THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL

MEETS ON

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023
5:30 P.M.
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular council meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### ROLL CALL

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

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Council Member Manriquez moved to approve the above minutes as recorded. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

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.

No one addressed the council.

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)

No executive session.

<u>Discussion and possible action to ratify the following items for payment:</u>

<u>Standard Restaurant Equipment Co. - \$1,313.41 - Equipment - Sr. Center</u>

<u>Moose Knuckle Prints LLC - \$512.74 - Custom Caps - Fire Dept.</u>

<u>Hill Brothers Chemical Co. - \$4,124.87 - Swimming Pool/Wastewater</u>

<u>AZ Fire School/hotel reservation - AZ Fire School \$560.20/Hotel Reservations \$1,768.89</u>

Council Member Manriquez moved to ratify the above items for payment. Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

<u>Kearny Police Chief Kenny to answer questions concerning dispatching services</u>
Mayor Hetrick mentioned there is a lot of concerns with the Hayden Fire Fighters not being dispatched to fires. Vice-Mayor Smith also mentioned that medical calls are also being dispatched to the Winkelman Fire Department even if the medical is in Hayden. Police Chief Kenny told the council that between June 30<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup> there was little or no response

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from the Hayden Fire Department. If the council would like more specifics, they will need to provide him with the dates and he will look into what happen on that date. He mentioned the Active 911 Software that is being used. Active 911 sends out notification to cell phones or other notification device that the fire department has in place. Council Member Manriquez mentioned that the dispatcher calls the police to respond to a report of a fire and once the police verifies that there is a fire then the fire department is called out. He feels the police department should not be called out first to make sure it is an active fire. If it is a structure fire and dispatcher wait until the police officer confirms that it is an active fire, there are valuable minutes wasted for the fire fighters to respond. Police Chief Kenny suggested possibly having a training on the Active 911 program and how fires are dispatched out. Chief Kenny did inform the council that if the fire department wanted to make changes to how they are dispatched out, they can meet and discuss it.

# Victoria Ochoa from Local First Arizona to address the council on the USDA Community Facilities grant that Local First Arizona is facilitating

Ms. Ochoa from Local First Arizona addressed the council concerning Local First Arizona a non-profit organization that is working on a USDA Community Facilities Grant. The first step is getting a board together. If some names of possible board members can be given to her, she can give them a call. The board needs to meet and talk about different things that they would like to see in Hayden; for example, something to enhance the swimming pool, senior center, refurbish an old building or build a building. After the board has met then a questionnaire will be sent to all the residences in Hayden. Local First Arizona does all the paperwork associated with this grant. Hayden's deadline to apply is March 2024.

John Gonzales to address the council on waiving the balance on his water bill Mr. Gonzales did not attend the meeting. Mayor Hetrick tabled this item. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

<u>Discussion and possible action to hire Kelly Bergin for part-time records clerk, 19 hours per week, \$13.85 per hour.</u> Effective August 23, 2023

Council Member Cruz moved to hire Kelly Bergin for part-time records clerk, 19 hours per week and \$13.85 per hour. Council Member Manriquez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

<u>Discussion and possible action on waiving the swimming pool fees for children during the "Pops with a Cop" activity, officers will be providing popsicles and bottled water</u>

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to waive the swimming pool fees for children during the "Pops with a Cop" activity. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible action on approving Volunteers and Volunteer Chaplain positions and Policy

General Superintendent Cruz asked if the town will be held liable if something happens even if a waiver is signed. Attorney Cooper replied that anyone has the right to sue but unless the town did something negligent, the waiver should stand up in court. Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the Volunteers and Volunteer Chaplain and Policy subject to approval by Town of Hayden's Southwest Risk Pool Insurance. Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

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<u>Discussion and possible action on approving the Arizona Mutual Aid Agreement</u>

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve the Arizona Mutual Aid Agreement. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

<u>Discussion and possible action on approving a stipend for Covid Volunteer David Navarro for</u> Senior Center in the amount of \$1,200.00 for 18 months of service

Council Member Cruz moved to approve the amount of \$1,200.00 for 18 months of service to the Senior Center. Council Member Manriquez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

<u>Discussion and possible action on purchasing a part for the side step on the senior citizen van from Braun Corporation, cost will be provided at regular council meeting</u>

Senior Center Director Hinojos told the council that she still has not been able to get any answers from this company. She is hoping town employee Cargill will be able to get some information from them. Vice-Mayor Smith moved to table this item. Council Member Manriquez seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

<u>Discussion and possible action on an employee appreciation party scheduled for September 16<sup>th</sup></u> not to exceed \$150

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve not to exceed \$150 for an employee appreciation party scheduled for September 16<sup>th</sup>. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

Discussion and possible action to purchase one UPS (uninterruptable power supply) and two additional batteries in the amount of \$4,610.65 from Graybar. The two additional batteries will extend the amount of time the UPS will keep the server system running before shutting down. The Town's current UPS in inoperable and if the power goes out the server will shut down Council Member Manriquez moved to approve the purchase of one UPS and two additional batteries in the amount of \$4,610.65. Council Member Cruz seconded the motion and the motion carried. 5-0

# DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS

- a) Police & Animal Control, Written Report Police Chief Marquez briefed the council on his monthly report.
- b) Fire, Written Report Vice-Mayor Smith reported that four firemen will be attending fire school and scholarships have been applied for.
- c) Magistrate, Written Report
- d) Finance, Written Report
- e) Public Works, Oral Report General Superintendent Cruz told the council that they have had issues with pumps and that he would like to get a new trash pump. General Superintendent Cruz also mentioned that three of the five veteran plaques that were stolen from the memorial at Garms Park have been found.

  Mayor Hetrick told Police Chief Marquez that is officers need to do their job and make rounds, these were stolen in plain sight by the roadway. Council Member Lagunas also

mentioned that that two traffic tickets per month is not good.

- f) Golf, Written Report
- g) Senior Center, Written Report

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h) Mayor/Vice-Mayor – Mayor Hetrick mentioned that the town clerk is wanting to retire and he will have an item on next month's agenda to hire employee Sarah Romero as full time clerk.

### CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES -

July 2023/August 2023

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. 5-0

### Adjournment

The regular council meeting was adjourned by the mayor at 7:23 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 21 of August 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Date

Date

Laura E. Romero, Town Clerk