Stagecoach Advisory Board Minutes  
Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order: 7:00 pm

2. Roll Call: Determination of a Quorum: Charles (Charlie) Shirley, Amanda (Mandy) Brinnand, Annette Carpenter, Cassandra Aviero present; Angela DeFord arrived at 7:05pm.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Participation:  none

5. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda: Cassandra made motion to approve the agenda as presented, Annette seconded, motion passed 4/0.

6. For Possible Action: Approval of Minutes from the May 3, 2023 meeting: Cassandra made motion to approve the minutes from May 3, 2023 meeting, Mandy seconded, motion passed 4/0.

7. Chair & Board Member Comments: Charlie thanked everyone for coming in the dust storm.

8. For Presentation/Discussion Only: Silver Springs Area Chamber of Commerce President Richard Mitrotz will be presenting their Community Commerce Strategy, which aims to unite the community and connect it with local businesses as the communities continue to grow. Richard said businesses are normally the main focus, but because there is a small population of them in the 89429 area, there is little potential for them to have members. They are reaching out to the community to become supporting members of the Chamber. The Chamber has released new technologies to help better serve the community and communication to bridge the gap. It allows the community to have a voice in which types of businesses will come to the area and will keep businesses that do come to the area and is more to the master plan that the community has in place presently. They cannot hold off development but can help give voice to what the community needs/wants. It allows us to have a stake in the community should we become members/supporters of the Chamber and knows that it is possible to grow with the community's help. Discussed the Founders Day Parade; that they might have competitions at the parade, square dancing on Truckee Street. The Ring of Fire and a solar eclipse are the second Saturday of October. They believe it’s something that they can have fun with, but the Chamber asks for word of mouth to grow the Chamber and together they can be stronger.

Board Comments: Mandy asked if individuals could sign up on-line. Richard said people can sign up on-line and also by mail by sending in a check.

9. For Presentation/Discussion only: Lyon County Road Director Dustin Homan will be discussing roads, including the following: Dustin was unable to attend the meeting due to current flooding issues in Smith and Mason Valley’s.

10. Community Reports
    A. Lyon County Commissioner/Manager Office: Not present
    B. Silver Springs/Stagecoach Hospital Board of Trustees: Not present
    C. Public Safety: Sheriff Department/NHP:
Jeffrey Miller, Lyon County Sheriff’s Office Central Area Commander. Said the Chamber is a great source of support and resources, and he supports them. Presented the statistics and they had 636 calls in May with 6 officers in the area. YTD statistics comparing January to June 2022 to January to June 23, arrests are up 1000%. He believes this is because more is reported by the community because they are aware deputies are closer for response time. The sheriff will be at the high school June 15 at 6:00 pm to discuss how teens abuse prescription medications and how to prevent it. They are welcoming a new officer to the area; he is coming from the Yerington PD and will be the 7th officer to patrol the Silver Springs/Stagecoach area. It is their mission to take back the streets from the criminals.

Public Comment/Questions
Jessica Ponte asked how they discovered the Cock Fighting Ring In Silver Springs. Deputy Miller said animal control was called and the Sheriff was then notified. The responsible parties haven’t been located yet, but they are being looked for. They had to euthanize 94 roosters.

Charles Shirley asked if there was any update on splitting the data between Stagecoach and Dayton. Deputy Miller said there is new software, and they are still working on breaking up the map for better statistics.

D. Animal Services: Not present
E. Central Lyon County Fire District: Not present
F. Central Lyon County Parks and Recreation: Richard Mitrotz is the new chair of the board. They are looking at the fiscal year budget and are asking the community how they would like the money spent; they need people to come to the meetings. He recommends that we replace the equipment in the 25 parks. Requests include new dugouts for Penny and Mark Twain Parks; Penny Park will get upgrades to gates and auto closures.

Public Comment/Questions
Angela DeFord said she had a friend tell her there were scheduled soccer games at Mark Twain over the weekend and the bathrooms were locked all weekend during their tournaments. Can they be unlocked when games are scheduled? Richard said both parks have locked bathrooms due to vandalism, but they should have been unlocked for the games and will check into why they weren’t.

Charles Shirley asked about the possibly of high-resolution cameras to catch vandals. Richard said they had checked into them, and they are around eight thousand dollars.

Lisa Dielman said the ballfield is being utilized by more kids that are moving in all the time. Richard said they are pushing to do a park tour and would check what the plans are.

Deputy Miller said they receive questions about why Spud Field is shuddered, it is a resource to the community.

Steve Ponte asked if there are land and water grants for development or funding. Richard asked if he was referring to the lands bill and there is a parcel on Chavez and by Silver Stage H.S. that is being looked at for acquisition.

Jessica Ponte said playground equipment for matching funding.

11. Correspondence: Mandy said at the previous meeting, Chair Shirley said he had been informed that on the Gauck parcel split the owner said he would be using one well to service all four parcels. This has been approved by the planning commission to split a ~24-acre parcel into 4 separate ~5-acre parcels. We followed up on this with the Nevada Division of Water Resources and the water rights Mr. Guack acquired are called quasi-municipal. This allows him to operate a small private well company. We also contacted the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection (NDEP) and because they are servicing less than 25
people, it’s not a public water system, so they don’t require any permitting or water testing. The concern is the people buying the lots are at the mercy of the individual that owns the well and could potentially be drinking contaminated water as no testing is required. The Advisory Board sent a transmittal letter to the BOCC with the above concern and asked if this was common and how many exist but haven’t received any feedback.

12. **Future Agenda Items:** Mandy said she would contact Lyon County Roads Manager Dustin Homan to reschedule the roads presentation at a future meeting.

13. **Public Participation**

   *Mike Cline* said when he moved here, Spud Field was the only park in Stagecoach, they played softball and t-ball there. His father maintained the field and cleaned the mound, that’s why it’s called Spud field and they were proud of that. The turf farm donated turf to cover the outfield, and everyone showed up to help, but no bathrooms. Once the Silver Springs park was built, it wasn’t used, and people lost interest. Just wanted to provide a little history about our local park.

   *Richard Mitrotz* asked if there were ideas from the community about improvements to Spud field.

   *Annette Carpenter* said when the water went bad, they just let it go to the wayside, everything went away because no one wanted to drive out this far to play.

14. **Adjourn:** 8:00 pm