

AMARGOSA VALLEY TOWN BOARD AGENDA

ITEM # SUBJECT

July 25, 2013

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Doc McNeely, Chairman
Trevor Dolby, Town Clerk
John Bosta, Member
Joe Cohan, Vice Chairman

ABSENT

NOTE: All times are approximate except for bid openings, public hearings, and any other items agendized at a specific time. Action may be taken on all items except where otherwise indicated. Items not scheduled for a specific time may be considered at any time and in any order. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time.

Special Note: Any member of the public who is disabled and requires accommodation or assistance at this meeting is requested to notify the Amargosa Valley Town Office in writing or call (775) 372-5459 prior to the meeting.

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- 1 Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mike Cottingim

- 2 Approval of the Agenda for July 25, 2013

Motion by John Bosta to approve subject to pulling # 6D (a) and (b). And 9 C – D – F – and 9 J. Also move #I to discussion only.

2nd by Trevor Dolby

Motion passes 3-0

- 3 General Public Comment (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item.

Scott Harris – Felt Clint White was wrongfully terminated because he disagreed with removing the Rock Garden.

Doc McNeely – We cannot discuss a Human Resources Issue

Michelle Rook – I have a petition with 130 signatures that state they would like to keep the Rock Garden where it is. AVTB should listen to the people.

Dave Hall – Jack Sypolt – Senior Building Project. Met with Joni Eastly. The building is being staged and getting ready to be moved to the site. Septic system is installed.

Trevor Dolby – Are the trailers close to being moved? Is Dennis giving a discounted rate on his work and the dairy has donated a lot of labor. The date for the car show is November 2nd.

Jack Sypolt – I was on site today and the trailers are on axles.

Bob Little – The local VFW sent three area juniors to Boys and Girls State. This is a great opportunity for young people to learn how government works. This is paid thru the breakfasts' and other fundraisers we run thru the year.

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Jack Sypolt – Local Amateur Radio Club made a field day presentation to the academy. We did get some radios for the kids at the academy.

- 4 For Possible Action – Review and Possible approve minutes of Amargosa Valley Town Board meeting on June 27, 2013...

Motion by John Bosta to approve as submitted

2nd by Trevor Dolby

Motion passes 3-0

- 5 Fire Department Report

See report provided by Amy Mills

- 6. Town Office Report

- A. Update on actions of AVTB Meeting on 6-27-2013

Jack Sypolt – The size of the transfer switch that we need for the town complex emergency generator is 800 amp – 3 phase. There is one coming up for bid thru the GSA. We need to try and bid on that. It will save us a lot of money.

- B. Budget Report See print out of Line Item Budget

- C. **For Possible Action** – Approval of Town Vouchers

- D. **For Possible Action** – Major Purchases

- a. VEA quote of _____ to engineer transfer switch for town complex

PULLED

- b. Two 12R 22.5 Tires for fire trucks

Purcell \$706.70 Lowest Price

Tireworks \$758.66

PULLED

- 7 Committee Reports

- A. Human Resources **NO REPORT**

- B. Tourism/Economic Development **MEETING DATE CHANGED**

- C. Cemetery **NO REPORT**

- D. Planning **NOTHING ON THE AGENDA**

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- 8 For Possible Action - Board Member's Comments (This item limited to announcements or Topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas).

John Bosta – I have had reports of industrial waste being deposited at the old ABC Mill site. And I notified the State Department Environmental Protection Department. This may be out of town waste.

Trevor Dolby – Addressed the number of pine trees in the nursery that were dead and presented a fire hazard. Stated that we do not have jurisdiction in this matter.

Doc McNeely – I understand it is because they are not paying the power bill to run the water.

Trevor Dolby – Numerous articles in the Mirror regarding open public comment and NRS statutes. Also notice how some nye county departments overspend their budgets and we do not.

Doc Mcneely – The Fire Department got a call at 9:30 one evening and responded to a citizen burning stuff in his yard. This is a violation of county ordinance. Regarding the community center the new guidelines state that there needs to be someone over 21 in charge and in attendance at all times. One group did lose their privliges for a while because no adult in attendance and trash in the building and the parking lot.

John Bosta – I have received notice that the post office will have their hours cut back. Not happy with the reduction in our service.

Collette – The Postmaster Bonnie Groenert is considering legislation to reduce service to 2 – 3 days a week. We need to let legislators know we need regular daily service.

9. General Business

- A. For Possible Acction – Discussion and Deliberation. Letter from AVTB to Darrell Lacy, Nye County Director, Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office. Regarding Pahrump or Nye County drilling water wells within boundaries of Amargosa Valley.

Motion by John Bosta to send a letter to Nye County regarding Pahrump accessing water in Amargosa Valley.

2nd by Trevor Dolby

Motion passes 3-0

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- B. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Pay balance of bills for Amargosa Days to Amargosa Valley Chamber of Commerce. \$1,492.42

Doc McNeely – Article in Ruralite showed a check for \$1,000 to Chamber for Amargosa Days. VEA made the donation to pay bills not increase their bank account.

