

THE HAYDEN TOWN COUNCIL
MEETS ON
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 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 Member Thomas Lagunas,

Not Present: Council Member Ruperto Gonzales

Town Staff: Attorney Stephen Cooper, Finance Director Teresa Williams, General Superintendent Gary Cruz, Police Chief Fred Nehrmeier

Audience: Debra Aguirre, Cindy Wade, Police Officer Brandon Gomez, Crystle Nehrmeier

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Special Council Meeting Minutes - June 16, 2025

Regular Council Meeting Minutes - July 21, 2025

Special Council Meeting Minutes - August 6, 2025

Vice-Mayor Smith moved to approve the above minutes 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.**

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. **Donation Presentation by the Aranda family of \$5,000 to the Town of Hayden in honor of Town of Hayden past Mayor Joe Aranda**

Mayor Hetrick informed the Council that the Aranda Family was not present. The Mayor thanked the Aranda family for their donation.

8. **Discussion and possible action to approve Interim Chief of Police Fred Nehrmeier be moved into the position of Chief of Police with a pay wage of \$30.30 to \$31.82 pay wage effective August 26, 2025**

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve Interim Chief of Police Fred Nehrmeier be moved into the position of Chief of Police with a pay wage of \$31.82 pay wage effective August 26, 2025.

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

9. **Oath of Office administered to Chief Fred Nehrmeier by Attorney Stephen Cooper**

Oath of Office administered to Chief Fred Nehrmeier by Attorney Stephen Cooper.

10. **Discussion and possible action to approve the closure of the Hayden Golf Course**

This item was discussed. The Mayor and Council heard from Mr. Vindiola a concerned golf club member. Mr. Vindiola stated that the Hayden Golf Course was one of the oldest golf courses in the state. He asked the Mayor and Council if they would reconsider this agenda item. Mr. Vindiola told the Mayor and Council that some of the golf club members have been donating their time and supplies to help with the expenditures of the Golf Course.

Mayor Hetrick thanked Mr. Vindiola and explained to him the budget concerns the town is facing and stated that the Town has tried to work with the Hayden Club Member to avoid the closure of the Hayden Golf Course for the last three years. The rate for golf passes was lowered to \$45.00 a month to help the Hayden Golf Club increase their membership. Mayor Hetrick informed the Council that as of today there was only four monthly passes on the log.

Mr. Vindiola thanked the Mayor and Council for their time.

Council Member Lagunas moved to approve the closure of the Hayden Golf Course effective October 31, 2025.

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

11. **DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW/REPORTS**

- a) Police & Animal Control -Written Report- Police Chief Nehrmeier went over the police report with the Mayor and Council.
- b) Fire - No Written Report – Fire Chief Gonzales state that the two new Volunteer Firefighters are working out.
- c) Magistrate - Written Report
- d) Finance - Written Report
- e) Public Works - Oral Report – General Superintendent Cruz informed the Mayor and Council that the submersible air mixer for the sewer plant was order and expected to be delivered in the next couple of days.
- f) Golf - Written Report – General Superintendent Cruz stated that the golf course road is looking really nice. He also mentioned to the Mayor and Council that the golf course staff was still having to deal with cattle trespassing into the course.
- g) Mayor/Vice-Mayor –

12. **CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES –**

July 2025 / August 2025

Consideration to approve the above claims for payment.

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

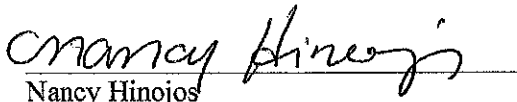
Council Member Lagunas seconded the motion and the motion carried. 3-0

13. **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 Regular Council Meeting on the 18th day of August 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.


Nancy Hinojos
Town Clerk


Date