Laughlin Town Advisory Board

August 14, 2018

MINUTES

Board Members:  James Maniaci - Chair, Present  Gina Mackey, Present
                Kathy Ochs - Vice Chair, Present  Vacant
                Stephanie Bethards, Present

Secretary: Tammy Harris, (702) 298-0828 tammy.harris@clarkcountynv.gov

Town Liaison: Dr. Brian Paulson, (702) 298-0828 bkp@clarkcountynv.gov

I.  Call to Order by James Maniaci, Invocation led by Pastor Doug Westly, Pledge of Allegiance led by LTAB member Stephanie Bethards’ son Tyler, who is home on leave from the military.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

II. Public Comment - None

III. Approval of Minutes for July 10, 2018. (For possible action)

Moved by: Gina Mackey
Action: Approved 3-0, Kathy Ochs abstained

IV. Approval of agenda for August 14, 2018, and hold, combine or delete any items (For possible action)

Moved by: Stephanie Bethards
Action: Approved 4-0

V. Informational Items

1. 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 July report.

July 2018 Statistics:

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COUNTY CLERK
Calls for Service: 484
Traffic Citations: 507
DUIs: 4
Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 7
Bookings: 63
Juvenile Citations: 1

Lt. Hewes reported no problems or arrest during this year's Regatta.

Chair Maniaci asked for additional information to be explained regarding citations for out of state businesses working in Nevada without the proper vehicles stickers and license.

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

No report

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

No report

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

Greg Turner provided the July report.

Laughlin Water Reclamation Facility (LWRF) had an average of 2.47 million gallons per day producing clean water returned to the Colorado River. Flow decreased 60,000 gallons per day from this time last year.

Sewer Service Complaints: None
Odor Complaints: None
Call Before You Dig: 26 tickets received for July 2018

Chair Maniaci asked for the status of the SID regarding Casino Drive. Mr. Turner said he would get that information to him by the next meeting.

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

Chaunsey Chau-Duong provided the July report.

Diversions: July 2018: 473 acre feet
2018 total diversion: 2234 acre feet

No major reports of leaks or Complaints.
Updates:

Refurbishment of one of the filters will be completed in September.

Customers have been advised that multiple accounts under a single name will be combined and billed as one account, including commercial and residential.

The new emergency well is still in progress and currently getting environmental permits. Drilling will commence in January 2019. The goal is to have the well completed by December 2019. The well will only be used in an emergency situation as a fall back when water is unavailable from the river since there has been turbidity in the past with the river.

The Water District is inspecting all the pipelines in Laughlin to determine which pipelines will be replaced in the future.

Chair Maniaci asked about the amount of water that was lost during the water main break.

Chair Maniaci asked about the SID on Casino Drive and requested an update.

Vice Chair Ochs asked about setting up a meeting with the Water District to discuss future projects for the Casino Drive area between Harrah’s and Needles Highway.

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

No report

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

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

In Tanya Brown-Wirth’s absence, Chair James Maniaci provided a report on the Library’s current activities and programs.

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

In Jackie Mazzeo’s absence, Val Gabaldon provided a report on the Laughlin Chamber of Commerce activities.

➢ On Thursday, July 26, the Second Annual Freedom of Expression event was held at the Golden Nugget, raising a total of $3,500, of which $500 was donated to Laughlin. The proceeds will benefit area schools’ art’s programs.

➢ The Third Annual Regional Tri-State Mega Mixer will be held Friday, September 14th, hosted by the Aquarius Casino Resort.

➢ On Saturday, October 27, will be the 21st Annual Community Achievement Awards. Currently the Chamber is taking nominations and the deadline for nominations is July 17th.

9. 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 reported a busy summer for the 4-H youth program which included seven local kids who had the opportunity to attend summer camp this year, thanks in part to local businesses. Mr. Douglas distributed pictures from summer camp to the board members. In the past, only one student was able to attend summer camp from Laughlin.

Mr. Douglas is working with Searchlight Parks & Recreation and the Library to introduce new 4-H classes. He is planning to go about once every two weeks to Searchlight.

There will be a drone class at the high school coming this fall.

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

National Night Out will be held October 2nd at Mountain View Park and in Searchlight on October 3rd.

Kathy Ochs advised of issues concerning the Southern Nevada Health District and requested to have a meeting with the stakeholders.

Candidates will be visiting Laughlin tomorrow evening at the American Legion and again on Wednesday, September 19th.

11. Receive a report from M.J. Smith with Laughlin Tourism Commission regarding current and upcoming events. (For discussion only)

M.J. Smith announced the Best in the Desert Off Road Race to be held October 11-14. This includes an additional event being held Thursday for a night race, UTV’s only. The race will run from 6:00 p.m. until midnight based on the current number of entries.

Saturday and Sunday races will start at 6:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. Time trials will run on Thursday afternoon. The LTC is aware this event could be a nuisance for residents because it is loud and creates dust, but on the other hand the economic impact greatly benefits the Laughlin area. This event will be televised on NBC Sports. Last year, the event was exposed to 47 million viewers, with highlights of Laughlin.

VI. Planning & Zoning:

1. **AR-18-400122 (UC-0394-17)-SHIPKEY AH & BA JAN 12 1989 TR:**

   **USE PERMIT FIRST APPLICATION FOR REVIEW** for a marijuana establishment (retail marijuana store) in conjunction with an existing dispensary within an existing commercial building on a 0.7 acre portion of a 20.0 acre parcel in a C-2 (General Commercial) Zone in the MUD-1 Overlay District. Generally located on the northwest corner of Bruce Woodbury Drive and Casino Drive within Laughlin. (For possible action) To the BCC 07/03/2018

   Approved per staff conditions

VII. General Business: None

VIII. Public Comment:
Kathleen Whitehead announced a Steak Dinner at the American Legion to be held on September 3rd from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The proceeds will benefit Shop with a Cop.

Karen Kirchner expressed her concerns about electricity in the area.

Bob Bilbray, Laughlin Economic Development Corporation, expressed his concerns regarding the dredging of the lagoon and lack of communication between Clark County departments and contracted businesses.

Mr. Bilbray addressed the drainage and flood issues on Casino Drive.

IX. Next Meeting Date: September 11, 2018

X. Adjournment: 2:33 p.m.

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the September 11, 2018 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the October 9, 2018 meeting.

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