

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 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 meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Staff: Town Attorney Stephen Cooper, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, DPS Sergeant Blue, Fire Chief Johnny Silva, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos, Head Librarian Mary Helen Lopez, Police Clerk Amy Romero, Police Officer Colleen Abendano and Sergeant Russell Young

Audience: Gila County Supervisor John Marcanti, Assistant to Supervisor Marcanti Marilyn Brewer, Hayden Winkelman PTO Representative Bonnie Pinkard, Coppernet Systems Michael Carrillo, Coppernet Systems James Ruiz, Auditor John Naylor, CAG Alan Urban

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting – November 16, 2015

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above minutes as recorded. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

CALL 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.

Gila County Supervisor Marcanti reported on USDA Rural Development Grants that are available for remodeling homes. He told the council that Council Member Ruiz had approached him 4 or 5 months before concerning the hotel located on Highway 77 that is falling apart. This property had been taken back for taxes and if no one places a bid on the property then it is deeded to the state. He was trying to find out if the county, the state or the town is responsible for demolishing this building before someone get hurts or killed. He had gotten permission for the county to demolish the building but because of having to check for asbestos the cost would be more than they have budgeted. He is still looking at ways to get this resolved. Council Member Ruiz told the council that she has a couple of cards for Resolution Copper and United Way Food Bank for the food boxes they supplied for the citizens.

Mrs. Rosie Lopez, Hayden Winkelman PTO to address the council concerning waiving or reducing the rental fees for the club house for New Year's Eve Dance on December 31, 2015

Mrs. Bonnie Pinkard attended the meeting to explain what the PTO does and ask for the rental fees for the club house to be waived or reduced. She told the council that the PTO is responsible for school dances, Spring Fling, Halloween Fun Night, Father- Daughter Dance, Mother- Son Dance and the fireworks for games. Vice-Mayor said that she would recommend reducing the rental fee because if they waived the fee for this organization then she feels they would need to waive it for other organizations that would request the same thing. Council Member Ruiz moved to approve reducing the rental fee by 50%. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Mr. John Naylor, C.P.A., P.C. to present the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Audit report to the council. Consideration to follow the recommendations outlined in the report

Mr. Naylor presented the audit to the council. He told the council that he was pleased with the financial records for the 2014-2015 fiscal year and complimented them on hiring Teresa Williams to restructure the financial department. He recommended that the town accountant try to find out why the huge decrease the town has received in property taxes and sales taxes.

RESOLUTION NO. 875/Consideration to approve and adopt a resolution authorizing the transfer of certain unencumbered 2014-2015 budget appropriations from the General Fund Contingency

Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve adopting Resolution No. 875. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Mr. Alan Urban to address the council on the Future Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) process and schedule

Mr. Urban explained to the council that at this time the council would be starting the hearing process for the next CDBG Project but since the Town of Hayden has decided to partner with the Town of Kearny and the Town of Mammoth, the Town of Hayden will need to wait for two years to apply for CDBG Funding. When the town does apply for the funding in two years they will receive approximately \$300,000 for a project.

Sergeant Blue to present a power point presentation of the police department.

Sergeant Blue presented a power point to the council. He showed the changes that he has made at the police station, cleaning up and organizing. He told the council that he is implementing training for officers. He had changed overtime to unscheduled time so that the officers are able to adjust the time out. He mentioned that he changed the copier to print only black and white, not color copies, has changed the thermostat settings and implemented activity forms to see what the officer is doing on his shift. All of this is done to implement a cost saving plan for the Town of Hayden.

Consideration to change the regular council meetings in January and February from Mondays to Tuesdays in observance of Martin Luther King's Day and President's Day

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve changing the regular meetings from Monday to Tuesday for January and February. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Consideration to ratify the mayor's signature on the agreement for Dept. of Revenue for sales tax collection

Council Member Lagunas moved to ratify the mayor's signature on the agreement for Dept. of Revenue. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion was carried. 7-0

IGA/Consideration to approve an IGA between the Town of Hayden and Arizona Department of Public Safety for an interim chief law enforcement officer

Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve an IGA between the Town of Hayden and Arizona Department of Public Safety for an interim chief. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion was carried. 7-0

Consideration to approve payment of electrical outlet for server in the amount \$1,300 to /IT updates and possible action on \$890.71 server, \$2,100 plus tax remote upgrade, \$1,600 plus tax battery backup and \$297 plus tax for each Microsoft Word

Vice-Mayor Munoz asked Mr. Ruiz, Coppernet, if there would be an additional charge to upgrade the licenses from 2010 to 2016 next year. Mr. Ruiz said that there will not be additional charges. Mayor Smith told the council that Mr. Ruiz has told him that once the server is installed we should not have any more issues. Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve the payment of \$890.71 for the server. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve the payment of \$2,100 for remote upgrade plus tax and \$1,600 plus tax for battery backup, a total of \$4,058.90. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Vice-Mayor Munoz moved to approve the payment of 8 licenses in the amount of \$297 plus tax each. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Consideration to hire Chris Bribiescas for the Wastewater Treatment Operator Position/Consideration to hire a cook for the senior center.

Council Member Lagunas moved to hire Chris Bribiescas for the Wastewater Treatment Operator at \$17.54 per hour. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0
Mayor Smith told the council that he would like to wait until after executive session for the second part of this item.

Mayor Smith requested that the executive session be held prior to the Departmental Reviews/Reports

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. '38-431.03(A) (1), (3) and (4), discussion and/or consideration of continued employment, or resignation or dismissal of Town Employee Mary Helen Sims, including legal advice.

Mayor Smith asked Mrs. Sims if she wanted the meeting to be held in executive session or in the public meeting. Mrs. Sims said that she wanted it in executive session. Mayor Smith said that the council, town clerk, town attorney and Mrs. Mary Helen Sims will be present, not more than 15 – 20 minutes. Council Member Ruiz moved to go into executive session at 7:20 p.m. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Mayor Smith moved to go back into regular session at 7:38 p.m. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

REGULAR SESSION:

Possible termination or resignation of Mary Helen Sims

Mayor Smith abstained because he was involved in the meetings with Mary Helen Sims prior to it coming before the council and Council Member Lagunas abstained because he is related to Mary Helen Sims. Council Member Garcia moved to terminate Mary Helen Sims. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0 Mayor Smith and Council Member Lagunas abstained.

Consideration to hire a cook for the senior center

Council Member Ruiz moved to advertise to hire a cook at \$9.00 per hour and after probation increase to \$9.50 per hour for the senior center. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report
- b) Fire, Written Report – Reported on some fires. He said that they are still covering for Winkelman Fire Dept. He reported on classes that he attended and has learned that all scenes are going to be handled as hazmat scene, all gears on before going into a fire. Not recommend washing clothes at home. There are a lot of changes happening.
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Library, Written Report
- e) Finance, Written Report - Accountant Williams reported that we have a third payroll this month but we received money so we will not need to transfer to cover payroll. She asked about the backhoe that we were going to purchase from Town of Mammoth. Mayor Smith said that the mayor from Mammoth still needs to place it on an agenda to get it approved.
- f) Public Works, Oral Report – General Superintendent said that he is proud of his men; Luis from Southwest Risk came to check around town for liability issues and our liability issues have gone down. Council Member Garcia asked about the curve on 5th Street, where the debris have fallen onto the road. General Superintendent Cruz said that he spoke with Supervisor Marcanti from Gila County and they are going to work

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS/REPORTS CONT.

together on getting this taken care of. Council Member Lagunas asked if anyone has from Dr. Wilt concerning his house the burned on Utah Avenue. Mayor Smith said that he wanted to talk with him about working something out to get the house demolished but Dr. Wilt does not get back with him. General Superintendent Cruz reported that he talked with ASARCO concerning the semi-trucks coming through town. There have been close calls with a truck hitting fire hydrants and trucks having a hard time turning around in some areas of town.

- g) Golf, No Report
- h) Senior Center, Written Report
- i) Mayor/Vice-Mayor – Thanked Resolution Copper and United Food Bank for providing food boxes for the community.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

November/December 2015

Consideration to approve payment of the above claims

Council Member Garcia moved to approve the above claims for payment. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 7-0

Adjournment

The regular council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 8:05 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 21st day of December 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Date

Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk