

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
MEETS ON  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 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 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bobby Smith, Council Members Gloria Ruiz, Jeremy Garcia, Thomas Lagunas and Enrique Lopez

Not Present: Vice-Mayor Maria Munoz

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

Audience: Mr. David Navarro, Mr. Dean Hetrick, Mrs. Gwynette Greenwood, Mrs. Della Soliz Bustamonte, Mr. Andy Bustamonte, and Sergeant David Blue - DPS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting – September 21, 2015

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above minutes as recorded. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion was carried. 5-0

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.**

Mr. Navarro asked the council if an Ordinance can be approved for trespassing and squatters. The officers say that they can't do anything until an Ordinance is approved. Mayor Smith advised Mr. Navarro that they are looking into this issue. Council Member Garcia asked if anyone has checked to see what effect closing the concentrator at ASARCO would have on the town financially. Mayor Smith said that they have been in contact with personnel from ASARCO concerning this but has not been able to predict how much it will affect the town. Council Member Ruiz mentioned that the Hayden/Winkelman School is planning a Halloween Fun Night on October 29<sup>th</sup> and Copper Community Action is planning a Community Concert at the Hayden/Winkelman School Auditorium on November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

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Letters of Interest for council seat submitted by Mr. Dan Frykman and Mr. Dean Hetrick.  
Consideration to accept a Letter of Interest and to give the Oath of Office.

Mayor Smith read the letter of interest. Mr. Frykman was not present at the meeting. Mayor Smith moved to accept the letter of interest submitted by Mr. Dean Hetrick. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0  
Attorney Cooper gave Mr. Hetrick the Oath of Office.

Mr. David Navarro to address the council concerning the burnt home on Utah Avenue

Mr. Navarro told the council that he has talked with the owner of the house that burned next to his house. The owner is willing to clean up the debris but would like to talk with someone from the town to see what help the town can offer. Something needs to be done because he can't go outside his house because of the smell and the inside of his house smells like smoke. Mayor Smith advised Mr. Navarro that there are issues right now with the backhoe and he would need to pay for the man power and right now the town is working with a skeleton crew. He has tried to contact Dr. Wilt but he gets a recording that his mailbox is full and cannot accept any messages. He is willing to talk with Dr. Wilt and see what can be worked out.

FIRE DEPARTMENT/Consideration to hire Gilbert Lagunas Jr. as a Volunteer Firefighter. He will replace Lyana Lopez.

Council Member Lopez asked if Mr. Lagunas submitted an application. Mayor Smith said that he did submit an application and that he is replacing someone that lived out of town. It is better to have someone that lives locally to be in the fire department. Council Member Garcia moved to hire Gilbert Lagunas Jr. as a Volunteer Firefighter. Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Consideration to ratify the transfer of \$50,000 from the Investment Pool on August 24, 2015 for payroll

Accountant Williams told the council that this money was transferred to cover payroll. She feels that the money should not be deposited back into the Investment Pool at this time due to the financial situation of the town. Council Member Lopez moved to approve the transfer of \$50,000 from the Investment Pool. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-1 Council Member Garcia voted no. Mayor Smith asked for a roll call.  
Mayor Bobby Smith – yes, Council Members Gloria Ruiz- yes, Jeremy Garcia-no, Dean Hetrick-yes, Thomas Lagunas-yes, Enrique Lopez-yes

Consideration to ratify a settlement payment in the amount of \$9,986.46 to AT&T.

Accountant Williams told the council that when the town changed carriers, AT&T was not notified to cancel service. AT&T agreed on a settlement payment in the amount of \$9,986.46 instead of the full amount of \$27. Council Member Lopez moved to pay the amount of \$9,986.46 to AT&T. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-1 Council Member Garcia voted no.

Consideration to transfer the \$77,000 received from Rural Development into the LGIP Fund and close the account.

Council Member Garcia moved to transfer \$77,000 into the LGIP Fund and close the Bank of the West Account. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Consideration to approve paying Gila County for services rendered by Interim Chief Thompson

Mayor Smith moved to table this item because we have not received an invoice. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Resolution No. 874/Consideration to approve and adopt Resolution No. 874 relating to the formation of a public safety coalition between four communities

Mayor Smith told the council this resolution is to get a board together to work on the Public Safety Coalition. The board will consist of the mayor and one other council member or citizen from each town, Hayden, Winkelman, Kearny and Mammoth. He told the council that this does not mean the Coalition is going to happen, it will still need to be voted on and approved by the council. He told the council that he would like for Council Member Lagunas to sit on the board, if no one objected, since he is the board contact for the police department. He asked Council Member Lagunas if he wanted to be on the board. Council Member Lagunas said that he would be willing to be on the board. Council Member Garcia moved to approve Resolution No. 874. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Discussion and Possible Action on hiring a police chief until or if a coalition is formed, DPS audit or interim chief until or if a coalition is formed

Mayor Smith told the council that Interim Chief Thompson is still conducting background checks on two candidates for the chief of police position. He asked the council if they wanted to offer the job to the successful applicant for chief of police with the understanding that if the coalition is formed he or she would need to apply for the position again. The coalition will have one chief over seeing all towns and each town would have its own sergeant. He told the council that Sergeant Blue, DPS is checking to find out if DPS is still offering their services to perform an audit on the police department at no cost to the town. If DPS is still offering this to the town, would the council like to have DPS come in and perform the audit and then offer the position to the chief of police candidate at the end of the audit. Council Member Garcia moved to approve DPS doing the audit if it is still at no cost to the town and then offer the position to the chief with the understanding that it will possibly be temporary if the coalition is formed. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report
- b) Fire, Written Report – Fire Chief Silva reported that they are working on grants for the fire department.
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Library, Written Report – Librarian Lopez reported that they will have their Spook Walk for the kids that go to their Library School
- e) Finance, Written Report – Accountant Williams said that she is expecting money from property tax the first part of November
- f) Public Works, Oral Report – General Superintendent Cruz reported that he is having problems with the backhoe. They fix one thing and then something else breaks, if this continues they may have to rent a back hoe. He also reported on getting two porta potties to place at the cemetery for All Souls Day. Council Member Lagunas asked if the sanitation crew is supposed to be placing big items in the garbage packer. They are placing boards and other big items in the packer. General Superintendent Cruz said that he would check into it.
- g) Golf, Written Report – General Superintendent Cruz reported that the reseeding went well. They had a couple of issues with ASARCO laying their water lines but they did a good job. He told the council that he will need to purchase batteries for the golf carts.
- h) Senior Center, No Report
- i) Mayor/Vice-Mayor/Discussion on possible Copper Corridor Policing  
Mayor Smith reminded the council members that they cannot dictate to employees things that need to be done. If you need to employees to do something, you need to bring it his attention and he will let the department head know. If people are coming to a council member with a complaint please ask them to contact him or the town clerk so that it can be placed in writing so that it can be addressed. Remember when the media want to talk with someone or money is being donated to the town, please let him know. He needs to be aware of what is happening in the town.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

July/August/September/October 2015

Consideration to approve payment of the above claims

Accountant Williams told the council that the claims that need to be approved are claims September and October 2015. Council Member Lopez moved to approve September/October 2015 claims for payment. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Adjournment

The regular council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 6:24 p.m.

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing meeting minutes are true and correct. The Hayden Town Council held a regular council meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and a quorum was present.

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Date

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Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk