

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022
5:30 P.M.
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular council meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

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

Not Present: Council Member Rosalinda Lopez

Staff: Town Attorney Stephen Cooper, Interim Chief Brian Marquez, Assistant Fire Chief Monica Badillo, Police Officer Kevin Heaslip, Police Officer Heather Tuka, Reserve Officer Audience: Sadie Bingham-Gila County Recorder

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 28, 2022

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above minutes as recorded. Vice-Mayor Bobby Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

5. 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.**

6. 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)

7. Discussion and possible action to ratify the following payments:

Home Depot for supplies for Parks in the amount of \$3,895.17

Earth Movers Tire for backhoe tires in the amount of \$1,803.30

Staples for office supplies in the amount of \$928.56

Eddie Tire & Automotive for oil change/tires in the amount of \$1,046.66

Litchfield Tactical, LLC for police physical examination in the amount of \$595.00

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

8. Introduction and Oath of Office administered to Police Officer Heather Tuka and Reserve Officer Edward Swan by Interim Chief Brian Marquez. Police Officer Tuka wage amount will be \$21.43 per hour and increased to \$22.48 per hour after Field Training Program is completed, Reserve Officer Swan wage will be \$20 per hour after the first 16 hours of volunteer time / Police Officer Fred Nehrmeyer resigned from his position of full-time police officer effective March 29th. / Officer Nehrmeyer will continue to work for the Hayden Police Dept. as a reserve officer.
Interim Police Chief Marquez administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Heather Tuka and Reserve Officer Edward Swan.
9. Don Newquist to address the council on converting the golf course into an RV Park
Mr. Newquist was not present at the meeting. Mayor Hetrick moved to table this item. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
10. Representative from Snyder & Brown CPAs, PLLC to present the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit/ Discussion and possible action on accepting the audit.
Robert Snyder presented the audit to the council. He explained the different audit reports and that these reports are a tool to assure the management and governing board that the town is in compliance with the Government Auditing Standards. The auditors took samples of transactions, process, and procedures. There were no findings to report. Mayor Hetrick moved to approve and accept the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
11. Discussion and possible action on hiring volunteer firefighters Glenn Woodland and Jaden Aaliyah Gonzales effective immediately
Council Member Cruz moved to approve hiring Glenn Woodland and Jaden Aaliyah Gonzales as volunteer firefighters. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
12. Discussion and possible action on approving an agreement between Gila County Board of Supervisors and the Gila County Recorders Office and the Town of Hayden for the 2022 Election Services
Sadie Bingham from Gila County Recorder Office told the council that this will be a four year contract and that she does not anticipate any increases in the four years. Currently, they only bill the town for what the material and postage cost them.
Council Member Lagunas moved to approve an agreement between Gila County Board of Supervisors and the Gila County Recorders Office and the Town of Hayden for the Town of Hayden. Council Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
13. Discussion and possible action on approving an agreement between Gila County Board of Supervisors and the Gila County Recorders Office and the Town of Hayden for housing a drop off box for ballots
Sadie Bingham explained that if approved a drop off box for ballots will be placed on a four-by-four slab and will have a camera in front of the town hall building. There will be someone that will pick up the ballots from the box regularly but no schedule will be given as to when the ballots will be picked up for security. The only time the staff from Hayden will need to do anything is on election day when a medal bar will need to be slid back at 8:00 a.m. and slid back in place at 7:00 p.m. This is a four-year contract. Council Member Cruz moved to

approve the agreement between Gila County Board of Supervisors and the Gila County Recorder's Office and the Town of Hayden. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

14. Discussion and possible action on approving an agreement between Gila County and the Town of Hayden establishing as summer work program
There were discussions on how the workers are picked for working the summer. It was mentioned that some workers were living in Pinal County and were hired to work under this Gila County Program. Town Clerk Romero told the council that she had been told that as long as the person is attending Hayden High School, they will be eligible to work under this program. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve an agreement between Gila County and the Town of Hayden. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
15. Discussion and possible action on approving and adopting Ordinance No. 2022-01 Reducing the number of elected officers of the Hayden Town Council from seven (7) to five (5) members due to declining population
It was mentioned that due to the declining population in Hayden there does not seem to be an interest in citizens wanting to run for council. There has been a vacant seat on the council for years and it seems that there is not interest in filling this vacancy. This makes it hard to get a quorum at all scheduled meetings. Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve Ordinance No. 2022-01 effective in 30 days. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
16. Discussion and possible action on approving one hundred Club Stipend funds in the amount of \$17,000.00 to purchase 5 Taser 7's with accessories from Taser at a cost of \$15, 783.01 and 5 First Aid kits at a cost not to exceed \$ 1,216.00
Attorney Cooper advised Interim Chief Marquez that he still needs to get quotes for item purchased with funds received from the one hundred Club unless it is from State Surplus. Interim Chief Marquez indicated that the tasers are being purchased through State Surplus. He is waiting on quotes for the first aid kits. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the purchase of 5 Tasers from Axon Enterprise, Inc. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
Mayor Hetrick moved to table the first aid kits until a vendor is approved. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
17. Discussion and possible action on approving and adopting Resolution No. 22-01 approving Fiscal Year 2020-2021 General Fund Budget transfers for an effective date
It was mentioned that the number on the resolution was different than what is on the agenda. On the resolution it is 2022-01 and on the agenda 22-01. Town Clerk Romero told the council that the number should be 22-01. Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve Resolution No. 22-01 with the change on the Resolution. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
18. Discussion and possible action on approving and adopting Resolution No. 22-02 designating the Chief Fiscal Officer for officially submitting the Fiscal Year 2021 Expenditure Limitation Report to the Arizona Auditor General
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve Resolution No. 22-02 with the change to Fiscal Year 2022. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

19. DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report – Interim Chief Marquez reported on the activity for the month. Including a fatal accidental fire, Easter Weekend shooting. He reported that when the officer was shot in Dudleyville, Officer Gomez is the officer that found the suspect. He is working on getting him some recognition for this.
- b) Fire, Written Report – Assistant Chief Badillo mentioned she has received two quotes for turn outs and bottles.
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Finance, Written Report
- e) Public Works, Oral Report
- f) Golf, Written Report
- g) Senior Center, Written Report
- h) Mayor/Vice-Mayor – Mayor Hetrick told the council that General Superintendent Cruz and his crew has done an excellent job painting and cleaning up the park and Little League Field. He commented that everyone should go down and see what they have done.

20. CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

March 2022/April 2022

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

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

21. Discussion on Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget

Mayor Hetrick asked Finance Director Williams to give them 10%, 15% and 20% increases for utilities for the next budget meeting.

22. Adjournment

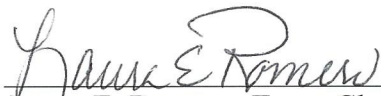
The regular council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 7:29 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the Hayden Town Council held a regular council meeting on the 18th day of April 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

5-16-22

Date



Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk