



TOWN OF HUACHUCA CITY

The Sunset City

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HUACHUCA CITY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00^{PM} THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017

A. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call: Present:

Mayor: Ken Taylor

Mayor Pro-Tem: Mayor Pro Tem Johnson

**Council Members: Johann Wallace
Christy Hirshberg
Jane Hjeldness
Cynthia Butterworth
Walter Welsch**

Town Clerk/Administrator: Tammy J. Mitchell

Town Attorney: Thomas Benavidez

Absent: Clerk Tammy Mitchell

C. Approval of Regular Minutes from the Town Council Meeting of June 8, 2017. Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to approve the Minutes of the regular and executive minutes from May 25, 2017. Walter Welsch Abstained due to being absent.

6-1 Motion Carried

D. Call to the Public [3 minute limit] Agenda Items Only. (See below) Stuart Jenson commented that we have low income citizens and cannot afford at 62k survey. Neal Josephson commented that Broadband is a foolish expense. Hummel with the Little League said that the ball fields are in need of repair and they are not happy about that.

E. Reports by Council Members and Officers.

1. **Council Member Welsch - Library/Senior Center-** Council Member Welsch has no report for the Library and the Senior Center is doing fine.
2. **Council Member Hjeldness- Finance-** Council Member Hjeldness mentioned that the city will still be short so we seriously have to look at the budget.
Council Member J. Wallace – Planning and Zoning [might include a report by the Planning and Zoning Administrator]-Council Member Wallace stated we have a new Chairman Tiffany Chavez. The Sign Code we are working on is going nowhere because of the court cases. Dr. Johnson commented that the home owners on Navajo are waiting on the insurance check to get that cleaned up. They are planning on demo and selling the lot.
3. **Council Member Butterworth – Public Safety [might include reports by the police and fire chiefs] -** Council Member Butterworth reported So far this year, as of 06/18/2017, officers have: Responded to 1,750 calls for service of which, 1,042 were traffic stops, Issued 340 warning and equipment repair order with 444 separate violations, And Issued 577 separate charges on 456 tickets. Officers have processed 59 arrests. Animal Control has responded to 90 calls for service and issued 7 citations citing 15 offenses. They have also issued 1 warning. The fire department has responded to 216 EMS calls and 40 fire calls. Dispatch has cleared 184 calls for service, answered 5,880 calls and greeted 2,148 visitors. Chief Allmon is in Garland Texas picking up the used truck that we purchased.
4. **Council Member Hirshberg– Parks and Recreation-**Council Member Hirshberg reported that Summer Splash is going well and the second session is about to start. The Parks and Rec's had their meeting June 12 and discussed July 4th so everything is moving forward with that. The board would like to have games start at 2:00 p.m., food served from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. On August 1st, 2017 is the Police Department National Night Out and also on August 11th we will have an Ice Cream Social.
5. **Mayor Pro Tem Johnson - Public Works [might include a report by the landfill supervisor]-**Mayor Pro Tem Johnson stated she has not spoke with PW Halterman or Chief Allmon.
6. **Mayor's Report-** Mayor Taylor has no report at this time.
7. **Town Clerk's Report-** Clerk Mitchell was absent

F. Unfinished Business:

1. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Reviewing and Possibly Amending the Town's Policies Concerning Use of Town Vehicles.**
Motion was made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to open this item. 7-0 Motion Carried
Mayor Taylor postponed this item due to the fact that he has not spoke with the Chiefs on this issue.
2. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Consideration to engage the services of Pulse Broadband to conduct a Feasibility Study for bringing Broadband Internet Connection Services to our Town.** Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Wallace to open this item.
7-0 Motion Carried

Council member Wallace commented that it will only be (\$3,000) not thirteen we need to move forward and not sit on 50 year old cable. Mayor Taylor said that we need to look at the feasibility study it is very important. The town can make leaps and bounds with type of infrastructure. Council Member Welsch mentioned that he read an article a feasibility study about a small municipality contracted out.

Mayor Taylor said the faster we get this done the faster we can apply for grants. This will give better infrastructure for the Town. Mayor Taylor stated he would like to postpone this.

3. **Discussion and/or Action [Council Member Wallace]: Review and approval of the proposed language for the job announcement for Town Manager. This may include modifications/changes which are decided upon by the council during open session.** This item was moved under New Business. Motion Council Member Wallace, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson. 7-0 Motion Carried
Council member Welsch had a few issues with this item and needs it to be worked on. Motion made by Council Member Wallace, seconded by Mayor Taylor to postpone this item to a later date when we can have a workshop and details worked out. 7-0 Motion Carried

G. New Business:

1. **Discussion and or action [Mayor Taylor and Chief Thies]; Acknowledging the passing of former police chief, Dennis Grey, recognizing his years of service to the community and honoring his memory.** Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to suspend the rules. 7-0 Motion Carried
Mayor Taylor read a Proclamation for lowering the flags in honor of Retired Police Chief Grey passing. Chief Thies spoke regarding the Funeral arrangements for Retired Police Chief Dennis Grey. Chief Thies also commented that if council has any questions to please contact him and check with him before responding to any emails.
2. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Approval of Application for a Special Event License for the Nomaden International Motorcycle Club.** Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to open this item. 7-0 Motion Carried
Two Nomaden representatives attended and let the council know that this event is one of their fundraiser for the children. Last year they helped 19 families have toys for Christmas. They love being here in Huachuca City and would like for everyone to participate in this event. Motion was made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to approve the Special Use Liquor License for the Nomaden on their event in July. 7-0 Motion Carried
3. **Discussion and/or Action [Council Member J. Wallace]: Accepting the resignation of Rodney Pieren from the Planning and Zoning Commission.**

Motion made by Council Member Wallace, seconded by Mayor Taylor to open this item. 7-0 Motion Carried

Council Member Wallace thanked Mr. Pieron for all his commitment to the P&Z and wished him luck in Texas. Motion made by Council Member Wallace, seconded by Mayor Taylor to accept Mr. Pieron resignation from the P&C Commission. 7-0 Motion Carried

4. **Discussion and/or Action [Council Member Wallace]: Appointment of Nicole Hardas to the Planning and Zoning Commission.** Motion made by Council Member Wallace, seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to open this item. 7-0 Motion Carried

Motion made by Council Member Wallace, seconded by Mayor Taylor to appoint Ms. Nicole Hardas to the P&Z Commission. 7-0 Motion Carried

5. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Advertise for vacancy of Library Director.** Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to open this item. 7-0 Motion Carried

Council Member Hjeldness stated that is one place where we could cut back on the budget. Mayor asked the attorney if it is law to have a director. Attorney Benavidez stated that saving money is always good but you will need to cover the Library for the citizens. Council Member Welsch stated we need a job description for that person and not a catch all. Mayor Pro Tem Johnson said that she agrees that we need someone there and see what we could do. Council member Wallace stated that we need a full time person at the library. Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to not fill the Library Director position at this time. 7-0 Motion Carried

6. **Discussion and or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Ordinance 2017-02 Was Read by Title Only, AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF HUACHUCA CITY, COCHISE COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN CODE, TITLE 9, "PUBLIC PEACE MORALS AND WELFARE", CHAPTER 9.30 "JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES", SECTION 9.30.010, TO ADD A DEFINITION OF "INOPERABLE VEHICLE" AND REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "JUNKED VEHICLE."**

MOTION MADE BY MAYOR TAYLOR, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM JOHNSON TO OPEN THIS ITEM. 7-0 MOTION CARRIED

After discussion on this item. Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Wallace to adopt Ordinance 2017-02. 6 yeas, 1 nay Motion Carried Nay by Council Member Welsch

7. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Pro Tem Johnson]: Hot Rod Little League using Keeline Park for more than just 3 months. Want to have other baseball teams and games.** Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson, seconded by Mayor Taylor to open this item. Council Member Wallace abstained himself because of his involvement with the little league. Mayor Pro Tem Johnson commented that in your packets you have a proposition for the little league and two of them came to speak tonight. William Mike Estrada at

2564 N. Cactus, Huachuca City and Edward DeAnde at 713 Hunt Rd. Huachuca City. Mr. Estrada started by saying we just closed out our 2nd season of Little League. We had parents asking if we could still do more Little League they would like to have a summer program. Our insurance is covered till 12/31/2017. President Estrada said our first order of business with this proposal is the usage of the snack bar and the bathrooms with a waiver and we are proposing for the lights and the 2nd order of business with the fields, they are not up to standards for the Little League. Mayor Taylor stated we are running out of time with any budgetary items and believes this could be covered by volunteers. Mr Estrada said that we can work on some items, but there are grant items, this program is an asset for the kids. If District 8 members come to a game they could make a complaint to the international and we could be shut down because of the fields. Council Member Hjeldness stated that she agrees but our budget is at its limit. Mr Estrada said we have volunteers but the city does not have money to put into the fields. Attorney Benavidez stated that this is not on the agenda to be discussing for improvements etc. Mayor Taylor stated we need to stay on topic and we could have a workshop to discuss this. Mr. Estrada stated that we would like to play baseball all year around. We would like to start on Monday to put up the fence and have the kids play three more months. Mayor Taylor said to give us a schedule on the lights. Motion made by Mayor Taylor, Seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to allow the Little League to play ball for the next three months and waiver the usage of the lights. 6 yeas-1 Motion Carried with Council Member Wallace abstaining

8. **Discussion and/or Action [Attorney Benavidez]: Executive [closed] Session, Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(3), for Legal Advice and Consultation with the Town Attorney for legal review of the Town's policy concerning nepotism and compliance with state law.** Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to open this item. 7-0 Motion Carried
Motion made Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to go into executive session at 8:50 p.m. 7-0 Motion Carried
Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to come back into open session at 9:17 p.m. 7-0 Motion Carried
Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson to direct staff to create an Ordinance that replaces our Resolution and follows the ARS for Nepotism and Conflict of Interest. 7-0 Motion Carried
- H. **Payment Approval Report in the amount of \$184,598.70,** Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Hirshberg to approve the Payment Approval Report and pay the bills in the amount of \$184,598.70. 7-0 Motion Carried
- I. **Call to the Public: [3 min. limit] ARS 38-431-01 Public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by**

those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

David Perry Apache Huachuca City, He has questions why the fields are in bad shape. David Perry stated also, when you decide to something with item number 8 and I am knee deep with this item and this affects all of us.

William Mike Estrada 2564 Cactus HC he spoke of the band and he thought he was the band for the 4th of July. He spoke with Donna Johnson and there was another band that was hired. He wants to advise on what to do.

J. Items to be placed on the next agenda: Item on Town Vehicles

K. Adjournment: 9:30 p.m. Motion made by Mayor Taylor, seconded by Council Member Wallace to adjourn. 7-0 Motion Carried

Approved by Mayor Taylor on July 13, 2017



Mayor, Kenneth Taylor

Attest:


Town Clerk Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC

Seal:

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Meeting for the Town of Huachuca City held on June 22, 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, and a quorum was present.


Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC, Town Clerk/Administrator