

EAST WASHOE VALLEY CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the meeting of the East Washoe Valley Citizen Advisory Board held June 17, 2008 at Nevada Division of Forestry, 885 Eastlake Blvd. Washoe Valley, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Dave Harrison, Chair.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT** – Patrick Cates, Alternate sat in for Gary Houk, Dave Harrison, Chair, Nancy Samon, Valerie Williams, Secretary/Treasurer and Ann York.
MEMBERS ABSENT - Gary Houk, V. Chair, unexcused.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Nancy Samon moved to approve the June 17, 2008 agenda as posted. Patrick Cates seconded the motion. The motion carried.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Valerie Williams moved to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2008 meeting as submitted. Ann York seconded the motion. The motion carried. Nancy Samon moved to approve the minutes of the Joint meeting of the EWVCAB and WWVCAB of May 7, 2008 meeting as submitted. Ann York seconded the motion. The motion carried.
5. **UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**
 - There were no updates, announcements or correspondence presented.
6. **WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ITEMS** – A representative from the Sheriff's Department was not available to attend this meeting to discuss public safety issues and recent calls for service. Dave Harrison asked Sarah Tone to contact the Sheriff's Department and request that a Deputy try to attend at least every other CAB meeting.
7. **RENO FIRE DEPARTMENT AND PLEASANT VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SAFETY ITEMS** – A representative of the Reno Fire Department was not available to address fire safety issues and report on recent calls for service.
8. **LIAISON REPORT** – Jane Countryman, WWVCAB Liaison to EWVCAB was available to present a report. Ms. Countryman reported that they discussed the area plan update during the June 2, 2008 meeting. Ms. Countryman reported that there have been arrests in recent burglaries on the west side of Washoe Valley. Ms. Tone reported that a representative of the Parks Department wants to attend a future EWVCAB meeting to address Parks and Recreation issues.
9. **COUNTY COMMISSION/COMMUNITY LIAISON UPDATES:** Sarah Tone, Community Outreach Coordinator was available to report on Washoe County issues and events. Washoe County has \$50,000.00 funds to install bear proof food containers at Davis Creek Park. A ballot measure has been approved to increase taxes for the school district.
10. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments heard under this item will be limited to items not on this agenda. Any time limits for this public comment item and public testimony during an agenda item will be set by the Chair at the beginning of the meeting, but will be not less than three minutes per person. Testimony during an agenda item shall be limited to the subject of the agenda item. Comments are to be made to the CAB as a whole.
 - Bob Rusk reported that Falcon Capital, LLC has introduced a new application to divert Browns Creek water out of the valley and into the Truckee River. Mr. Rusk and Tom Hall have filed protests against the application with the State Water Engineer. Mr. Rusk read the documented objections into the record. Citizens can contact Tracy Taylor at the State Engineers Office and reference Application #76942.
 - Dave Harrison asked for further public comment and hearing none, closed this item.
11. **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.) There were no New Business items scheduled for review.
 - A. **Election of Officers** – Dave Harrison asked that elections be postponed to the July meeting to allow for new appointments to the CAB. **MOTION:** Patrick Cates moved to postpone elections to the July meeting. Nancy Samon seconded the motion. The motion carried.
 - B.***Washoe Lake Water Levels Update** – Report on Washoe Lake Water Levels will be continued to the July or August EWVCAB meeting. (This item was information only and no action was taken.)
12. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A.* **Nuisance Ordinance Committee Update** – Jane Countryman reported that three of the Nuisance Ordinance Committee members presented information to the Board of County Commissioners. There has been approval for three more meetings of the committee and possibly a fourth if necessary. Discussions include the need for an appeal process and how the complaints will be heard. Ms. Countryman reported that the proposed Section 9 that identifies specific areas has been eliminated at this time. Legal Council has stated that nuisances are primarily behavioral and not land use issues. (This item was information only and no action was taken.)
 - B.* **Action Plan Reports EWVCAB** (Action Plan Reports are informational only)
 1. **Area Traffic & Safety Concerns including the RTC 2040 Update** – There was not updated information to report on traffic safety on East Washoe Valley roadways.
 2. **Scenic By-Ways Committee Report** – Dave Harrison reported that there is a meeting scheduled on June 26, 2008 to discuss establishing a Scenic By-Ways in Washoe Valley. Citizens are encouraged to attend the

meeting and state their opinions. More information is available at: www.washoevalley.org The Scenic By-Ways is administered by NDOT (Nevada Department of Transportation). Questions were raised regarding what would be in place to prevent commercial development in the valley. Mr. Harrison stated that the South Valleys Area Plan addresses the limits to commercial development in the valley. The intent of the Scenic By-Way is to preserve and protect the scenic beauty of the valley. Mr. Harrison stated that there should not be extensive increase in traffic along Eastlake Blvd.

3. **I-580 Extension Report** – Bob Rusk provided a map of the preliminary design dated March 2003 and identified a possible conflict of an off-ramp at the Davis Creek Park at the equestrian center and the access to Forest Service public land at Comanche Hill. Ginger Pierce provided photographs of the construction at the Galena Creek Bridge site.
 4. **Parks and Recreation and Open Space Report** – Nancy Samon stated concern that there have been some individuals riding motorized vehicles at Washoe Lake State Park. Signage is posted prohibiting any use of motorized vehicles at the park.
 5. **Area Plan Update** – Dave Harrison reported on the status of the Area Plan Update and the Board of County Commissioners voted to uphold the appeal and the Loudon property owners did provide an updated Comprehensive Plan Amendment for consideration. The EWVCAB will hear any future tentative maps for proposed development on that site. The South Valleys Area Plan second reading was approved with three possible alternative plans for consideration by the Planning Commission. Jane Countryman stated that the plan is available for review on the Washoe County web-site. Mr. Harrison stated that the opinion of the Director of the Department of Community Development is that the TMSA is coming to Washoe Valley whether the local citizens like it or not. Bob Rusk encouraged everyone to attend the public hearings to show strength in numbers.
13. **CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS** (This item is limited to announcements of topics/issues posed for future workshops/agendas.
- **Next Agenda Items:**
14. **ADJOURNMENT** – Valerie Williams moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Ann York seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary