

**TOWN OF PAYSON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
January 17, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Reverend Father Lowell Andrews, Catholic Church of the Holy Nativity.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

STAFF PRESENT: Debra Galbraith - Town Manager, Tim Wright - Town Attorney, Don Engler - Police Chief, and Silvia Smith - Town Clerk.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracie Bailey - Deputy Town Clerk, Lieutenant Sherwood Eldridge and Kaprice Bachtell - Recreation Coordinator.

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

There were no public comments.

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 Su Connell.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

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

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

1. Brief presentation of current events by the Town Manager, Mayor, and/or Council Members. The Arizona Open Meeting Law specifies that the Town Council may not discuss or take action on any matter mentioned during this presentation or on the attached materials unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

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2. Documents, materials and information for Council review. (The Council will not discuss or take action on the attached; they are provided for information only)

There were no documents for Council review.

Don Engler, Police Chief, introduced Sherwood Eldridge the new Police Lieutenant and gave a brief background on Mr. Eldridge who had forty years of law enforcement experience. Chief Engler also introduced Mr. Eldridge's wife Debbie who was an instructor at Gila Community College. Mr. Eldridge thanked the Council and said it was a pleasure to be here and he looked forward to helping the Chief.

Council Member Wilson announced the food drive had reached it's money goal, but was way behind on the goal of food. Mayor Evans complimented the committee on their job with the food drive and felt this community had a great heart.

D. CEREMONIAL; ANNOUNCEMENTS; PRESENTATIONS; INTRODUCTIONS

1. Comments, Commendations, and Presentations by Mayor, Council Members, and/or Town Staff.
2. **Proclamation.** Mayor Evans read into the record a proclamation declaring January 30th, 31st and February 1st, 2013 as Hashknife Pony Express Days. Members of the Hashknife Pony Express were present to accept the proclamation.

Mark Reynolds, Captain of the Pony Express, thanked the Council and the Town of Payson for all of their support. Steve Reynolds thanked the Council and said Payson was in the Library of Congress with them. This was a world wide event and all mail was hand stamped.

Council Member Blair asked when the Pony Express would be at the Post Office. Steve Reynolds replied 4:45 p.m. and then the dinner was at Tiny's Restaurant.

Council Member Carpenter noted some years ago a gentleman from British Columbia had wanted to start a Pony Express and asked if that had ever happened. Steve Reynolds replied yes it did happen and the Pony Express kicked off a big rodeo there and they have carried it on.

E. MINUTES

1. * Council Meeting Minutes:

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***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.

There were no items in this section.

F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

There were no items in this section.

G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

There were no items in this section.

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items in this section.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. * **Council Decision Request.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a Council Decision Request filed by LaRon Garrett, Assistant Town Manager, to approve a one-year extension (ending January 21, 2014) to the Town of Payson Engineering and Construction Management contract for the Payson Airport with Armstrong Consultants, Inc. and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary documents.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

J. CLAIMS

1. * **List of checks.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a list of checks paid from December 21, 2012 through January 3, 2013, Check Nos. 020649 through 020744, except check number 020696 and authorization to file the checks for audit.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**
2. * **Check No. 020696.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, Check No. 020696 and authorization to file the check for audit. (Note: due to a perceived and/or conflict of interest, Mayor Kenny Evans was considered to have abstained from voting on this item).
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

K. MISCELLANEOUS

1. * Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, the acceptance, with regrets, of **the resignation of Garrett Goldman from the Design Review Board**, with thanks for a job well done.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:41 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 17 of January, 2013. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2013.

Tracie Bailey, Deputy Town Clerk