WEST WENDOVER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2013

The West Wendover City Council met for a special meeting on April 25, 2013. The meeting was held at the West Wendover City Hall, Council Chambers #137. Mayor Carter presided.

Council Members Present: Saul Andrade, Johnny Gorum and Gerardo Rodriguez

Council Members Absent: Roy Briggs and Izzy Gutierrez

Others Present: Dixie Melville, Nancy Green, Jeff Knudtson, Elsa Botello, Jose Haro, Francisco Haro, Alondra Botello, Jose Botello, Benjamin Trujillo, Jesus Salazar, Francisco Villa, Kathy Hussey, Mel Stewart, Hugo Hernandez, Crescencio Badillo, Ana Aboite, Lucy Perez, Jesse Rodriguez, Chris Melville and Randall Soderquist

The following proceedings were had.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
   Mayor Carter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All those present and excused are noted above.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
   Mayor Carter led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC:
   None offered or received.

4. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION
   *a. Presentation of the Preliminary Report of the Community Needs Assessment
   Carl Dahlen explained that there had been fifteen listening sessions and they have heard from a wide variety of the community. Carl explained that the preliminary report would reflect back on what was heard from the community. Carl stated that in addition to the fifteen listening sessions they received written and email comments. Some of the problems listed include no hospital, limited clinic hours, no DMV, nothing for teens and families to do, lack of transportation, services, retail and job opportunities, limited higher education, elder and senior care, and difficulty finding volunteers. Some of the strengths listed include youth mentoring youth, Air Base, close knit community, no traffic, safe, calm, quite, religious choice, casinos and concert hall, hardworking people, small town you can walk everywhere, Scobie Park, easy place to live and get a job, special events (4th of July, Cinco de Mayo and Speed Week), and racial equality. Some of the projects and initiatives include a new rec center, improvements to the swimming pool, transportation center, expanded library, finish school projects, fix up vacant property, create more programs for teens, business tax breaks, develop educational opportunities and support local businesses. The major themes heard from the assessment included amenities and services, community engagement, economic diversification, education, medical services, and youth and family activities. Some of the lack of amenities and services include communication, social services, retail services, DMV, transportation services, construction and animal related. Also mentioned were community involvement, more economic diversification, more educational opportunities, and various health care services. Improvements to family

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and youth activities including recreation center, swimming pool and senior services. The final draft would be presented on June 20, 2013. The next step is to set priorities, form action groups and develop action plans. A video was shown entitled “Amazing Masie” about the difference one person can make on a community. Mayor Carter thanked the Assessment Team for their work as well as the steering committee for their participation.

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC:**
None offered or received.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**
Council Member Gorum made the motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Rodriguez and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Anna E. Bartlome
City Clerk/Records Officer