

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023
5:00 P.M.
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The special council meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Dean Hetrick, Vice-Mayor Bobby Smith and Council Member Thomas Lagunas

Not Present: Council Members Robert Manriquez and Bernardino Cruz

Staff: Police Chief Brian Marquez

Audience: None

Discussion and possible action approving to hire Mr. Virgil Dodd as a full-time police officer for the Hayden Police Department. Starting date April 7, 2023, wage amount to be determined by the Mayor and Council.

Police Chief Marquez reminded the council that Mr. Dodd was loaned to the town to act as Interim Police Chief until the town was able to hire a Police Chief. Mr. Dodd is no longer employed by Gila County Sheriff's Office and has decided to apply as a police officer with the Hayden Police Department. He has already passed a polygraph and a physical. Police Chief Marquez requested that if Mr. Dodd is hired, his starting date be Friday, April 7, 2023. He needs the extra help for the Easter Event in Winkelman. There were discussions on how long he was employed by Gila County Sheriff's Office and why he was let go from his position through them. Police Chief Marquez told the council that he was employed for 19 years and the reason he is no longer working with Gila County Sheriff's Office is due to politics. Whatever the charges were, Mr. Dodd took a polygraph and passed it. Council Member Lagunas asked if there were any other applications received, Police Chief Marquez said that Mr. Dodd's application was the only one received. Police Chief Marquez also reported that Mr. Dodd is not on the Brady's List. Council Member Lagunas moved to hire Mr. Dodd as full-time police officer, \$22.98 per hour and start date Friday, April 7th. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

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Adjournment

The special council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 5:15 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing meeting minutes are true and correct. The Hayden Town Council held a special council meeting on the 6th day of April 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

4-17-23

Date



Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk