THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MEETS ON

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022
5:30 P.M.
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

## CALL TO ORDER

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

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### ROLL CALL

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

Not Present: Council Member Rosalinda Lopez

Staff: General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Interim Police Chief Brian Marquez, Fire Chief Cruz Angel Gonzales, Assistant Fire Chief Monica Badillo, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos and Finance Director Teresa Williams

Audience: 'David Navarro, Golf Club Members Adrian Bravo, Fred Cruz, Louis Valdez and Ysidro Guzman

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2022

Council Member Lagunas moved to accept the above minutes as recorded with the date change from February 21<sup>st</sup> to February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

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.** 

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)

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Discussion and possible action to ratify the following payments:

Granger for street signs in the amount of \$1,315.55

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to ratify the above payment. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

Representative from Synder & Brown CPAs, PLLC to present the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit/ Discussion and possible action on accepting the audit.

Dylan Brown from Synder & Brown CPAs, PLLC called and will not be able to attend this meeting but will plan to attend in April. Mayor Hetrick moved to table this item. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

<u>Discussion and possible action on paying out the American Rescue Funds to the Volunteer Firefighters/Reserve Officers and amount of the bonus</u>

There were discussions on several suggestions on if to include the reserve officers and if the fire chief and assistant fire chief should receive more than the other fire fighters. Fire Chief Gonzales felt that it should be across the board, everyone receiving the same amount. Council Member Cruz moved to include the 3 reserve officers and 9 fire fighters setting aside the amount set at the previous council meeting. Each will receive the amount of \$1,350. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-1 Vice-Mayor Smith abstained

<u>Discussion and possible action of a donation for the Easter Event sponsored by the Town of Winkelman</u>

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve \$250 donation to the Town of Winkelman for the Easter Event.

<u>Discussion and possible action on the hiring of Julian Gonzales for volunteer firefighter</u> Council Member Cruz moved to approve hiring Julian Gonzales as a volunteer firefighter. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

<u>Discussion and possible action on the Hayden Golf Club Members to address the council on</u> golf rates

The Hayden Golf Club Members addressed the council on what rates they felt would be fair for golf passes, daily fees, and golf cart fees. They felt that it was not fair that they helped get the golf course in shape and then the council raised the fees. They said they understood that the town is short staffed, and they would be willing to donate time getting the golf course back into shape if the rates decrease. The council asked what they felt would be a fair rate. They felt it should be put back to the previous amounts. After discussion the council felt that it would be fair to lower the rates to \$45 monthly, \$15 daily and \$17 for cart storage and give the club members six months to make a difference in the appearance of the golf course. Council Member Lagunas moved to lower the rates for six months giving the club members a chance to help get the golf course into shape; \$45 monthly, \$15 daily and \$17 cart storage. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-1 Council Member Cruz abstained

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#### DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS

Police & Animal Control, Written Report – Interim Chief Marquez reported that there was not a lot of activity to report. His department applied for a couple grants. Vice-Mayor Smith asked Interim Chief Marquez if his department can help the fire department apply for grants. Interim Chief Marquez said that they would be able to help them.

Fire, – Assistant Fire Chief Badillo reported that they had bottles tested and inspected. It will cost \$10 to refill the bottles. The shelf life of these bottles are 15 years, they have 5 years left. They received a quote of \$4,400 from United Fire for turn out sets. Mayor Hetrick advised her to get him the number of expired sets. She also reported the Active 911 is getting up and running.

Magistrate, No Written Report

Finance, Written Report -

Public Works, Oral Report – General Superintendent Cruz reported that his department has been busy working on the little league field, painting ramadas, restroom and floors, and the playground equipment. He mentioned that they will be lowering the speed limit in San Pedro to 15 miles per hour.

Golf, Written Report Senior Center, Written Report Mayor/Vice-Mayor –

## CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES -

February 2022/March 2022

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve the above claims for payment. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

# Discussion on Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget

Finance Director Williams told the council that the budget figures are preliminary. She has not received the State Shared Revenue amount or the health rates. If everything stays the same, she estimates that \$800,000 will be left from this Fiscal Year Budget.

Next budget meeting is scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup>.

# Adjournment

The special council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 7:36 p.m.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the Hayden Town Council held a special council meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

<u>4-18-</u>27 Date Aura E Romero, Town Clerk