

**TOWN OF PAYSON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
July 2, 2015**

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

Pastor Gordon Hauptman, Crossroads Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

STAFF PRESENT: Hector Figueroa - Town Attorney, Don Engler - Deputy Town Manager/Police Chief, Silvia Smith - Town Clerk, Cameron Davis - Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director, Emily Linkey - Library Director, and David Staub - Fire Chief.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracie Bailey - Chief Deputy Town Clerk, Bobby Davis - Economic Development and Colin Walker - Water Superintendent.

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

1. 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 Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, 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.

David Staub, Fire Chief, announced the Tonto National Forest had lifted the fire restrictions so the Town lifted restrictions also.

Cameron Davis, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director, presented information about the 4th of July Celebration on Saturday. Fireworks would kickoff at 9:00 p.m. Mr. Davis asked everyone to sign up for the alert system, Nixle, so they could get information quickly and asked the local population to use the shuttle buss from the high school parking lot. Mr. Davis was working on a new event with Camp Tontozona. It was to hold a pep rally for Arizona State University (ASU) at Green Valley Park on August 14, 2015.

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.

D. CEREMONIAL; ANNOUNCEMENTS; PRESENTATIONS; INTRODUCTIONS

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

Council Member Connell announced there was a winner for the sign competition for the university sign in Payson. The winning entry pictured woods and part of the Rim. Council Member Connell felt all of the participants had done a wonderful job.

Council Member Carpenter announced food bank donations were coming in slowly. There were good donations from the Town Hall box and the Library box. Council Member Wilson noted the bank balance was \$250 for the food bank. A food drive would be started around the first of November. There were a couple of chefs who were interested in showing people how to cook meals from a food box.

2. **Proclamation.** Council Member Croy read into the record a proclamation declaring July 25, 2015, as Payson Book Festival day. Connie Cockrell, Coordinator of the Payson Book Festival, was present to accept the proclamation.

Connie Cockrell thanked the Council and really appreciated the opportunity to put this on in Payson.

E. MINUTES

1. *Council Meeting Minutes:
June 04, 2015 Special Meeting Pages 1 - 4
June 04, 2015 Regular Meeting Pages 1 - 7
June 18, 2015 Special Meeting Pages 1 - 3
June 18, 2015 Regular 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. There were no items in this section.

F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

1. ***Application for a Special Event Liquor License.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, an Application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by LeLand Schwein, agent for BPO Elks Lodge No. 2154, for a fundraiser to be held at 1206 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona, Saturday, October 3, 2015, 12:00 Noon to 12:00 Midnight.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**
2. ***Application for a Special Event Liquor License.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by Joanne Conlin, agent for Payson Multipurpose Senior Center Development Association, Inc., for a fundraiser to be held at 514 West Main Street, Payson, Arizona, Saturday, August 1, 2015, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**
3. ***Application for a Special Event Liquor License.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by Raymond Still, agent for Payson Rodeo Committee, Inc., for a fundraiser to be held at 1400 South Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona, Thursday, August 20, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., Friday, August 21, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. and Saturday, August 22, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1. **Resolution No. 2862.** Mayor Evans opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2862 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF PAYSON, ARIZONA,

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ASR PROJECT PHASE 4 CONTRACT BETWEEN HYDROSYSTEMS, INC., AN ARIZONA CORPORATION ("CONSULTANT"), AND THE TOWN OF PAYSON, AN ARIZONA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION ("TOWN").

Colin Walker, Water Superintendent, explained this project would help put water back in the aquifers in Payson and this was for the oversight of the project. The oversight of this company, as the Town developed, would reduce capital and would be the model for future wells.

Motion: to Approve Resolution No. 2862 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ASR PROJECT PHASE 4 CONTRACT BETWEEN HYDROSYSTEMS, INC., AN ARIZONA CORPORATION ("CONSULTANT"), AND THE TOWN OF PAYSON, AN ARIZONA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION ("TOWN"). Moved by Council Member Fred Carpenter, seconded by Council Member John Wilson.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

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

2. **Resolution No. 2863.** Mayor Evans opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2863 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PAYSON AND FARRELL ENTERPRISES L.L.C. FOR LEASE OF SPACE ON THE TOWN'S WATER TOWER LOCATED AT 902 NORTH HILLCREST DRIVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING AN ANTENNA TO FACILITATE AREA COVERAGE OF KMOG AM/FM RADIO STATION.

Colin Walker, Water Superintendent, explained this came to the Council as a need of KMOG Radio to comply with new regulations from the FCC and was to separate am and fm signals. The Hillcrest sight has had communications facilities on it since 1980. All of the radio stations in Payson were central to the Town's Emergency Operations Plan. Mr. Walker noted after this installation the Water Department would like to consider this sight full and close it.

Motion: to Approve Resolution No. 2863 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PAYSON AND FARRELL ENTERPRISES L.L.C. FOR LEASE OF

SPACE ON THE TOWN'S WATER TOWER LOCATED AT 902 NORTH HILLCREST DRIVE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING AN ANTENNA TO FACILITATE AREA COVERAGE OF KMOG AM/FM RADIO STATION.

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 Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, and Council Member John Wilson.

3. **Ordinance No. 870.** First Public Hearing regarding Ordinance No. 870 captioned as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, AMENDING SECTIONS 154-02-005D(2) AND 154-02-006D OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE TO ALLOW REDUCED FRONT AND/OR STREET-SIDE SETBACK REQUIREMENTS IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS.

Mayor Evans opened the First Public Hearing. There were no public comments. Mayor Evans closed the Public Hearing. Council Member Carpenter asked what spurred this change on. Hector Figueroa, Town Attorney, explained this had gone to the Planning and Zoning Commission. There would be more construction going on with remodeling and expansion of current buildings and there was a request by Staff that some businesses would benefit from this and some businesses have utilized this for future plans. Council Member Carpenter noted this could not be done in a residential area. Mr. Figueroa replied that was correct.

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 Silvia Smith, Town Clerk, to reschedule the July 16, 2015, Regular Council Meeting to July 23, 2015.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**
2. **Council Decision Request** filed by Buzz Walker, Water Superintendent, to authorize the creation of an Environmental Projects Commission pursuant to the terms of a "Memorandum of Understanding for the Creation of a Trust Fund between the Town of Payson and the United States of America" and to appoint as Chairman - Buzz Walker, Town of Payson representative, Vice-Chairman - Joel Goode, Northern Gila County Sanitary District representative, LaRon Garrett - Town of Payson representative, Gary Isles -

Northern Gila County Sanitary District representative, Darrell Jenkins - at-large representative and David Daniels - Arizona Game and Fish representative.

Colin Walker, Water Superintendent, explained this pertained to a 1994 transaction between the Town of Payson and the City of Scottsdale. The Town's Central Arizona Project water allocation was transferred to Scottsdale in return for monies necessary to develop additional water supplies for the Town. A condition of the United States approval of this transaction was to set aside monies for future environmental projects in the Payson area. It will favor Green Valley Park which was dedicated in 1996. Per the terms of the agreement this commission had to be established. There was about \$325 thousand dollars that had to be spent.

Council Member Carpenter asked if this money has been in the bank since the beginning. Mr. Walker replied since 1994. Council Member Carpenter asked if it was new money. Mr. Walker replied no.

Motion: to authorize the creation of an Environmental Projects Commission pursuant to the terms of a "Memorandum of Understanding for the Creation of a Trust Fund between the Town of Payson and the United States of America" and to appoint as Chairman - Buzz Walker, Town of Payson representative, Vice-Chairman - Joel Goode, Northern Gila County Sanitary District representative, LaRon Garrett - Town of Payson representative, Gary Isles - Northern Gila County Sanitary District representative, Darrell Jenkins - at-large representative and David Daniels - Arizona Game and Fish representative.

Moved by Vice-Mayor Michael Hughes, seconded by Council Member John Wilson.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

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

3. **Council Decision Request** filed by David Staub, Fire Chief, to approve staff to pursue negotiations with Houston Mesa Fire District to develop a management agreement.

David Staub, Fire Chief, explained the Houston Mesa Fire Department had approached him about this agreement. Council Member Carpenter asked if this could lead to a longterm agreement. Mr. Staub replied that was a possibility.

Motion: to Approve staff to pursue negotiations with Houston Mesa Fire District to develop a management agreement.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Fred Carpenter.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

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

J. CLAIMS

1. ***List of checks.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a List of checks paid from June 12, 2015, through June 19, 2015, Check Nos. 030219 through 030349, and authorization to file the checks for audit.
***CONSENT* APPROVED**

K. MISCELLANEOUS

There were no items in this section.

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no items in this section.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:57 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 2 of July, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Tracie Bailey, Chief Deputy Town Clerk