



## AMARGOSA VALLEY TOWN BOARD MEETING

**Minutes**  
**Drafted 1/23/2023**  
**By: Rebecca Lucas**  
**Deputy Town Clerk**

### AGENDA

**Amargosa Community Center**  
**1640 E. Farm Road, Amargosa Valley, NV 89020**  
**Thursday January 19th @ 7:00 PM**

**Scott Harris, Member**  
**Carolyn Allen, Member**  
**Mike Cottingim, Member**  
**Brenda Dymond, Member**  
**Sara Rivers, Member**

**NOTE:** All items are approximate except for items on the agenda at a specific time. Items on the agenda without a time designation may not necessarily be considered in the order in which they appear on the agenda. The items may be combined. The items may be removed. The discussion of an item may be delayed. **NOTICE: It is anticipated that the items of business before the Town Board January 19, 2023 will be fully completed on that date. However, should item(s) not be completed, it is item(s) could be carried over and be heard before the Town Board beginning at 8:30 a.m. on the next day.**

**Public Comment** during the Town Board Meeting on **January 19, 2023**, will be for all matters, off the agenda, and heard during individual action items. The Town Board reserves the right to reduce the time or limit the total time allowed for public comment. The Town Board may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Town Board, or if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on that item at the Town Board meeting.

Pursuant to NRS 241.020, the Agenda for the Town Board Meeting has been posted at the following locations. Amargosa Community Center 1640 E. Farm Road, ~ Amargosa Library 1660 E. Farm Road, ~ Amargosa Clinic 1690 E. Farm Road, ~ American First National Bank, 1600 S. Highway 373, ~ U.S. Post Office 750 E. Sage Avenue, ~ Amargosa Senior Center, 880 E. Desert Seniors Lane, Amargosa Valley, NV 89020. Support documentation for the items on the agenda, provided to the Town Board is available to members of the public upon request, contact Rebecca Lucas @ (775) 372-5459 or [Town@townofAmargosa.com](mailto:Town@townofAmargosa.com) Amargosa Valley Town Office, 1640 E. Farm Road, Amargosa Valley, NV 89020,

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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 @ (775) 372-5459 prior to the meeting. You can also watch us live streaming thru YouTube on our own Amargosa Valley Town Office Channel**

**AMARGOSA VALLEY TOWN BOARD**

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Approval of the Agenda for January 19, 2023** (Non-action item)
- 3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** (up to 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 (FIRST). PLEASE STATE AND SPELL YOUR LAST NAME  
**Pat Minshall:** Disappointed that there were no new board members at the BOCC meeting. Informed board BOCC announced there was a \$12 million granted to Nye County wants to know what percentage of it will be delegated to Amargosa Valley.  
**Sherry Ottinger:** Would like a 20mph speed limit sign posted on her street of Sandy Lane due to ATV's and cars flying down the dirt road in front of her house.  
**Officer Becht:** Introducing myself as the resident Under Sheriff.
- 4. For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend- Nominate and appoint Chairman of the Amargosa Valley Town Board.  
**Motion:** Mike Cottingim nominates Carolyn Allen  
**Second:** Brenda Dymond  
**Vote:** 5-0 Pass
- 5. For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend- Nominate and appoint Vice Chairman of the Amargosa Valley Town Board.  
**Motion:** Sara Rivers nominates Scott Harris  
**Second:** Mike Cottingim  
**Vote:** 5-0 Pass
- 6. For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend- Nominate and appoint Town Clerk of the Amargosa Valley Town Board.  
**Motion:** Carolyn Allen nominates Mike Cottingim  
**Second:** Scott Harris  
**Vote:** 5-0 Pass
- 7. Timed Presentation 7:30pm** - Dan McArthur to present the Town of Amargosa Audit for fiscal year 2022.  
**Dan McArthur:** Goes through detail of the Town Audit. Corrective Action to update inventory list per the NRS. Missing minutes need to be found to complete audit report. Have noticed were missing Marijuana Funds. Have not received a payment from them in 2 years. Once we get back pay for missing money it will go into FY 2023. Need a Management Representation form needs to be signed. No budget

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violations found so far. Past due bills have been moved back to FY 2022. Extension expires in 12 days. Need minutes and inventory lists ASAP.

**Mike Cottingim:** Marijuana revenue has been realized by Town Office once we received our Revenue Reports from the Treasurer and Dan McArthur’s Audit Report. We can’t get into detail but it is being resolved.

**Carolyn Allen:** Inventory has been started and will be turned in ASAP.

**8. Reports**

**A. Town Office Report (Vouchers, Employment, Email) Approval of Vouchers Presented by Deputy Town Clerk.**

**Rebecca Lucas:** Reviewed and presented town bills to be paid in the amount of \$14,582.33

**Motion:**

**Second:**

**Vote: 5-0 Pass**

**B. Fire Department Report (Monthly Report and other concerns regarding Town Office)**

**Bruce Jensen Fire Chief:** Goals for this month are recruiting and training, updating the equipment, continue education program with the school. Burn permit has eliminated false calls and educated the public on what they are allowed to burn and when.

**C. Cemetery Report (Monthly Report)**

**No report**

**D. Planning Committee (Past or Future Meetings and topics)**

**Joe Labassorie:** Attended the Road Transportation Board Meeting. They addressed future project for Farm Road. They will do the coal mix down the remainder of Farm Road doing 1 mile at a time. They will wait to see how the patches held on Valley View before taking further action to correct. Flooding at Farm Road and Frontier not severe enough or new to fix. Planning Committee will start allowing Zoom Calls to be a part of their meeting to help boost attendance. William Powell, Sharon Little, and Trevor Dolby request to join Planning Committee Board.

**E. Human Resource Committee**

**No report**

**F. Tourism and Economic Committee (past events, future events)**

**Brandi Farias:** Past events we had in December were the Christmas Dinner and Toy Drive. We were able to make sure every kid received a toy in Amargosa Valley. Even had enough to do a second round to those in need of help this Christmas Season. Upcoming events are our Community Yard Sale and Bake Sale on February 4<sup>th</sup> at the park.

**G. Senior Center Report (Monthly Report and/or other concerns)**

**Dave Hall:** 538 meals served this month 316 of them were homebound meals. Senior Center will have a raffle at Amargosa Days. SNAP benefits will be cut in half starting March 1<sup>st</sup>, they will only give out one check a month instead of 2. We are relying heavily on the food distribution sites.

**9. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend the minutes from December 22, 2022.**

**Motion:** Sara Rivers motions to approve

**Second:** Carolyn Allen

**Vote:** 5-0 Pass

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**10. For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend the purchase of new 4-way Speed Antenna Radar for Nye County Patrol Vehicles at the cost of \$7,100.00 from PSST Funds.

**Moved up to be before Item 4**

**Motion:** Brenda Dymond motion to approve

**Second:** Carolyn Allen

**Vote:** 5-0 Pass

**Sherry Ottinger:** Will this be for all patrol cars in Nye County or just Amargosa?

**Deputy Becht:** The project total is \$300,000 so the \$7,100 were asking for is to equip all patrol vehicles in Amargosa Valley.

**11. For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend the budget for Amargosa Days 2023 at the cost of \$25,000.

**Motion:** Carolyn Allen motions to approve

**Second:** Sara Rivers

**Vote:** 5-0 Pass

**Brandi Farias:** What is listed in the back up is the tentative budget not our final budget. We are still working on finalizing cost on a few things.

**Mike Cottingim:** How will this bring Tourism and Economic Development to our town?

**Rebecca Lucas and Brandi Farias:** We are advertising outside of just our town using social media, newspaper, and radio ads to reach to all members of Southern Nevada. We have also reached out to several businesses and government agencies to be a part of the festival this year. We also have lots of opportunities to recoup some of this money back through our raffles, tournaments, rides, and snack shack.

**Sherry Ottinger:** Are locals allowed to participate in car show?

**Brandi Farias:** Yes for \$10.

**Sherry Ottinger:** This Kung Fu what is it and will they offer classes in the valley?

**Rebecca Lucas:** They are a Kung Fu dojo that one of our locals attends and they would like to come do a demonstration and present more information about who they are and what they do.

**12. For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend Thank You letters to NDOT and Las Vegas Paving for the work they did on Hwy 95 at Valley View and 373 adding turn lanes making it safer for travelers coming into our town.

**Motion:** Sara Rivers motions to approve

**Second:** Brenda Dymond

**Vote:** 5-0 Pass

**Joe Labassorie:** The new turn lanes and lights are very nice and a Thank You Letter is a nice idea but Paul Leymus should be on that list of Thank You Letters because without him this project would have never happened.

**13. Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 241.015(3)(b)(2) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation**

**Pulled**

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14. For Possible Action – Closure of meeting, pursuant to NRS 288.220 for purposes of conferring with the AVTB’s management representatives regarding labor negotiations, issues and other personnel matters.

**Pulled**

15. For Possible Action – Discussion and deliberation on conference with legal counsel regarding potential or current litigation presented in closed meeting.

**Pulled**

16. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** (up to 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 (FIRST). PLEASE STATE AND SPELL YOUR LAST NAME

**Sherry Ottinger:** Will you still have a regular meeting next Thursday night?

**Carolyn Allen:** It will be Thursday at 2:30pm

**Pat Minshall:** Hopes all will sign up to get the BOCC meetings and Arnold Knightly sent to them in email.

**Aaron Lynn:** Finally recruited a new lineman he is a local.

**John Degiorgio;** Anything we can do to clean up trash along or around the dump site.

**Mike Cottingim:** We have asked and we are maxed out on what we can get. I think were getting people from all over dumping their trash.

**John Degiorgio:** Is there anyway to control it from spreading?

**Mike Cottingim:** Unfortunately, we have people that don’t stop dumping when the trash is full.

17. **Board Members Comments** (This item is limited to announcements or topic proposed for future workshops/agendas)

**Sara Rivers:** I appreciate the chance to be on this board and I know I will mess up but I am willing to learn.

**Brenda Dymond:** I also appreciate your votes and the chance to be on this board.

**Mike Cottingim:** You all know how passionate I am about the finances of the town. This is far worse than I thought it was. Will hold a special meeting to go though it page by page.

**Carolyn Allen:** Thank you for voting me in, looking forward to serving our town for another 4years. Like Mike said we have a lot of hard work to do. If you have any questions don’t hesitate to call the office.

18. **For Possible Action-** Set date and time for regular Town Board Meeting on January 26, 2023 Board Meeting at 7pm.

**Motion:** Carolyn Allen makes motion to approve date and time for January 26, 2023 @ 2:30pm instead of 7pm to accommodate the school movie night fundraiser.

**Second:** Brenda Dymond

**Vote:** 5-0 Pass

19. **Adjourn**