



## SMITH VALLEY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Wednesday, August 2, 2023, 6:00PM

Smith Valley Justice Court  
2 Day Lane, Smith, Nevada

### Minutes

1. Call to Order - Chair Ted Stec

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM

2. Roll Call: Determination of a Quorum

All members being present, a quorum was established.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Tom Renner

4. Invocation

Led by Roger Rodarte

5. Public Participation

Chantae Lessard - An investigational drilling program will be started at HudBay in the next few weeks. The drill rig will be onsite September 1st. This is taking place on private land owned by HudBay and they have a permit.

M. Kameron Hawkins (Editor, Lyon County magazine) - Nevada Arts and Crafts Show, including gunshow and shooting competition in some of the arena areas will be held the last weekend in April, 2024

Celeste Thornhill ([nevadacraftshows.com](http://nevadacraftshows.com)) please check our website.

Wendy Loomis - are we already working with you? No, different association.

Mark Jones - RCC will be meeting at the library, 10AM on Saturday.

6. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of Agenda

No board comment and no public comment.

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented by Wendy Loomis, seconded by Tom Renner. Unanimous, the motion carries.

7. For Possible Action: Approve Minutes of: July 5, 2023

Motion to approve as written by Wendy Loomis, seconded by Roger Rodarte.  
Unanimous, the motion carries.

8. Community Reports:

a. County Commissioner – Dave Hockaday

Commissioner Hockaday not present, will see us next month

b. Planning Commission – Constantine Kuzmicki (not present)

Mark Jones - interesting planning commission this week, variance requests were approved; it was a learning experience for what you can and cannot do in terms of abstaining, etc.

c. Sheriff's Office Report – Cdr Ryan Powell (or designate)

Commander Powell - Back in January when Sheriff Pope started, there was a big push to fill open positions - 22 openings (sworn) down to 12 with 9 in backgrounds. Some are post-certified (will not require academy), just got the last person off of training; 4 in the academy. Will soon bring to the CAB meeting the deputy assigned to Smith Valley.

The Sheriff's Office is constantly thinking toward the future: fiscal planning, next year, budget, strategic planning, additional training (use of force, traffic, etc.)

The recent National Night Out was in Fernley and with 200+ people. Careflight came and landed at the event. Lyon County has multiple population bases which makes events like National Night Out more challenging compared to someplace like Carson with a single population center.

The fair & rodeo are coming up in a few weeks. The Sheriff's Office will have a booth inside the barn at the fair and the command staff will be out there.

The first group of the junior deputy program (ages 13-17) has started. They will be in uniform with a deputy at the fair. (Program currently in Dayton).

Night in the Country was a huge success - 10K tickets sold. There were no arrests and it was safe. There were some citations issued to minors in possession of alcohol, a couple of fights, and heat related medical issues

due to the high temperatures. The mobile hospital was there to assist. Next year it won't be at the fairgrounds - new venue. Traffic is always a mess.

Regarding the flood report - we are now outside of the danger zone for a major flood event. The river levels are way down (several feet). The projection from the experts is that we're going to be in for another wet winter.

- d. Fire Department Report – Chief Matt Nightingale (or designate)

Wendy Loomis - left message but didn't hear anything back.

- e. Other Elected/Appointed officials of Smith Valley, Lyon County or State of Nevada

None

- 9. For Discussion Only: Review of Correspondence, email, other communications:

- a. Miscellaneous correspondence and email

Nothing to report from Stec or anyone else present.

- 10. For Discussion Only: Chairperson & Board Member Discussion

Wendy Loomis - Nothing additional

Jon Turner - Nothing to report

Tom Renner - Nothing to report

Roger Rodarte question to Chantae Lessard. What are they (HudBay) drilling for. She said samples: expanding the program that was done previously to prove/validate the samples they inherited from the previous company. Rodarte heard rumors about the road there being paved? Lessard did not believe so.

Ted Stec - Nothing to report

### **RECESS TO CONVENE AS THE SMITH VALLEY CEMETERY BOARD**

- 11. Public Participation:

None

12. For Report Only: Report on cemetery operations, to potentially include
- a. Plot sales and improvements to plots requested by plot owners (who and what has been requested).
  - b. Maintenance and activities, including a review of projects that need to be accomplished.
  - c. Review of bills and Financial Report.

Doug Homestead and/or Roger Rodarte. (Homestead not present)

Roger Rodarte: Budget of \$6000, bought squirrel bait for \$184, \$5,815.05 remaining. Trash bin with the no dumping sign so far is being respected. Rodarte has been doing weeding whenever he has the chance. No sales or interments for July.

13. Public Participation:

None

**ADJOURN TO RECONVENE AS THE SMITH VALLEY ADVISORY BOARD**

14. Public Participation:

None

15. Board Member Comments or anyone else?

None

16. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn by Tom Renner and seconded by Roger Rodarte. Meeting adjourned at 6:32pm

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