

**TOWN OF PAYSON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
November 19, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Evans called the regular meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. in the Town hall Council chambers, 303 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona.

INVOCATION: Pastor Gordon hauptman, Crossroads Church, led the meeting in an invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice-Mayor Mike Vogel, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Michael Hughes, and Council Member John Wilson.

STAFF PRESENT: Debra Galbraith - Town Manager, Sam Streichman - Town Attorney, Don Engler - Police Chief, Marti deMasi - Fire Chief, Colin P. Walker - Assistant Public Works Director, LaRon Garrett - Pulic Works Director, Cindy Smith - Chief Fiscal Officer, and Cameron Davis - Parks, Recreation & Tourism Director.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim Wright-Deputy Town Attorney and Gaye Stidham - Deputy Town Clerk

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS (SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM SUBMITTED)

Shirley Colin stated her concerns about Alternative Expenditure Limitation (Home Rule) She said the Arizona citizen initiative of the 1980's would set our limit of Town of Payson municipal expenditures for 2010 at \$14.2 million and questioned excusing that limitation over the last three decades. Ms. Colin said that she was told this was not an override but she worried about the catch phrases like "Home Rule" and asked the Council to set realistic limits on spending. She said that 2009 to 2010 would likely be a \$26 to \$27 million lesson on what is a crisis. She posed the question, if we can't stop the insanity at the local level, how can we stop it at the county, state and federal level? Ms. Colin believed we are awash in government. She argued that we must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt. Ms. Colin said she and her family will vote "no" on Home Rule. We must learn to say "no, we can't afford it".

Mayor Evans asked if Ms. Colins was asking for an answer tonight? Ms. Colin said she was asking the Council to consider her thoughts. Vice-Mayor Vogel asked Ms. Colin if they had a good rapport between them. Ms. Colins said, "yes", they did. Vice-Mayor Vogel said he would meet her for coffee tomorrow and talk with her about Home Rule. Mayor Evans reminded those present that the item could not be debated or any action taken at the meeting since it was not on the

agenda.

Council Member Wilson said that the question of Home Rule is extremely important. He and Council Member Connell are working together to let people know exactly what Home Rule means and what are the current budget limits. Council Member Wilson said they will go to any group or any place necessary to explain so there is no misunderstanding and the voters can make informed decisions.

Robin Velasquez, Child Development Specialist with Southwest Human Development, presented the Birth-to-Five Fussy Baby Program. A brochure, business card and information page were distributed to each Council Member. She noted a helpline for those who have issues with children in this age group. These services are offered in the Gila County area although home visits are not as available here as in Maricopa County. She explained that funding is through "First Things First" (tobacco tax). Ms. Velasquez is available to contact with questions or ideas about how to better serve the Payson area.

- B. CONSENT AGENDA Items listed on the agenda with an asterisk which are considered to be routine in nature and which will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items shall be held unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered in its normal sequence on the main agenda.**

Motion: to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Vice- Mayor Mike Vogel.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice- Mayor Mike Vogel, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Michael Hughes, and Council Member John Wilson.

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

Cameron Davis, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director, announced events for Magic on the Mountain. The Electric Light Parade will be December 5th at 6:00 p.m. A tree lighting will be afterwards to light the new Christmas tree at Green Valley Park. The Swiss Village lighting festival will be November 27th with Santa arriving on the 28th. Mr. Davis said to be sure to check the tourism website for all the details on holiday events in Payson. Tamales for Toys will be sponsored by the Police Department and Fire Department on December 5th at Gerardo's Restaurant from 10:00 am to 2:00 p.m.

Chief Engler read a letter from Matt Peskin with the National Association of Town Watch. The Town of Payson will be receiving an award as a winner for its outstanding participation in the National Night Out Program. Chief Engler expressed his appreciation for their partners in this program including the Fire

Department, State and County public safety personnel and the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

D. CEREMONIAL; ANNOUNCEMENTS; PRESENTATIONS; INTRODUCTIONS

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

Council Member Wilson reported that the Payson Area Food Drive was getting a lot of publicity from the radio. He is getting donations almost every day with nearly \$3,000 donated at this time.

Council Member Connell wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Blair had been asked why town employees were working on the round about. He explained that the workers were volunteers and some workers employed by the Gateway Project. He added that the Auditor General had reported that the projected State imposed expenditure limitation, if Home Rule was not approved by the voters, was now estimated at \$19,500 million.

Mayor Evans presented a birthday card to Council Member Blair and all wished him a happy 70th birthday.

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk, announced it has been five years since our video streaming and contract with Granicus had begun. Mayor Evans said there were concerns that the internet and Channel 4 volumes were quite soft. Ms. Smith agreed to check with staff concerning that report. Council Member Wilson applauded the live video streaming that allowed him to attend meetings from California and Vice-Mayor Vogel to attend from Australia.

2. Presentation concerning C.C. Cragin project update.

Buzz Walker, Assistant Public Works Director and Water Superintendent, presented a brief video showing the progress and future of the C.C. Cragin pipeline.

Mr. Walker recapped the presentation saying that this is about a \$20 million project. \$4.5 million will be from the Town and \$16 million will be paid by Salt River Project. There are several phases from contract to delivery. The first phase, the agreement with Salt River Project, is complete. The second phase is the rehabilitation of the facilities which is about 70% complete. Next will be the special use permit from the US Forest Service to build the pipeline to Payson. He felt that portion was about 50% complete. With the approval of contracts at this meeting, we will begin the design of the raw water and finished water pipelines which are the fifth and sixth phases. He estimated the completion time to be in 2015.

E. MINUTES

1. Council Meeting Minutes:
10-22-09 Special Council Meeting Pages 1 -2
10-22-09 Regular Council Meeting Pages 1 -8
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

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. * Design Review Board Minutes:
10-13-09 Regular Meeting Pages 122 -123
CONSENT
3. * Green Valley Redevelopment Area Commission Minutes:
10-02-09 Regular Meeting Pages 655 -656
CONSENT
4. * Surface Transportation Advisory Board
10-07-09 Regular Meeting Pages 200 -202
CONSENT

F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS There are no items in this section.

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. * Discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2531, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING A PUBLIC INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT FOR THE HEMLOCK CIRCLE WELL, AS DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT '1' ATTACHED HERETO.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**
3. * Discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2529, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA ACCEPTING A PUBLIC INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT FOR THE FIRE STATION NO. 13, AS DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT '1' ATTACHED HERETO.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS There are no items in this section.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Council Decision Request filed by LaRon G. Garrett, Public Works Director, to select Automation Electric as the design engineer for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system for the C.C. Cragin Water Pipeline project and authorize Town Staff to negotiate a Scope of Services and Professional Fee for this project.

Public Works Director LaRon Garrett explained this is the next step in going forward with the C.C.Cragin project. Staff received five responses to their Request for Qualifications for engineering for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System and Automation Electric, a local firm, was chosen for the project.

Motion: to Approve a Council Decision Request filed by LaRon G. Garrett, Public Works Director, to select Automation Electric as the design engineer for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system for the C.C. Cragin Water Pipeline project and authorize Town Staff to negotiate a Scope of Services and Professional Fee for this project.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Vice- Mayor Mike Vogel.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice- Mayor Mike Vogel, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Michael Hughes, and Council Member John Wilson.

2. Council Decision Request filed by LaRon G. Garrett, Public Works Director, to select Tetra Tech, Inc. as the design engineer for the Preliminary Engineering of the C.C. Cragin Treated Water Pipeline and authorize Town Staff to negotiate a Scope of Services and Professional Fee for this project.

Mr. Garrett reported twelve responses were received for a Request for Qualifications for desing engineer for the Preliminary Engineering of the C.C.Cragin Treated Water Pipeline. A local firm, Tetra Tech, Inc., was recommended for the contract.

Motion: to Approve a Council Decision Request filed by LaRon G. Garrett, Public Works Director, to select Tetra Tech, Inc. as the design engineer for the Preliminary Engineering of the C.C. Cragin Treated Water Pipeline and authorize Town Staff to negotiate a Scope of Services and Professional Fee for this project.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Richard Croy.

3. Council Decision Request filed by Debra A. Galbraith, Town Manager, to approve the Smokeless Propellant Administrative Policy.

Town Manager Debra Galbraith explained there was a separate page distributed to Council since the original policy was published on the website. Computer problems left some sentences out. She explained the reason for the Council Decision Request and administrative policy was to create a consistent interpretation of Town policy and procedures. The Administrative Policy evolved from an interest from a business wishing to locate to Payson. This effort is to pull together policies from the Fire Code, Building Code, Department of Transportation, etc. to have a policy in place should such a business come to Payson. Ms. Galbraith explained this was generic and should not be tailored toward any one business. She corrected the policy to read "100 pounds or less daily for control areas" and transportation will include "follow D.O.T. standards". Ms. Galbraith noted that this policy states that it does not abandon the fire codes or building codes.

Motion: to Approve a Council Decision Request filed by Debra A. Galbraith, Town Manager, to approve the Smokeless Propellant Administrative Policy including the corrections made by the Town Manager - "100 pounds or less daily for control areas" and follow Department of Transportation standards".
Moved by Vice- Mayor Mike Vogel, seconded by Council Member Su Connell.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice- Mayor Mike Vogel, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Michael Hughes, and Council Member John Wilson.

- J. **CLAIMS** There are no items in this section.
- K. **MISCELLANEOUS** There were no items in this section.
- L. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Evans adjourned the regular meeting at approximately 6:21 p.m.

APPROVED:

_____ Date: _____

Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 19 of November, 2009. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2009.

Gaye Stidham, Deputy Town Clerk



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November 12, 2009

Kimberli Becker
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Dear Kimberli:

On behalf of the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), I am pleased to inform you that **"Payson"** has been selected as a **National Award Winner** for its outstanding participation in the "26th Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime, drug and violence prevention program.

Within the next month, you will be receiving a special award recognizing your area's achievements in the NNO 2009 campaign.

This year's event involved 36.7 million people in 14,625 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide. We extend our congratulations for being selected among the nation's best!

All of the NNO 2009 Award Winners will be posted on our website. A full recap of National Night Out 2009 will be featured in the "New Spirit" newsletter, which you will receive in December.

Again, we salute you and your community for a job well done!

Sincerely,

Matt A. Peskin
National Project Coordinator

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