



GARDNERVILLE TOWN BOARD

Meeting Minutes

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Tuesday, March 3, 2015

4:30 p.m.

Gardnerville Town Hall

INVOCATION – Pastor Norm

4:30 P.M. Chairman Higuera called the meeting to order and made the determination of a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Tom Dallaire led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Lloyd Higuera, Chairman
Mary Wenner, Vice-Chairman
Cassandra Jones
Ken Miller

Jennifer Yturbide, Town Counsel
Tom Dallaire, Town Manager/Engineer
Carol Louthan, Office Manager Sr.

ABSENT:

Linda Slater

PUBLIC INTEREST COMMENTS (No Action)

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Mr. Higuera wanted to commend the staff during the wind incident. They did a fantastic job of keeping the streets clear, hauling trees and debris right in the middle of the storm. I really do appreciate it and wanted to go on record as showing our appreciation. The follow up on Saturday cleaning up the gutters so all the drainage would flow is essential. They did a great job.

Mr. Miller saw a lot of that action.

No further public comment.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF AGENDA, with public comment prior to Board action.

The Gardnerville Town Board reserves the right to take items in a different order to accomplish business in the most efficient manner.

Motion Wenner/Jones to approve the agenda.

No public comment.

Motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

February 3, 2015 Regular Board meeting, with public comment prior to Board action.

Motion Miller/Wenner to approve the minutes as presented for February 3, 2015.

No public comment.

Motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.

CONSENT CALENDAR FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Items appearing on the Consent Calendar are items that may be adopted with one motion **after public comment**. Consent items may be pulled at the request of Town Board members wishing to have an item or items discussed further. When items are pulled for discussion, they will be automatically placed at the beginning of the Administrative Agenda.

1. **For Possible Action: Correspondence**
2. **For Possible Action: Health and Sanitation & Public Works Departments Monthly Report of activities**
3. **For Possible Action: Approve February 2015 claims**
4. **For Possible Action: Approve a special event application for FEAT of the Carson Valley Inc., scheduled for April 25, 2015 at Heritage Park.**

Motion Jones/Wenner to approve the consent calendar.


No public comment.

Motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.

Mr. Dallaire asked that item 4 be taken later. Mrs. Sheldrew is not here yet.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

(Any agenda items pulled from the Consent Calendar will be heard at this point)

5.  **For Possible Action: Discussion and provide direction to staff on a request from Carson Valley Pops on holding a July 4th concert at Heritage Park after the Freedom 5K fun run. Appearance by Judy Sheldrew, with Carson Valley Pops; with public comment prior to board action. (taken after item 6)**

Judy Sheldrew, president of the Carson Valley Pops Board of Directors, is appearing to inquire as to whether the town would be willing to let us perform the annual patriotic July 4 concert at Heritage Park. Town of Minden has their own celebration and it really is not compatible with a live orchestra playing music. I spoke with Mr. Dallaire. 11:30 would be when we would like to start. We would set up about the time the fun run is finishing. We can work out the details. We thought we would see if Gardnerville would be interested. You have a policy of charging for any additional costs for events. We would love to have you consider our concert as part of your event. If not, the charges are something we could absorb and maybe if this is something we can continue in future years you would grow to consider it as part of your event. The concert would be about an hour.

Chairman Higuera thought the only thing that is a slight problem is the staffing.

Mr. Dallaire believed all the runners were done before 10:00 o'clock last year and the Lions Club was sold out of breakfast before 9:00 a.m. We are going to implement an obstacle course between the pavilion and Gilman. So they would have to take the bounce houses down. That is the only item I am not sure about timingwise. But an hour should give them time to get it down.

Chairman Higuera asked if shade would be an issue.

Mr. Dallaire mentioned historically the orchestra has faced Gilman. This time we would face the opposite direction. We could implement the shade at the park during the town July 4th event as well, so people could eat breakfast in the shade. There is plenty of shade in the morning but in the afternoon it might be problematic. We set up our sound equipment for the fun run and have the speakers on the poles. They would be able to utilize that. We'd have to take the sound system down afterward. That is what the staff time would involve. We would have just one guy to take down the sound system and take it back to the shop. If we do the shade structure we would get the chairs from the canopy company.

Mrs. Jones thought one of the factors in staff cost is not just the monetary costs but it's having staff from 7 to 10 and have them come back at 1 or 1:30.

Mr. Dallaire has the seasonal usually going up and down the streets watering the flowers. By July we are watering twice a day. We would need someone here either Saturday or Sunday anyway.

Vice-Chairman Wenner thought it would be nice to have a concert.

Mr. Miller wonders whether we need the canopy and chairs.

Mrs. Sheldrew believed the canopy was a good place for some of the older folks to sit. As many of you know we do try and do some salute to the military. We are trying to get veterans groups there. The canopy was really helpful.

Chairman Higuera thought staff time is the issue.

Mr. Dallaire didn't want to make that decision on this. I wanted to hear what you thought.

Mr. Miller would like to incorporate a local veterans group. I have some ideas but I would like to talk to them.

Chairman Higuera thought Mrs. Sheldrew and Tom could work together. Also, you mentioned the cost isn't a financial burden, so I have no problem with the event.

Mrs. Jones asked if we made the decision to go with a canopy and chairs is that a cost the Pops would be responsible to reimburse us for.

Mr. Dallaire stated the canopy and chairs we would incorporate into our event with the fun run. The Lions could utilize the shade for breakfast.

Mrs. Jones felt it is very consistent with what we have been trying to do over the last several years. Trying to take the fun run and expand it but not necessarily compete with the other towns.

Mr. Miller pointed out they discussed last month that the fun run would be one of our major four events that we would support.

Motion Miller to allow the Carson Valley Pops to do the concert and split any costs to us other than the canopy on a 50-50 basis.

Chairman Higuera called for public comment.

Margaret Pross wanted to support this event. It would be a great add on to what you are already doing. I love it when we honor our military. They mean the world to all of us, literally. I hope you can find your way to do this. It would be great.

Mr. Linderman remembers when the Pops had the concerts in the park before. It got me out of the house and down to the park. I like the patriotic music and it does add a lot to the 4th of July to have a local concert of patriotic music.

No further public comment.

Mr. Dallaire clarified before Carol organized a flyover from the reserves. We are not planning on doing something that extensive. We provided free ice cream. This is something they are putting on after our event and we are supporting them with the sound system, shade canopy and chairs. We will take the sound system down when they are done.

Chairman Higuera thought the concert would suffice for this year. If we want to build on it we can do that later. It's a good fit with the patriotic theme. I like Ken's idea of bringing some of the vets into it.

Mrs. Jones seconded the motion

Upon call for the vote, motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.

6.  **Not for Possible Action: Discussion on the Main Street Program Manager's Monthly Report of activities for February 2015.**

Margaret Pross standing in for Paula Lochridge reported Tom Dallaire, Patrice Frey and some other people attended the SB 51 bill to support it in the legislature. We haven't heard anything yet. We do need support. If anyone would like to write a letter or send an email we would appreciate it. This is for the Main Street Gardnerville state program. It would mean a lot to all of the rural communities. Even Las Vegas is very interested in participating

in this program. There is a video of their presentation. Paula can send you the link if you are interested. We also attended the America's Best Communities competition. I was on the general committee as was Paula. It looks very promising. We may very well make it to the next round. It means a lot of money to Douglas County and the towns. We are meeting on March 9 for the possibility of creating a Basque area in the Main Street district.

Mrs. Jones asked if they have any update on where the mural might go or when it would be posted.

Mrs. Pross doesn't have anything we can speak to right now. We do have some things in progress. We are pretty confident we have a good place for it. But it is just not the right time yet.

Mr. Dallaire added they haven't figured out what they are doing with the upper floor of the Overland. They are internally working on the plans. They want the mural on the building we just don't know where exactly.

Mrs. Pross drove by and they are working on that side of the building. We approved three of the four committee plans. The promo committee action plan will be reviewed at our next board meeting and then sent to you. There was a program on volunteerism on Douglas County's cable access show. It has aired on You Tube. We can email a link if you would like to see it. The date for our presentation to Douglas County Commissioners regarding economic vitality was moved to April 2. However it will have to be rescheduled because Paula and Tom will be coming back from the Main Street National Conference at that time. Paula will be attending the following workshops: Winning Grants and a Family Support Council workshop. Ken Miller will be at the Wyoming Main Street Best Practices workshop in Georgia. On March 28th through April 2nd is the Main Street conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Minden will be joining us this year. March 11th we have the Reno Tahoe territory meeting. April 15 to 17 is the Rural Roundup.

Vice-Chairman Wenner asked if any Minden board members are attending.

Mrs. Pross believes Jennifer is going.


Mr. Dallaire advised Charlie Condron is going.

Mrs. Pross stated Carol Sandmeier is here to make a report on Heritage Park Gardens. She gets to make a quarterly report. Their committee is very active and does so many things.

Mr. Miller commented the Rural Roundup is here from April 15 to 17th. I have heard on the last meeting there are a number of individuals from the Reno area coming because they like what's on the agenda.

Mrs. Pross shared there is a listing of the upcoming events and the dates in the packet.

Mrs. Carol Sandmeier reported we have been working in the gardens since there hasn't been much winter. We are working on changing the layout of the garden. We've eliminated the hay bales. We are replacing them with wood sided raised beds and we're on the last three now. At the end of this next month we will have all raised wooden beds. The New Year's Candlelight Labyrinth Walk had an amazing turnout of about 200 people in 6 degree weather on New Year's Eve. We really felt everybody who came enjoyed it. We will be doing that again this year. In the center of the labyrinth we had a basket and everybody took home a rock that said 2015. We are still painting rocks and selling them to raise money for the gardens. Last year we sold over \$1,000 worth of painted rocks to support the gardens. The rearranging of the gardens is going to allow for about 25 beds this year. We started with 11 three years ago. Of those 25 beds we have two Girl Scout Troops 331 and 2003, who will be using the beds for free. They will be donating some of their produce to the Food Closet. We have one Boy Scout Troop 31 that will be doing the same thing. About two thirds of the gardeners are returning. The rest of the beds are filling up fast. For the sharing gardens grant we received we will be adding five beds, which makes 30. Then we have six beds in the children's garden plus three or four smaller ones that we'll be using in that area. We really have a lot under cultivation. Next Saturday we have our garden opener. That is the day when people can sign up for their garden plot and the workshops for the kids. On the third Saturday of each month we will be doing workshops. The master gardeners are going to have a demonstration garden again. They built a very beautiful wood planter that will be an herb garden and one section that is like a pyramid. The pyramid will be varieties of strawberries that do well here. Next Saturday Zack Cruz will be building a foot bridge. He is rounding up the crew for next Saturday. Thanks to Tom and Geoff for your help with that project.

7.  **For Possible Action:** Discussion to approve, or to deny a contract with NV Energy with an advance amount of \$113,868 and payment in the amount of \$109,868 for altering the existing electrical facilities

across APN 1320-33-402-080 & 1320-33-310-006, aka the Hellwinkel property and Chichester Detention pond, adding a new meter for the Hellwinkel barns, authorizing the town manager to sign the contract; with public comment prior to Board action. (taken after item 5)

Mr. Dallaire stated this is part of the Hellwinkel channel project. He gave an overview of the project. We do want to add the fiber optic line which will connect GES to provide a future stub to get fiber optic lines to our office and will have a connection at Gilman when the lines comes down from Buckeye along the pathway. The county is working on those plans.

Mrs. Jones asked on page 6-2 I see the \$4,000 difference. But if you look at Section 1.2 the total estimated cost is \$79,000 and change and Section 1.3 says the estimated advance is \$113,000. What is the difference there?

Mr. Dallaire indicated there was a tax that we can't get out of paying. I have some paperwork on the CIAC. When you add it all together it ends up being the \$113,868. The difference between the \$113,868 and what we owe them, the \$109,000 is what we paid them already in engineering fees.

Public comment.


Mr. Dave Agresti, owner of the Village Motel, has some concerns because the pole directly affects his service. I think we can meet next week. I want to make sure I don't have to bear any of the costs for this. I have had a negative experience with Nevada Energy. There are cable lines that need to be moved and they say they won't move them. They want everything underground. Another concern is on the last pole there is a transformer. I got them to move the transformer to the last pole for my property. The buildings are 70 years old. There is not a lot of power there to start with. That last cabin by the restaurant is 200 feet away from where the power comes in.

Mr. Dallaire explained this is moving the pole between the school district and your pole. They wouldn't let us touch your pole.

Mr. Agresti wants to work with the town and get the property to move forward.

No further public comment.

Motion Wenner/Miller to approve the contract with NV Energy with an advance in the amount of \$113,868 and authorize a payment to NV Energy in the amount of \$109,868 for altering the existing electrical facilities across APN 1320-33-402-080 and 1320-33-310-006 also known as the Hellwinkel property and Chichester detention pond, adding a new meter for the Hellwinkel barns and authorizing the town manager to sign the contract. Motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.


8.  **For Possible Action:** Discussion to approve, or to deny a contract with Nevada Department of Transportation in the amount of \$333,561.00 for installing rapid flashing beacons, ADA ramps and storm drain improvements at Mill Street, High School Street, Mission Street, and Kingslane Highway 395 crosswalk improvement project, with \$17,556.00 of town funds as 5% match. The town would be responsible for 100% of the costs exceeding the contract amount; with public comment prior to Board action.

Mr. Dallaire has talked about this for four or five years. We had budgeted \$50,000 to do this work. That has been rolling forward. I haven't actually been talked to by NDOT as to the price being too small. So apparently they are comfortable with it. We have started the videoing so we can get a contractor and get this done right away. It's been in the works too long. We are currently working on the Kingslane entryway. This is the rapid flashing beacon system where the pedestrian hits the button prior to crossing Hwy 395.

Chairman Higuera is glad to see it finally come to fruition.

No public comment.

Motion Miller/Jones to approve the contract with Nevada Department of Transportation in the amount of \$33,561 for installing rapid flashing beacons, ADA ramps and storm drain improvements at Mill Street, High School Street, Mission Street and Kingslane crossing Highway 395 improvement project, with \$17,556 of town funds as the five percent match. Motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.

9.  **For possible action: Discussion and provide a recommendation to the County Commissioners regarding the projects to pursue, along with funding options, that are identified in the proposed County Connectivity Project. Presentation by Jacques and Dominique Etchegoyhen; with public comment prior to Board action.**

Mr. Jacques Etchegoyhen, with Legacy Land and Water, was tasked by the county to look into countywide connectivity. Mr. Etchegoyhen gave a power point presentation on interconnection of roads and activities. We need an integrated system of good roads and recreation activities.

No public comment.

Chairman Higuera agreed that now is the time. The sales tax increase, utility operator fee and gas tax are all doable and you can parlay that into a big chunk of cash to get some of these things done.


Mrs. Jones would love to see something like this to show results as quickly as possible.

Chairman Higuera thought getting the trucks off of 395 is exciting. There will be a lot of questions regarding taxes. But it is the only way it will be done.

Motion Miller/Wenner to recommend to the county commissioners to proceed with finding funding opportunities for the following projects: Ranchos to Gardnerville multimodal path; getting an alternate truck route around Gardnerville and Minden; and item c, South Lake Tahoe Highway 50 casino core bypass and revitalization. I recommend staff identify and bring back funding strategies for these projects including possibly sales tax increase, utility operator fees and gas tax. Motion carried with Board Member Slater absent.

Break at 6:00 p.m.

Reconvene at 6:04 p.m.

10.  **For Possible Action. Discussion to provide direction to staff on budget development for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 including, but not limited to;**
- a. Discuss Towns strategic plan and goals**
 - b. Discuss Town Values**
 - c. Update of capital improvement projects for fiscal year 2015-2020**
 - d. Review of the town staffing and employee merits**
 - e. Review and discuss proposed town projects anticipated for bidding award before June 30, 2015**
 - f. Review of the tentative budget for 2015-2016 and review of the revenue estimates, and other matters properly related thereto; with public comment prior to Board action.**

Mr. Dallaire admitted town projects are moving slower than he hoped but there is a lot of government bureaucracy to work through. I am curious if you have goals you would like to add and if you want to spend a Saturday discussing goals and plans further. Genoa had an evening meeting. Minden has had a special meeting. The vision is still pretty accurate. Without the traffic being diverted it is going to be hard to implement this. It is a big contributing factor having a Main Street program. Are we moving in the right direction on projects we are working on or are there other projects you see as being important and want to get done? Has anything come up in the last year that you would rather work on? We can go through the CIP. Do we want to attempt a Saturday and modify these or does it seem to be working for you and there are not a lot of changes?

Chairman Higuera didn't think there is a major overhaul. I do like the idea of getting together and going through each one of the elements and getting into it. I personally would like to have a special Saturday meeting or a weekday meeting, depending on schedules. But just concentrate on the one item rather than trying to work it in with all the other things.

Mr. Dallaire asked if anybody listed a new goal.

Vice-Chairman Wenner wants to see the Hellwinkel channel/walking trail and road repairs in the industrial area started.

Mr. Dallaire pointed out those are on the current plan.

Mr. Miller would like to see the gas station actually get some changes.

Mr. Dallaire is working with the consultant. We hired Stantec. They accepted. We are meeting with the team on Friday to go over everything in the contract. We drafted a contract and they are working on their part of the contract to add to our contract. We put together a scope of work that we felt would be appropriate for them to use. We still have yet to receive the results of the underground investigation. Once we have a building and site plan we can do the gateway sign and landscaping in the corner. When the fueling tanks come out we will have a hole. Instead of filling that back in with dirt I would like to purchase rock and do the detention basin. We do have the money to pay for the entire Hellwinkel project. As things get moving we will get reimbursed for some of the work. Once they start it will be done within a month. We have to have the money for all the projects.

Chairman Higuera asked if it would be easier not to pick any more projects and just wait.

Mr. Dallaire thought it would. Linda wanted to do a sign down at Carrick pond for the dog park. I am up for that type of thing. Planning the park we don't have time for right now between Geoff and I. I can hire it out. I will be doing that with the crosswalks. I haven't been able to find any grants available for purchasing property for the Heritage Park extension. All of this is for improvements of land you already own for a park. It will open up another opportunity when we bring in the fronton court if that is something you want to do. Main Street wants to do it. We have been talking about it for five years. Do we stop talking about it and take it off the list or do it.

Mrs. Jones would put on the list work with other agencies to develop the bypass. Because how can we say it's a priority if it is not a stated goal. We had an opportunity tonight to talk about different funding sources that might help with the "S" curve realignment and the bypass. Yet if one of us had to testify at the legislature we would not be able to say it is so important we put it in the goals.

Mr. Dallaire will add that in there. We do have "work with other agencies" in two different categories.

Chairman Higuera asked if on the town's strategic plan, goals and town values, rather than having a special meeting, board members pledge to take our books and go over the items, take time and then bring it up as an agenda item. Then each member can make a presentation on what we think.

Mr. Dallaire asked if there is something else you value that we don't have in the plan.

Mrs. Jones keeps coming back to incorporating the recycling program. It's nowhere on the five year plan. We would have to start conceptualizing a program before we could start.

Mr. Dallaire stated if we had property, we would be able to do our own sorting station. DDI is thinking about doing to do that on property Douglas County owns. DDI leased the building from Douglas County and has the capability and plans to do the recycling there. It will be a recycling where it is not a one stop recycling shop. We are talking about implementing an additional can with a yellow lid and residents sort cardboard, paper etc. similar to the greenwaste. Then we would collect and recycle that. Those items get sent to Douglas Disposal and get sorted and then they can bale it and send it out,

Mrs. Jones thought they might need to do a business plan that says how am I going to create a recycling business. Then we can estimate how much it will cost to start implementing this program and put that onto the CIP. But until we create the business plan we can't know if you will need a new truck or double the speed at which we need to replace that truck. When we look at it the conclusion might be it would be more cost effective to acquire a facility or to rent a facility. Maybe the action plan right now is to create the plan so we can move forward.

Mr. Dallaire thought creating the plan is a good opportunity. The owners of the Virginia Ranch have sued the county and won and were allowed 100 extra acres of commercial behind Wal Mart. Right now it is receiving area. If they ask for another acre I will ask for property for our trash facility. We are bursting at the seams at the current maintenance facility. I will ask for five and settle at three. Then we could have a health and sanitation building over there with the sorting facility. Ideally it would be out by the water company. I don't know what DDI's plan is or what the county's plan is. We talked with Carl Ruschmeyer and they are looking into how much money they have in the fund from the franchise fees.

Mrs. Jones keeps hearing the plans we have been discussing took three to five years to develop. If we don't start now, then three years from now it will still be five to ten years out.

Mr. Dallaire doesn't know if we want to get that big. We can't charge the fee to sort that material. It's very expensive. Recycling is good and we should have it on the plan to explore those options and opportunities.

Chairman Higuera would like to move on to the CIP. Everybody do their homework on the strategic plan, goals and values. Add recycling and anything anyone else has.

Mr. Dallaire went over the CIP and the town's achievements for 2014/15 and staffing. The last payment for main street lights is in April. I don't know if you want to use that money for a maintenance supervisor. It's about \$100,000 worth of expense. We could add another maintenance aide during the summer.

Mr. Miller thought a maintenance supervisor would free Tom up some. It would take some of the load off you and Geoff both. Another thing to look at is you use your own personal vehicle for traveling. That is a cost to you. We don't reimburse you for that cost at all.

Mr. Dallaire will see what happens with the new county pay plan. All the positions are changing. I need to know from the Board if you want the employees to have a merit again this year. I have no idea what the county is planning. Last year we had 4% max; the year before 2% max and the year before that was zero. PERS has another increase this year. It is going up to 28%. The employees pick up half of that adjustment. The salaries will be reduced this year by 1.125% but it goes towards their retirement.

Mr. Miller asked even though we had the 4% increase available, how many actually got that increase?

Mr. Dallaire answered not as many as would have liked to. We changed the PMP score plan so we had two people that ended up with a 2% raise and were not happy.

Mrs. Jones thought 4% for the staff makes sense this year. It's within the projected revenue growth. As you get updated revenue figures, if that 5% dips significantly my analysis on the merit raise might change, but I think 4% makes sense.

Mr. LaCost would like to change the pay scale instead of making a line at 2% or 3%, why can't someone earn 2.2% or 2.8% or 3.2%. If you hit just under the line of 4% you still only get 3%.

Mr. Dallaire could bring that back to the board if you wanted to consider that. If you see anything on the CIP let me know. We can make modifications and approve it next month. You will be going over the goals and strategies and come back next month to talk about it.

The last thing to go over is the cost allocation. The slide on the screen is the easiest to understand. This is the breakdown of the two funds. I will just tell them the admin portion of this town is here because of the county. We support the county in their efforts for the densely populated area taking care of things they don't. We are doing it as part of the county program and it should all be written off as being paid for under the taxes the residents are already paying as town residents. But they keep saying that's for county business not town business. We have no way of bringing in any more money than what we get out of C tax, gaming tax and ad valorem. Those are our revenue sources. This is what we are fighting for.

The maintenance supervisor: yes or no?

The board agreed they need to look at a maintenance supervisor.

Mrs. Jones sees the value not only of that person being able to run the crew better, but free you up to do the things you said you don't have time to do.

Mr. Dallaire felt we will eventually need a mechanic in Health & Sanitation. That is coming quickly but not in this year's budget.

No public comment.

11.  **Not For Possible Action: Discussion on the Town Attorney's Monthly Report of activities for February 2015.**

Ms. Yturbide reported we have continued to do agendas, minutes, reviews and attend meetings. There have been some meetings and discussions with Tom and Paula regarding pending issues. The trash truck, the warranty is coming up. They have been in discussions relative to that and what action to take. Mr. Rowe has been working on that. We also did the reviews for both the NV Energy contract and the NDOT agreement on the crosswalk improvements. We prepared a number of boundary line adjustment deeds and had other continuing conversations.

12.  **Not For Possible Action: Discussion on the Town Manager/Engineer's Monthly Report of activities for February 2015.**

Mr. Dallaire reported on the Sharkey's project.

Mrs. Jones pointed out the biggest concern we had was the risk to pedestrians.

Mr. Dallaire shared nobody cares, nobody has died. Just like Jacques said in his presentation unfortunately that is what has to happen. A kid had to die in the Mission Street crosswalk before they put the flashing beacon in. Now no one sees that beacon. We have two crossing guards for that one.

Mr. Miller asked if the crosswalk midblock is just for state roads only.

Mr. Dallaire answered yes. The study itself, we can put out the counters and do that. It's not a requirement in Pegram's mind.

In Mrs. Jones' mind we do it because it is the right thing to do. We shouldn't wait until someone dies. If he's putting the \$5000 aside to finish the project it's stupid that we're not doing it at the same time that the parking lot is actually being built.

Mr. Dallaire stated NDOT is waiting for their approval letter because of the crosswalk and the study. I didn't want to hold up the whole project. Mr. Pegram's architect liked the idea of the brand bike racks. So I think we will be able to put the first brand bike rack there. Carol Yparriguirre did agree to the easement. She is paying Rob to handle it. Once they get the access they will do the other side. We are going to provide our in stock lights. We only have one LED and one HPS. We are ordering a new set of both, which is about \$45,000. Next month we will hear a master plan amendment. Met with Hope about the process. Mark Neuffer is working on developing the Corley Ranch, the portion that is not in the land preserve. There is 140 acres that they will look at developing. It will be a garden type community, larger parcels. He wants our trash service. Wants to be a part of the town. It will be right behind the Indian casino if it ever goes in. The caveat is the county is trying to serve the development. Master plan amendment is something I have never been through. It is pretty vague, but not nearly as vague as the other master plan amendment which is the Park Land and Cattle master plan amendment. JB invited us to the Basque Cultural Center in San Francisco. I think we could really make that work here.

Vice-Chairman Wenner asked if they charge for people to play games?

Mr. Dallaire advised the cultural center is run by a nonprofit. It looks like a well-used facility. We could do a new facility, have two fronton courts and bleachers that would pull out.

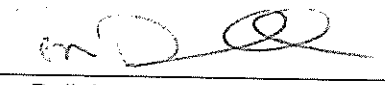
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No public comment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.


Lloyd Higuera
Chairman


Tom Dallaire
Town Manager