John Bosta – Chamber asked for \$3,000 and that got changed to 50%. We should support the Chamber of Commerce.

Motion by John Bosta to pay the balance of the bills \$1,492.42.

2nd by Trevor Dolby

Vote 2 for 1 against. Motion fails lack of a quorum.

Doc McNeely does not agree with payment.

Pat Minshall – They were given \$1,000 by VEA we only owe \$500.00. They also made money on vendor booths and raffles. We should only pay net balance due of \$500.00.

Linda Brommell - We said we would cover expenses and they got \$1,000 from VEA.

Vern Gilliland – Chamber should not get anymore funding

Trevor Dolby – We need to treat our volunteers better.

- C. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Adopt Personal Property Disposal Policy for Town of Amargosa Valley.

PULLED

- D.. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Adopt Initial Bid Policy for Town of Amargosa Valley. Subject to Updates and Revisions.

Motion by Trevor Dolby to approve

2nd by John Bosta

Motion passes 3-0

- E.. For Possible Action – Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of discussion regarding labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters.

PULLED

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- F. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation on labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters presented in closed meeting

PULLED

- G. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Review applicants for AVTB Vacancy and make recommendations to Nye County Board of Commissioners to appoint some one to fill the vacancy.

Motion by John Bosta to pull the Agenda Item

2nd by Doc McNeely

Motion dies 2-1 Trevor Dolby does not feel that we are violating the terms of making a recommendation to the BOCC to fill the vacancy.

Vern Gilliland – Objected to AVTB making recommendations before applications were closed.

Doc McNeely – Citizens can lobby the BOCC to make personal recommendations.

Motion by Trevor Dolby for the AVTB Board to recommend Tom smith and Crystal Mills to fill the current Vacancy on the Board.

No Second

Motion dies for lack of a 2nd.

- H. Discussion and Deliberation – Adopt Roberts Rule of Order in conducting AVTB Meetings.

Trevor Dolby – We are not following Roberts Rules of Order in the strictest sense. We need to try and keep order by following them.

John Bosta – Roberts rules are too restrictive. We are a legislative body only.

- I. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Addendum to Resolution # 2013-01. AVTB Policy and Guidelines. An Agenda Item may only be pulled from the Agenda by the submitting AVTB Member.

Trevor Dolby – This action is not needed.

- J. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Juan Femat reduction or elimination of fees for use of Community Center for family function.

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K. For Possible Action – Discussion and Deliberation. Reconsider Decision to Remove Rock Garden

Michelle Rook – I have a petition signed by about 130 residents that ask for the Rock Garden to be left as is and named the Doris Jackson Memorial Rock Garden. John Bosta – There is nobody working on the current design. The design nor the installation was never approved by Board Action. Who is going to pay for the maintenance and upkeep of the rock garden? Maybe we should form a committee?

Trevor Dolby – We moved 9 rocks on Thursday to the back of the lot and it took about 15 minutes.

Michelle Rook – This is for the community maybe we should have a committee and come up with a plan.

Motion by Trevor Dolby to ask Michelle Rook to form a committee and come up with a plan for the rock garden.

2nd by John Bosta

Motion passes 3-0

Doc McNeely mentions his design for the garden and some bird of paradise plants around the area of the new flagpole.

Collette Johnson – This would take grass out of the park. I like the garden where it is at.

10 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (Three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period until specifically included on an agenda as an action item.

Pat Minshall – A couple of months ago we heard that we are getting a new sheriff deputy on Patrol in Amargosa. Has that happened. Yes Also John Bosta reported that there may be illegal dumping in the Valley. Has that been reported?

John Bosta – Yes I reported it to the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection

Pat Minshall – People need to use the newsletter to get information out to the residents. Not that many people read the two newspapers and please send your articles in for the newsletter. A copy gets delivered to every household. Also what is being done about the dead pine trees in the nurseries. Doesn't the fire department have a responsibility to take care of a fire hazard?

Trevor Dolby – The Fire Department does not have the authority to deal with something like that. It is maybe a Nye County Issue. They have had similar problems in Pahrump that take years to deal with.

John Bosta – We would have to research the NRS' to see who has responsibility.

Vern Gilliland – There will be a letter in the Newsletter next month about the new guidelines for the community center and park use. Please contact office early for your

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reservation.

Doc McNeely – Please contact your AVTB members if you have any questions or comments about issues affecting the town.

Jack Sypolt – We got stuff done tonite with just 3 members. But we still need to get back to the 5 members.

11. For possible Action – Set time and date of next AVTB meeting.
AVTB Meeting Thursday August 22, 7 PM
Motion by John Bosta to have meeting on Thursday August 22, at 7 PM
2nd by Trevor Dolby
Motion passes 3-0

- 12 For possible Action –Adjournment
Motion by John Bosta to adjourn
2nd by Trevor Dolby
Motion passes 3-0