

**TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT
TOWN COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013, 2:00 P.M.**

A STUDY SESSION OF THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013, AT TOWN HALL AT 2735 S. HIGHWAY 69, DEWEY-HUMBOLDT, ARIZONA. MAYOR TERRY NOLAN PRESIDED.

1. **Call To Order.** The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. **Roll Call.**

2.1. Town Council. Town Council Members Arlene Alen, David Hiles, Mark McBrady, Denise Rogers, Nancy Wright; Vice Mayor Dennis Repan; and Mayor Terry Nolan were present.

3. **Study Agenda.** No legal action to be taken.

3.1. Discussion with Teri Drew of NACOG on Economic Development on issues and opportunities for economic development in D-H and related issues. Discussion and possible action. [CAARF CM Wright]

Teri Drew with NACOG gave a presentation on Economic/Workforce Development programs available through NACOG. There was discussion on Dewey-Humboldt's attributes and shortfalls pertaining to Economic Development. Ms. Drew announced a Tourism Forum in Page this year.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke on the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture and NACOG complimenting Economic Development; updates to the Forest General Plan; and heavy metal and mineral mining in this area.

3.2. Old Black Canyon Highway issue review, update and next steps. Pat Naville, Land Surveyor with SWI, will be in attendance.

Town Manager, Yvonne Kimball gave an overview on the Old Black Canyon (OBC) Highway issue. Pat Naville and Richard Aldridge were present to speak on SWI's earlier survey done on the highway for the Town and conflicting information identified from the title report. Mr. Naville reported they did not find anything in archives of when the roadway was legally created.

Public comment was taken on this issue.

Jerry Brady spoke on other areas with similar issues; monies available to survey the town; requirements for keeping it as a frontage/secondary road for development; historically being an arms and post road; requirement to obtain permission from Army Secretary and Army Corp of Engineers to make any changes to it.

Town Attorney Phyllis Smiley spoke on the recommendation to clear title to the properties, and obtain ownership. There was discussion on what to do if someone will not agree to have their property surveyed; costs to date and expected legal, engineering and appraisal costs to proceed; "Due on Sale" clause concerns. Town Attorney Susan Goodwin spoke on not maintaining the road if the ownership does not belong to the Town and ways to mark the road where maintenance will end. There was a suggestion that the property owners transition the road into the Town Maintenance System.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jack Hamilton spoke on there being a right-of-way that is not aligned with the current roadway, and recommended they find out where that ROW is located.

Jerry Brady spoke on the establishment of public lands and enumeration of properties under the Federal Fortification Act.

Vice Mayor Repan recommended directing staff to put this on another meeting for direction/action on what to do next, finding the end point for town owned section of roadway. Town Manager Kimball explained they would need to get a cost for the engineer to determine the end point through a survey.

3.3. Discussion on advertising in the Town Newsletter. If Council wishes to allow advertising then a clear written policy needs to be implemented. Discussion of pros/cons and related issues. [CAARF CM Wright – moved to Work Session for discussion from January 15, 2013 meeting]

Town Manager Kimball gave an overview and provided a sample policy from Peoria.

Councilmember Rogers spoke on the idea to have paid advertising to help off-set the cost of publishing and mailing the newsletter. There was discussion on current unwritten policy; analyzing costs, determining ad charges and who will administer the advertising process.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke on losing immunity as a government through commercial uses and if charging for advertising must accept from all commercial enterprises.

There was discussion on who to accept ads from and whether to offer free ads for businesses in town. Councilmember Wright recommended they obtain estimates and analysis and discuss this again in the budget process.

4. Comments from the Public.

Jack Hamilton spoke on Old Black Canyon Highway and historically being County maintained; how many people this ruling will affect and concerns for diminished property values.

Jerry Brady spoke on Monogram wanting to abandon the road; the Town never taking collateral action to bring the road back in to the town; Federal and State Fuel tax reports; and updating data and laws affecting OBC.

5. Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Terry Nolan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy Morgan, Town Clerk