

Chair Gina Mackey read and presented the proclamation and award on behalf of Clark County to James “Jim” Maniaci as the 2019 Laughlin Citizen of the Year.

Mr. Maniaci expressed his gratitude and appreciation for the honor.

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

Lt. Hewes provided the January report.

January 2019 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 346
Traffic Citations: 551
DUIs: 0
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 7
Bookings: 62
Juvenile Arrest: 2
Juvenile Citations: 2
Citations NRS 482: 0

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

Sgt. Wayne Dice provided the January report.

Citations: 848
Arrest: 18
DUI: 5
Crashes: 7, including one fatality crash in January.

Kathy Ochs asked about commercial enforcement. Sgt. Dice said three of the troopers are commercial certified and work on the commercial enforcements. Eventually all the troopers will be commercial certified, he said.

Chair Mackey moved up Will Douglas with University of Nevada Cooperative Extension to provide his report at this time due to his time constraints.

4. Receive a report from Clark County Fire Department regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues. (For discussion only)

Battalion Chief Eric Poleski provided the 2019 January report.

Station 85 ran 98 calls, 82 of those were medical.
Station 76 ran 139 calls, 101 of those were medical.
Total calls for Laughlin in January 2019 were 237.

Mr. Poleski responded to a question that was asked at last month’s meeting regarding adequate fire hydrants. He said there is.

He also said the Fire Department is working on cell phone reception for the area. There have been some issues after the switch from the old analog system.

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

Report provided by Greg Turner.

Laughlin Water Reclamation Facility (LWRF) had an average of 1.66 million gallons per day producing clean water returned to the Colorado River. Flow decreased 70,000 gallons per day from this time last year.

Sewer Service Complaints: None

Odor Complaints: None

Call Before You Dig: 33 tickets received for January 2019

Nile Smith and Kathleen Whitehead commented on the tour they both took this morning at the Laughlin Water Reclamation Plant.

6. Receive a report from Chaunsey Chau-Duong with Big Bend Water District regarding the status of the water system. (For discussion only)

Report provided by Jordan Bunker.

Diversions: January 2019: 246 acre feet

2018 total diversion: 248 acre feet

No major reports of leaks or complaints.

Jordan Bunker provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the new billing system that will become effective in March 2019, and will include:

- An updated look with a new account number
- Changes to online payment, auto pay, and payment locations
- Self-service kiosk
- 24/7 customer care phone support

For a copy of the PowerPoint presentation, contact the Laughlin Town Manager's Office.

7. Receive a report from Will Douglas with University of Nevada Cooperative Extension regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Will Douglas said the 4-H program is holding well with strong attendance. Surprisingly, he said the Garden Club is doing very well and is more popular than robotics. There should be 8-9 raised garden beds available for lease. Funds are still available to build extra garden beds if needed.

Mr. Douglas will be in Searchlight tomorrow and will provide an update for the Searchlight Town Advisory Board.

Mr. Douglas said he is working on adult education in Laughlin. The last master gardener meeting included 16 participants, a good turnout compared to the last meeting which only had four participants.

8. Receive a report from Jackie Mazzeo with Laughlin Chamber of Commerce regarding current and upcoming events. (For discussion only)

Jackie Mazzeo, Executive Director and CEO, provided each town board member and staff with an artisan token gift prior to delivering her January report.

Ms. Mazzeo provided PowerPoint slides of the activities planned for the 6th Annual Connie Davis 5K Walk & Roll for Cancer to be held March 2, 2019, at the Pyramid Canyon Day Use Area of the North Reach Heritage Trails. She also displayed two painted rocks for inclusion in the Tree of Life Rock Garden.

The next "Breakfast with Us" will be held Friday, February 22nd at 8:30 a.m. This is a monthly network breakfast to meet and welcome new members and share information.

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

Richard deClercq provided the January report.

January 2019 Statistics:

39 programs

499 participants

2,236 visits

Upcoming Special Events:

February 13 – Annual Valentine’s Day Classic @ Senior Center

Participants must be 50+ years of age with maximum of 36 participants. Event will include various themed games as well as a potato bar. The cost is \$3.00 per person.

March 1 – Senior FootGolf Tournament

The cost is \$5.00 per person with a maximum of 10 participants. This event is being held in conjunction with the senior centers in Las Vegas.

March 8 – Senior Trivia Night

The cost is \$32.00 per team of four, or \$8.00 per player.

April 13 – Laughlin Egg Run

Annual Egg Run event to be held for children aged 3-12 years. Pre-registration is required starting March 1st. The event will include free inflatables.

Updates:

The basketball courts have been resurfaced.

Contact Info: Richard deClercq, Supervisor, (702) 298-3413

10. Receive a report from Laughlin school system regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

No report

11. Receive a report from Tanya Brown-Wirth with Laughlin Library regarding current and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Tanya Brown-Wirth provided information on current events and programs.

February is “National Love your Library Month” and to celebrate, the Library has procured new Vegas Golden Knights library cards. Anyone can switch out their current or old card for a Golden Knights card free of charge.

