



AMARGOSA VALLEY TOWN BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Drafted Nov 23, 2022

By: Rebecca Lucas

Deputy Town Clerk

AGENDA

Amargosa Community Center

1640 E. Farm Road, Amargosa Valley, NV 89020

Wednesday November 16th @ 7:00 PM

Scott Harris, Chairman

John Bosta, Vice Chairman

Trevor Dolby, Town Clerk

Richard Claessens, Member

Mike Cottingim, 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 November 16, 2022 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.**

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In Attendance: AVTB- 4 members present: Scott Harris, John Bosta, Trevor Dolby, Richard Claessens, Mike Cottingham (absent), and Deputy Town Clerk Rebecca Lucas.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Approval of the Agenda for October 20, 2022 (Non-action item)**
 - Pull items 16, 17, 18.

 - Bosta** asks to pull #14 because Thriving Warrior had not gone before the Planning Committee to present their proposal as requested. After discussion between Harris and Bosta, Chairman chose to leave it on for public to discuss after seeing many people in the audience there just to speak on that agenda 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
 - Brenda Dymond**: Read a letter from Principal Amanda Arceo explaining the shortage of substitute teachers and paraprofessionals and they are seeking new applicants. Meeting on Dec 6 @ 7pm. She passes out flyers for the town.

 - Richard Claessens**: What are qualifications?

 - Brenda Dymond**: High School diploma and pass a background check.

4. **Reports**
 - A. **Town Office Report (Vouchers, Employment, Email) Approval of Vouchers Presented by Deputy Town Clerk.**
 - Rebecca Lucas**: Explains vouchers and old VEA charges that needed approval.
 - John Bosta**: Questions why the vouchers are so high.
 - Rebecca Lucas**: Explains why the vouchers are so high every month and gives break down of recurring bills that add to the expenses to run the town.
 - Motion**: Trevor Dolby: To pay \$9,285.21 vouchers as presented.
 - Second**: Richard Claessens
 - Vote**: 4-0 Pass

 - B. **Fire Department Report (Monthly Report and other concerns regarding Town Office)**
 - Chief Bruce Jensen**: gives stats for the month. 20 runs; 18 of those were medical. 4 new volunteers. January starts and ENT-B class in Beatty.

 - C. **Cemetery Report (Monthly Report)**
 - No Report

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

-**Labossiere**: Pushed public meeting on solar project development in AV to January 5pm before board meeting. Meetings are held second Tuesday of the month at 6pm. We need more volunteer members.

E. Human Resource Committee

- No Report

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

-**Jessica Kadrmaz**: Dec 3rd school program and community Christmas dinner. Dec 10th is the ARA scavenger hunt with events in the park. I am stepping down as Chairman and Brandi Farias will be taking over.

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

-**Dave Hall**: Commodities served 118 families; 435 people. Need volunteers for homebound food deliveries. Served 405 meals last month ½ were home meals.

- 5. **For Possible Action**- Discussion and deliberations- Approve, Adopt, or Amend the minutes for October 20, 2022
-**John Bosta**: Request to approve Item 5 and Item 6 at the same time.
-**Motion**: John Bosta: Motion to approve minutes from Oct 20th and Nov 3rd meetings.
-**Second**: Trevor Dolby
-**Vote**: 4-0 Pass

- 6. **For Possible Action** – Discussion and deliberations –Approve, Adopt, or Amend the minutes for November 3, 2022.

- 7. **For Possible Action**- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt or Amend to set and approve a budget for the Community Christmas Party on December 3, 2022.
-**Richard Claessens**: Motion to set a budget for the Community Christmas Party on Dec 3rd.
-**Diane George**: Last year we asked for \$1,400 and used every bit of it so this year we are asking for \$2,500.
-**Motion**: John Bosta: Motion to approve the \$2,500 budget for Christmas Party on Dec 3rd.
-**Second**: Trevor Dolby
-**Vote**: 4-0 Pass

- 8. **For Possible Action**- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend creating and official Facebook profile for the Town of Amargosa Valley. This page will have 2 admins, the Deputy Town Clerk and one Board Member that will be chosen and voted on. This Facebook profile is solely for sharing town news and events in a manner that presents as professional and like it comes from the town and not from a single member.
-**Rebecca Lucas**: When we share our events on Facebook we do not want it to come across as a single person pushing their beliefs and agenda on people. It should read and sound like it's coming from the town not a single individual.
-**Discussion**: Debate and discussion between functions and purpose of Facebook V. Website.

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	<p>-Motion: Richard Claessens: Motion to approve and have Rebecca Lucas and Scott Harris as managers of the page.</p> <p>- Second: Trevor Dolby</p> <p>-Vote: 4-0 Pass</p>	
9.	<p>For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend a budget of \$3,500 for a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner in February 2023.</p> <p>-Pulled</p>	
10.	<p>For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend the AVTB to approve Thank You letter to Valley Electric Association CEO Mark Stallons, and Board of Directors Chairman, Kathleen Keyes. Thanking them for helping the Senior Center and Town Community Center.</p> <p>-Dave Hall: We only have 2 Lineman, 1 apprentice that cover a rather large area and they take the time and go out of their way to help us when they don't have to.</p> <p>-Motion: Richard Claessens: Motion to approve letters.</p> <p>-Second: Trevor Dolby</p> <p>-Vote: 4-0 Pass</p>	
11.	<p>For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend the AVTB to approve letters addressed to Time Sutton, Nye County Manager and Frank Carbone, Chairman Nye County Commissioners, thanking them for their assistance in procuring water tank for the Town of Amargosa. This assists our Fire Department with needed assets for fighting fires. The tank was donated by Sunshine Valley Solar and was procured without having to pay sales tax.</p> <p>-Motion: Trevor Dolby: Motion to approve letters.</p> <p>-Second: John Bosta</p> <p>-Vote: 4-0 Pass</p>	
12.	<p>For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend the AVTB to approve Thank You letter to Sunshine Valley Solar for the donation of funds to be used to procure a water tank for the Town of Amargosa Valley to be used by the Fire Department to fight fires.</p> <p>-Pulled</p>	
13.	<p>For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend AVTB to authorize purchase of two LED flood lights for north side of community center. If they work well, we will look into replacing all of the old metal halide lights currently in use. Also, all of the concrete light poles are cracked. The current cost is \$129.00 per month.</p> <p>-Dave Hall: These lights will be mounted on the wall behind the building to light up the parking lot. LED lights will use half as much power as the lights we have now.</p> <p>-John Bosta: Challenges Item due to no fiscal impact listed in Item description.</p> <p>-Motion: John Bosta: Motion to discuss and approve purchase of LED flood lights.</p> <p>-Second: Scott Harris</p> <p>-Vote: 4-0 Pass</p>	
14.	<p>For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend AVTB to endorse</p>	

the Thriving Warrior Project to develop the Mobil Home Park owned by MJNE on Hwy 373. Improvements not limited to installation of Boxable housing units.

-Motion: Richard Claessens: Motion to open discussion on the Boxable homes at the trailer park.

-Second: Trevor Dolby

-NO ACTION JUST GPC

-Pat Minshall: Possible water issue at the trailer park. The park is zoned for mobile homes if you want to change that by putting fixed homes you need to go through the Town & County.

-Dave Hall: Separate meeting with the Planning Committee is needed.

-Ed Belequiva: Public Committee meeting at our place on Anvil every Friday at 3pm. We will answer any and all questions you all have. The Boxable units work so well that the Raceway is putting them in to use as Air BNB's.

-Tony Guerra: I live in the Stateline Community I have no issues with this the units are actually quite beautiful.

-Jessica Kadrmas: Are current residents allowed to stay or will they be forced to leave?

-Ed Belequiva: I don't represent the park and I have no interest in kicking anyone out.

-Trailer Park Manager: Residents will be allowed to stay.

-Waylon Lucas: Residents should be allowed to stay there without fear of eviction. Like Dave said we should have a public meeting to settle just this question.

15. For Possible Action- Discussion and deliberation- Approve, Adopt, or Amend replacing current AED machines for Fire Department and Community Center.

-Chief Bruce Jensen: Current AEDs are outdated and it is becoming hard to find replacement parts. The Fire Department is purchasing 2 AEDs with PSST money and the Town will be purchasing 1.

-Motion: Scott Harris: Motion to amend the Item to include the total amount of \$6,299.01 and approve the purchase.

-Second: Trevor Dolby

-Vote: 4-0 Pass

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

-Pulled

17. 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

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

-Pulled

19. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (up to three-minute time limit per person.) Action will not

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-Carolyn Allen: Becca is doing a stellar job in the office and is learning quickly. On Nov 10th we had a representative from Medicare at the Senior Center explaining the different plan options. If interested we can get you in touch with the gal.

-Chief Bruce Jensen: In the community there is a fear that if they get a flight for life ride, they will be billed and enormous bill. Flight for life is only allowed to bill what Medicare or your insurance will pay. There should be no out of pocket expense to the patient.

-Tony Guerra: Asks Fire Chief to explain more the burn permit.

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

21. For Possible Action- Set date and time for December 15, 2022 Board Meeting at 7pm.

-Motion: John Bosta: Motion to approve and set date for next meeting.

-Second: Richard Claessens

-Vote: 4-0 Pass

22. Adjourn