

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2015
5:30 P.M.
HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The regular council meeting was called to order at 5:52 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bobby Smith, Vice-Mayor Maria Munoz, Council Members Gloria Ruiz, Jeremy Garcia and Enrique Lopez

Not Present: Council Member Thomas Lagunas

Staff: Town Attorney Stephen Cooper, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Fire Chief Johnny Silva, Accountant Teresa Williams and Librarian Mary Helen Lopez

Audience: Ms. Mila Lira-Besich – Copper Basin News, Ms. Elizabeth Magallanez – Gemini Hospice, Ms. Christina Magallanez – Gemini Hospice, Mrs. Lina Santos, Mr. Prudenciano Lara, Ms. Susan Parks, Ms. Christina Contreras, and Mr. Jose Vasquez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting – June 16, 2015

Special Council Meeting – July 6, 2015

Study Session Meeting – July 14, 2015

Council Member Garcia had a correction on the minutes for June 16, 2015, there was not a time listed for Call to Order and a correction on the minutes for July 6, 2015, there was not a second to the approval of the Tentative Budget. Mayor Smith asked for a correction on the minutes for June 16th; page 2, under the IGA between Town of Winkelman and Town of Hayden it should read, the lowest paid officer's salary rounded off would be \$6,500.

Council Member Garcia moved to approve the above council meeting minutes with the corrections. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

TO THE PUBLIC/Citizens Wanting to Address the Council on Any Non-Agenda Item

The Mayor and Council Will Listen to Comments, But May Take Any One of the Following Actions (1) Respond to Criticism, (2) Request That Staff Investigate and Report on the Matter and (3) Request that the Matter be Scheduled on a Future Agenda. **SPEAKERS SHALL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.**

Mr. Lara asked the council if the property tax was going to be increased. Mayor Smith informed him that the tax rate will remain the same. Accountant Williams mentioned that anytime the town expects to receive even a dollar more in taxes they need to hold a Truth and Taxation hearing.

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Ms. Elizabeth Magallanez from Gemini Hospice, to introduce to the mayor and council the Gemini Hospice Program and what they can offer to the community.

Ms. Magallanez presented Gemini Hospice Program to the council and citizens. They are an outreach program for this area. She explained that a lot of people feel that they would call a hospice facility only in the last days of a person's life; this is not true, they are able to help with medical equipment, evaluating the person and when the time comes that they are needed they will have the information they need. They will be having blood pressure checks every month at the Hayden Senior Center and would like to get more activities for the rural areas.

Letter of Interest/Consideration to accept or not accept a letter of interest for vacant council seat ending in 2018, submitted by Mr. Jose Vasquez.

Mayor Smith asked Mr. Vasquez if he would like to read his letter of interest or if he wanted him to read it. Mr. Vasquez replied that he would like for Mayor Smith to read the letter. After reading the letter of interest, Mayor Smith said that he would not be able to support appointing Mr. Vasquez to the council because Mr. Vasquez has run for office several times and was never elected into office and he feels that if the citizens wanted him on the council they would have voted him into office. Council Member Ruiz stated that he was the only one that submitted a letter. Mayor Smith voted not to accept the Letter of Interest submitted by Mr. Jose Vasquez. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-2 Mayor Smith asked for a roll call. Mayor Smith – yes, Vice-Mayor Munoz – yes, Council Member Ruiz - no, Council Member Garcia – no, Council Member Lopez - yes

RESOLUTION NO. 871/Consideration to approve and adopt the Town of Hayden's Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget

Mayor Smith moved to approve Resolution No. 871. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-2 Council Members Ruiz and Garcia voted no
Mayor Smith asked for a roll call. Mayor Smith – yes, Vice-Mayor Munoz – yes, Council Member Ruiz – no, Council Member Garcia – no, Council Member Lopez yes

Intergovernmental Agreement/Consideration to approve an IGA between the Arizona Department of Revenue and the Town of Hayden regarding the administration, collection, audit and/or licensing of transaction privilege tax, use tax, severance tax, jet fuel excise and sue taxes and rental occupancy taxes imposed by the State, cities or towns

Council Member Ruiz moved to approve an IGA between the Arizona Department of Revenue and the Town of Hayden. Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

IGA between Gila County and Town of Hayden for use of equipment and services through Gila County

Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve the IGA between Gila County and Town of Hayden. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible concerning purchasing Commuter's Insurance from Southwest Risk Insurance Pool.

Council Member Ruiz moved to approve purchasing Commuter's Insurance through Southwest Risk Insurance Pool. Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and Possible Action on wages and hours of Animal Control Officer

Council Member Garcia moved to approve paying \$12 per hour and 12 hours per week for the a Animal Control Officer. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and Possible Action on the purchase of the hotel building located on Highway 177

There was discussion on purchasing the old hotel building located on Highway 177 for \$1.00. Council Member Garcia mentioned that there was someone interested in purchasing the property from the town, if the town was to purchase the property. There were discussions on the liability this property can cause the town until it was sold or fixed up. It was also mentioned that the town would need to check if any back taxes are owed. Accountant Williams said the town needs to make sure there is not a lien on that property. Mayor Smith moved to start talking with Gila County. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-1 Vice-Mayor Munoz voted no.

Discussion and Possible action on not paying the yearly fee for SAMS for the Town of Hayden's Duns number. Council approved this at the June's Special Council Meeting but after further investigation it was determined that the town did not need to pay this fee.

Town Clerk Romero advised the council that she had checked further into paying the yearly fee and found that a third party intercepted the email and they charge to register and keep the registration updated. Going directly to the SAMS website or call the help desk you can get help without paying a fee. Mayor Smith moved to not pay the yearly fee. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Consideration to approve the Hayden/Winkelman Schools to use the Hayden Swimming Pool and Ramada for a party and to waive the fee.

Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve Hayden/Winkelman Schools using the Hayden Swimming Pool and Ramada for the end of summer party. Council Member Garcia seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-1 Council Member Lopez voted no

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report –Mayor Smith mentioned that the town will pay the interim chief an hourly rate until a chief is hired.
- b) Fire, Written Report
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Library, Written Report – Summer Program to start July 21st.
- e) Finance, Written Report
- f) Public Works, Oral Report – General Superintendent Cruz reported on the packer needing some minor repairs and on a higher rate of water breaks
- g) Golf, Written Report
- h) Senior Center, Written Report
- i) Mayor/Vice-Mayor/Update on IT upgrades - Mayor Smith reported that he has placed phone calls and emails to James at Coppernet concerning the server and setting up a

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS AND REPORTS (CONT.)

Mayor/Vice-Mayor (Cont.) – meeting and has not received any response from him. He thanked everyone that helped with the 4th of July Celebration. Mayor Smith reported that he would be meeting with Norm from Norm's IGA concerning opening a line of credit for the town. The IGA with the Town of Superior and Town of Hayden for meals will be signed at the Town of Superior's Council Meeting on August 16th. He reported on the CDBG Projects, the freezer for the senior center goes up to bid in two weeks and the demolition project went up to bid last week. The Interim Chief will set up an oral board and will pick the three top applicants for the position of chief of police and will do background checks on them. Mayor Smith handed a copy of town policy to each council member.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

June/July 2015

Consideration to approve payment of the above claims

Council Member Garcia moved to approve the claims for payment. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 6:59 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing meeting minutes are true and correct. The Hayden Town Council held a regular council meeting on the 20th day of July 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Date

Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk