



# TOWN OF HUACHUCA CITY

The Sunset City

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
 HUACHUCA CITY TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION  
 NOVEMBER 14, 2019 AT 6:30 PM  
 HUACHUCA CITY TOWN HALL  
 500 N. GONZALES BLVD.  
 HUACHUCA CITY, AZ 85616**

## AGENDA

### A. Call to Order – Mayor

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Roll Call and Ascertain Quorum

The meeting was called to order at: 6:30 pm  
 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Mayor Wallace

### Roll Call

<b>Individual</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Johann Wallace	Mayor	X	
Donna Johnson	Mayor Pro-Tem	X	
Debra Trate	Councilor	X	
Christy Hirshberg	Councilor	X	
Joy Banks	Councilor	X	
Cynthia Butterworth	Councilor	X	
Matthew Williams	Town Manager	X	
Janine Rustine	Town Clerk	X	
Thomas Benavidez	Town Attorney	X	

### B. Call to the Public – Mayor

A.R.S. 38-431.01 states the 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.

**Call to Public:**

**C. Unfinished Business before the Council – Mayor**

Public comment will be taken at the beginning of each agenda item, after the subject has been announced by the Mayor and explained by staff. Any citizen, who wishes, may speak one time for five minutes on each agenda item before or after Council discussion. Questions from Council Members, however, may be directed to staff or a member of the public through the Mayor at any time.

**D. New Business Before the Council – Mayor**

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D.1 Discussion Only [Mayor Wallace]: The Council might vote to go into Executive [closed] session, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A) (1) to conduct Council candidate interviews to fill the Council vacancy left by Walter Welsch.

Council candidate: Diane Hildebrandt  
 Council candidate: Barbara Bowden  
 Council candidate: Jean Post

<b>Motion E.1: Open item for discussion only</b>			<b>Action: Open</b>
<b>Moved by: Mayor Wallace</b>	<b>Seconded by: Councilor Butterworth</b>		

Questions:

1. **Councilor Banks:** Tell us about your motivation and reasons for seeking this appointment.
2. **Councilor Butterworth's Question:** This appointment will fill the vacant seat until November 2020. Please tell us what you bring to the table, so to speak, to help make us a better Town Council during your tenure.
3. **Mayor ProTem Johnson:** What do you think is the single greatest challenge facing our community today?
4. **Mayor Wallace:** Are there one or two things that you think the Town of Huachuca city government is doing well?
5. **Councilor Hirshberg:** Is there any specific one thing that you would hope to accomplish if you are appointed?
6. **Councilor Trate:** Assuming you are selected for this vacancy, and you choose not to run in the next election and you leave office, how might you use the experience of having been on the Council for those 12 months to help the Town and our citizens in other ways?

Jean Post:

1. I'm on the planning and zoning board and I enjoy it. I'm actively retired and would like to help the community in any way that I can.
2. I don't really know how to answer that because I don't know what the job entails. I have been in community management for the last 10 years of my career. I've learned so much at planning and zoning and figured why no.
3. I think you all have done a lot. We have to get our finances on track. I live in lower and we have a lot of drug problems down there but I don't know how to fix it.
4. I think when you brought in the manager and when you started getting finances in order. I would really like to see this city grow.
5. I can just tell you I will do the best I can. I'm pretty well versed in accounting and the computer and I'm just going to try to help.
6. I think I've helped a lot being on the Planning on Zoning. People come to me with questions and I help point them in the right direction. I think people in lower feel like they are not heard as much as they should be. I just try to be as honest and positive as I can.

Barbara Bowden:

1. I really like people and have been involved with a lot of community events, and I want to help motivate the community to improve itself.
2. I would like to see more community activity and involvement. I would like to see once a year or more a community beautification. I would like to see the Town grow bigger.
3. Finding a good town manager. Keeping things growing. Get people more interesting in the community.
4. I was impressed the last few years is how it the Town was in the red and now is in the black. I would like to see restaurants I would like to bring people from outside of the community to the Town.
5. I would like to see more people invested in the community.
6. I would be there to help, any questions, any advice, show how people what a nice place it is to live.

Diane Hildebrandt:

1. I felt that the Town needed someone to fill in the place and a friend suggested I consider it. I want to be a part of this community and want it to go in the right direction.
2. I bring experience in variety of industries. I am not afraid to make suggestions and bring different ideas to the table. I will say I am not interested in running for reelection next year.
3. The poverty in the area is the greatest challenge. We need better communication so the residents know of things to help.
4. I think it is moving in a better direction than it has in the past.
5. I hope to accomplish a lot with the council not just one thing.
6. I would continue to work with the groups that I already work with, I work with friends of the library and I volunteer at the senior center.

#### E. Adjournment

<b>Motion: to Adjourn</b>		<b>Action: Approved</b>
<b>Moved by: Mayor Wallace</b>	<b>Seconded by: Councilor Hirschberg</b>	

**Meeting Adjourned: 6:51 pm**

Approved by Mayor Johann R. Wallace on December 12, 2019.

  
Mr. Johann R. Wallace  
Mayor

Attest:   
Ms. Janine Rustine,  
Town Clerk



**Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Meeting for the Huachuca City Town Council held on November 14, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

  
Ms. Janine Rustine,  
Town Clerk

