the complaints with animals.
- John said to amortize the contract; it will be spread across 10 years.
- The recycling participation has increased with the new program. The amount of recycling materials collecgted has increased.
- The neighborhoods are cleaner with this new program.
- Current program, we can't take cardboard and other plastics. The new program increases the types of recyclables allowed.
- Discounted senior and handicap customers
- John showed the customer mix. Majority of customers have the 96 gallon container.
- CNG fueling station for the trucks one of the only CNG filling stations

Questions:

- Carol Burns asked about the fueling station. John said its natural gas. She asked about the prices. John said they are negotiation with the County for rates. He said the commissioners will decide. John said the Reno rate increase was insignificant. \$.50 or so. John said we will do what the County wants. Carol asked about the 4 free trips to the transfer station. John said that will be part of the contract.
- Vicky Maltman asked about the discounted senior rate and yard service for handicap. She asked if they will be charged an additional rate. She asked where they can get the discounted rate. John said that it will be during service set up and they won't be charged an additional rate.

- Jim Ainsworth asked about the fall/spring leaves. John said it's not our intent to eliminate anything. John said it's up to the County to decide. John said we are proposing a sticker program which has been adequate for the spring/fall extra yard waste.
- Jeanne Herman asked if it is possible for those who live way out to have a dumpster. John said yes, we can implement that. He said it's great to have during inclement weather.
- Darin Price said he wanted to clarify the rate increase. He asked John about \$.50 increase. John said he estimated. Darin asked if it is mandatory to recycle. John said no, it's not mandatory. John said the containers are built into the rate. Darin said single stream recycling is the way to go; however, people must be aware of the sticker program and rate increase. John said there are cost benefits with the new program. John said you aren't required to recycle. Darin said out in the rural area, they do generate more trash, and we would love some assurances that those additional trash needs are met.
- Jim Ainsworth asked where he can get rid of a TV. John recommended E-Waste, located at 100 E Commercial Row.
- Mr. Maltman asked about dump days. John said that would be in the agreement with Washoe County.
- Michael Rider said tires are issue out here. He said we need a way to get rid of tires. John said we partner with 'Keep Truckee Beautiful.' There is a lot of commercial waste as well.
- Liz Priest said she would like to be notified of the free dump days. John said we just had one this past weekend. He said the current program create long lines at the transfer station. The new program would make the lines manageable.
- Cathy C. asked about those people who don't pay their bills and trash builds up. John said they contact the homeowner. He said they will get out there and pick it up so the trash doesn't.
- Rodney Bloom asked about recycling paint. John said he will send information about the options for disposing/recycling paint and oil. John said he will give that information to Andrea to give out.
- Carmen Ortiz asked about the 5 year extension. John said this CAB doesn't vote on that. John said the commissioners make that decision. John said let your commissioner know your thoughts.

9.*COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES

A.*Senior Services Update – A representative from Washoe County Senior Services will provide information pertaining to services and programs offered by Washoe County Senior Services. A representative will be available to answer CAB member and audience questions. For additional information, please contact the Senior Center at (775) 328-2575 or visit the website at www.washoecounty.us/seniorsrv (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)

Ken Retterath and Leslie Williams, Washoe County Senior Services, were present to give an update: Ken said there is exciting things happening. He said they attended the SVGID meeting. He said they are looking into increasing senior participation; he asked what we can do to make this a better place. He said 10.8% seniors are participating in senior services in Sun Valley; 36% participation in Washoe Valley. He said they have committed to host a meeting at the center once a month to gather information and ideas.

Leslie Williams talked about the model they are using. She said they are getting out in the communities and having a dialogue with seniors. She said they had great conversations about what they want to see changed. She said there will be new games and a soup program which is in addition to the lunch program. She said the bread distribution had stopped, and it will be re-implemented. She said they will encourage a buddy program called 'Buddy Days,' and participants can win a raffle prize when they bring a new friend. She said a birthday program has begun as well. There will be Site specific programs at different locations. She welcomed suggestions. A public member recommended computers and Wifi access at this location. Leslie said they are working on getting them out here. She said they are looking into hosting a quarterly BBQ and have a grand reopening to encourage seniors to come out. Participants want the center to be more diverse. She said Darin from the GID has been helpful. She said she wants to facilitate the needs and requests; however, it will be a slow process, but they hope to learn and grow.

- Bill Maltman said seniors are going to a different community center; he suggested they contact them to ask why they left this center. Leslie said they are creating a survey to see what the seniors want from this facility.
- Liz Priest asked if they are planning on hosting programs in the evening. Leslie said we need to get the attendance up and talk about extending hours, but she said she would love to hear suggestions.

- Vicky Maltman said she spoke to Grady Tarbutton to offer hosting a game day through the Veterans club and Grady said he would get back to her, but she hasn't heard from him. Ken said they want to work with clubs and organizations to host programs. Ken said he would like for Vicky to contact her.
- Carmen asked about the computer program and will it include training. Leslie said yes, that would be program. Leslie said there have hosted a pilot program that has grown with a large waitlist. Leslie said they need wifi out here for the program to begin.
- Carmen said she would love to have a promo flyer to hand out to seniors in the community. Leslie said printed material has been a big suggestion from the community, which is in the works. Leslie thanked the GID for including notices in the utility bill. Ken said they would love to have a re-grand opening and market that and then create a marketing campaign.

B.*Code Enforcement – A representative from Washoe County Community Services Department, Planning and Development Division's Code Enforcing Program will provide information pertaining to code enforcement in Washoe County including common questions, complaint procedures and how to report a complaint. For additional information, please contact (775) 328-6106 or visit the website at www.washoecounty.us/csd/planning_and_development/code_enforcement (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)

- Bert Bracy from Washoe County gave an updated on code enforcement:
- The code enforcement has been shortened from 8 pages down to 3 pages. He said they were receiving calls about issues they couldn't take care of. He said the code enforcement document helps people to understand what codes they can enforce. Bert said please don't call code enforcement to settle a dispute with the neighbor. He gave examples of codes they enforce.
- Carol Burns asked about the specific property with a trailer. Bert said it's fine if the trailer is behind the fence. Junk vehicles can be enforced; however, not trailers. There are no violations on this specific property. Bert said you may not reside in a 5th wheel. If you see it, report it. It's a dangerous situation.
- You cannot store an unoccupied manufactured mobile home on any vacant lot is illegal. Vicky asked for clarification regarding unoccupied mobile homes. He said as long as it's maintained, its ok it's unoccupied.
- Bert said the Code enforcements office is complaint driven.

10.*CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER/NEXT AGENDA ITEMS – This item is limited to announcements by CAB members and topics/issues posed for future District Forums/agendas.

Information/update on the Waste Management. Representative talk about property lines Representative from Roads Department Jurisdictions of each agency such as sewer lines, roads, etc. Washoe County Sheriff: AlertID. RTC come out for pedestrian crossing and improvements. Additional sidewalks (Clara Lawson). SVGID: Update by Darin Price about Water, Sewer, Parks and Rec Commissioner Herman suggested having the gentleman from the Stead clean-up to speak at the next meeting

Carol Burns said she wanted to thank the County staff/commissioner. Carol Burns said she looked for the notice of meeting around town, but there weren't any. She asked how you expect people to come if there is no advertising. There needs to be more communication. Liz said to put it on the free community board on TV. Carol said they will post the notices to get the people to come. Cathy invited Carol to the senior services program to talk about the CAB meetings. They suggested putting it on the community newspaper, reader board at Hobbies. Andrea Tavener said actual posting OML requirements said it has been posted at 3 locations and meeting location. Andrea said they received replies saying the notices had been posted. She said she is happy to send these notices in the mail for additional postings. She said this notice also went out through Cmail which includes all of district 3. Andrea said we want community participation. That is the goal of the County. She said she would love help with spreading the word and more participation.

11.*PUBLIC COMMENT – Limited to no more than three (3) minutes. Anyone may speak pertaining to any matter either on or off the agenda. The public is requested to submit a "Request to Speak" form to the Chairman. Comments are to be made to the Board as a whole.

Burt Brace said he would like to emphasize the veterans clean-up program. If they are willing to offer their assistance, please take it. If you can get folks together and you need his help, please let him know and talk to your neighbors. He encouranged everyone to approach your neighbor pleasantly.

Mike Rider said he is on the board of Babe Ruth and Cal Ripkin clubs. He said they work to keep the park clean. He said they have a lot of contacts including the boy scouts; he said they would be happy to coordinate with the CAB with man power for a clean-up. He thanked the CAB members for their hard work and commitment.

Cathy said she would like more transportation for seniors. Seniors can't enjoy the center due to transportation. The current RTC shuttle is too expensive and not frequent enough. Vicky Maltman said as a stake holder of RTC, that is one of the biggest topics to have a shuttle bus for Sun Valley to bring people to the community center, GID office, and Scolaries. She said they are looking into an Uber type volunteer program. Carmen said the senior services should be involved. Cathy said we need something now.

Andrea Tavener gave an update:

- February 1, 2016 is the next meeting.
- Andrea said we would like to host a district forum for updates
- She handed out a county update
- Free pet care for seniors services by the regional animal services. It was approved by the BCC. Call 353-8900.
- Low cost vaccination for pets 1st Tuesday of every month at regional animal services: 2820 Longley lane in Reno.
- Oct 27: Board of County Commissioners meeting will receive an update on the CAB program with quarterly update with revisions and seeking direction on improvements. She said they are seeking board direction.
- Please sign up for Cmail
- Andrea said there will be another CAB member training in the new year

Carmen asked the public to give her recommendations on sidewalks.

12. ADJOURNMENT - Margaret adjourned the meeting at Vicky at 7:38.

Number of CAB members present: 5 Number of Public Present: 8 Presence of Elected Officials: 1 Number of staff present: 5