THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MEETS ON

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021
5:30 P.M.

HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE

HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135

FOR A

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

The special council meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

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

Not Present: Vice-Mayor Bobby Smith

Staff: General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Officer Kevin Heaslip, Officer Jose Tavena, Senior

Director Anita Hinojos, and Finance Director Teresa Williams

Audience: David Navarro

4. <u>Discussion and possible action on hiring Mr. Jose Tavena as police officer effective April 27, 2021</u> with the rate of pay to be determined.

Mr. Tavena will be replacing Officer Roanhorse that has resigned and will be working as a reserve officer. Council Member R. Lopez moved to hire Mr. Jose Tavena as police officer effective April 27, 2021 and the rate of pay will be \$21.43 per hour. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

5. <u>Discussion and possible action on the letter received from Town of Winkelman negotiating the amount for the Police Protection Agreement.</u>

Mayor Hetrick told the council that an IGA was sent to Town of Winkelman for police protection in the amount of \$150,000, which is \$50,000 increase. The IGA amount has not increased for three years. The town received a response from Town of Winkelman indicating they will be willing to pay \$110,000. Finance Director Williams told the council that it cost \$85,000 for one officer which includes wages and benefits. After some discussion it was decided to send a letter to the Town of Winkelman with a counteroffer of \$130,000. Council Member Lagunas moved to send a letter to Town of Winkelman offering the IGA for Police Protection be increased to \$130,000. Council Member E. Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

6. <u>Discussion and possible action on entering a Lease Equipment Agreement with Oliver.</u>
Council Member R. Lopez moved to approve entering into a Lease Agreement with Oliver.
Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

- 7. Discussion and possible action on approving an additional \$5,000 from Pinal-Gila Council to be added to the \$30,000 from Pinal-Gila Council that was approved at the April Regular Council Meeting for the purchase of supplies by the senior center.

 Council Member R. Lopez moved to approve an additional \$5,000 to be spent for the senior center. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0
- 8. <u>Discussion and possible action on approving the police department to spend \$9,800 grant money received from the 100 Club for the purchase of helmets, face shields, ballistic shields Officer Heaslip told the council that vests, helmets, face shields, and ballistic shields will be purchased with this grant. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the police department to spend \$9,800 grant money received from the 100 Club. Council Member R. Lopez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0</u>
- 9. <u>Discussion and possible action on the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget</u>
 This discussion is estimates for the tentative budget purposes only, no action will be taken. Finance Director Williams told the council that 20% increase on fees can be placed in the tentative budget because the council can always decrease the amount, but they cannot go higher than the amount placed in the tentative budget. She will need to post this on the town's website so that the new rates will take effect on August 1st. There was discussion on the town still having to subsidize for sewer and water even with the 20% increase. Ramada fees, golf fee, golf cart fees, and swimming pool fees will be increased by 20%. The landfill fee will be increased from 125% to 130%. Health plans to remain the same. Property taxes were discussed, and Finance Director Williams was asked to prepare a breakdown of tax increase from 10.5 % to 15%.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The special council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 6:58 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 6th day of May 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

5-17-21

Date

Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk