

**TOWN OF PAYSON  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
September 6, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 303 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona.

**INVOCATION**

Ken Curl, Payson Christian Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.

**ABSENT:** Council Member, Andy Romance, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, and Council Member Susan Connell.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Fred Carpenter, Town Manager, Sam Streichman, Town Attorney, Colin Walker, Public Works Director, Jerry Owen, Community Development Director, Rick Manchester, Parks & Recreation Director, Debra Galbraith, Chief Fiscal Officer, Don Engler, Police Chief, Martin deMasi, Fire Chief, Robert Smith, Human Resources Director, and LaRon Garrett, Town Engineer.

Council Member Fruth arrived at 6:05 p.m.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tracie Bailey, Deputy Town Clerk; Tim Wright, Deputy Town Attorney; Cathy Boone, Interim Main Street/Redevelopment Area Manager and Police Officers Jared Merideth, Bryan Watson, Mike Barker, Michael Hansen, Matt Zimmerman, and Jesse Daves .

**A. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

James Schalga felt the slurry seal was not adequate. Mr. Schalga questioned the quality of the company hired to do it.

**B. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Items listed on the agenda with an asterisk are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion.**

**Motion:** to approve all Items listed on the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Council Member, John Wilson, seconded by Council Member, Mike Vogel.

**Vote:** Motion carried 4 - 0

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Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, and Council Member Susan Connell.

**C. CURRENT EVENTS PRESENTATION BY THE TOWN MANAGER, MAYOR, AND/OR COUNCIL MEMBER**

2. **Resignation of the Town Manager.** Mayor Edwards opened Discussion/possible action concerning the resignation of the Town Manager.

**Motion:** to Approve the resignation of the Town Manager with gratitude for service.

Moved by Council Member, Ed Blair, seconded by Council Member, John Wilson.

**Vote:** Motion carried 4 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, and Council Member Susan Connell.

1. Fred Carpenter, Town Manager, announced that the Mud Springs Road project between Wade Lane and Granite Dells Road was on schedule for completion in early October. Final plans were in for the Frontier St./Phillips/Bonita project. Plans are to begin construction in November following the opening of the new section of Mud Springs Road.  
Slurry seal projects for 2007 would be completed by next week.

Dan Haapala will be on vacation for the next edition of TOP Talk so Mr. Carpenter will be the moderator of the program. The program will feature a review of the new airport lease with LaRon Garrett, Town Engineer, and a review of new design review procedures from Jerry Owen, Community Development Director. The program airs live at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday September 13, 2007 and can be accessed from the Internet.

MR. Carpenter stated he intends to sign the agreement the Council just passed and that this has been one of the greatest experiences he has had being able to live and work in Payson for the past 5 plus years.

Mr. Carpenter urged the Council to stay the course on Blue Ridge and upgrade the event center and make a hotel/conference center a reality. Mr. Carpenter asked citizens to support the Town council and get involved in their community.

3. **Interim Town Manager.** Mayor Edwards opened discussion/possible action concerning the appointment of an interim Town Manager.

**Motion:** to Approve to appoint Debra Galbraith, Chief Fiscal Officer, as interim Town Manager.

Moved by Council Member, Ed Blair, seconded by Council Member, Mike Vogel.

**Vote:** Motion carried 4 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, and Council Member Susan Connell.

4. **Introduction** of new Town of Payson Police Department employees.

Don Engler, Police Chief, introduced officers Jared Merideth, Bryan Watson, Mike Barker, Michael Hansen, Matt Zimmerman, and Jesse Daves and gave a brief background for each officer.

Mayor Edwards stated that the Council would like to postpone the Senior Center Item.

5. **Proclamation.** Council Member Blair read into the record a proclamation declaring September 17-23, 2007, as Constitution Week. Susan North of the Daughters of the American Revolution was present to accept the proclamation.
6. **Proclamation** thanking the Town of Payson Staff for their efforts regarding the celebration of the 123rd Annual World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo.
7. **Proclamation** thanking the Rim Country Regional Chamber of Commerce Staff, Board of Directors and Volunteers for their efforts regarding the celebration of the 123rd Annual World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo.
8. **Proclamation** thanking the Payson Pro Rodeo Committee for their efforts regarding the celebration of the 123rd Annual World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo.

Mayor Edwards thanked the Town of Payson Staff, the Rim Country Regional Chamber of Commerce Staff, Board of Directors and volunteers and the Payson Professional Rodeo Committee for their efforts regarding the celebration of the 123rd Annual World's Oldest Continuous Rodeo.

9. **Presentation** of the Task Force on Recycling Services by Christine B. Wailand Harrison, Ph.D., Task Force Leader.

Vice-Mayor Fruth arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Ms. Wailand Harrison gave a PowerPoint presentation on recycling services and introduced task force members.

Sharon Winters, Solid Waste Manager for the County, addressed the Council and explained the program and answered questions.

**Motion:** to Approve to direct staff and the task force to work together with the County to come back with a proposal to continue to work with the County. Moved by Mayor Bob Edwards, seconded by Council Member, John Wilson.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth,

Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.  
Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, and Council Member Susan Connell.

**D. CEREMONIAL; ANNOUNCEMENTS; PRESENTATIONS; INTRODUCTIONS**

1. Comments, Commendations, and Presentations by Mayor, Council Members, and/or Town Staff.

**E. MINUTES**

1. \* Council Meeting Minutes:  
03-08-07 Special Meeting Pages 1-2  
07-25-07 Special Meeting Page 1 (NO QUORUM)  
08-16-07 Regular Meeting Pages 1-10  
**\*CONSENT\* APPROVAL**

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES** (Note: Minutes of various boards/commissions/committees are for Council information only and may or may not have been approved by the respective board/commission.

2. \* Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes:  
07-09-07 Regular Meeting Pages 1-7  
**\*CONSENT\***
3. \* Design Review Board Minutes:  
07-24-07 Regular Meeting Pages 004-005  
**\*CONSENT\***
4. \* Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes:  
06-20-07 Regular Meeting Pages 1-2  
**\*CONSENT\***
5. \* Building Advisory Board Minutes:  
07-24-07 Regular Meeting Page 420  
**\*CONSENT\***
6. \* Surface Transportation Advisory Committee Minutes:  
04-04-07 Regular Meeting Pages 123-126  
06-06-07 Regular Meeting Pages 132-135  
**\*CONSENT\***

**F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

1. **Public Hearing.** Mayor Edwards opened the Public Hearing concerning an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by Conrad M. Okerwall, agent, St. Paul's Episcopal Church Women, for an Oktoberfest Church Event on Saturday, October 13, 2007, from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at 1000 Easy Street, Payson, Arizona.

There were no public comments. Mayor Edwards closed the Public Hearing.

**Motion:** to Approve an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by Conrad M. Okerwall, agent, St. Paul's Episcopal Church Women, for an Oktoberfest Church Event on Saturday, October 13, 2007, from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at 1000 Easy Street, Payson, Arizona.

Moved by Council Member, Mike Vogel, seconded by Council Member, John Wilson.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, and Council Member Susan Connell.

## G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1. \* As Council, staff, and the audience have the titles to all resolutions and ordinances, authorization to forego verbal title readings.

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

2. **\*Resolution No. 2320.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2320, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING FEE TITLE IN AND TO CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, ALL DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "1" ATTACHED HERETO COMPRISING RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION FOR THE ST. PHILIPS ST. AND BONITA ST. ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

3. **\* Resolution No. 2321.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, Resolution No. 2321, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, ALL DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "1" ATTACHED HERETO FOR THE ST. PHILIPS AND BONITA STREET ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

4. **Resolution No. 2322.** Mayor Edwards opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2322, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A REAL PROPERTY PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH PAYSON OVERLOOK PROJECT, LLC.

**Motion:** to Approve to postpone to the September 20, 2007 Council meeting Resolution No. 2322, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A REAL PROPERTY PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH PAYSON OVERLOOK PROJECT, LLC.

Moved by Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, seconded by Mayor Bob Edwards.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.  
Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, and Council Member Susan Connell.

5. **Resolution No. 2323.** Mayor Edwards opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2323, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH THE PAYSON MULTIPURPOSE SENIOR CENTER FOR DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC PURPOSE FUNDS.

Debora Barber, Treasurer of the Senior Center Board, spoke in opposition of reducing of funding from the Town. Ms. Barber agreed to wait for the Council to vote until the rest of the Council was here. Ms. Barber felt they should be removed from the list of non-profits that will have funding from the Town reduced. The Senior Center is currently serving 117 hot meals daily and would like to expand services.

Resolution No. 2323 was postponed to the September 20, 2007 meeting.

#### H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Council Decision Request** filed by LaRon Garrett, Town Engineer, to approve the Town of Payson Traffic Calming Manual and direct staff to implement the provisions of this Manual.

**Motion:** to Approve the Town of Payson Traffic Calming Manual and direct staff to implement the provisions of this Manual.

Moved by Council Member, John Wilson, seconded by Council Member, Mike Vogel.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.  
Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, and Council Member Susan Connell.

2. **Council Decision Request.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a Council Decision Request filed by Jerry Owen, Community Development Director, to approve the West Main Street Streetscape Project with A. Dye Design Inc. in the amount of \$54,211.61 and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary contract documents.

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

#### I. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Council Decision Request** filed by Jerry Owen, Community Development Director, to approve the Preliminary Plat for the Forest Dells subdivision at 401 S. Rim Club Parkway subject to the conditions recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Ralph Bossert, Tetra Tech, answered questions from the Council.

**Motion:** to Approve the Preliminary Plat for the Forest Dells subdivision at 401 S. Rim Club Parkway subject to the conditions recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Moved by Council Member, Mike Vogel, seconded by Council Member, John Wilson.

**Vote:** Motion carried 5 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member, Mike Vogel, Vice Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member, Ed Blair, and Council Member, John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member, Andy Romance, and Council Member Susan Connell.

2. \* **Council Decision Request.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a Council Decision Request filed by Martin deMasi, Fire Chief, that the Mayor be authorized to sign all necessary documents associated with Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Delegation Agreement #06-014.

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

**J. CLAIMS**

There were no items for this section.

**K. MISCELLANEOUS**

There were no items for this section.

**L. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Edwards adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:56 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Bob Edwards, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Payson held on this day the 6 of September, 2007. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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Tracie Bailey, Deputy Town Clerk