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MINUTES

December 20, 2006

Meeting Place

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
128 Market Street
Stateline, Nevada

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Galloway, Chair
Coe Swobe, Vice Chair
Allen Biaggi
Shelly Aldean
Tim Smith
Charles Ruthe

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dean Heller

OTHERS PRESENT

Pamela Wilcox, Executive Officer
George Taylor, Nevada Office of Attorney General
Jim Lawrence, Division of State Lands
John Singlaub, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

1.a. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jim Galloway at 8:00 a.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present. (Dean Heller was absent.)

1.b. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Galloway asked for the approval of the agenda.

Charles Ruthe made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Coe Swobe and passed by the affirmative vote of all members present (6-0).

1.c. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2005 MEETING

Mr. Galloway asked for the approval of the minutes.

Allen Biaggi made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2005 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ruthe and passed by the affirmative vote of all members present (6-0).

2. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON ACTIVITIES OF THE AGENCY, OCT. 2005 – DEC. 2006.

Jim Lawrence reviewed the report that summarized the activities of the agency from October 2005 through December 2006 (attached).

Chair Galloway stated that although changing ownerships have delayed projects at the north shore casinos, the board addressed important issues at the October 2005 meeting that will set precedent for future activities.

Regarding the Cal Neva remodel project, Shelly Aldean asked if the Cal Neva had submitted an application to TRPA. Mr. Lawrence explained that an application had been filed, but TRPA staff had not started review of the project. Mr. Lawrence explained that the NTRPA application was considered incomplete pending the receipt of applicable NTRPA calculations for gaming area, private area, public area and cubic volume from the project applicant. Mr. Lawrence stated that the applicant responded that the information would be provided sometime early in 2007.

Mr. Ruthe made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Swobe and passed by the affirmative vote of all members present (6-0).

3. ACTION ON APPOINTMENT FOR AT LARGE MEMBER FOR NTRPA

Mr. Swobe left the room. Chair Galloway nominated Mr. Swobe. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Ruthe. No further nominations were brought forward and Ms. Aldean moved to close the nominations. Tim Smith seconded the motion and the NTRPA board voted unanimously to re-appoint Mr. Swobe.

4. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING GOVERNOR GUINN

Mr. Swobe expressed that the board should pass a resolution that recognized Governor Guinn's leadership in the area of forest fuels reduction and, in particular, fuels reduction efforts in Slaughterhouse Canyon. Mr. Swobe also wished to recognize the efforts of Terri Marceron, supervisor of the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit of the United State Forest Service; Allen Biaggi, Director of the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; Pam Wilcox, Administrator of the Nevada Division of State Lands; and Dave Morrow, Administrator of the Nevada Division of State Parks in the resolution.

Mr. Swobe read the resolution (attached) and the board voted unanimously to pass the resolution.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON) FOR 2007 AND 2008.

Chair Galloway stated that he would be willing to continue as Chair and expressed that a focus of the board in the next year should be to work congressional delegation to improve forest fuels treatment and encourage changes at the federal level for incentives in the area of biofuels.

Mr. Biaggi expressed appreciation for Mr. Galloway's willingness to provide leadership in this area and nominated Mr. Galloway for Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ruthe and passed by the affirmative vote of all members present (6-0).

Ms. Aldean nominated Mr. Swobe for vice-chair. Mr. Swobe withdrew his name and nominated Mr. Ruthe for vice-chair. The motion was seconded by Ms. Aldean and passed by the affirmative vote of all members present (6-0).

6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no additional Board member comments.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no additional public comments.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Pamela Wilcox, Executive Officer

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