



Laughlin Town Advisory Board

September 10, 2024

MINUTES

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I. Call to Order by Kathleen Hoss at 1:30 pm, Pledge of Allegiance led by

II. Public Comment:

Patricia Fisher commented about item #2 under General Business concerning Fort Mohave Development Fund (FMDF) to pay for water storage tank. She asked if the water district has ruled out all funding alternatives. Another concern is that water customers would be liable to pay for the loan using FMDF money.

III. Approval of Minutes for August 13, 2024. (For possible action)

Moved by: Kathy Ochs

Action: Motioned to hold the minutes for the media and stakeholders. Mark Moskowitz said anyone who requested the minutes were provided immediately the next day on the 14th. Ms. Ochs said the stakeholders needed more time to review the minutes.

Vote: 5-0

IV. Approval of Minutes for August 27, 2024. (For possible action)

Moved by: Kathy Ochs

Action: Motioned to hold the minutes for the media and stakeholders. Mark Moskowitz said anyone who requested the minutes were provided immediately the next day on the 14th. Ms. Ochs said the stakeholders needed more time to review the minutes.

Vote: 5-0

V. Approval of agenda for August 13, 2024, and hold, combine or delete any items (For possible action)

Moved by: Pamela Walker

Action: Approved

Vote: 5-0

VI. Informational Items:

1. Receive a report and updates from the South County Liaison Mark Moskowitz on Coffee with a Cop, Small Business Administration Rural Business Roundtable and Resource Fair from August 28th, National Public Lands Day on September 28th, and any other updates from Clark County. (For discussion only)

Mark Moskowitz thanked Metro for Coffee with a Cop. The event went well with a good turnout. He also thanked the library for hosting the White House Small Business Administration Round table and the Resource Fair.

National Public Lands Day is September 28th at Pyramid Park. Flyers are on the back table with the details. Mr. Moskowitz thanked the Colorado River Heritage Greenway Park and Trails Advisory Council for their work with helping to facilitate this event.

The Laughlin residential road rehab has started back up on September 4th.

Newsletters are in the back. There is also a list of the cooling stations in the back.

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

August 2024 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 287

Traffic Citations: 157

DUIs: 2

Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 4

Bookings: 22

Juvenile Citations: 2

Laughlin High/ Middle School: 4

Bennett Elementary: 1

Lt. Rogers mentioned that their uniforms has changed. They are now wearing black pants.

National night out will be held Wednesday, October 9th at the Mountain View Park. This will include a petting zoo for the kids.

Trunk and Treat will be held October 29th at Mountain View Park. Candy donations can be dropped at the Metro lobby 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.

Kathy Ochs asked if the Lt. was aware of plans for vacant elementary school. He did not, but Mark Moskowitz said the facility was going to be used by CCSD.

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

Fire Captain Tony Quintela provided the August report.

Statistics August 2024:

Station 76: 121
Station 85: 69
Total responses: 190

Captain Quintela provided information on the large brush fire that burned 63 acres. All agencies came together including a helicopter and had the fire under control in a quick timely manner. No structures were damaged.

4. Receive a report from Jason Bailey with Big Bend Water District regarding the status of the water system. (For discussion only)

Diversions: August 2024, 314 - acre feet.
2024 Total diversions: 1,990 acre-feet

Water System Update:

Cleaning and servicing the river intake screens to help prevent clogging and restriction to the treatment facility, replacement chemicals feed pumps for treatment and distribution system have been ordered.

The Big Bend Water District storage project remains on the State Revolving Fund Loan priority list. Staff submitted information and support letters for Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) funding to seek additional external funding sources.

Kathy Ochs inquired about her request for 2008 documents. Jason Bailey said he is working with Clark County administration records to find the files in their archive.

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

The Laughlin Water Reclamation Facility treated an average of 1.78 MGD, producing clean water returned to the Colorado River. Flow decreased by 20,000 gallons per day from this time last year.

Sewer Service Complaints: None

Odor Complaints: None

Call Before You Dig: 2 C.B.Y.D. Laughlin Tickets received for August 2024

6. Receive a report from Kelly Lehr, Southern Clark County Coordinator with UNR Extension regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Kelly Lehr provided information of a garden class that is provided for home school kids at the library. She provided information for the 4-H classes.

The UNR will be attending the National Public Lands Day and supplying seed balls at Pyramid Canyon and will be attending National Night out and the Trunk or Treat, both being held at Mountain View Park.

For additional information regarding classes and programs contact:

Kelly Lehr

Southern Clark County Program Coordinator

UNR Extension

55 Civic Way

Laughlin, NV. 89029

Work-phone: (702)299-1333

kellylehr@unr.edu

<https://extension.unr.edu>

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

Statistics: August 2024

Programs – 16

Participants – 1040

Updates:

Spirit Mountain Activity Center – August / September Senior Field Trips

Bellagio Harvest Display

International Marketplace

Micheals & WINCO

Age of Chivalry Festival

Summerlin Festival of the Arts & Fashion Show Mall

Halloween Trunk or Treat will be held October 29th from 5:00 – 7:00 pm at Mountain View Park. If you are interested in having a car in the Trunk or Treat, please call our office. (702) 298-3413

Contact Info:

A'Lonn Bilbray, Supervisor

Laughlin Office – 702-298-3413

8. Receive a report from Carrie Larson with Laughlin Chamber of Commerce regarding current and upcoming business activities in Laughlin. (For discussion only)

Laughlin Chamber of Commerce Events:

Community Achievement awards will be held November 2nd at 4:30 pm.

Additional services:

Notary, by appointment only

NDOW registration agent for fishing and small game license.

Visitor's Center Host

Business Center Services

Membership: Q3

Members – 330

New Laughlin Members –3

Volunteers in Partnership (VIPs). Anyone interested in volunteering as an Airport Ambassador, an Usher at town wide concerts and events are encouraged to pick up an application at the chamber.

Opportunities for volunteers:

Call Donna at (928) 404-3859

Laughlin Chamber of Commerce

(702) 298-2214

www.laughlinchamber.com

9. Receive a report from Jackie Wallin with the Laughlin Tourism Commission regarding current and upcoming events and activities. (For discussion only) No report.

10. Receive a report from Tanya Brown-Wirth with Laughlin Library regarding current and upcoming activities. (For discussion only) No report.

11. Receive a report from Laughlin school system regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only) No report.
12. Announcements of upcoming neighborhood meetings and County or community meetings and events. (For discussion only) None

VI. Planning & Zoning: None

VII. General Business:

1. Receive a report from Nevada by Design regarding the Laughlin water storage tank development project proposal to Big Bend Water District (For possible action)

Even Needham and Dr. Huston Pullen provided the presentation and handouts for the TAB members and the public. The handouts are available upon request from the Laughlin Administrative Offices.

There was a long discussion that included funding options and the time frames. NBD (Nevada by Design) – WESA (World Economic Support Agency offers a range of services that include business development services, infrastructure projects, workforce development, tourism, and marketing to name a few.

Kathy Ochs motioned to approve a support letter for NBD. Motion approved by a voice vote 5-0.

2. Reconsider issuing a letter of support to the Board of Clark County Commissioners supporting a loan from the Fort Mohave Development Fund to the Big Bend Water District for the construction of a water storage tank, per LTAB direction at the August 27, 2024, meeting. (For possible action)

There was a long discussion that included Doa Ross from the Las Vegas Valley Water District (LVVWD) who provided additional information and reiterated her discussion from last months TAB meeting and answered questions.

Carrie Larson spoke regarding the cost and provided handouts with what the cost should be according to her, and said the estimates provided by the LVVWD was twice what it should be.
Robert Bilbray does not support using FMDF to help fund the new water storage tank.

Kathy Ochs Motioned to table this item until further notice. Motioned passed by a voice vote 5-0.

VIII. Public Comment:

A constituent inquired about the agenda.

A constituent commented on flood control, the possible sale of the power plant land, the status of the vacant Bennett elementary school building.

IX. Next Meeting Date: September 24, 2024

X. Adjournment: 3:46 pm

***These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the October 8, 2024, meeting.
Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the November 12, 2024, meeting.***

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