

SPANISH SPRINGS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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The meeting of the Spanish Springs Citizen Advisory Board held March 14, 2012 at the Lazy 5 Community Center, 7100 Pyramid Lake Hwy., Spanish Springs, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Cyndy Brown, Acting Chair. Ms. Brown led the salute to the flag.
2. **ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
MEMBERS PRESENT - Cyndy Brown, At-Large, Vice Chair., Joe DuRousseau, At-Large, Jonathan Reynolds, At-Large, Secretary, Michael Salerno, At-Large and William Steward, CAC representative.
MEMBERS ABSENT - Lee Leighton, At-Large, excused, Christopher Mirando, At-Large, Chair, has resigned from the CAB. Laurreta Nawojski, At-Large, Alternate, unexcused and Kevin Roukey, At Large, unexcused
- 3.* **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Any person is invited to speak on any item on or off the agenda during this period. Action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on a future agenda as an action item. Comment under this item will be limited to three minutes per person.
 - Barbara Clark, Washoe County School District Trustee introduced herself and stated that they plan to attend future Citizen Advisory Boards with updates on school district issues and concerns.
 - Estella Gutierrez, Washoe County School District Trustee introduced herself and stated that they plan to attend future Citizen Advisory Boards with updates on school district issues and concerns.
 - Sandra Hartung introduced herself and announced that Vaughn Hartung is a candidate for Washoe County Commissioner, District. Ms. Hartung stated that they would appreciate community support.
 - Cyndy Brown asked for public comment and hearing none, closed this agenda item.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 14, 2012 – MOTION:** William Steward moved to approve the March 14, 2012 agenda as posted. Joe DuRousseau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2011. – MOTION:** Michael Salerno moved to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2011 regular meeting as submitted. Joe DuRousseau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 6.* **REPORTS AND UPDATES – The following reports and updates will be limited to five minutes each.** (These items are informational only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)
 - A.* **Updates/Announcements/Correspondence** – There were no updates, announcements or correspondence presented.
 - B.* **Washoe County Sheriff's Office Items** – A representative of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office was not present to report on public safety issues within the CAB area, including recent calls for service.
Comments and Concerns
 - Joe DuRousseau urged citizens to sign up for AlertID for current information regarding your community.
 - C.* **Washoe County Update:**
 - Commissioner Robert Larkin was not present to provide an update on County issues.
 - Sarah Tone, County Liaison, is available to answer your questions and concerns. Contact her at stone@washoecounty.us or 775.328.2721. To sign up to receive email updates from the County, visit www.washoecounty.us/cmail. The written County updates are available online at www.washoecounty.us/cab (follow the link to your CAB).
 - D.* **Action Plan Committee Reports:**
 - **Search and Rescue** – Joe DuRousseau reported on recent search and rescue activities in the local area.
 - **Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)** – William Steward provided a written report on the City of Sparks activities. There was no updated information on the most recent CAC meeting.
7. **NEW BUSINESS** – (The staff contact listed on items for Community Development may not be in attendance but can be contacted with code and policy questions.)
 - A. **Special Use Permit Case No. SB12-001 – AT&T Mobility, Spanish Springs High School, Wireless Communication Facility** – Gary Mapa, AT&T representative presented the request to replace an existing stadium light pole and replace it with a wireless communication pole including 15 panel antennas and ancillary equipment, and construct an equipment shelter within a 30' x 23' fenced area located at the sports stadium at Spanish Springs High School, 1065 Eagle Canyon Drive adjacent to the intersection of Golden Eye and Eagle Canyon Drive as authorized in Article 324, Communication Facilities and Article 810, Special Use Permits within Sections 25 and 34, T21N, R20E, MDM. The 53.482 acre parcel number 530-480-02 is zoned Public and Semi-Public Facilities (PSP) within the Spanish Springs Area Plan. Roger Pelham, MPA, Senior Planner, 775-837-

3622 Email: rpelham@washoecounty.us **MOTION:** Jonathan Reynolds moved to recommend approval of SB12-001, AT&T Mobility, Spanish Springs High School Wireless Communications Facility as presented. Joe DuRousseau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Comments and Concerns

- There were no comments or concerns in opposition to the proposed project heard from the audience or CAB.

B.* NV Energy Overview and Update on the Smart Meter Program - Evelene Ricci, Northern Nevada Deployment Project Director for NVEnergy provided an overview and update of NV Energy's Smart Meter Program and present information on the overseeing of the northern Nevada implementation of smart meters, which includes customer communication. Faye Anderson, NVEnergy was available to address questions and concerns. (This item was informational only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)

Comments and Concerns

- In response to questions raised, Ms. Ricci stated that the opt-out fees have not been determined as of this date.
- In response to questions raised, Ms. Ricci stated that NVEnergy does not have any intention to raise rates during peak use times.
- Concerns were raised that NVEnergy or another public agency would use the Smart Meter for litigation purposes.
- Ms. Ricci stated that this technology will have an impact in NVEnergy employment.
- Concerns were raised regarding the potential for invasion of privacy of individual customers.
- Concerns were raised that the smart meters could negatively impact the health of citizens.

C. Election of Officers – Elections were held to elect a chair for the remainder of the 2011 – 2012 term of office. Elections were also held to elect the Vice Chair or Secretary to complete the 2011-2012 term of office. **MOTION:** Jonathan Reynolds moved to elect Cyndy Brown as Chair for the balance of the 2011 – 2012 term of office. Joe DuRousseau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **MOTION:** Cyndy Brown moved to elect Jonathan Reynolds as Vice Chair for the balance of the 2011 – 2012 term of office. Joe DuRousseau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. **MOTION:** Joe DuRousseau moved to elect Michael Salerno as Secretary for the balance of the 2011 – 2012 term of office. Jonathan Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A.* Update on the Fire Department Transition – Report on the status of the Fire Department transition plan. (This item was informational only and no action will be taken by the CAB.)

Comments and Concerns

- William Steward asked that the new fire chief be invited to attend the May SSCAB meeting.
- Joe DuRousseau stated that he has heard that deconsolidation is moving forward and that there is an anticipation that deconsolidation will result in cost savings.
- In response to questions raised, Joe DuRousseau stated that during a high wind wildfire such as the Washoe Drive wildfire, that no fire fighters are going to stand by and watch a dwelling burn and no engines in the world could stop such a wildfire event. Mr. DuRousseau added that during the Caughlin Ranch wildfire, there were six engines that were not staffed which kept that many fire fighters from protecting homes.
- Concerns were raised regarding service levels with the changes to the fire services.
- Cyndy Brown reported that she met with Commissioner Bonnie Weber, Lee Leighton, Tom Dunn and Dennis (last name not stated) to discuss deconsolidation of fire services.
- Mr. DuRousseau stated that he wants citizens to be aware of federal laws that govern fire fighters.
- Dave Sunday, firefighter speaking as a private citizen reminded citizens of the services that firefighters provide besides fighting fire. Services include emergency medical. Mr. Sunday urged citizens to talk with neighbors and friends regarding the need to maintain levels of service.
- William Steward disclosed that he is a member of Sierra Fire Protection District and urged citizens to forward their opinions to elected officials. Mr. Steward stated concern that politics are placed above public safety.
- Cyndy Brown asked members of the CAB and community for suggestions on what citizens can do to help find answers to public safety issues.

9.* CHAIRMAN/MEMBER COMMENTS (This item limited to announcements of topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas).

- **Next Agenda Items:** Fire Services, introduction of new fire chief and update on the Washoe County School District.

10.*PUBLIC COMMENT

- Cyndy Brown asked for public comment and hearing none, closed this agenda item.

11. ADJOURNMENT – Joe DuRousseau moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. The motion was seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary