

EAST TRUCKEE CANYON CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the meeting of the East Truckee Canyon Citizen Advisory Board held April 6, 2005 at Natches Elementary School, Number 1, Highway 447, Wadsworth, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Anthony Monroe, Chair
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT** – Anthony Monroe, Chair, Ida Louise Swires, Bambi Van Dyke, Secretary/Treasurer and Sandra Wagner who was introduced as a new CAB member.
MEMBERS ABSENT - Carolyn Adams, V. Chair has resigned from the ETCCAB and Thomas Spiteri, unexcused. Bill Clegg, City of Fernley Ex-Officio and Leroy Goodman, Lyon County Ex-Officio
SPECIAL GUEST – Michelle Poché, Assistant County Manager
3. **CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF THE AGENDA** – Anthony Monroe certified that the April 6, 2005 agendas were posted at the designated locations by 9:00 a.m. three working days prior to the ETCCAB meeting and in compliance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Ida Louise Swires moved to approve the April 6, 2005 agenda as posted. Bambi Van Dyke seconded the motion. The motion carried.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Bambi Van Dyke moved to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2005 meeting as clarified. Ida Louise Swires seconded the motion. The motion carried. Bambi Van Dyke clarified that the meeting referenced by Patty Wade-Snyder on March 2, 2005 under item 11. A. *was not a CAB meeting.*
6. **UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**
 - Sandra Wagner stated that according to Mark Johnson, Department of Water Resources, there are no dry sewer lines in the streets at Stampmill. Mr. Johnson referred Ms. Wagner to Susan Hood regarding what property owners would be assessed when sewer service was available.
 - Bambi Van Dyke announced that the Wade Development application for 4800 new homes was approved by the Washoe County Planning Department.
 - Bambi Van Dyke announced that AB 440 to revise the boundary line between Washoe and Lyon Counties was introduced to the legislature by Assemblyman Tom Brady.
7. **WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ITEMS** – Deputy Jeff Masten, South District Citizen Liaison was available to discuss public safety issues. Recent calls for service were reviewed. Deputy Masten introduced Sgt. Hahn, Pyramid Tribal Police and discussed the mutual aid agreement between the Law Enforcement agencies. Copies of the Community Safety Handbook and brochure on shooting of firearms and off road vehicle ordinances and codes were available. Deputy Masten stated that the Sheriff's Department is looking into increased patrols in the East Truckee Canyon CAB planning area.
Comments and Concerns
 - Concerns were raised that the Congested Area sign on Cantlan Drive has been removed and it was asked to have the sign replaced. Karena Miller stated that she is tracking this issue to see if new signage can be installed.
8. **RENO FIRE PROTECTION AND SAFETY ITEMS** – Division Chief Roy Slate, Reno Fire Department Chief Slate stated that they are working on a mutual aid contract to allow Fernley Volunteer Fire Fighters to work with the Washoe County Volunteer Fire Fighters. The Reno Fire Department is also working with the Pyramid Tribe regarding increasing training and the mutual service. In response to questions raised, Chief Slate stated that there are not sufficient funds to staff a fire station.
9. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - Anthony Monroe asked for public comments and hearing none, closed this agenda item.
10. **COUNTY COMMISSION/COMMUNITY LIAISON UPDATES:** Karena Miller, Community Outreach Coordinator, presented an update on County issues. Washoe County has made a public lands survey available on the web-site: www.washoecounty.us and public comments are encouraged. Washoe County is starting to work on the new budget and the schedule of meetings will be posted on the web-site. Ms. Miller encouraged citizens to consider serving on the Citizen Advisory Board.
11. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Vector-Borne Diseases Program Update** – Judith Saum, Health Department Vector-Borne Diseases program presented information on vector borne diseases including West Nile Virus. Copies of the Vector News and the brochure on Prevent Disease and information on Mosquito Fish were available. Vector Control measures should commence in mid-May as the weather warms up. Seasonal staff will be hired to help treat standing water sources. Residents are urged to vaccinate horses and be aware of standing water where mosquitoes could breed and contact the health department if you find clusters of dead birds. Birds need to have died within 24 hours in order to test them for West Nile Virus. Call the Health Department with questions regarding protecting children from being bitten by mosquitoes.