- The AARP Tax-Aide program is offered in cooperation with the IRS. An AARP rep will be at the Library on Thursdays from February 14th through April 11th. All services are free of charge.
- Laughlin Writers Group will meet Wednesday, February 20th at 4:00 p.m.
- Alzheimer’s Support Group meets monthly on the third Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m.
- The next Tea at Three will be held Sunday, March 10th at 3:00 p.m.
- Coffee and Conversations will be held Wednesday, February 27th at 10:00 a.m.
- Gatekeeper Class for the prevention of suicide will be held July 17th. Contact the Library to register.

For more information on programs and events, contact the Library at (702) 507-4063 or stop by at 2840 South Needles Highway in Laughlin.

At 2:40, a 15-minute recess was called by Chair Mackey. Meeting resumed at 2:55 p.m.

12. Receive a report on the finances of the Fort Mohave Valley Development Fund. (For discussion only)

Dr. Brian Paulson provided LTAB members with financial compilation reports for FY 2017/18 and the first two quarters of FY 2018/19 of the Fort Mohave Valley Development Fund (FMVDF), as maintained and managed by the County’s Finance Department, including Fund 2340 unencumbered funds in the amount of \$9,722,744.55, and Fund 4340 encumbered funds in the amount of \$1,386,972.12, as of December 2018.

James Maniaci referenced the amount of the fund balances, stating that funds originally allocated for bridge architectural design were halted late last year at the request of the LTAB due to the high cost of the project and poor site location. He noted that until July 2018, the County received approximately \$150-200,000 in lease payments from two former solar developers which both decided not to renew leases with the County. These payments are critical to keeping the FMVDF growing and healthy.

Kathy Ochs asked if there were any updates from Real Property Management regarding a proposed auction to obtain another lease developer. Dr. Paulson responded it was his most recent understanding that RPM would hold the auction in March.

13. Receive a report from Martin Knauss with Laughlin Economic Development Corporation regarding community and economic development activities in Laughlin. (For discussion only)

Martin Knauss provided a brief update regarding the Laughlin Lagoon SID dredging project as well as the 40 acres of state land for the proposed community river park.

Mr. Knauss turned the mic over to Robert Bilbray, who provided additional details of the lagoon dredging project. Mr. Bilbray also spoke about current legislative bills in Carson City that are currently in various forms of bill draft, including a bill for final accounting measures for completed SID projects and the fuel tax equalization bill.

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

Dr. Paulson introduced Mark Robledo, who has recently begun his duties serving Clark County and the town of Laughlin as a management analyst in the Town Manager's Office. Mr. Robledo is a resident of Laughlin and comes with almost 30 years of experience from the City of Pomona in California.

VI. Planning & Zoning:

1. **UC-18-0974-USA:**

USE PERMITS for the following: **1)** a communication tower; and **2)** increase the height of a communication tower.

DESIGN REVIEW: for a communication tower on a portion of 307.1 acres in an R-U (Rural Open Land) Zone. Generally located 1,235 feet east of US Hwy 95, 2,325 feet south of SR 163 within Laughlin. To the PC 02/05/2019

No final action at the time of this posting

2. **WS-19-0010-FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH:**

WAIVERS OF DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS for the following: **1)** reduced parking; and **2)** reduce a portion of street landscaping.

DESIGN REVIEW for additions to a place of worship on 1.9 acres in a C-2 (General Commercial) Zone. Generally located on the east side of Needles Highway and the south side of Palm Terrace Drive within Laughlin. To the PC 02/19/19

No final action at the time of this posting

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 Laughlin, send a letter of support to the Board of County Commissioners, and take any other action deemed appropriate. (For possible action)

A representative from Silver Rider was unable to attend the meeting. James Maniaci expressed his disappointment and requested that a Silver Rider representative be on the March agenda to address questions from the board.

Chair Mackey read the support letter.

Kathy Ochs motioned to recommend approval of the letter and Chair Mackey seconded the motion. Motion passed upon a voice vote, 5-0.

2. Discuss and determine short-term and long-term community priorities, projects, and programs for the town of Laughlin. (For possible action)

Kathy Ochs said she wanted to illustrate a couple of things for the board to be aware. In order for the community to grow, she said we need to have the infrastructure behind us. One of the things that must be confronted as far as services from the County is building inspections. She said Laughlin has just one building inspector when there used to be four. Ms. Ochs said the residential tax base has recently doubled and Laughlin has not received any additional services which will greatly impact and retard the growth of Laughlin.

Ms. Ochs said Real Property Management needs to assign someone to this area fulltime to take on these projects, stating if there was someone here to represent this community, we would get more play. With a new County commissioner, she said now is the time to request the services that are needed in Laughlin.

James Maniaci adjusted the priority list and Chair Mackey said more time is needed to fine tune the list. The board discussed placing the item on hold until the March 12th meeting to allow for additional time in determining the priority structure and importance of each category.

Chair Mackey motioned to table this item until the March 12, 2019 meeting. James Maniaci seconded the motion. Motion passed upon a voice vote, 5-0.

VIII. Public Comment:

Laughlin resident Rick Sweeney commented about the second bridge and said he does not understand why the board would be in favor of stopping the construction that took over 30 years to start. He said a second bridge would be an asset to Laughlin and attract additional business.

IX. Next Meeting Date: March 12, 2019

X. Adjournment: 3:50 p.m.

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the March 12, 2019 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the April 09, 2019, meeting.

To listen to the audio recording of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board go to:

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/administrative-services/laughlin/Pages/LaughlinTownAdvisoryBoard.aspx>