

SOUTHWEST TRUCKEE MEADOWS CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Southwest Truckee Meadows Citizen Advisory Board held September 17, 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 Patricia Phillips, Acting Chair.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT** – Raymond Hebert, At-Large, James Johns, South Hills, Beverly Osowski, Zolezzi/Spring Valley/Westridge, Patricia Phillips, V. Chair, Nathan Earl Robison, Jess Traver. At-Large and Richard Wood.
MEMBERS ABSENT - Bryan Hansen, an At-Large Alternate, excused.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – Nathan Robison moved to approve the September 17, 2009 agenda as posted. James Johns seconded the motion. The motion carried. Beverly Osowski confirmed that the agenda was posted at the appropriate locations.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING** – Richard Wood moved to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2009 meeting as corrected. James Johns seconded the motion. The motion carried. Patricia Phillips posted the agendas at the appropriate locations.
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).
 - Patricia Phillips announced that there are request to speak and sign in sheets on the side table.
 - Nathan Robison announced that the Washoe County Planning Commission is soliciting applications for new members. Applications were available and can be downloaded from the Washoe County web site.
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.
 - Matt Taormina noted that the bicycle clubs riding on Thomas Creek from Mt. Rose Hwy. to Zolezzi Lane are not stopping at stop signs. Their disregard for the stop signs is creating serious safety hazard for vehicle drivers.
 - Patricia Phillips asked for public comment and hearing none, closed this item.
- 7.* **FIRE SAFETY ITEMS** – Battalion Chief Jim Marquis, Sierra Fire Protection District was available to address fire safety issues and recent calls for service. Chief Marquis reported on a recent wildfire near the Chocolate Factory. The first phase of the Fire Master Plan is nearly read for presentation and review. In response to questions raised, Chief Marquis stated that construction of the new fire station is subject to funding. There is a site selected and approved plans for the fire station. Chief Marquis will address further questions under item 11. A.
- 8.* **WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT** – Deputy Jon Kimberlin, Washoe County Sheriff's Department was available to report on area law enforcement topics/issues, recent calls for service. Deputy Kimberlin reported on recent break-in to a residence through the pull up garage door and door kick into the garage. Citizens are urged a lock vehicles and residences and keep valuables out of sight. Deputy Kimberlin was asked to thank the Sheriff's Department for their service during a recent vehicle burglary. Citizens are urged to access criminal activity information on the internet. James Johns stated that Reno Police Department has had personnel cutbacks and crime reports can be available to CAB's and NAB's upon request. Deputy Kimberlin was asked for written reports of recent crime statistics.
- 9.***COUNTY COMMISSIONER UPDATES:** Patricia Phillips noted items on the Your County Liaison is available to answer your question and concerns. Please contact Sarah Tone at stone@washoecounty.us or (775) 328-2721 Ms. Phillips announced that Variance Case VA09-005 (Shauna Olsen-Tone) was denied and is now on appeal.
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. **Special Use Permit - Case No. SB09-012 (STMGID Well House #12)** – Patricia Phillips announced that this item has been withdrawn from this agenda and may be brought back on the November agenda. Review and recommendations on the request to construct a production well, well house, pipeline and associated appurtenances as authorized in Section 110.810 of the Washoe County Development Code. The projects are located at 13390 Welcome Way and 2515 Crossbow Court at the corner of Welcome Way and Crossbow Court. The three parcels totaling ±58.37 acres are designated Low Density Suburban (LDS) and Open Space (OS) in the Southwest Truckee Meadows Area Plan, and are situated in a portion of Section 24, T18N, R19E, MDM,

Washoe County, Nevada. The properties are located in the Southwest Truckee Meadows Citizen Advisory Board boundary and Washoe County Commission District No. 2. (APNs: 049-165-05, 152-020-91 and 152-020-96); Staff Representative: Trevor Lloyd, Senior Planner, 775.328.3620.

Comments and Concerns

- Matt Taormina, adjacent property owner asked for detailed information on any noise or other negative impacts that may be generated from the proposed well. Mr. Taromina asked that he be notified of any further hearing for possible action on this application.
- James Johns stated that since the item has been pulled from this agenda, the CAB would make no recommendations nor should the item be further discussed at this time.
- Beverly Orsowski stated that the reading of the nuisance code update would be a good meeting for citizens to attend.

Patricia Phillips called a recess at 7:18 p.m. to allow for set-up of item B. and called the meeting back to order at 7:24 p.m.

B.* Arrowhawk Fuels Reduction and Ecosystem Enhancement Project – Beth Nabors, District Fuels Planner for the Forest Service’s Carson City Ranger District, presented a project to reduce the risk of a catastrophic wildland fire, improve forest health, protect and improve planted and natural conifer strands and enhance and expand Aspen stands in areas around Logan Meadows, the communities of ArrowCreek, Caughlin Ranch and Mt. Rose, as well as other residences adjacent to the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest boundary in the general area of southwest Reno, Nevada. The Arrowhawk Fuels Reduction and Ecosystem Enhancement Project has an approximately 7,500 acre analysis area in which treatments are being analyzed. Following her presentation, Ms. Nabors was available to answer questions. Ms. Nabors provided maps and photographs for review during her presentation. Battalion Chief Jim Marquis was also available to address questions. More information can be found on the Forest Service website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/htnf/projects/>, and then choosing the *Arrowhawk Fuels Reduction and Ecosystem Enhancement Project* link under the “Carson Ranger District” heading. In response to questions raised, Ms. Nabors stated that the public comment period closes on September 20, 2009. (This item was information only and no action was taken.)

11. OLD BUSINESS

A.* Sierra Fire Protection District Second Fire Station – Report on the status of a second fire station to be constructed at ArrowCreek and Thomas Creek. Battalion Chief Jim Marquis reported that the plan is to sell the developer provided site and purchase the preferred site. Per Chief Michael Greene, the County Commissioners would have to accept the grant funding. The code adoption cycle has not begun as yet. The Fire Prevention Office can come to the next SWTMCAB meeting to address this item. The station plans have already been approved for the preferred parcel and the design has already been built on other sites. (This item was information only and no action was taken.)

12.*CHAIRMAN/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

- **Next Agenda Items:** Update on the Fire Station at Thomas Creek Road, Sky Tavern Ski Program, Fire Codes and Nuisance Codes.

13. ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, Patricia Phillips adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted By: Allayne Donnelly-Everett, Recording Secretary