

Mason Valley Citizens Advisory Board

**Thursday, August 6th, 2020 - Meeting Called to Order at 5:15 PM
Lyon County Administrative Complex – Greg Hunewill Meeting Room
27 S. Main Street, Yerington, Nevada, 89447**

MINUTES

**Guests: Jay Dini, David Georgi, Tammy Kinsley (LC Plan Com), Verizon representative
Rebecca Carbone (Epic Wireless)**

- 1. Roll Call: Determination of a Quorum Members Holcomb, Ray present, member Moffitt
excused absence**
- 2. Open the meeting - Pledge of Allegiance Meeting called to order @ 5:15 PM Pledge led by
Chairman Ray**
- 3. Public Participation, 1st Session NONE**
- 4. Pull agendized items for further consideration, and/or separate comment/input NONE**
- 5. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of the August 6th, 2020 agenda Motion to adopt
as written: Ray, Second: Holcomb, 2 ayes, adopted**
- 6. For Possible Action: Review Minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting for approval Motion
to adopt as written: Ray, Second, Holcomb, 2 ayes, adopted**
- 7. Correspondence (read into record only, no action will be taken) Letter from Commissioner
Jay Dini on opening bars and other food businesses (an agenda item was created for
this agenda, as noted below, item 12)**
- 8. Elected & Appointed Official's reports: Sheriff July Statistics Report added in print, no
direct Sheriff presence**
- 9. Discussion on County items in the works (no action will be taken, discussion, and
collection of public input only) NONE**
- 9a. For Discussion, and Public Input Only, Review the topic of growth within both Lyon
County and Mason Valley. (Requested by Chairman Ray) NONE**

PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

10. Planning agenda items - (Action to collect public input, forward same, and board recommendations will be taken on all items unless otherwise note

11. For Discussion and Input: Verizon Wireless - **CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY - Request for an 95' monopole, communications tower within a 30-foot by 20-foot lease area (600 square feet) (APN) 012-401-02) PLZ-20-0015**

Tammy Kinsley presented the tower project plan and Plan Com information. Rebecca Carbone presented for the applicant, Epic Wireless./Verizon Wireless

There was no adverse input from the public regarding this action, and all are in agreement, this project is beneficial and needed, and will be an asset to the communities it will serve. The MV CAB recommends approval and adoption by both Plan Com, and BoCC.

12. **For Discussion and Input Only: (Report Discussion Results and All Input to The Lyon County Board of County Commissioners). This communication is from Commissioner, and Yerington business owner Jay Dini, to the Lyon County Board of County Commissioners for review and possible action. (Note: At a special meeting of the Lyon County Board of County Commissioners, July 23, 2020, this proposed action and letter were discussed, and approved by the Board of County Commissioners for further action) (Requested/Added by Chairman Ray)**

Text of the letter

“Our Governor has directed Lyon County bars to close if they do not serve food and direct all restaurants to limit seating to no more than 6. This is a directive that we as leaders in our county should fight against as it not only hurts our economy, but also spreads fear among our residents. The Governor says that we must meet the following criteria before he will lift this order.

The criteria are:

* Average daily tests: an average of 150 tests per day per 100,000 residents.

(We do not have any scheduled testing scheduled for our area. One of my employees was exposed to another person from out of our area who tested positive to covid-29. She called the

Tri-County Hotline to seek testing, she received a return call 3 days later and was given an appointment to be tested in another 2 days. She was told that she would have the results in 7 days. She patiently waited the 7 days and was not contacted. She tried to contact the testing site and was told that it could take 14 days to get the results. It is no wonder to me why people are hesitant about being tested.)

* **New case rate:** a 14-day new case rate of fewer than 100 per 100,000 residents. (we have met that number)

* **Positive test rate:** A seven-day average of positive tests, measured after a seven-day lag, divided by the county population. Counties with new case rate higher than 25, combined with a positive test rate higher than 7 percent, will meet this criterion for elevated disease transmission risk. (again, no tests)

Let's do the math:

Lyon County has a population of around 57,000 in 2019, so let's take that number for argument sake. Lyon County as of yesterday has had 149 cases of CoVid-19, with 112 recovered. We have 35 active cases with 2 deaths. No one wants to see anyone die from this and my heart goes out to the families that have lost a loved one to this horrible disease.

0.0026 % of people in Lyon County have contracted CoVid-19

Dayton: 0.003 % of residents have contracted CoVid-19

Fernley: 0.003 % of residents have contracted CoVid-10

Silver Springs: 0.0012 % of residents have contracted CoVid-19

Mason Valley: 0.0016 % of residents have contracted CoVid-19

The Smith Valley rate is even lower.

The Death rate in Lyon County if you contract CoVid-19 is 0.013 %.

The only real science is math, you do the math. I have the utmost respect for my fellow Commissioners, our County Manager, and the Elected and Appointed officials of our County. It is time for us to be leaders and take back our County! I would like to have our County Manager, Mr. Page send a letter signed by all of our Commissioners demanding that the Governor remove Lyon County from the list of counties directed to re-implement restrictions on certain businesses.

Fear wins when Leaders stay silent."

Jay Dini commented on the lack of events in both the Yerington, and Smith, and Mason Valley areas, and that both VORRA and the Corvette Group are interested in returning to the Yerington/Mason Valley venues for their further events. There is also an event plan by A&A Automotive to conduct a closed track drag racing event in the Yerington area, and is actively in progress

David Georgi supported Dini's input, and hopes the area can return to the great events it has supported in the past.

Chairman Ray suggested that along with participating with the MV CAB and BoCC on these and other possible events matters, that he contact the City of Yerington City Manager Rob Switzer, and Mayor John Garry to share ideas, input and possibilities.

14 Board member comments. NONE

15. Adjourn 6:05 PM

Minutes adopted as written September 3rd, 2020