

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
MEETS ON  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025  
5:30 P.M.  
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE  
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135  
FOR A  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Dean Hetrick, Vice-Mayor Bobby Smith, Council Member Thomas Lagunas

Not Present: Council Member Robert Manriquez

Town Staff: Town Attorney Stephen Copper, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Finance Director Teresa Williams,

Audience: Town Resident Kevin Ramirez

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes – December 16, 2024**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve the above minutes for December 16, 2024 as recorded.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

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.**

A moment of silence was requested by Mayor Hetrick in memory of Senior Center Director Anita Hinojos.

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)**

None

7. **Discussion and possible action to approve Gila County Excise Taxes expenditures for the month of December 2024**

a. **APS - Street Lights in the amount of \$3,495.90**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve Gila County Excise Taxes expenditures for the month of December 2024 to APS Street Lights in the amount of \$3,495.90.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

8. **Discussion and possible action to ratify the following items for payment:**  
**Eddie Tire – Repairs for the Fire Department 2013 Freightliner in the amount of \$819.27**  
**Ace Pipe Cleaning- Jet Line Service for the Sewer Department in the amount of \$1,410.00**  
**Foster Electric- Emergency Services for the Waste Water Department in the amount of \$9,556.00**  
**Forster Electric-Service Repairs for the Waste Water Department in the amount of \$1,760.47**  
Council Member Lagunas moved to approve to ratify items for payment for Ace Pipe Cleaning in the amount of \$1,410.00, Foster Electric in the amount of \$9,556.00 and Forster Electric in the amount of \$1,760.47.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

9. **Discussion and possible action to approve a letter of interest to retain Town of Hayden Council Seat from Council Member Thomas Lagunas**  
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve a letter of interest to retain the Town of Hayden Council Seat from Council Member Thomas Lagunas.

Mayor Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

10. **Oath of Office to be administered to Council Member Thomas Lagunas by Attorney Stephen Cooper**

Attorney Stephen Cooper administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Thomas Lagunas.

11. **Discussion and possible action to approve IGA NO. 08112024 between Gila County and the Town of Hayden**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve IGA No. 08112024 between Gila County and the Town of Hayden.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

12. **George Garcia- from Roof Daddy L.L.C to introduce himself and address the Mayor and Council on plans for the town hall roof repairs/replacement**

George Garcia from Roof Daddy L.L.C thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity and their time. Mr. Garcia told them the start date for this project would be sometime in March. He also stated that he has reached out to different vendors to make sure everyone is ready to go by March.

13. **Discussion and possible action to approve to Authorize Overnight Sweep of Wells Fargo Funds**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve Authorizing Overnight Sweep of Wells Fargo Funds.

vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

14. **Discussion and possible action to approve to switch funds from the Ray Federal Credit Union to American Southwest Credit Union**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve to switch funds from the Ray Federal Credit Union to American Southwest Credit Union.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

15. **Discussion and possible action to select and approve a consulting group for the Sewer Line Replacement Project from the following:**

- a. **Conсор North America, Inc.**
- b. **Sustainability Engineering Group**
- c. **Bowman Consulting Group**
- d. **Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc.**

Council Member Lagunas moved to select and approve Conсор North America, Inc. as the consulting group for the Sewer Line Replacement Project.

Vice-Mayor seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

16. **Discussion and possible action to approve to advertise for a Senior Center Director position and to interview**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve to advertise for a Senior Center Director position and to interview.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

17. **Discussion and possible action to appoint Captain Ruperto Gonzales to Assistant Fire Chief**

Council Member Lagunas moved to appoint Captain Ruperto Gonzales to Assistant Fire Chief.

Mayor Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

18. **Discussion and possible action to approve a change of compensation for only medical call-outs for the Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief to hourly pay per call**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve a change of compensation for only medical call-outs for the Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief to hourly pay per call.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

19. **Discussion and possible action to approve an estimate from Velocity in the amount of \$3,729.08 for the Fire Department 2013 Tender**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve an estimate from Velocity in the amount of \$3,729.08 for the Fire Department 2013 Tender.

Mayor Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

20. **Discussion and possible action to approve estimate No. EA310102562 in the amount of \$48,732.54 for the 2017 Fire Truck**

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve estimate No. EA310102562 in the amount of \$48,732.54 with amended vehicle year correction from 2017 to 2007 Fire Truck.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

**20. PERSONNEL ACTION**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF TOWN CHIEF OF POLICE DUE TO RETIREMENT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

**I. Action**

Council Member Lagunas moved to accept the resignation of town Chief of Police Brian Marquez due to Retirement effective immediately.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

**B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION APPOINTING INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE**

**I. Action**

Mayor Hetrick motion to table this item.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

**21. DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS**

- a) Police & Animal Control - No Written Report
- b) Fire – No Written Report
- c) Magistrate - Written Report
- d) Finance - Written Report
- e) Public Works - Oral Report General Superintendent Cruz told the Mayor and Council the department has been trimming the trees by the Fire Station and also working on sewer and water repairs.
- f) Golf - Written Report General Superintendent Cruz stated that the golf course is running good.
- g) Senior Center - No Written Report
- h) Mayor/Vice-Mayor

**22. CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –**

**December 2024 / January 2025**

**Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above claims for payment.

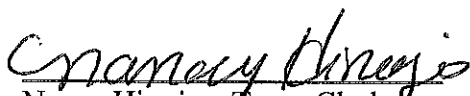
Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

**23. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 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<sup>st</sup> day of January 2025. I further certify That the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

  
Nancy Hinojos, Town Clerk

2-24-25  
Date