



TOWN OF HUACHUCA CITY

The Sunset City

MEETING MINUTES OF THE HUACHUCA CITY TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION

May 12, 2021 AT 6:00 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

500 N. GONZALES BLVD.

HUACHUCA CITY, AZ 85616

SPECIAL NOTICE: BY NEW PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR, DUE TO SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IN THE BATTLE AGAINST THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL RESUME IN-PERSON PUBLIC MEETINGS, BUT WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER A REMOTE ACCESS FORMAT. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY COME TO TOWN HALL TO ATTEND THESE MEETINGS OR THEY MAY ATTEND BY GOING TO [OR CALLING TO]: <https://www.facebook.com/HuachucaCityAZ> or 520-844-2096. IN ADDITION, THE MAYOR HAS RESUMED IN-PERSON CALLS TO THE PUBLIC AT THESE MEETINGS. HOWEVER, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY STILL CHOOSE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS TO THE TOWN CLERK TWENTY-FOUR HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THESE MEETINGS.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF ALL MEETINGS CAN BE FOUND AT THE TOWN'S USUAL AGENDA POSTING LOCATIONS, INCLUDING THE TOWN'S WEBSITE <https://huachucacityaz.gov/>

AGENDA

A. Call to Order – Mayor 6pm

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

Roll Call.

Present: Johann Wallace, Keith Settlemeyer, Cynthia Butterworth, Christy Hirshberg, Debbie Trate, Jean Smelt, Suzanne Harvey (Not voting), Brandye Thorpe (Not voting), Thomas Benavidez, Attorney (Not voting).

Any prayer/invocation that may be offered before the start of regular Council business shall be the voluntary offering of a private citizen, for the benefit of the Council and the citizens present. The views or beliefs expressed by the prayer/invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the Council, and the Council does not endorse the religious beliefs or views of this, or any other speaker. A list of volunteers is maintained by the Town Clerk's Office and interested persons should contact the Town Clerk's Office for further information.

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.

C. New Business Before 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.

Discussion and Action [Manager Harvey] – Rescinding the Town's nepotism policy, adopted by resolution 2014-01, due to a shortage of applicants for the Town's temporary/seasonal lifeguard positions. The current policy prohibits the Town from hiring any relatives of current employees. State law allows relatives of current employees to be hired, so long as the current employees have no involvement in any aspect of the hiring process.

Motion: , **Action:** Open for Discussion and/or Action, **Moved by** Johann Wallace, **Seconded by** Christy Hirshberg.

Mayor Wallace advises the nepotism policy was adopted in 2014 and is more restrictive than State policy. This came about because some of the lifeguard applicants have relatives working for the town.

Manager Harvey advises that there are not a lot of applicants for lifeguard. If this is rescinded, we will have enough applicants to be able to open the pool.

Motion: The Town's nepotism policy adopted by resolution 2014-01 and to move forward with adopting the State's nepotism policy as defined in ARS, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Johann Wallace, **Seconded by** Christy Hirshberg.

Motion passed unanimously.

D. Adjournment

Motion: 6:05 pm, Action: Adjourn, Moved by Johann Wallace, Seconded by Cristy Hirshberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved by Mayor Johann R. Wallace on May 20, 2021.

Mr. Johann R. Wallace
Mayor

Attest: _____
Ms. Brandye Thorpe,
Town Clerk

Seal:

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 May 12, 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Ms. Brandye Thorpe,
Town Clerk