

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018
5:30 P.M.
HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The special council meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bobby Smith, Council Members Bernardino Cruz, Dean Hetrick, Thomas Lagunas and Enrique Lopez

Not Present: Vice-Mayor Maria Munoz

Staff: Town Attorney Stephen Cooper, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Chief of Police Tamatha Villar, Assistant Fire Chief Monica Badillo, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos, Librarian Mary Helen Lopez and Financial Director Teresa Williams

Audience: Vicky O'Brien, Angus Sallis, Mrs. Sallis, Robert Snyder/Snyder-Butler CPAs, PLLC, Cathy Melvin, Gila County Supervisor Woody Cline, Mayor Louis Bracamonte/Town of Winkelman, Don Jones/Manager Town of Mammoth and Mila Besich-Lira/Copper Basin News

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2018

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above meeting minutes as recorded. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion 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. Sallis read a portion on an article that appeared on the internet "Old Mining Town of Hayden Sees It's Last Days?" Mr. Sallis told the council that his wife and himself has lived in Hayden for many years and it is sad to see what has happened to Hayden. He told the council that he appreciated the police chief for the added patrol in their neighborhood and town attorney for his help in looking into this matter. Mr. Sallis gave names of owners of homes and properties in his neighborhood. He said that it is sad to see the situation of the homes; most of them are falling apart and the owners do not care. He asked if the town can condemn the homes and knock them

Call to the public continued

down and place a lien on the property. Mayor Smith replied that the town will be taking on a lot of liability if they condemned all the properties in town that are falling apart. He explained that you can't go onto someone's property and tear down their house. Town Attorney Cooper told Mr. Sallis that the homes in Hayden are older homes and if the town was to tear them down, the town would need to go through a lot of procedures and testing for asbestos and lead. The town would then need to special package the debris and take it to a special landfill. He asked the council if they can at least look into removing an old motor home that was left behind a home on what he believes is town property. Mayor Smith said that he would have someone look into it.

Possible Executive Session for discussion/consultation for legal advice with the Town Attorney and Town Staff concerning any of the agenda items, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3)(4) and (7)

Mr. Robert Snyder, CPA to present the FY 2016-2017 audit report to the council/Discussion and possible action to accept the audit and follow the recommendations outlined in the report.

Mr. Snyder presented the FY 2016-2017 Audit to the council. He explained the role of an independent auditor. He told the council that last year there were three findings that needed to be corrected and this year there was only one. He explained that there needs to be more segregation of duties when dealing with the financials. He said that this is not to say that he feels that anything wrong is being done, but this is just a safeguard. He understands that there are only a few employees which makes it hard to segregate the responsibilities, but the segregation of duties need to be followed as much as possible. Council Member Hetrick moved to accept the audit and follow the recommendations outlined in the report. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Gila County Supervisor Woody Cline to present a power point to the council concerning a Summer Work Program

Gila County Supervisor Cline presented a power point to the council and explained a program that was started in Gila County and helps students work in summer jobs that interest them. He told the council that they would be able to get a couple of young people to work for six weeks in the summer for the Town of Hayden. The way the program works is that the person has to be between the age of 16 – 22 and they will be placed in a job they are interested in. He would like to see the program grow stronger and help more kids. Last year they had 17 young kids in the program, this year they have 20-22 young kids. The program begins the first week in June. The cities and towns that benefit from this program are Payson, Star Valley, Young, Globe, Hayden, Winkelman and San Carlos. The current partners in the program are Gila County Departments, Arizona at Work/WIOA Program, Forrest Service, Gila County School Superintendent and Gila Pueblo College. Gila Pueblo College will offer 6 college credits. Anyone between the ages of 16 - 22 can qualify for this program; it is not based on income.

POLICE DEPT. /Discussion and possible action on paying a bill from Canyon State in the amount of \$1,077.59 for repairs to the repeater/Discussion and possible action concerning purchasing GPS Units for police vehicles

Council Member Cruz moved to approve paying a bill from Canyon State in the amount of \$1,077.59. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Chief Villar reported to the council that she has looked into two companies for purchasing GPS Units, Insight and Nex Traq. She recommends Nex Traq which is out of Colorado but they have technicians in Arizona. Through Nex Traq to purchase six units the cost will be \$2,012 per year. They require a three year agreement. She told the council that she feels the GPS will be beneficial not only to keep track of the officers, but also for the safety of the officers. Council Member Hetrick moved to approve after legal review and to authorize Mayor Smith to sign the agreement. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible action on a letter received from the Town of Superior terminating the Partnership Agreement for food services effective March 19, 2018

Mayor Smith mentioned that if the Town of Superior decides later to want to enter an agreement for food services, they will be charge the full amount for each meal. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve terminating the Partnership Agreement for food services effective March 19, 2018. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible action on possibly terminating IT services with Coppernet and contracting with a different company

Mayor Smith informed the council that he asked the IT person that services the Town of Superior, to come down and evaluate our system and programs. It seems that we need to update the programs and equipment that we are using. Mayor Smith is going to ask the individual to give us quotes for his services and he will also talk with Mr. Ruiz from Coppernet to discuss what the town is planning on doing and he will report next month to the council with information from both individuals. Council Member Lagunas moved to table this item. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce/ Discussion and possible action on sponsoring a student(s) for the Junior Chamber Program in the amount of \$80.00 per student

Council Member Lagunas moved to sponsor one student in the amount of \$80.00. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Central Arizona College/Discussion and possible action on paying the tuition in the amount of \$210 per student(s) to participate in the College for Kids Program

Council Member Hetrick moved to pay the tuition in the amount of \$210 for one student. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible action concerning wage increases for town employees

Council Member Lagunas moved to table this item. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible action concerning fees for RV parking at the golf course

There was some discussion concerning the renters paying the same amount if they hook up to the electricity and septic tank or the renter that does not use electricity or septic tanks. It was decided to leave the amounts the same as they are right now, everyone paying the same amount. During budget meetings they will discuss possibly increasing amounts. Council Member Lagunas moved to keep the fees the same for everyone renting RV parking spaces. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(1),(2),(3) & (4)

A. Confidentiality Statement

B. Evaluation of Public Officer, Hayden Chief of Police

Mayor Smith moved to go into executive session at 7:35 p.m., for no longer than 15 minutes with the council present, town attorney, town clerk, chief of police, assistant fire chief, Town of Winkelman's Mayor Louis Bracamonte and Town of Mammoth's Town Manager Don Jones. Council Member Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Town Attorney read the confidentiality statement to everyone present and then asked to be excused to attend another scheduled meeting.

Council Member Hetrick moved to reconvene the special council meeting at 7:50 p.m. Council Member Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS

Police & Animal Control, Written Report – Mayor Smith asked the chief if she knew when the animal control officer will be back from medical leave. Chief Villar said that he had mentioned possibly in March. She said that there will be a new schedule and policies for the animal control officer.

Fire, Written Report

Magistrate, Written Report

Library, Written Report

Finance, Written Report – Finance Director Williams reported that the Property Valuation went up \$40,000

Public Works, Oral Report

Golf, Written Report

Senior Center, Written Report – Finance Director Williams reported due to minimum wage increase, the wages in this department is up by \$148,000

Mayor/Vice-Mayor – Mayor Smith mentioned that once a month at 9:00 a.m. there is a mayor's Meeting with the Towns of Hayden, Winkelman, Kearny, Mammoth, Superior, Miami and Globe. He is not able to attend because of his work schedule but if any council member is interested in attending he will give them the information for the meetings.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

January 2018/February 2018

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The special council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 8:01 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 20th day of February 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

3-18
Date



Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk