



Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board held May 5, 2015 at the Regional Shooting Facility, 21555 Pyramid Lake Highway, Warm Springs.

1. *CALL TO ORDER/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Thomas Prentice, Robert Gunn, Hugh Ezzell, Dennis Buck, Gregory Gilbert, James Bradbery.

Absent: Howard Stephen Shehane.

A quorum was determined.

2. *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Tom Prentice led the pledge.

3. *PUBLIC COMMENT –

Sharon Gustavson thanked the Commissioner for bringing the CAB back. She said a lot of people want these meetings to be held on Wednesday nights. There are other CAB and County meetings on Tuesdays. She said we need to consider attendance of the board with non-excuses absences since there are only 3 meetings a year. She suggested they should rotate the members on the board. Everyone should have the opportunity to be on the board. We are amateurs and shouldn't be held to higher standards than the rest of the County.

Katherine Suedigar said she got with some neighbors and met about being in a rural area zoning. She said they put a document together and gave it to the CAB. She said we don't want to be in the residential zoning area. She said she attended County meetings with several people. She said they didn't get what they wanted. She said she wanted to restore their property rights. They got a name change instead. She said she doesn't fall into the residential guidelines.

Allan Lowsom said this is a residential area, and can't run a business out of my house.

Mike Gay said he was concerned with the Mexican rodeo. The road isn't kept up, animal care, and security is a concern.

Tom closed item 3.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF MAY 5, 2015 - Dennis Buck moved to approve the agenda for the meeting of May 5, 2015. Gregory Gilbert seconded the motion to approve the agenda of May 5, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 13, 2014 – Dennis Buck moved to table the approval of the meeting minutes until the next meeting.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Elections will be held to elect Vice Chair to serve for the remaining 2014 – 2015 term and 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 selected. *(This item is for possible action by the CAB.)*

MOTION: Greg Gilbert made a motion to nominated Dennis Buck to be Vice Chair. Robert Gunn seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Kathrine Suedigar thanked Dennis for stepping up and she offered her help. The audience members thanked Dennis.

7.*UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE – This item is limited to updates and announcements from CAB members, or review of correspondence received by the CAB. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

Robert Gunn received an email from Chris Haywood via Grace from the County. Mr. Haywood had a comment regarding the permit applications. He wanted it known that he didn't want the permit to be approved. He lives one mile from the location, and doesn't want to hear loud music and dust. Commercial events should be held at commercial facilities.

Dennis Buck said he also received emails regarding the development case.

Tom closed item 7.

8.*PUBLIC OFFICIAL REPORTS

A.*Washoe County Commissioner – Commissioner Jeanne Herman will provide updated information on discussions and actions by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). To contact Commissioner Herman, visit www.washoecounty.us/bcc or call 775-501-0002 or email jherman@washoecounty.us. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

Commissioner Herman thanked everyone for attending.

9. *PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY REPORTS/UPDATES

A. *Washoe County Sheriff Chuck Allen – Sheriff Allen will present general information regarding the WCSO including the focus, policy and operations at WCSO, response teams, response into other jurisdictions and public safety concerns. Sheriff Allen will be available to address Citizen Advisory Board member and constituent questions following the discussion. For more information on Sheriff Office, please visit www.washoesheriff.com or call (775) 328-3001. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

Sheriff Chuck Allen gave an update, overview, and future plans:

- He said he is getting to know the operations and staff. 422 in uniform, as well as volunteers, and civilian employees.
- 6 town hall meetings to reach out to the community.
- Internal survey – review with executive staff next Monday.
- Staff is most valuable resource
- Commitment to community
- Priorities are to re-invigorate the volunteer deputy program. Recruitment program is going well. 20 qualified ready for the academy in September. 200 hours of training.
- Community involvement and engagement. Green ribbon panel comprised of community leaders. 16-24 people who meet to discuss issues that affect the citizens. Opportunity for engagement with a voice.
- Busy with the budget. Presented to BCC later in May. Open dialogue process. He said he had a big wish list. Hopeful to fill some positions.
- Lieutenant assigned at the legislature.
- Deputies are working 12 hour shifts. After 10 hours on the road, engagement can be a risk management issue. Beginning May 18th, there will be 4, 10-hour shifts. We will see how that goes. We will see what the delays are.
- He said he is proud of the Washoe County Sherriff staff. He said he is excited to be Sheriff for the next 4 years.

Public Comment:

- George Newmann asked about crime rate. Sheriff Allen said this wasn't a high crime rate area. Sun Valley has the most calls. Domestic Violence was a common crime.
- Sharon Gustavson spoke about shooting in a congested area. He suggested looking at the congested shooting map.
- Katherine Suedigar said she appreciate the public service announcements. However, she said there needs some for pedestrians wearing something reflective. Sherriff Allen said that they can do more about this. He said they have had 12 pedestrian deaths.
- Renia Smith asked about the tree with the tennis shoes. Often times that refers to drugs. Sherriff Allen said he wouldn't be alarmed about that.
- Brian D asked about meth lab productions in this area? Sheriff Allen said that is often reported by neighbors. If you see people coming to a resident at all hours of the night or any suspicious behavior, please report criminal behavior.
- Renia Smith asked about ride along programs. Sherriff Allen said we offer ride along programs. Sherriff said there is deputy shadowing in the jail.
Sherriff Allen said on June 25th there will be an open house with the Sherriff at the detention and crime lab facility. He said he would like to have the Sheriff Office present at the CAB meeting.

Tom closed item 9.

10.*WASHOE COUNTY TRASH AND RECYCLING FRANCHISE AGREEMENT – Washoe County Assistant County Manager, Kevin Schiller and 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 presenters will be available to answer questions from

the board and audience. For additional information, please contact the 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.)*

Kevin Schiller, County Manager gave a presentation

- History: Current trash contract expires this year with optional extension.
- City of Reno went to single stream recycling.
- Went to the Board of County Commissioners a year ago to get feedback and direction.
- Gave an update to the Board of County Commissioners last month to give an update.
- Introduced John from Waste Management
- We are in the process of developing metrics.
- Direction to get specifics and options

John, WM district manager, gave a presentation:

- Want to make community a better place with recycling. The current contract is expiring with 5 year extension option
- John reviewed the handouts
- 5% gross receipts paid to Washoe County.
New program: plastics 1 through 7, glass, cardboard in one bin. The containers are animal resistant.
- CNG fleets – natural gas, clean burning trucks
- Currently Dump Days are every quarter – free or reduce rate at the transfer station. With the new contract, you can go to the transfer station 4 times whenever you want.
- Pilot program in Reno – 30% participation went to 90% participation rate. The recycling is staying out of the landfill.
- He showed picture of the current neighborhood trash and potential neighborhood.
- Katherine Suedigar asked about the containers. John said it's incorporated into the rate, and will be replaced at no cost.
- 96 gallon service
- CNG fueling station open. 23 in the current fleet and looking to increase. There are no CNG, except RTC transfer station. We have an agreement with them to fuel with them. Building that infrastructure with full fueling station.

Public Comment:

- Joanne Phillips asked about the numbers in the handout. Are they current or proposed? She would like to see both numbers. John said there are several proposed options available. He said the commissioners wanted to service every house individually, and we want to service you with the lowest rate. Kevin Schiller said that is the current rate structure. Kevin said based on the rural structure, we are trying to get feedback regarding the needs of yard waste. He said they will communicate the options to the Board. They want a menu of options. For example, there were several options of containers to City of Reno and they wanted to upgrade to 96 gallon container. We want to be consistent.
- Sharon Gustavson asked about competition. Is there only one provider? John said it's an almost exclusive franchise agreement with commercial. He said he has seen a city with multiple trash providers and it's a mess of trash trucks on the road.
- Albine Gay said we always end up with small containers that blow away. We need the large containers. John said they met with Washoe County regarding container needs. There are different needs from different parts of the County.
- Kevin said when the Board makes a decision, we want a seamless transition. We are listening to different options to keep it feasible and keep costs low.
- Renia Smith asked about recycling. John said they lose money on recycling glass, but it's the right thing to do. It depends on the commodity market.
- Kevin said there can be additional bags put out depending on certain times of year; you might have more yard waste. He said they are working on senior discount services.
- Joanne Phillips said she liked the single stream idea. John spoke about the sticker program. Containerizing and automating, we are able to be more efficient and charge less. Reduce carbon footprint. Joanne asked how often they will come. John said garbage has to be serviced every 7 days by code.

- Kevin asked for feedback. He encouraged everyone to get feedback and send it to him. We are trying to be as creative as possible. This is a very rural area. We want it to be successful. We can curtail a bit for this area. We are working on a rate structure with options and costs for additional services. There has always been a senior discount.
- Kevin Schiller: kschiller@washoecounty.us.
- Robert Gunn said not everyone owns a pickup truck to haul to the dump. Robert asked if it feasible to put a large dumpster out here several times a year for those accumulating things that can't go in the normal trash pick-up. Kevin and John said that can be talked about. John said it often gets hard with policing the dumpsters. It can be a nuisance with animal activity.
- Kevin said we can work out a volunteer program to manage the dump.
- Katherine Suedigar asked about additional problems with dumpsters. John said the roads are often inaccessible. Kevin said often trash gets piled around the dumpster as well. Katherine said there could be two locations. Kevin said we can work with WM for options for dumpsters. John said Reno has a bulky waste program. This can be part of your menu item. It's conceptual. John said there is a biodegradable bag/container program for \$27, \$99 to get picked up. Robert Gunn said he did this, and they said they wouldn't come to pick it up.

Tom closed item 10. Took a brief break at 7:48pm. Tom called the meeting back to order, 8pm.

11. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – All development project applications are available online at www.washoecounty.us/csd/planning_and_development/applications/index.php

Staff may not be available to attend, but please call if you have any process questions.

A. Amendment of Conditions, Case No. AC15-004, regarding approved (2013) Special Use Permit Case No. SB13-003 (Adalberto Ortega-Peralta) – Discussion and possible action on an Amendment of Conditions application request to expand the horse competition event schedule from 4 months per calendar year (May, June, July & August) to 8 months per calendar year (April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November); to increase the number of Events and Practices from 1 each month to 2 Events and 1 Practice each month; to increase the number of spectators for each Event from 200 to 600 and for each Practice from 75 to 300; to expand the hours for each Event and Practice from 5 hours (2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to 8 hours (12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.); and to allow live music during each Event and Practice from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. *(This item is for possible action by the CAB.)*

APN: 076-200-10 Staff representative: Grace Sannazzaro, Planner 775-328-3771, email: gsannazzaro@washoecounty.us

Tentative Meeting Date: June 4, 2015 Board of Adjustment **12. NEW CAB MEETING TIME** – Warm Springs/Rural CAB members will discuss and take possible action on the proposed option of changing the CAB meeting start time from 6:00 p.m. to a later start time. *(This item is for possible action by the CAB.)*

Mr. Ortega-Peralta said in 2015 he and his wife was approved for special use permit. He said dust control is an issue. He said his neighbors are complaining. He has a contract with Chico, who takes care of the road with a water truck when they have an event. He said we try to water the arena, but there is a lot of wind, and we are working on it. He said he understands Mike Gay's concerns and will be graveling the road. He said he always fixes the road. He rented a tractor. He wants to get another water truck. Sometime there is a lot of wind during events. These events are Mexican traditions. He said they are training dancing horses, as well as working with the community. He invited his friends, Mr. Ortega and Mr. Perez who are the leader of the dancing horses association. He said he wants to support community programs.

Mr. Roberto Nerey introduced himself. He said he works with at-risk youth. The kids from the city come out and learn about horses. He said working with the horses allows the kids to open up and they can guide them. He said they see a shift in the child's behavior. It's beneficial and he thanked Mr. Ortega-Peralta for what he does for the community.

Mr. Perez said he is an American citizen. He said he is a professional horse trainer. He is involved with the Reno rodeo. He said we raise money for those in need. He offers events at no charge. He wants the kids to get off the streets and stop graffiti.

Board Comments:

Robert Gunn asked Robert Neray about the kids program. Robert Neray said there are supervisors and counselors who are responsible for 15 kids.

Dennis Buck said you can have 100 parking per 1 acre. How many cars will you have? Mr. Ortega said he has parking for 400 cars. Dennis said that will increase the amount on the roads. It's an impact on the community. There are animals and kids in the area. There are safety issues. There will be trouble with that many people involved. Dennis asked if there be drinking and driving. It will be dangerous. Dennis said he wants to know these issues are being addressed. He asked if there is ADA compliance and water rights for property. Mr. Ortega said he has had a meeting with Washoe County, Chico

provides water for road and animal. Mr. Ortega said he provides the water for animals and people. He said they don't need too much water, because they bring it in. Dennis said a lot of port-a-potties will be out there.

Robert Gunn said he is a proponent of property rights and free enterprise, and a person is entitled to do what you pleased to do within the zoning rights. If the activity overlaps into neighbors, there is concern. Robert Gunn said the application states there will be music at practice and events, he said his concern is the decibel level of the music, especially when drums are played. Sound carries through the valley. The application says they want 8 hours, 3 days during the month with loud music. Robert asked how this will affect the neighbors in the proximity. He said he is concerned where he lives, even with the window and door shut, the noise is loud. Robert asked Mr. Ortega what he will do to address that problem with the neighbors. Mr. Ortega said the music is for a few hours in the afternoon. He said the music will start around 4pm. He said wants to put the music in the other side of the ranch. Mr. Ortega said he understands Sharon, Mikes, and Hugh's concerns. It will only be for 4 hours. Robert said mariachi music is loud with the drums, which echoes through the valley. Mr. Perez said a little radio can be heard across the valley. Mr. Perez said they misunderstand the mariachi music. Mr. Perez invited everyone to come and listen. He said he is trying to help the community.

Dennis asked Mr. Ortega if he had asked Chico about using the iron wood event center. Mr. Ortega said the Mexican rodeo needs different equipment. Mr. Perez said it's a different rodeo. There is a different arena needed. Mr. Ortega showed his license to the CAB board members. Dennis said if alcohol is involved, there should be increased security and sheriffs involved.

Gregory Gilbert asked about parking. Mr. Ortega said 400 parking spots. Mr. Perez said he doesn't expect more than 120. Gregory said the amendment says up to 600 people. Mr. Ortega said the parking is never filled. Mr. Ortega said they expect more people in a few more years because more people are learning more about the Mexican rodeo, and that is why he asked for more people. He said they are working with the community. Gregory asked about average number people and alcohol. Mr. Ortega said 300 people and he has a license for alcohol. Mr. Ortega said he has control and patrol. He said we will call the Sherriff for control when the event is over. He said he is willing to pay for a Sherriff to be at the event. Mr. Perez said he wants everyone to be safe. Gregory Gilbert said announcements won't work, in reality. Gregory said noise, alcohol, traffic are issues.

James Bradbery said there shouldn't be alcohol involved if this is event is for at-risk kids. They shouldn't be exposed to drunk people.

Submitted written public comment: The following letters were submitted by members of the public regarding this case (via Sharon Gustavson and Dennis Buck):

From Eric Mills

Of the nine scored charreada events, three involved roping the legs of running horses, either front legs or hind legs ("piales"). Another standard charreada event is even more problematic: "steer tailing." A dozen states in the US have outlawed the 'manganas' and 'piales' events. I'm a big fan of cultural diversity, but 'steer tailing' and roping the legs of running horses should be banned outright.

From Larry Chesney:

I personally had a lot of input to Grace on the original SUP and there were a litany of conditions placed on those events. However, I also drove by and monitored to the best of my ability each event. They had minimal compliance with the conditions that were required. There is no way this event should be allowed to continue. The number of spectators and the number of events they are requesting are ridiculous. My primary concerns are the inability to control the consumption of Alcohol and the effect on the neighbors and residents of the valley. The sheriff can't be expected to baby sit the events. This entire Mexican rodeo is not a suitable use for the conditions in this remote location. I will once again be sending my comments to Grace within the next few days. I'll CC you folks also.

From Hugh Ezzell

It appears that Alberto no longer has control over his rodeo project. From what it sounds like, there's some association from California that's making application for the expansion of the special use permit. Thus, this is no longer some guy trying to make a few bucks having a reasonably small crowd over every now and then...

I have many problems with the current special use permit arrangement as well as the proposed expansion of the conditions of approval and the project.

Primarily, the event has not adequately adhered to the original conditions of approval of the initial special use permit. When I called Grace Sanazarro about some of these problems, she wasn't able to discover the problem.

From Tom Prentice

The Humane Society has requested "local and state governments" to ban these types of events. I find that interesting and to me it begs the question: Why should we be expanding these events when it appears potentially cruel to some of the animals and not acceptable to the Humane Society? Based on the foregoing and Hugh's observations, that the existing Special Use Permit's provisions are not be properly or adequately followed, it would seem to me there should be an investigation of current event practices. The objective would be making sure all provisions of the current SUP are being properly followed/implemented OR to revoke the current SUP if the operators of these events fail to comply with the required SUP provisions. I do wonder about the water rights applicable to the property i.e. do they have proper rights for a commercial operation? Also I wonder what provisions have been made for the handicapped and disabled? Are there proper and adequate facilities for "equal access" as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act aka ADA.

I have also been told it is not uncommon for those attending events held at Alberto's to fire live ammunition from guns into the air. While some members of the community think this is a Second Amendment issue and therefore is 'untouchable' I completely disagree. In the last few years I've seen news articles of people who were killed by bullets dropping from the sky as a result of celebratory gunfire into the air. The thought that projectiles fired into the air will fall harmlessly to the ground is totally destroyed by those reports. The Second Amendment guarantees the right to "keep and bear arms". The purpose is to defend our country and ourselves. Willful, flagrant and unsafe discharge of firearms is NOT a Second Amendment protected right and, in my opinion, should be considered a criminal act.

If those shooting in the air are shooting 'blanks' (projectile-less ammunition) then it doesn't bother me in the least. But the thought of projectiles fired from guns into the air is unreasonably irresponsible and downright dangerous. This practice should be prohibited as it is a danger to any/all attendees and residents of nearby properties.

If the County is going to 'permit' these activities the County should take some responsibility for actively supervising the events. I think occasional 'surprise audits' of in-process events could do a lot to insure compliance with the requirements of any/all applicable Special Use Permits and help to mitigate some of the frustrations of nearby residents who experience first hand the conditions

From Sharon Gustavson

Cannot allow this Mex Rodeo expansion!! I believe the existing permit should be pulled ASAP due to noncompliance with contract terms and WC agreement and no oversight by county as assured.

Issues in the past were not properly recorded or they wouldn't have gotten any permit at all in the first place. They are lawlessly dangerous, constantly making blatantly false statements, and oftentimes acting like conquistadors-- armed bullies!

My list: No or woefully incompetent management & no oversight by county as promised; Dirt roads and Pyramid Highway riddled with traffic accidents; Mass Public Urination!, celebrity gun shooting into the air; weekends and holidays ruined by nonstop Mexican music that rattles the windows and frightens little children riding their horses; gambling & sale & use of alcohol; Not ADA compliant; Should be no shooting at rodeos, especially without targets and into the air; cruel to animals; trespassing and destruction of neighboring properties; Noise pollution; Dust conditions and severe long lasting road damage and deterioration of that property causing residual dust storm events at that specific location; negative impacts to Pyramid Highway (RT 445); The Association and the Ortegas are woefully incapable of & unwilling to manage the property during these events, have no accountability, and neither them or the county can be reached to remedy these ongoing issues, for 10 years approximately!!

It is not even Alberto alone asking for expanding the events, it is an outside national corporation requesting these events! Grace KNOWS this but she continues to try to deceive us! It is the National Mexican-Rodeo Charreada Association of Alameda CA!! I talked to Alberto Saturday & he confirmed this. He also confirmed he does not reside there & hasn't for going on 5-years.

Public Comment:

Joann Phillips offered a suggestion. She said there are families who live near Mr. Ortega, and they should give their comments. She said she doesn't like the traffic.

Katherine Suedigar said there is another property doing the same thing. They are also asking for special permit conditions. She wants the County to monitor it and apply it to this case. They watch for drinking, traffic control, and there are 31 different conditions. 10am-8pm. She recommends they do what the other property is doing.

Sharon Gustavson said a lot of people came to her who are upset about it. She said they have unfinished business; GRA has not been finished. No special permits should be approved in our rural area and interrupt our life, liberty and pursue of happiness. She said there were a 1000 people over at the ranch. She read a statement by a concerned community member (Hugh). She said Mr. Ortega doesn't have control. When asked to have security, they used thugs. There are guns fired into the air. Sharon said she has worked with disabled, vets, children, and they ride her horses. They are freaked out by what happens out there. They got away with their permit because Grace omitted facts regarding apparatuses. The garbage wasn't monitored. They are creating great distress for the neighbors.

Andrea Tavener said the CAB board can proceed how they wish. She apologized that community services wasn't present. She said the Board of County Commissioners will read the memo regardless of how the CAB votes. They want to read the discussion. You can extend the public comment time frame, however, she said for consistency, she recommended they kept with the current time frame. She said she wants to hear from the audience and give them equal opportunity. She said the Board of County Commissioners and Board of Adjustments might vote regardless of what happens here. Andrea said Tom is a voting member. Every CAB member is a voting member. Tom said he welcomes comments and will bring it back for a vote.

Mike Gay said he lives east of the subject property. He said the water truck runs 2 times a day. The grading happens once or twice a year. He said they need to have a license for animals. Mike asked about adequate bathroom facilities. Mike said Mr. Ortega's horses don't stay on his property. The horse got loose and ran into a barbwire fence. He said he is tired of them getting loose. No animals should be outside of the fences. Mike said they need to have to have medical on site if they have this many people, with kids, however, it's not on this amendments.

Albine Gay said this sounds like a great program; however, the size needs to stay the same. The road can't handle the traffic. Beer bottles and trash was everywhere. Please have respect for your neighbors.

Sharon Gustavson said there is an issue with ADA compliance and the treatment of animals. They need to prove their licenses.

Joann Phillips said she is concerned about the drinking, especially in front of children. Drinking needs to stop two hours before the end of the event like the baseball games. She has lived in Mexico, and embracing the culture. She said the questions that were presented to Mr. Ortega should have been answered by him, not Mr. Perez.

Roberto Nerey said everything they say makes sense, and we agree. We just want him to have an opportunity. He needs a committee that helps him. Roberto said Mr. Ortega came in unprepared. This should have been organized. We can go back and forth; it's fair that he is trying to do what is right. We can try to fix those issues. Please take this into consideration that we can fix the issues and we understand they have concerns.

Andrea Tavener clarified that the board can vote on this with conditions. She said they have those options.

Robert said he would consider voting on this if there were conditions such as additional watering, veterinary presence, no fire arms or alcohol if children are present, cleaning highway after each event, and the decibel level must be low enough that doesn't trouble the neighbors.

MOTION: Dennis moved to take a vote on Amendment of Conditions, Case No. AC15-004, regarding approved (2013) Special Use Permit, Greg seconded the motion to vote on the Amendment of Conditions. Thomas called for a vote to approve the **Amendment of Conditions, Case No. AC15-004, regarding approved (2013) Special Use Permit** as written. No one voted in favor of approving the Amendment of conditions. All opposed the case.

Tom said the special use permit amendment was not adequate. He said what was spoken tonight should be added to the amendment. There is too much information lacking. Special use permit should include items relative to safety, gun fire, conditions about disabled access compliance. He said there is no room for consideration. It's not acceptable as written.

12. NEW CAB MEETING TIME:

Commissioner Herman said the intent was to change to 6:30pm to allow people to get to the meeting. Tom said he heard it was a hardship for people to make 6pm meeting.

Katherine Suedigar said we use to meet at 7pm in the years past, but everyone was getting home too late when the meeting was over. It was changed to 6:30 and 6pm because it would allow people to get home at decent hour. She said if people have trouble getting to the meeting, they can come in late. Skip the meeting if you can't attend. You need to come and sacrifice.

Tom asked the CAB for their preference of meeting start time of 6:30pm or 7pm.

MOTION: Dennis Buck moved to set the start time at 6:30pm. Robert Gunn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Close item 12.

13. *CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS/NEXT AGENDA ITEMS – This item is limited to announcements by CAB members and topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas. *(This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)*

Dennis asked if signs could be made up for Winnemucca Ranch road announcing the meeting dates and times. Commissioner Herman said there can be signs with the 3 meetings published and posted.

Tom said there is an agenda item request form that the members of the public or board members can submit.

The next meeting is September 1, 2015.

14. *PUBLIC COMMENT – This item only is limited to no more than fifteen (15) minutes. Anyone may speak pertaining to any matter either on or off the agenda. The public are requested to submit a "Request to Speak" form to the Board Chairman. Comments are to be addressed to the Board as a whole.

Andrea Tavener had the County update handouts available. She said please sign up for the County news, Cmail. Please give the cards to neighbors to get notified of the meetings.

George Newell spoke about the Specific Plan Area (SPA). SPA was created because a large group of property owners wanted to form a plan. He showed a map of the configuration of the acreage which included from Amy Road on east side and Whiskey Springs down to Share Rock Road, and down by the Fire house. It took 3 years to get approved by the County. They approved there were 40 acre parcels, originally. The concept was to subdivide them. You could subdivide down to 1 acre. Pratt had 1000 acres. It wasn't feasible to do 1000, 1 acre parcels. He said he subdivided and built homes. The health department said 1 acre isn't possible, and 5 acres was the minimum parcel. There is one project down on Broken Spur to subdivide 56, 5 acre parcels. Within the agreement, you have to pay an impact infrastructure fee. It amounted to approximately \$4K a parcel, now it's about \$7K per parcel. This money goes into an interest bearing account. It specifies that if the County didn't use it for what it was intended it for, it would be refunded to the owner. The County is refunding the money. It's been 10 years. The SPA is created in perpetuity, and won't be resolved unless it is decided by all owners. Many people rent space up here for horses. The CCRs are stringent. There is a handbook with rules. There are many conditions within the SPA regarding what you can do with your parcel. He said the County got \$1M a year in additional taxes. We have a temporary fire department, and the County could use that money to put a permanent fire station. When the additional 56 house are built, they will get additional taxes. He said you should be able to put a firehouse out here. The SPA helps the community. The commissioner can help with that. Commissioner Herman asked if these people could come and support George at the May 12th Commissioner's meeting. George said he is fighting the County for the money. They have violated the contract. The County was supposed to put the money in an individual interest bearing account, and they did not. It was comingled. He said there was a fire last year, and it would be helpful to have a fire station up here. George said we are supposed to be on the agenda at the Commissioners meeting. Katherine said they need to follow the contract and get your money back. He said the County hasn't given one statement. They had to use the freedom of information act to find out the information. George said he hired an attorney to get an order to give them a statement. He said they have calculated how much money they have coming. He said he could use their help.

Katherine Suedigar said the development code 110, NRS 278-A,B,C. Nothing in that development code applies to our parcels. Washoe County steps over its boundaries and the law. They have extorted thousands of dollars and water. You don't have to purchase water as a subdivider. The subdivider doesn't have obligation to pay for water rights. It's imposed at will. There is no guarantee of water on any of these parcels. There are rules and regulations that don't apply to us. Unless you are causing harm, nobody gets to tell you to clean up your parcel. Who is harmed if you have stuff on your property that they don't want to look at. We all have to live together out here and be left alone. Respect your neighbors' property rights. We have great distance from our neighbors and all come together to protect each other. We need to get a call system to find out for proper documentation and make them go away. Everyone should start coming to these

meetings. If you want to live this lifestyle, stand up for your rights. Everyone can get rid of the county and get them out of their lives. People helped during restoration. She said she attended meetings, and talked to everyone first before making a decision. It's the people out here that agree for change. We were lied to. We need more people to attend this meeting and commissioner meetings. We need to ask the commissioners if they are acting as a sole proprietor or business or as an arm of the government. Some don't talk to us because we aren't business. The commissioners listen to corporate proprietors. We need to ask them how they are acting. They are blending their behavior. She said she is working on getting our property rights back. They were illegally taken away from us. It's what the stakeholders wanted, not what the residence want.

Renia Smith apologized to everyone for her outburst and behavior.

Albine Gay asked about the amendment to the special permit. Tom said we don't have the say if the special use permit amendment is approved or not. The planning and county commission has their own opinions.

Andrea Tavener said the public can provide comment at those meetings. You can contact them and let them know you would like to receive notification of those agendas. She said it goes to the Board of Adjustment before the Board of County Commissioners.

Tom closed item 14.

15. ADJOURNMENT Dennis Buck moved to motion and Gregory Gilbert seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:52pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Misty Moga, Administrative Recorder Services

Number of CAB members present: 6

Number of Public Present: 15

Presence of Elected Officials: 0

Number of staff present: 1