

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON
COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STAR VALLEY**

**Tuesday, July 21, 2015 @ 6:00 pm
3675 East Highway 260, Star Valley, AZ
(Star Valley Town Hall)**

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- CALL TO ORDER
- PRAYER was offered by Pastor Dave Barber of Star Valley Baptist Church
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL:

Mayor McDaniel X , Vice-Mayor Binney Excused absence, Council Member Hartwell X , Council Member Henderson X , Council Member Coon X , Council Member McKinney X , Council Member O'Connor X .

- **GILA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORTS FOR MAY AND JUNE, 2015.**

Lt. Tim Scott of the Gila County Sheriff's Office gave the reports for May and June, 2015.

- **HELLSGATE FIRE DISTRICT REPORTS FOR MAY AND JUNE, 2015.**

Fire Chief Dave Bathke of Hellsgate Fire District gave the reports for May and June, 2015.

- **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be voted on with one motion. If discussion is desired regarding any Consent Agenda item, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

- A. Approval of the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held on July 7, 2015.**

- B. Approval of Claims Payable from July 1, 2015 through July 15, 2015 for the General Fund and for the Water Department.**

A motion to approve consent agenda items A and B was made by Council Member Coon, and was seconded by Council Member Hartwell.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mayor McDaniel X , Vice-Mayor Binney Excused absence, Council Member Hartwell X , Council Member Henderson X , Council Member Coon X , Council Member McKinney X , Council Member O'Connor X .

The motion was voted on and passed 6-0.

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- 1. Town Manager's Five Minute Report, and possible discussion.**

Town Manager Tim Grier provided an update on Vice-Mayor Binney's medical condition and stated he is improving, is doing fine, but it will be a slow recovery. Mr. Grier stated Vice-Mayor Binney is very interested in what is happening with the Town, which is a good sign.

Town Manager Grier stated Sprague Crossing is almost set to begin construction, and the final approval should be received within the next week or so, and Sunrise Engineering is in the process of preparing bid documents.

Town Manager Grier reported that CDBG # 2 – Quail Valley Well Site is progressing, but with a few change orders. With reference to CDBG # 3 – purchasing two wells, Mr. Grier stated the application is due to ADOH on August 1, 2015, and the water samples have been submitted for testing.

Town Manager Grier stated Karis (his former legal secretary), who is a veteran, has requested permission to place an additional flag pole at the park for a Marines flag. Karis has also contacted the other branches of the military in an effort to have a flag for each branch of the military placed in the park. It is anticipated this will be at no cost to the Town.

Town Manager Grier stated the Council's letter to Governor Ducey concerning WIFA would be delivered to Vice-Mayor for signature and then mailed. Mr. Grier stated he felt it was a good idea to send similar letters to the state legislators. Mr. Grier reported that he and the Mayor had another telephone conference with Sandra Sutton of WIFA, whose position has not changed and her recommendation again is you can "get a loan."

Town Manager Grier then suggested it is time to select a date for the Town's tenth anniversary party. The actual anniversary is November 1st, but he suggested a date in October be selected as the weather hopefully will be more favorable. It was suggested that October 10th would probably work. Mr. Grier stated he had a meeting with representatives from APS the date of this meeting and they were open to assisting with the party.

- 2. Discussion and possible action regarding the review of the bathroom plans for the B. Diane McDaniel Community Park.**

Finance Administrator Chancy Nutt presented to the Council the plans for the bathroom prepared by Shannon Long, of Long Drafting. The drinking fountain was included in the plans, with the hope that it can be added later. The plan is ADA compliant. Ms. Nutt stated that if the Council approved the plan, then finalization of the bid documents would proceed. Ms. Nutt stated changing tables for each side would be part of the bid package.

Town Manager Grier requested that the Council Members review the plans carefully, and suggested he would have the plans delivered to Vice-Mayor Binney for his review also. Mr. Grier emphasized that he wanted a set of plans, approved by the Council, to put in the bid package. Mr. Grier stated the plan drawing was \$800.00. Mr. Grier also acknowledged that the price of the bathrooms will be a controlling factor, but this will not be known until the bids are solicited. Since there was no objection to the plans, it was determined to move forward with the plans and solicit bids.

- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding canceling the August 18, 2015 regular council meeting.**

Town Manager Grier stated Council Members Coon, Hartwell, Henderson and McKinney, and also himself, would be attending the 2015 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference in

Tucson on Tuesday, August 18 through Friday, August 21, 2015. This would mean there would not be a quorum of the Council available for the regular meeting scheduled for August 18th.

A motion that the Regular Council Meeting of August 18, 2015 be cancelled, and that the next regular council meeting will be held on September 1, 2015 was made by Council Member Hartwell, and was seconded by Council Member Henderson.

The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 0.

- **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

During this portion of the meeting, members of the public may address the Town Council on items that are not on the printed agenda. Any remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a whole and not to any individual member. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes per person unless additional time is granted by the Mayor. The Council may not discuss or act upon matters raised during public comments.

Bobby Davis, Economic Development Specialist for the Town of Payson, and resides at 90 Hillside Drive, Star Valley, gave an update on what is happening in the Rim country. Mr. Davis stated Tractor Supply is scheduled to open on August 28th. Mr. Davis discussed several restaurants that will be coming to Payson, including Jimmy John's and a third Starbuck's. Mr. Davis attributed these new businesses due to the anticipated college being established in Payson.

Mr. Davis stated there is a new music store in Payson, which will also supply the music instruments for the Payson High School Band; there is a new cross-fit gym and also another gym at the Airport; APS is doing a private/public partnership to help fund the economic development strategic plan for the next 4 to 5 years. Mr. Davis stated Star Valley's biggest issue is that it has no infrastructure. One of the first questions an interested business asks is what is the infrastructure, and then the availability of health and how are the schools.

Mr. Davis asked the Council to consider sending several members to the Fall Forum of the Arizona Association of Economic Development on September 16, 17 and 18 in Tucson. The focus will be on rural communities.

Council Member O'Connor asked if ATAC is done. Mr. Davis responded that they "will still have a presence at the airport." Payson is currently competing with several states for this company, all of which have millions of dollars to invest in bringing this business to their state.

Council Member McKinney asked what the status of "Fossil Springs" is. Mr. Davis responded the Chamber is meeting with representatives of Fossil Springs in an attempt to create a "Friends of Fossil Creek" to preserve the area. Mr. Davis pointed out, however, the dangers of the area and the injuries consistently incurred by hikers is a major impediment.

Mr. Davis stated the Chamber of Commerce is growing and he encouraged the Town's membership in the Chamber.

Becky O'Connor, wife of Council Member Bob O'Connor, indicated she is in support of the bathrooms at the park.

There were no further comments, and the Mayor closed this portion of the meeting.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Henderson, and was seconded by Council Member Hartwell.

The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 0.

APPROVED:

Ronnie O. McDaniel, Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Lois V. Johnson, 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 Star Valley held on the 21st day of July, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2015.

Lois V. Johnson, Town Clerk