

SOUTHWEST TRUCKEE MEADOWS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Southwest Truckee Meadows Citizen Advisory Board held January 15, 2009 at the South Valleys Library at 15650A Wedge Parkway, Reno, Nevada

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Steve Cohen, Chair.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT** – Steve Cohen, Chair, Connie Moberg, Secretary, Patricia Phillips, V. Chair, Nathan Robison, Diane Smith and Richard Wood.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – Diane Smith moved to approve the January 15, 2009 agenda as posted. Connie Moberg seconded the motion. The motion carried.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING** – Diane Smith moved to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2008 meeting as submitted. Nathan Robison seconded the motion. The motion carried.
5. **UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE** – (CAB files and correspondence which are part of the public record are on file in the Washoe County Department of Community Development and are available for public review. Written correspondence and testimony will be included in the public record when a request is made to make the document a part of the public record and when a copy is provided to the CAB Chair, who forwards the document to the County. Copies of correspondence should be on file in the Washoe County Department of Community Development and are available for public review).
 - Steve Cohen announced that Washoe County will hold a class in Open Meeting Law on Tuesday January 27th and there will be a CAB Chairs meeting on January 28th.
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Comment heard under this item will be limited to items not on the agenda and will also be limited to three minutes per person. This three-minute rule shall also apply to public testimony given during an agenda item. The Chair may modify this time limit for all public comment and testimony at the beginning of the meeting, but the time limit per person shall be no less than three minutes. 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.
 - Steve Cohen asked for public comment and hearing none, closed this item.
- 7.* **FIRE SAFETY ITEMS** – Battalion Chief Marquis, Sierra Fire Protection District was available to address fire safety issues. Chief Marquis reported that currently the district is fiscally stable at this time. Chief Marquis reported that a contract has been let out to study the long term plan for the fire service. The department is looking at alternate options to fund a second fire station in the SWTM CAB planning area. Following his report, Chief Marquis was available to address questions and concerns.
- 8.* **WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT** – A representative of the Washoe County Sheriff's Department was not available to report on area law enforcement topics/issues and announcements from the Washoe County Sheriff's Dept.
- 9.* **COUNTY COMMISSIONER/COMMUNITY LIAISON UPDATES:** Sarah Tone, Community Outreach Coordinator was not available to report on Washoe County events and issues and information from the Board of County Commissioners.
10. **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. **Water Resources Customer Values and Priorities** - Rosemary Menard, Director, Department of Water Resources (DWR) lead an informal focus group, consisting of CAB members and the audience, to discuss the Department's customer values and priorities relative to utility services. Ms. Menard had customer surveys available for members of the CAB and audience to complete and return to the DWR. The CAB may take action to recommend values and/or priorities to the Department. Ms. Menard also stated that surveys will be mailed with the water bills. Following her presentation, Ms. Menard was available to address questions and concerns.
11. **OLD BUSINESS** – There were no Old Business items scheduled for review.
- 12.* **CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS**
 - Patricia Phillips requested that someone discuss the tax rates and also a presentation on how Washoe County is considering diversifying revenue sources.
 - Steve Cohen announced that he would be absent from the February SWTM CAB meeting.
 - **Next Agenda Items** – Change to meeting to every other month,
13. **ADJOURNMENT** – Richard Wood moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Nathan Robison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted By: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary