

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
MEETS ON  
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016  
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 5:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Not Present: Vice-Mayor Maria Munoz

Staff: Town Attorney Stephen Cooper, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Sergeant David Blue, Fire Chief Johnny Silva, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos, Head Librarian Mary Helen Lopez

Audience: Ms. Edna Lawrence, Mr. Jem Schengi – Resolution Copper, Diego Ortega – Resolution Copper and Ms. Mila Besich-Lira – Copper Basin News Reporter

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting – March 21, 2016

Council Member Ruiz moved to approve the minutes as recorded. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

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.**

Council Member Ruiz reported that the Little League opens tomorrow at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Diego Ortega, General Manager Communities from Resolution Copper will provide a brief project update.

Mr. Ortega reported that Resolution Copper's top priority is safety for their employees. The average national statistics on safety is 2.5; in 2016 Resolution Copper was .35. Resolution Copper will produce 25% of all copper required in the U.S. He discussed the process of the NEPA. Resolution Copper has a strong relationship with the surrounding towns, supports Little League, Hayden/Winkelman Softball, United Food Bank, Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce. More than 80% of their employees are from the local area. They plan on being here for years to come and appreciate the support they get from the surrounding areas.

RESOLUTION NO. 878/Consideration to approve and adopt a resolution whereby the mayor and council of the Town of Hayden adopts a Fair Housing Policy.

Council Member Ruiz moved to approve and adopt Resolution No. 878. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

RESOLUTION NO. 879/Consideration to approve and adopt a resolution authorizing the town clerk to conduct the Primary and General Election for the Office of Mayor and the Office of Council on August 30, 2016 as "Ballot by Mail" elections pursuant to A.R.S. §16-409

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve and adopt Resolution No. 879. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Discussion and possible action on an increase in the monthly retainer for Town Attorney in the amount of \$500.

Attorney Cooper told the council the last time his firm had requested an increase was four years ago. He told the council that in addition to council meetings and the magistrate court he also helps the mayor and town clerk with administrative work due to the town not having a town manager, he answers call when he is on vacation and weekends which he does not mind because he likes to take care of issues as they arise. Mayor Smith advised the council that because of the financial situation at this time, he would recommend to table this item until they have a chance to look at the budget. He said that they should be able to make a decision at the June meeting. Mayor Smith moved to table this item until the June meeting. Council Member Garcia seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Consideration to approve to pay the amount of \$938.46 for repairs to the pump core.

Council Member Lopez moved to approve paying the amount of \$938.46 for repairs to the pump core. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Consideration to hire Officer Brian Marquez as the fire investigator for the Hayden Fire Department/Consideration to approve donating the Fire Brush Truck to the Mexico Fire Department

The fire marshal from Gila County does not come down to investigate the fires because he will need to charge the town for his service. Officer Marquez is on the task force and he has had training in fire investigations. Sergeant Blue said that this will not interfere with his duties as a police officer; he will not do the investigations while he is on duty as a police officer. Council Member Lagunas moved to hire Officer Brian Marques as the fire investigator for the Hayden Fire Department. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Mayor Smith told the council that the Fire Brush Truck was donated to the fire department from Coronado Fire Department. The truck has a lot of issues and needs a lot of work. Mexico Fire Department said that they can fix it. Fire Chief Silva said that the Mexico Fire Department is giving the department a chain saw and helping in other ways. Rural Metro heard about the donation and they are helping the department with training. Attorney Cooper said that the truck is surplus property and the fire department is getting items in return; therefore, the Hayden Fire Department can donate the truck to another fire department. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve donating the Fire Brush Truck to the Mexico Fire Department. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Discussion and possible action on police applications/oral board/background fees @ \$1200 each/reimbursement of flight and hotel

Mayor Smith informed the council that there were ten applicants for the position of chief of police. After the applications were reviewed it was narrowed down to five applicants to be interviewed. There are two applicants traveling from out of state and they are booking their own flights and hotel reservations. The Towns of Hayden, Kearny and Mammoth will split the cost of reimbursing the applicants for the flight and hotel. Background checks will be done on the top three applicants. Council Member Garcia asked if the person that is hired as chief of police will later be the chief of police when the coalition is formed. Mayor Smith said that at this time the coalition is not realistic. It is a long process and hard to get all towns to agree. At this time he is concentrating on the IGA for chief of police for the four towns. He told the council that the mayors, council members and town managers from the four towns will be invited to attend the Oral Board Interviews but will only listen, not ask questions or make comments. He reported that Sergeant Blue will not be working for us as interim chief of police after April 30<sup>th</sup>. Sergeant Blue was thanked for the job he did to the Hayden Police Department. Council Member Garcia moved to approve paying a third of the background fees, flight and hotel. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

Council Member Lagunas left at 6:23 p.m.

Discussion and possible action on the policy for water payments/disconnections

There were discussions on the procedure for disconnecting water after the due date. Mayor Smith told the council that he felt that the past due amount on the bill should be paid by the shut off date with no extensions. Right now customers are being allowed extensions after the turn off date and it is creating some customers to owe high bills. If the customer decides to move and not pay the bill, the deposit will not cover the amount. Town Clerk Romero told the council that the policy reads that the current bill needs to be paid twenty days after the date of the bill or the bill becomes delinquent and the water service will be disconnected. She suggested the wording in the policy be changed so that everyone is on the same page. Mayor Smith moved to table this item until the wording can be worked on. Council Member Garcia seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report – Sergeant Blue reported that the” In Memory of Officer Haddad” sign was donated to the town. He thanked the council for their hospitality and he hoped he provided the town with good service. He told the council that the police department will be receiving ten Motorola radios.
- b) Fire, Written Report
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Library, Written Report
- e) Finance, Written Report – Accountant Williams reported that she projects the State Shared Revenue will be \$3,000 more. We will be receiving the second part of the property taxes in May and we received \$40,000 reimbursement today.
- f) Public Works, Oral Report – General Superintendent Cruz reported that his crew has been busy blue staking all over town.
- g) Golf, Written Report – General Superintendent Cruz thanked the fire chief and his crew for helping with the swarm of bees at the golf course area.

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Departmental Review/Reports Continued

- h) Senior Center, No Report
- i) Mayor/Vice-Mayor – Next budget meeting will be Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

March 2016/April 2016

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

Council Member Hetrick moved to approve the above claims for payment. Council Member Ruiz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Adjournment

The regular council meeting was adjourned at 6:42 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk