THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MEETS ON

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2014

5:30 P.M.

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

520 N. VELASCO AVENUE

HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135

For a

STUDY SESSION MEETING

This is a Study Session Meeting and the Town Council will discuss but take no action on the matter set forth below

The Study Session Meeting began at 6:15 P.M.

Present:

Mayor Thomas Lagunas, Vice-Mayor Maria Munoz, Council Members Gloria Ruiz, Bobby Smith and Enrique Lopez

Not Present:

Council Member Rhonda Cooper

Staff:

Chief of Police Louie Tartaglia, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Town Clerk Laura Romero, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos, Fire Chief Johnny Silva, Head Librarian Mary Helen Lopez, Deputy Town Clerk Gloria Beltran and Magistrate Clerk Nancy Hinojos

Audience:

Ms. Nellie Acton and Mr. Manuel Orcasitas

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

1. Review and Discussion on the Town of Hayden's Budget for FY2014-2015
Mayor Lagunas asked council who would like to open discussion. Council Member
Lopez began by suggesting for all employees to have Fridays off without pay.
Council Member Ruiz responded that the town has enough staff to have a staggered schedule to keep all services available. Vice- Mayor Munoz stated it would be a 72 hour pay period, being one day off every two weeks. With this being said if went with this schedule for 11 months, it would save the town \$107,617.00, if police department is included it would save the town an additional \$54,275.00. Mayor Lagunas mentioned options they spoke of at the previous meeting which were eliminating town manager position, eliminating a police officer position, eliminating animal control officer position and contracting the Town of Winkelman or Gila County, eliminating the finance department and contracting out. Other options were to raise fees for ramada rentals and green fees as well as raising fees for senior center meals. Mayor Lagunas asked Head Librarian Lopez how much money is

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(Cont'd) Review and Discussion on the Town of Hayden's Budget FY2014-2015 generated per day from selling snacks and drinks in the library. Head Librarian Lopez stated they generated about \$25-\$30 daily. Mayor Lagunas asked Ms. Lopez if the money is being turned in to the town. Ms. Lopez stated they do not, but they use it to purchase new snacks. Mayor Lagunas told Ms. Lopez all departments were directed in the past to turn in all monies to town hall. Council Member Smith suggested possibly looking at cutting position to part-time. Vice-Mayor Munoz asked the council what they would like to do. There is still \$254,000.00 to cut from the budget. Vice-Mayor Munoz also informed the council and head of departments that the budget doesn't mean that is what the departments have to spend, but it is what they expect to receive in revenue this year. Council Member Smith suggested looking at every position closely to see if there are positions who can be working part-time verses full-time. Chief of Police Tartaglia told the council that the police clerk can do 72 hours or part-time. He stated there is more she does than sitting at the window. She types reports, files police reports and redoing filing system. Council Member Smith asked Head Librarian Lopez the schedule the librarians work. She stated one works full-time and the other is part-time. Council Member Smith also asked Magistrate Clerk Hinojos what it is she does for the court. She described her position. Town Clerk Romero mentioned she does a lot more than what she described and that if she is cut to part time and she doesn't decide to stay the town will be losing a great employee. He also asked Town Clerk Romero for a description to the deputy town clerk position.

Vice-Mayor Munoz said if cutting employees to 72 hours they are down to \$123,000.00 to cut. She asked the council if they can find \$70,000.00 to cut, would they be willing to put the rest in from the savings account. She said she would be sending the information to Finance Consultant Teresa Williams.

ADJOURNMENT

The study session meeting ended at 9:20 P.M.

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I hereby certify that the following study session minutes are true and correct. The Hayden Town Council held a study session meeting on the 17th day of July 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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Date	Melissa Lovio – Office Clerk				