Warm Springs Citizen Advisory Board

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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Warm Springs Rural Citizen Advisory Board held July 11, 2018 at the Palomino Auxiliary Fire Station 6015 Ironwood, Warm Springs, NV.

1. **CALL TO ORDER/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

   **Members Present:** Roll call was not recorded, but a quorum was determined by the Chair. CAB members include, Thomas Prentice, Robert (Bob) Gunn, James Bradbery, Gregory Gilbert, Susan Ambrose (alternate), Robert White (Alternate). Dennis Buck was absent.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The pledge was recited.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT** –

   Don Otto said he would like to see this CAB meet four times a year with all the development happening in the area in order to hear the community’s concerns.

   Pam Roberts said she echoes Don’s comments. She said she is part of the Warm Springs Alliance Task Force. She spoke about reviewing the parcel map review for a development of 15 lots. The developers need to build the roads to Washoe County standards. She said a water study needs to be conducted prior to development.

   Sharon Korn said she is part of the Warm Springs Alliance Task Force. She provided a handout regarding Warm Springs SPA that she presented at the Board of County Commissioners. She said Warms Springs Area Plan hasn’t been updated in years. She said she conducted and collected surveys. She read the survey results. She said real estate agents didn’t disclose the SPA.

   Katherine Snedigar said one thing she is concerned about with the SPA is the flood control, drainage, and building in the floodplain. She said she is concerned about her insurance. She said these things need to be checked to protect your vested interest.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 11, 2018:**

   Robert Gunn suggested moving the Election of Officers item to Item 5. A board member moved to approve the agenda for the meeting of JULY 11, 2018 as amended. The motion to approve the agenda as amended was seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2017.**

   Approval of the minutes for September 20, 2017 was continued until the next meeting.

6. **CAB MEMBER ANNUAL TRAINING** – Annual CAB Training presentation by Washoe County staff, Bob Webb, which includes an overview about the County and the CAB program; and introduction to Nevada Open Meeting; and the Planning Application Process. The presentation will be followed by a question period for CAB members about the training.

   Larry Chesney, member on the Planning Commission, said the CAB’s input is important for the Planning Commission to make decisions.

   CAB members had questions about the Warm Springs Master Plan, the General Improvement District jurisdiction, SPA, road improvements, enforcement.

7. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS** - Elections by the CAB members will be held to elect the Chair and Vice-Chair for 2018/2019 term, elected officers will be effective immediately. (for Possible Action)
CHAIR: Gregory Gilbert nominated Robert Gunn to serve as chair. James Bradbery seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VICE CHAIR: Gregory Gilbert nominated Tom Prentice to serve as vice chair. James Bradbery seconded the nomination. Motion passed unanimously.

Renae Smith said she would like to see Robert Gunn for chair. She said Dennis Buck only served a few meetings, and would love to see Robert Gunn serve as chair.

8. *CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS- This item is limited to announcements by CAB members. (This item is for information only and no action will be taken by the CAB).

9. *PUBLIC COMMENT – Limited to no more than three (3) 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.

Brian DiNombro said the CAB meetings should be at 6:30 p.m. for those who work in town or who live far out of town.

Susan Ambrose said she spoke as a private citizen. She said the Warm Springs Alliance task force is intended to bring the people together. She said the SPA was targeted because it was on the Board of County Commissioners meeting and it impacts us in the area. She said she made those property owners who are specifically impacted aware. She said they are collecting data from the survey and intend to conduct another survey. The community needs to come together. The survey was intended to collect thoughts on the future of the area.

Bob Webb spoke about Warm Springs Planning Area – He showed a map regarding the building suitability map, Warm Springs Planning Area.

Pam Roberts said at the County Commission meeting on the 26th, item 21 on the agenda, there was a motion that affects our area. There was a claim by Brian Murphy for reimbursement for working on roads. That claim was not granted. There was a motion to pay refunds. There was $800,000 within the SPA that was collected over the years. One of the local property owners filed a lawsuit; the board decided to reimburse the current property owners based on District Court decision made last year. Additionally, there was an item to initiate amendments to the Master Plan about the finance provisions of the SPA plan that required current and future developers to pay a development fee when they file their tentative maps. She said our current commissioner voted against it. She wanted to know why.

Katherine Snedigar said those fees were collected in fraud. That was supposed to go into a trust, but it went into the general fund. There were 6 investor that paid into that $800,000. It was supposed to pay for a spine road up the SPA and flood control, but it never happened.

Commissioner Jeanne Herman said Katherine is correct. She said they were at all the meetings. Because of how the contract was written, there was a timeframe on paying back the original investors. Nothing was done properly. The County is at fault for most of that. She said we are trying to correct it. Serious mistake. A 90 year veteran was the major person who invested. He started requesting the money to be returned. He was ignored. We are still going through the process. Money was going to people who didn’t deserve it. It was handled poorly.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Number of CAB members present: 
Number of Public Present: 
Presence of Elected Officials: 1
Number of staff present: 1