

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, MAY 16, 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 5:34 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, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Interim Police Chief Brian Marquez, Fire Chief Cruz Angel Gonzales, Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos, Finance Director Teresa Williams, Police Officer Kevin Heaslip, Police Officer Heather Tuka Reserve Officer Bennito Nava, and Reserve Officer Edward Swan

Audience: Anna Lopez and Mathew Armenta

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2022

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above minutes. Vice-Mayor 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.**

Police Officer Heaslip spoke on behalf of his department. He told the council that in the fifteen years he has worked for the Hayden Police Department, he has seen chiefs come and go. Interim Chief Marquez has done more than any of them in the eighteen months he has been interim chief. He is trying to bring the department up to code and making it a better department. The officers are requesting that the council consider Interim Chief Marquez as full time Chief of Police.

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 in the amount of \$1,753.09
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to ratify the amount of \$1,753.09 for payment. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
8. Discussion and possible action on adopting and approving Resolution No. 22-03
Memorializing Council Member Enrique G. Lopez
Council Member Lagunas stated that Council Member Enrique G. Lopez was not only a council member but a friend to everyone. Mayor Hetrick said that he was a friend and always willing to help everyone. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve Resolution No. 22-03. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
9. Presentation of memorial plaque to the family of Enrique G. Lopez
Mayor Hetrick present a memorial plaque to Enrique G. Lopez's daughter Anna Lopez and grandson Mathew Armenta.
10. Discussion and possible action on opening the swimming pool and hiring lifeguards, tentative on swimming pool repairs being completed/ Discussion and possible action on changing the age for lifeguards from 16 years to 15 years which is the age for lifeguards in Arizona
Mayor Hetrick informed the council that Reserve Officer Swan has volunteered his time to help get the pool ready to open this summer. Reserve Officer Swam told the council that he has worked in the pool business for years and will gladly help the employees get the pool ready to open. He mentioned that there is a portable vacuum cleaner that costs approximately \$900, you turn it on and it will clean the pool during the night. Council Member Cruz moved to hire lifeguards contingent on the pool opening and to change the age from 16 years old to 15 years old. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
11. Discussion and possible action on purchasing a 2017 Ford Explorer for the police department in the amount of \$19,245.00 from Asia Motors Inc.
Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the purchase of a 2017 Ford Explorer from Asia Motors, Inc. in the amount of \$19,245.00. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
12. Discussion and possible action to approve Interim Chief of Police Brian Marquez be moved into the position of Chief of Police with a pay increase from \$27.50 to \$29.80
There were comments on what a good job Interim Chief Marquez has done since being named Interim Chief of Police. Interim Chief Marquez told the council that he understands the budget is tight, that is why he is only asking for a pay increase from \$27.50 to \$29.80. Mayor Hetrick moved to approve moving Interim Police Chief Marquez to the position of Police Chief. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0
13. Discussion and possible action on approving the FY 2022-2023 Tentative Budget in the amount of \$6,500,000
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve the FY 2022-2023 Tentative Budget in the amount of \$6,500,000. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

14. DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report – Chief Marquez told the council the Police Officer Tuka is working with the school on sending a couple of female students to Girl Scout Camp to learn about Public Safety. He mentioned arrests made during the Easter Jam event held at the Winkelman Flats, a mock DUI in Kearny and a concern about the drug fentanyl in this area.
- b) Fire, Written Report – Fire Chief Gonzales mentioned that they have 3 new volunteers that he has been showing them the basics.
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Finance, Written Report
- e) Public Works, Oral Report – General Superintendent Cruz mentioned that they have been working on the swimming pool and he thanked the Golf Club members for helping at the golf course.
- f) Golf, Written Report
- g) Senior Center, Written Report – Senior Center Director Hinojos told the council that she will be getting two computers; one from Pinal-Gila Council and one from the town. Mayor Hetrick asked her if she has had the refrigerator and freezer checked. He doesn't want the same thing to happen as the last time when they went out during the summer months. She said that she will schedule to have them check.
- h) Mayor/Vice-Mayor –

15. CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –

April 2022/May 2022

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

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

16. Adjournment

The regular council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 6:46 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing meeting minutes are true and correct. The Hayden Town Council held a regular council meeting on the 16th day of May 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

6-20-22
Date

Laura E. Romero
Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk