

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025
AT 5:30 P.M.
520 N. VELASCO AVENUE
HAYDEN, ARIZONA 85135
FOR A
SPECIAL 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: General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Interim Chief Nehrmeyer

Audience: Reserve Officer Jose Tavena, Officer Bryan Barba-Gutierrez

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular Council Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2025

Special Council Meeting Minutes – February 03, 2025

Special Council Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2025

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the above minutes as recorded.

Vice-Mayor Smith 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.**

No one to address the Mayor and Council.

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 a letter of interest to retain Town of Hayden Council Seat from Council Member Robert Manriquez**
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve a letter of interest to retain Town of Hayden Council Seat from Council Member Robert Manriquez.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0
8. **Oath of Office to be administered to Council Member Robert Manriquez by Attorney Stephen Cooper**
Mayor Hetrick moved to table this item.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0
9. **Discussion and possible action to appoint Bobby Smith and Delia Cruz as PSPRS Local Board Members for a term of four years**
Council Member Lagunas moved to appoint Bobby Smith and Delia Cruz as PSPRS Local Board Members for a term of four years.

Mayor Hetrick seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0
10. **Discussion and possible action to approve a Proclamation recognizing February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month**
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve a Proclamation recognizing February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0
11. **Anna Lopez – President of the Hayden Little League to request the use of the Little League Field, lights and concession stand for the 2025 season**
Ms. Lopez thanked the Mayor and Council for their time. She also informed the Mayor and Council that the season would be starting in April but there was still no start date. Ms. Lopez said that she would communicate with the town as soon as a start date is decided on.
12. **Discussion and possible action to approve Gila County Excise Taxes expenditures for the month of January 2025**
 - a) **APS - Street Lights in the amount of \$3,495.90**Mayor Hetrick moved to approve Gila County Excise Taxes expenditures for the month of January 2025 to APS Street Lights in the amount of \$3,495.90.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0
13. **Discussion and possible action to ratify the following items for payment:**
Eddie Tire – Two tires purchased for the Garbage Packer in the amount \$819.27
Hills Brothers – Chlorine for Swimming Pool and Waste Water Plant in the amount of \$3,659.76
United Rentals – Rental fee for Christmas Street Lights Decorations removal in the amount of \$1,463.27
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve to ratify the following items for payment
Eddie Tire in the amount of \$819.27, Hills Brothers in the amount of \$3,659.76 and United Rentals in the amount of \$1,463.27.

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

14. **Discussion and possible action to purchase two cemetery lots from owner in the amount of \$400.00**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve to purchase two cemetery lots from owner in the amount of \$400.00.

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

15. **Discussion and possible action to select and approve a quote to repair/replace the Hayden Police Department Roof with State Funds from the following:**

- a. **The Roof Daddy LLC in the amount of \$27,896.29**
- b. **Gomez Roofing & Landscaping in the amount of \$28,080.00**
- c. **Valor Contracting LLC in the amount of \$29,500**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve a quote submitted by The Roof Daddy LLC to repair/replace the Hayden Police Department Roof from State Funds in the amount of \$27,896.29.

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

16. **Discussion and possible action on accepting a letter of resignation submitted on February 4, 2025 by Darla Stacy Police Records Clerk effective February 4, 2025 / Discussion and possible action to approve to advertise to fill position at 19 hours per week at minimum wage**

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve on accepting a letter of resignation submitted on February 4, 2025 by Darla Stacy Police Records Clerk effective February 4, 2025.

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

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve to advertise to fill position at 19 hours per week at minimum wage.

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

17. **Discussion and possible action to rehire Reserve Officer Jose Tavena as a full time Hayden Police Officer effective February 25, 2025 at \$22.98 an hour**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve to rehire Reserve Officer Jose Tavena as a full time Hayden Police Officer effective February 25, 2025 at \$22.98 an hour.

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

18. **Discussion and possible action to appoint Officer Jose Tavena as Patrol Sergeant effective February 25, 2025 wage to be determine**

Interim Chief Nehrmeyer asked the Mayor and Council to consider Officer Jose Tavena as an Interim Patrol Sergeant. Interim Chief Nehrmeyer stated that Officer Tavena has many years of experience in this field. The Interim Chief also state that when a Chief of Police is hired, the Patrol Sergeant position will be open for testing.

Council Member Lagunas moved to appoint Officer Jose Tavena as Interim Patrol Sergeant effective February 25, 2025 at a wage of \$25.04 an hour.

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

19. **Discussion and possible action to approve to advertise and hire lifeguards at minimum wage**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve to advertise and hire lifeguards at minimum wage.

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

20. **Discussion and possible action to approve a 4th of July event and to purchase Fire Works amount to be determined**

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve a 4th of July event and to purchase Fire Work in the amount of no more than \$5,000 for this event.

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

21. **Discussion on 2025-2026 IGA with the Town of Winkelman for Police Services**

The Council would like to see an increase for the next FY 25-26.

22. **Discussion on setting up a budget meeting**

Mayor Hetrick asked the Council to decide when they would like to set the next Budget Meeting. Mayor Hetrick state that the meeting could be set as a Budget Work Session prior to the next Regular Council Meeting or it could be added as an agenda item at the next Regular Council Meeting.

23. **DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS**

- a) **Police & Animal Control - No Written Report-** Interim Chief Nehrmeyer apologized for not having a report available for them. He told the Mayor and Council that the department is reorganizing, but that next month he should have access to the reporting program.
- b) **Fire - No Written Report –** Captain Chief Smith mention that there is a Shooter School schedule for April. He told the Council that the department is planning in attending at no cost to the Town.
- c) **Magistrate - Written Report**
- d) **Finance - Written Report**
- e) **Public Works - Oral Report**
General Superintendent Cruz told the Mayor and Council that the department has been working on some major sewer pump repairs. He also mentioned that the Little League dugout will be repaired by the time the season starts in April.
- f) **Golf, Written Report**
General Superintendent thanked Interim Sergeant Tavena for assisting his crew with the trespassing of cattle at the Golf Course.
- g) **Senior Center – No Written Report**
- h) **Mayor/Vice-Mayor**

24. **CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –
January 2025 / February 2025**

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve the above claims for payment.

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

25. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing meeting minutes are true and correct. The Hayden Town Council held a Special Council Meeting on the 24th day of February 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Nancy Hinojos
Nancy Hinojos, Town Clerk

3-17-24
Date