

Town Board Identifies Top Five Priorities for 2009-2010

A plan to bury Genoa's downtown power lines and install historic-appearing streetlights topped the list of five projects established for the Town Board's 2009-2010 work plan.

The other four are completion of the Carson Street drainage project, the implementation of the economic development recommendations, supporting efforts to complete a walking path along Foothill Road between the Town and Walley's Resort and conducting research towards enlarging Genoa by annexation of properties to the east and north.

The Board decided unanimously to

Power, Street Lights And Drainage

TOP THE LIST

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pursue these projects in the coming fiscal year. There were a number of projects under consideration, but these five emerged as the most important.

The under ground power and street light project will be undertaken in phases beginning with the downtown business section and then extending outward along Jack's Valley Road, Foothill Road and Genoa Lane.

The completed project could cost as

much as \$1.5 million. A citizen's committee has been formed to coordinate different aspects of the project, such as seeking grants for funding and obtaining accurate cost estimates.

The Carson Street drainage project will prevent Carson Street drainage water from flooding the homes across Foothill Road from Carson Street. During heavy storms, drainage will divert water from the downtown area. The new drainage system will take water eastward under Main Street.

For information, please contact the Town Office at (775) 782-8696.

Candy Dance Benefits Non-Profits Working For Event

Several nonprofit organizations support Genoa by helping each year with Candy Dance in a variety of ways that makes the event a safer and more enjoyable event for all in attendance. Douglas County Mounted Sheriff's Posse, Gardnerville Elementary School PTSO, Jacks Valley Elementary School PTSO, Douglas County Search and Rescue, Genoa Volunteer Fire Department, and Douglas County Explorer Scouts are a few of the non-profits that assist with the Candy Dance and benefit from it as a fundraiser for their respective organizations.

Douglas County Sheriff's Mounted Posse (DCSMP) is a volunteer charitable organization of individuals of all ages with an interest in horses and a desire to support the Douglas County Sheriff's Office.

The Posse participates in many community activities. As a parade award winning entry, the Posse represents the Sheriff's Office in local parades that include the Nevada Day Parade in Carson City, Carson Valley Days, 4th of July in Bridgeport,

*Local
NONPROFIT organizations
earn money from Genoa
to support themselves
and make CANDY DANCE
an annual success!*

California and the Johnson Lane Parade in Minden. And when they are not on horseback, the Posse contributes time to numerous community events such as the Carson Valley Food Closet collecting and distributing food to the community, assisting during Halloween at Trick or Treat Safety Street, and working for Project Santa Claus sorting and transporting gifts for local children.

The Posse is very proud of its scholarship program. The program is open to all to Douglas County students who are of good academic standing and who plan to attend an accredited college to pursue a career in agriculture, animal science or criminal justice. To date over \$10,000 has been awarded.

In order to support the scholarship program, make contributions to the

community, and provide training and equipment needs, the Posse must also raise funds. Currently this is done through activities such as providing security and parking cars at Candy Dance.

Douglas County Search and Rescue is another volunteer non-profit organization that assists with Candy Dance. Last year they assisted with traffic management and this year will be adding the management of the parking lot located at the Genoa Cemetery. Douglas County Search and Rescue provides emergency search, rescue and back-country medical aid services for residents and visitors in Douglas County. They also provide swift water and rope rescues, emergency aid and assistance in times of natural and man caused disasters, and assistance to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office as requested. Their organization is supported through the efforts of their volunteers and contributions received from the community. Funds they receive are utilized for equipment, training, and rescue efforts.