

**TOWN OF PAYSON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
November 19, 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 Carl Peterson, Payson United Methodist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ABSENT: Council Member Fred Carpenter.

STAFF PRESENT: LaRon Garrett - Town Manager, Hector Figueroa - Town Attorney, Don Engler - Police Chief, Silvia Smith - Town Clerk, Emily Linkey - Library Director, Tanner Henry - Water Division Manager, and David Staub - Fire Chief.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracie Bailey - Chief Deputy Town Clerk and Bobby Davis - Economic Development Specialist.

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 6 - 0

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

Absent: Council Member Fred Carpenter.

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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.

Council Member Connell announced Robert Thompson, a Veterans Counselor, was going to be in Payson on Thursday, November 10, 2015. Council Member Connell encouraged all Veterans to call and talk with Robert Thompson.

LaRon Garrett, Town Manager, announced the Turkey Trot was November 21, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. at Green Valley Park. The Electric Light Parade was December 5, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. on Historic Main Street. Mr. Garrett encouraged everyone to come to these events.

David Staub, Fire Chief, announced the Fire Department has been working on electronic patient reporting and it was fully operational now. Mr. Staub noted the Rim Country Fire Angels would not be able to make tamales for the toy drive this year, but would be accepting new unwrapped toys at the Fire Department on Main Street, Town Hall, Community Development and Kohl's Ranch Lodge. There would be a Toy Drive Day on December 12, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Payson Elks Lodge.

Vice-Mayor Hughes presented Mayor Evans with a birthday card and wished him happy birthday.

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.
2. **Proclamation.** Council Member Connell read into the record a proclamation declaring December 2015 as Human Rights Awareness Month. Penny Navis-Schmidt and other members of Amnesty International were present to accept the proclamation.

Penny Navis-Schmidt was delighted to be a part of this and on behalf of the group she thanked the Mayor and Council. Ms. Navis-Schmidt felt it was amazing for this community to support human rights. Amnesty International's local mission was to raise awareness of human rights with a series of events throughout the year. Ms. Navis-Schmidt invited everyone to attend the signature event on December 5, 2015 at the library.

E. MINUTES

1. *Council Meeting Minutes: November 5, 2015, Regular Meeting, Pages 1 - 12
***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. *Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes: September 21, 2015, Regular Meeting, Pages 1 - 8
***CONSENT* INFORMATION ONLY**

F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

1. There were no items in this section.

G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1. **Resolution No. 2886.** Mayor Evans opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2886 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ("PAYSON") APPROVING THE GREEN VALLEY PARK IRRIGATION SYSTEM CONTROLS CONTRACT WITH AUTOMATION ELECTRIC, LLC ("CONSULTANT") UNDER THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION ("BOR") ESTABLISHED TRUST FUND.

Tanner Henry, Water Division Manager, explained in 1994 the Town entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States of America acting through the Bureau of Reclamation for the creation of a Trust Fund for use in projects that benefit the environment in riparian areas. Part of the agreement was to create an Environmental Projects Commission to recommend projects to be funded under the Trust Fund. This was a project that was recommended by the Town of Payson Environmental Projects Commission. It was to maximize the efficiency of the system.

Motion: to Approve Resolution No. 2886 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ("PAYSON") APPROVING THE GREEN VALLEY PARK IRRIGATION SYSTEM CONTROLS CONTRACT WITH AUTOMATION ELECTRIC, LLC

("CONSULTANT") UNDER THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
("BOR") ESTABLISHED TRUST FUND.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member
Chris Higgins.

Vote: Motion carried 6 - 0

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

Absent: Council Member Fred Carpenter.

2. * **Resolution No. 2887.** Council Approved, on the Consent Agenda,
Resolution No. 2887 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE
MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON,
ARIZONA, ACCEPTING THE SLOPE AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT
DESCRIBED IN THE DOCUMENT ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT
"1".

***CONSENT* APPROVED**

3. * **Resolution No. 2888.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda,
Resolution No. 2888 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE
MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON,
ARIZONA, TO APPROVE THE ABANDONMENT OF A NON-
VEHICULAR ACCESS EASEMENT ON LOT 1 OF THE MANZANITA
HILLS, PHASE 6 SUBDIVISION.

***CONSENT* APPROVED**

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. There were no items in this section.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. There were no items in this section.

J. CLAIMS

1. ***List of checks.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a list of
check paid from October 29, 2015 through November 6, 2015, Check Nos.
047400 through 047499, and authorization to file the checks for audit.

***CONSENT* APPROVED**

K. MISCELLANEOUS

1. There were no items in this section.

L. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:48 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, 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