THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL MEETS ON TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019 5:30 P.M. HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 520 N. VELASCO AVENUE HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The special council meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

Staff: General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Chief of Police Tamatha Villar, Fire Chief Cruz Angel Gonzales, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos, Librarian Mary Helen Lopez and Finance Director Teresa Williams

Audience: Pinal County Supervisor Peter Rios

DISCUSSION ON 2019-2020 BUDGET

Finance Director Williams told the council that she had spoken with Pinal/Gila Council for Senior Citizens and was told that there is a possibility that they might be able to come up with an additional one-time amount of \$60,000. This amount would be from a \$20,000 donation from Gila County and Pinal-Gila Council. They are waiting to hear from Pinal County for another \$20,000 donation. Pinal County Supervisor Rios told the council that he will do whatever he can to help the elderly people from the Copper Corridor area. Pinal County has already allocated \$20,000 that is donated to the Hayden Senior Center yearly, but he will bring this request to the board for an additional \$20,000. He told the council that he can't guarantee anything because the board has already passed their tentative budget, but he will do whatever he can for the Hayden Senior Center. Finance Director told the council that the information she gave to them indicates the senior center with the additional \$60,000 and laying off two part-time employees. There was discussion on the police protection with the Town of Winkelman. Mayor Hetrick told the council that he had met with Mayor Bracamonte from the Town of Winkelman and proposed an increase of \$20,000. Mayor Bracamonte said that they would not be able to afford the \$20,000 increase. He said that they would be willing to not have 24-hour coverage instead of the increase. He is planning on checking with surround entities to find out what they would charge for coverage. There was some discussion on our officers having to respond until another agency would get to the scene or if they were called for back up.

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DISCUSSION ON 201902020 BUDGET (CONT.)

Mayor Hetrick told the council that he had met with Waste Management concerning contracting the sanitation services; he later received an email stating that it would not be financially feasible for them to take on the Town of Hayden's sanitation service. General Superintendent Cruz has met with a representative from RAD and is waiting for a response.

Finance Director Williams asked all the department heads to look over their department's budget and make sure there are no changes, and everything looks okay. The Fiscal Year 2020 budget includes: employees working 80 hours, property taxes increase to \$8.50 per \$1,000, no raises, an increase of \$36,000 in health insurance, no capitol outlay items, 10% utility fee increase of 12 months, no library or swimming pool and less one employee from police department and public works, 2 employees from library and 2 part-time employees from senior center, 20% increase in all fees excluding utilities and a \$44,000 AMRRP dividend.

Mayor Hetrick asked if there were any more comments or questions concerning the budget, if not they would move on to the next item. There were no questions or comments.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CONTINUING TO SERVICE THE PINAL/GILA COUNCIL SENIOR CENTER

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to continue to service the senior center at this time, with the option of re-visiting this item if the extra funding does not come in. This motion includes laying off two part-time employees. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON POSSIBLY CLOSING THE LIBRARY

Vice-Mayor Smith commented that this is a very hard decision to make but the town is in survival mode and if cuts are not made, the town will not be able to survive. Vice-Mayor Smith moved to close the library, effective July 31, 2019. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON POSSIBLE LAY OFF

Council Member Lagunas moved to lay off one employee from police department, one employee from public works, two employees from the library and two part-time employees from senior center, effective July 31, 2019. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 6-0

ADJOURNMENT

The special council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 6:48 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 11th day of June 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Date

Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk