

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, JULY 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 5:35 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Dean Hetrick, Vice-Mayor Bobby Smith, Council Members Thomas Lagunas, Ruperto Gonzales

Not Present:

Town Staff: Attorney Stephen Cooper, Finance Director Teresa Williams, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Interim Police Chief Fred Nehrmeyer, Sergeant Jose Tavena,

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

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.**

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 Gila County Excise Taxes expenditures for the month of June**

a) **APS - Street Lights in the amount of \$3,514.94**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approved Excise Taxes expenditures for the month of June 2025 with the amount amended of \$3,514.94.

Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

8. **Discussion and possible action to ratify the following items for payment:**
Harbor Freight – Water Department – Equipment and Supply purchases in the amount of \$1,218.76
Tucson Pool Leak Detection & Repair – Pool – Repair Services in the amount of \$975.00
Hill Brothers – Sewer/Swimming Pool - Chlorine in the amount of \$8,418.98
Ace Pipe Cleaning – Sewer – Service Fee in the amount of \$940.00
Mooseknuckle Prints LLC – Fire Department- T-Shirts in the amount of \$725.93
Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve to ratify payment to Harbor Freight in the amount of \$1,218.76.
Tucson Pool Leak Detection & Repair in the amount of \$975.00.
Hill Brothers in the amount of \$8,418.98
Ace Pipe Cleaning in the amount of \$940.00.
Mooseknuckle Prints LLC in the amount of \$725.93.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

9. **Discussion and possible action to approve a Proclamation recognizing August as Child Support Awareness Month**
Council Member Lagunas moved to approve a Proclamation recognizing August as Child Support Awareness Month.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

10. **Discussion and possible action to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 25- 02 an Ordinance Levying Upon the Assessed Valuation of the Property within the TOWN OF HAYDEN, AZ**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve and adopt with the approval date of July 21st 2025 Ordinance No. 25- 02 an Ordinance Levying Upon the Assessed Valuation of the Property within the TOWN OF HAYDEN, AZ.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

Roll Call

Mayor Dean Hetrick	<u>Yes</u>
Vice-Mayor Smith	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Ruperto Gonzales	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Thomas Lagunas	<u>Yes</u>

11. **Discussion and possible action to approve and adopt Resolution No. 25-07 designating Mayor Dean Hetrick as Chief Fiscal Officer for FY 2025-2026**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve and adopt Resolution No. 25-07 designating Mayor Dean Hetrick as Chief Fiscal Officer for FY 2025-2026.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried.

12. **Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 25-08 declaring a public record document entitled “Hayden Town Code, Article 6.04 Animals Control Regulations.”**
Council Member Gonzales moved to adopt Resolution No. 25-08 declaring a public record document entitled “Hayden Town Code, Article 6.04 Animals Control Regulations.”

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

13. **Discussion and possible action to adopt and approve Ordinance No. 25-03 Repealing Chapter 6.04 Generally and 6.08 Dogs Adding the Town of Hayden Code Title 6, Chapter 6.04, Animal Control Regulations**

Council Member Lagunas moved to adopt and approve Ordinance No. 25-03 Repealing Chapter 6.04 Generally and 6.08 Dogs Adding the Town of Hayden Code Title 6, Chapter 6.04, Animal Control Regulations.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

14. **Discussion and possible action to approve to hire Jarin Roman Cruz as a Volunteer Firefighter effective July 1, 2025**

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve to hire Jarin Roman Cruz as a Volunteer Firefighter effective July 1, 2025.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

15. **Discussion and possible action to approve to hire Elijah Aguirre as a Volunteer Firefighter effective July 1, 2025**

Mayor Hetrick moved to approve with last name correction from Aguirre to Castaneda to hire Elijah Castaneda as a Volunteer Firefighter effective July 1, 2025.

Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

16. **Discussion and possible action to approve and appoint Darendia Day as a Magistrate Judge or as a Pro-Temp Judge of the Town of Hayden Magistrate Court for a two-year term with a rate of pay of \$50 dollars an hour as needed, effective immediately**

Council Member Gonzales moved to approve and appoint Darendia Day as a Magistrate Judge of the Town of Hayden Magistrate Court for a two-year term with a rate of pay of \$50 dollars an hour as needed, effective immediately.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

17. **Oath of Office to be administered to Darendia Day by Attorney Stephen Cooper**

Attorney Stephen Cooper administered the Oath of Office to Darendia Day.

18. **Discussion and possible action to approve a letter of resignation submitted by Reserve Officer Bennito Nava III effective July 14, 2025**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve a letter of resignation submitted by Reserve Officer Bennito Nava III effective July 14, 2025.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

19. **Discussion and possible action to approve an Interviewing and Interrogating Training for Police Officer Tuka in the amount of \$630.00 from State Funds**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve an Interviewing and Interrogating Training for Police Officer Tuka in the amount of \$630.00 from State Funds.

Vice-Mayor Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

20. **Discussion and possible action to approve Police Officer Tuka Training Hotel Accommodations for three nights in the amount of \$320.36 from State Funds**

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve Police Officer Tuka Training Hotel Accommodations for three nights in the amount of \$320.36 from State Funds.

Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

21. **Information and Discussion Only Agenda Item**
OneStepGPS service and fee information

The Mayor and Council review and discuss the OneStep GPS service and fee.

The Mayor and Council stated that this item could be consider for a future agenda.

22. **DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS**

a) **Police & Animal Control - Written Report**

Interim Police Chief went over the Police Monthly Report with the Mayor and Council.

b) **Fire - No Written Report**

c) **Magistrate - Written Report**

d) **Finance - Written Report**

e) **Public Works - Oral Report**

General Superintendent Gary Cruz informed the Mayor and Council that public works has been focusing this week on trash pick-up around the town, to help with the community clean-up program.

f) **Golf - Written Report**

General Superintendent Gary Cruz stated that the Golf Course is still dealing with cattle Issues.

g) **Mayor/Vice-Mayor –**

Mayor Hetrick stated that the Golf Course will be on the agenda next month.

23. **CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –**
June 2025 / July 2025

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

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

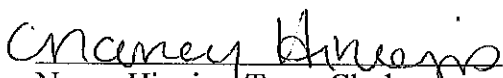
Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion and the motion carried. 4-0

24. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 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 21th day of July 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.


Nancy Hinojos, Town Clerk

8-16-25
Date