B. Stampmill Conditions of Approval – Michelle Poché, Assistant County Manager brought summary material on the original approval of Stampmill Estates in 1999. There was a map for 261 lots and 89 lots were recorded. The tentative map then expired and the remaining lots were no longer valid. There is no outstanding authority or approvals for the unrecorded lots. Ms. Poché noted that the conditions of approval were met by the developer on the lots that were approved. Attachment A. 3. a. references Water Quality and Sewage Disposal and Water Quality is an accompanying report referenced under A. 3. a. All of the conditions of approval were listed on the summary material packet. Karena Miller stated that she had researched dry sewer lines issue and stated that the developer was never required to install dry sewer lines. Ms. Poché stated that Washoe County would not allow septic systems on lots less than 5-acres. The ETCCAB will be reviewing the formal application of the next phase of Stampmill as soon as Washoe County has the application in the planning process. Anthony Monroe reminded the audience that the CAB has been presented with preliminary plans for residential development and the formal applications will be brought back to the CAB for review and recommendations.

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Ms. Poché noted that the CAB and community should have a voice in the density of the proposed development.
- Concerns were raised regarding whether failing septic systems could be repaired if there is no sewer line within a reasonable distance for sewer connection.
- Concerns were raised regarding negative impacts of emissions from a sewer treatment facility and what requirements would be put in place to minimize noxious odors.

C. Washoe County Community Services – Karena Miller stated that she contacted Susan Parker, Director of Emergency Communications regarding Regional Dispatch. Ms. Parker offered to attend the next ETCCAB to discuss the issues and concerns. Ms. Poché stated that Washoe County is working on enhancing the service areas of the Dispatch Centers so everyone has the same quality of service. Chief Roy Slate, Reno Fire Department and Mitch Nowicki, REMSA were available to address emergency service issues. Mr. Nowicki reviewed the franchise agreement that REMSA has with the Wadsworth/I-80 Corridor and stated that a response times has averaged 17 minutes per call. Mr. Nowicki encouraged continuing this discussion to the next meeting when Ms. Parker is available to discuss the 9-1-1 Dispatch Center. Mr. Nowicki stated that REMSA Dispatch has new street maps to help locate the emergency location. They will also talk to the person calling for service for directions to the location. Each ambulance has GPS equipment to aide in location specific locations. Mr. Nowicki restated that if a call for service is for a critical medical/cardiac condition, REMSA will send the helicopter which would only take a few minutes to respond. REMSA will also contact a mutual aid response team to respond to the call. Mr. Nowicki encouraged the audience to bring questions and concerns back to the next CAB meeting.

Comments and Concerns

- Concerns were raised that the response times to emergency calls can be too slow particularly in a severe or cardiac medical emergency situation.
- In response to questions raised, Mr. Nowicki stated that REMSA has a mutual aid agreement with Fernley emergency services. Mr. Nowicki stated that they have an ambulance at the local station most of the time and park a unit in the area of Patrick when needed as back-up.
- Concerns were raised that REMSA staff is not getting out to Wadsworth nor is the emergency responders in Fernley are adequately trained. Mr. Nowicki stated that they do crew changes in Reno and they do try to keep an ambulance closer to the Wadsworth area whenever possible.

D. Monthly ETCCAB Meeting Schedule – Discussion was held regarding whether to request Washoe County to increase the meeting schedule from quarterly to monthly meetings of the ETCCAB. The CAB can call a special meeting should an issue need to be presented prior to the next regular meeting. Karena Miller stated that Washoe County could hold a Town Hall meeting to address specific issues that is not subject to Open Meeting Law. Michelle Poché encouraged holding a regular meeting for development applications so that comments are on the record.

Comments and Concerns

- Support was stated for going to monthly meetings should development applications increase.

12. OLD BUSINESS – There were no Old Business items scheduled for review.

13. CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER

- **Next Agenda Items:** 9-1-1 Emergency Dispatch Issues, Flood Mitigation Update, Election of V. Chair

14. ADJOURNMENT – Bambi Van Dyke moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Ida Louise Swires seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted By: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary