

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

**April 6, 2021 at 4:00 pm  
3675 East Highway 260, Star Valley, AZ  
(Star Valley Town Hall)**

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- PRAYER was offered by Vice Mayor McKinney.
- CALL TO ORDER
- ROLL CALL:  
Vice Mayor McKinney X, Council Member Davis X, Council Member Armington X,  
Council Member Binney Excused, Council Member Rappaport X, Council Member  
McDaniel X, Mayor Coon X. **Council Members appeared in-person, telephonic and by  
ZOOM.**

- **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 and Executive Session held on February 16, 2021 and the Regular Council Meeting held on March 2, 2021.**

**B. Approval of Claims Payable from March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021 for the General Fund and for the Water Department.**

**A motion to approve consent agenda items A and B was made by Council Member Davis and was seconded by Council Member Armington.**

**A roll call vote was taken:**

**Vice Mayor McKinney X, Council Member Davis X, Council Member Armington X, Council Member Binney Excused, Council Member Rappaport X, Council Member McDaniel X, Mayor Coon X.**

**The motion was voted on and passed 6 - 0.**

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. **Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. R 21-02 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Star Valley, Arizona, approving and authorizing the mayor to execute Amendment No. 2 to Intergovernmental Agreement No. 060119 between Gila County and the Town of Star Valley for court services.**

Town Manager Grier explained this resolution is to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement with Gila County for providing court services to the Town of Star Valley as required by statute. There was no further discussion and Mayor Coon entertained a motion.

**A motion to adopt Resolution No. R 21-02 – A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Star Valley approving and authorizing the mayor to execute Amendment No. 2 to Intergovernmental Agreement No. 060119 between Gila County and the Town of Star Valley for court services was made by Council Member Davis and was seconded by Council Member Armington.**

**A roll call vote was taken:**

**Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Davis Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney Excused, Council Member Rappaport Yes, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Coon Yes.**

**The motion was voted on and passed 6 - 0.**

2. **Discussion and possible action regarding approval of sponsorship of a golf hole at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual “Putts for Paws” golf tournament to be held on Saturday, May 29, 2021.**

Council Member Davis explained the Humane Society is putting on a golf tournament and they are looking for the Town to donate \$100.00 for one of the holes. It’s a big tournament that they hold at the Payson Golf Club every year, concluded Council Member Davis. There was no further discussion and Mayor Coon entertained a motion.

**A motion to approve a \$100.00 donation to the annual “Putts for Paws” golf tournament to be held on Saturday, May 29, 2021 was made by Council Member Davis and was seconded by Council Member Armington.**

**A roll call vote was taken:**

**Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Davis Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney Excused, Council Member Rappaport Yes, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Coon Yes.**

**The motion was voted on and passed 6 - 0.**

3. **Update on the SR260 street light project requested by Council Member Rappaport.**

Assistant Town Manager Nutt reported that ADOT approved the permit and staff is now in communication with APS on the next steps. The Town will move to the final phase which is final survey of the pole locations. Ms. Nutt explained that NorthStar Surveying will go out and place the flags at each pole location. APS will then give a final sign off that it meets what they had processed. Roy Haught, under his contract with the Town, will go out and trim any trees that may be in the way. Once that’s accomplished Roy Haught, under his APS contract, will then drill all the holes for the poles. Staff expects the flagging to be done within the next week to week and a half. Council Member Davis asked if APS would be installing the poles. “Yes,” answered Ms. Nutt. Roy Haught will drill and APS will set. Mayor Coon asked if some lights would be seen within a month or so. Ms. Nutt responded within a couple of

weeks some heavy duty equipment should be seen out there. It will affect traffic, concluded Ms. Nutt, and per the ADOT permit the Town will have traffic control out there as well.

**4. Town Manager's Report and possible discussion (not an action item).**

Town Manager Grier stated discussion is invited as he goes through the different items. About a year ago, reported Mr. Grier, he and Finance Administrator Nutt came to council to talk about what possible fiscal impact the pandemic might have on the budget. They cautioned council that they thought it could have a negative effect on the budget and because of that the Town needed to be more fiscally conservative. Mr. Grier conceded they probably couldn't have been more wrong. Instead of revenues being diminished, reported Mr. Grier, it seemed like revenues went up for many reasons: a lot of tourists started to travel through the north country; business sales were brisk and sales tax revenues went up; and the Town received Cares Act money. All of that added up to a budget surplus. Mr. Grier stated he would like to talk to council about where the Town is at and what direction the Town should be going.

Town Manager Grier reported the Town is looking at a target of 7.4 million in the fund reserve at the end of the fiscal year. Staff looks at what the monthly revenues to expenditures are and at this point the Town is averaging about \$80,000.00 in the black on a monthly basis. If the Cares Act money is added then the Town is looking at nearly \$130,000.00 in the black per month. Mr. Grier stated it makes him think the usual conservative position can change. If staff starts to see any negative impact, added Mr. Grier, we are going to be able to steer away from that. This means the Town can look at doing good projects. Staff has been looking hard at what good projects are, reported Mr. Grier, and one of the good projects is water infrastructure. The Town has the benefit of having Water Operator Dean Shaffer on board. He was water operator for Hardcastle in Star Valley at the very beginning and knows where the shortcomings of the water system are and what needs to be repaired. In trying to identify some of the capital improvement projects there were some that we didn't even know we had out there. For example, explained Mr. Grier, the Town has some pipes in the ground that are nearly sixty years old now that need to be replaced. When he talks about good projects, concluded Mr. Grier, he is really talking about projects like that.

Town Manager Grier stated he would like to take a look at what has been accomplished. The Town is very proud of the community garden. All the plots are reserved, reported Mr. Grier, and there are six people on the waiting list. A lot is going on in the park as well and a lot of projects have been accomplished: the pickleball lights went up yesterday; the grassy area extension has been completed; new granite was recently added to the parking lot; and playground equipment donated from a church in Scottsdale has been put in place at the little tots playground. The Sprague crossing paving is finished. The water department, reported Mr. Grier, has seen the most movement. In the past year, the PW1 and PW2 wells have been hooked up using CDBG money and leverage money from the Town. The Water Department ran in the red in the past and has recently moved – on a day to day operations level – from running in the red to running in the black at an annual average of \$46,000.00. The Sky Run hook up added wells that also bring in revenue. The Town is now looking at hooking up Hunters Lodge, reported Mr. Grier, the new RV park across the street from Town Hall. Staff is anticipating that will be an additional \$25,000.00 to the profits of the Water Department. This means the Water Department can start looking to put money away for capital improvement projects as it runs in the black. It also means the Town can keep water rates low, concluded Mr. Grier.

Town Manager Grier reported staff met with Engineer Dale Miller regarding a water master plan for a price tag of \$3,500.00. The water master plan will identify the location of water lines, areas to repair and areas to update, and it will be a big step in being able to identify the needs with the Water Department. Mr. Grier reported it was brought up in a conversation with Senator Mark Kelly that

infrastructure money is likely to be coming this way. Staff has been working hard trying to identify infrastructure projects that could be ready in case infrastructure money does pass through and become available. Mr. Grier stated he is not sure if that means water projects, road projects, or sewer projects. Probably everything is on the table as far as what money may be available with infrastructure dollars. Mr. Grier pointed out he has always told council they need to be fiscally conservative. It is really a change of direction to say the Town is in good shape. Good projects need to be identified so the Town can go forward with those good projects. Staff, reiterated Mr. Grier, is trying to prepare what those good projects might be. The Town also has some real infrastructure needs that are projects that need to be done.

Town Manager Grier advocated the importance of council looking at the retention of staff. Mr. Grier reported he was reading through the code and he thinks it's ambiguous as to who decides compensation. As the manager he has been hiring, firing and giving raises. In reading through the code, stated Mr. Grier, he is confused whether or not that is completely in his house or in part council duties. Aside from the ambiguity of the code, stated Mr. Grier, he thinks it's time for council to be part of that decision making on what is appropriate compensation for Town employees. It is a very important part of the Town's future to be able to secure the core group of employees who still have a lot of future with the Town ahead of them. Mr. Grier acknowledged he's not so sure their compensation is in line to retain them as somewhere else certainly provides more compensation and certainly that is tempting.

The Town has invested twelve years with the Finance Administrator, reported Town Manager Grier, who has a four year degree in her field of government financing. The Town Clerk has a higher education as well and has five years' experience with the Town. It's difficult to determine what the right compensation is, disclosed Mr. Grier, when you look at other towns and whether or not you are going to look at them as far as being like size. If you are going to look at it as being replacement cost Star Valley employees do the equivalent of two or three different jobs. Springerville, reported Mr. Grier, has four people in their finance department for a town of 1,900. The Town of Star Valley has one financial administrator who also serves as Assistant Town Manager and also does the grant administration. Which, pointed out Mr. Grier, is a savings to the Town of \$26,000.00 every two year period with the administration of grants.

Town Manager Grier stated the Town has a core group of employees that are well suited together and whose skill sets complement each other well. Ms. Chapin has not only become a very good Town Clerk but she has also served as a paralegal and her legal writing is excellent. An Achilles heel that the Town may have, or that the Town can prevent against, would be losing employees. Mr. Grier suggested that council appoint members to a committee to look at all the different factors and take a look at what appropriate compensations would be. One thing he has missed, disclosed Mr. Grier, is cost of living increases and the inflationary impact on an employee's compensation. Mr. Grier concluded he thought the raises he has given were fair and well called for but fell short because they didn't compensate for inflation.

Town Manager Grier stated that revenues have gone up and the Town is in a very good fiscal position. Queried Mr. Grier – What does that mean? What does the Town do to go forward? What can the Town do next? There are a lot of infrastructure projects to be done and good projects that need to be identified, commented Mr. Grier, and staff that needs to be secured. The Town needs to take advantage of the benefit of what it has done for the past twelve years and seeing what good it can do for the Town of Star Valley. The Town is well positioned to do that, concluded Mr. Grier, and it is time to be a bit more aggressive in doing that. Mr. Grier then invited comments from council.

Mayor Coon acknowledged that success needs to be compensated and rewarded. Cost of living, reported Mayor Coon, usually goes up at least three percent a year. No one knows any better than their boss what the employees do and how they should be compensated. In his opinion, stated Mayor Coon, he

trusts the Town Manager's judgement as to what he thinks is proper compensation and when raises need to be given. That's the way it's been done in the past, concluded Mayor Coon, and that's the direction he'd like to go. Mr. Grier responded he doesn't disagree but at the same time he would like to bring council in on the decision making process. Whatever is decided council should know there is ambiguity in the code. Mr. Grier clarified he is trying to bring council into the decision making process because it is such an important decision. Retention of the employees is one thing the Town needs to do. Mr. Grier stated he agrees he knows when an employee needs a bump but that he has not kept up with that as far as employee retention. The Town of Star Valley is not second rate because of its size, concluded Mr. Grier.

In his opinion, commented Mayor Coon, he would like a recommendation from the Town Manager and then have it go through council. Council Member Rappaport asked Mr. Grier if he is including himself when he says employees. Town Manager Grier answered he is not so much worried about himself and he is fighting the fight for the employees and employee retention. Council Member Rappaport asked Mr. Grier if he is worried about parity with Finance Administrator Nutt and Town Clerk Chapin. Queried Council Member Rappaport – Are they in the same ballpark as Payson? Mr. Grier responded it doesn't really matter what size the town is. All towns operate under the same sort of statutory obligations and the demand for the skill sets are the same. Parity wise, stated Mr. Grier, he thinks his two employees are better. Parity wise, as far as what they are getting paid, they are not getting paid the same as the same position pays in other towns throughout Arizona. They are probably getting paid significantly less and if he were them he would be tempted.

Council Member Rappaport advocated that the employees do so much in different areas and they have really extended themselves. Queried Council Member Rappaport – Is the Town of Star Valley really different or does it need to get some parity going with other people? Town Manager Grier responded she raised a very good point. The most significant reasons the Town is able to be in the fiscal position that it is in today is because of being careful with expenditures and employing a contract management method. The Town has employees who have been able to step up and do multiple jobs. The Springerville CFO, reported Mr. Grier, makes more than Finance Administrator Nutt and has three assistants. When you add up four positions it's much more than what the Town of Star Valley is paying its finance administrator. That may be one of the biggest differences that has set Star Valley apart is the ability for an employee to not only do the different jobs but also for the employee to be willing to do the different jobs. Certainly, stated Mr. Grier, there are a lot of work places where the employee says, "not my job." The Town of Star Valley does not have that with its employees. The biggest cost savings to the Town is that its employees are willing to do more than one thing. Town Clerk Chapin, reported Mr. Grier, is often called on for doing more than what a town clerk does as he calls on her to do legal research and writing. That's a combination of an employee that's able and willing to do that. We have all been in enough work places to know that is somewhat rare. You have to look at the whole and how the three employees skill sets complement each other. That's what works in being able to get a lot of different jobs done, concluded Mr. Grier.

Council Member Rappaport commented if the employees are doing a different subset of skills then that should be added to their job descriptions. Town Manager Grier responded that job descriptions have not been set out and he thinks the important thing is to keep the employees by paying them. It's value to the Town of Star Valley to do that. It's not doing a favor to the employees, added Mr. Grier, it's doing a favor to the Town that we're not going out and hiring two or three employees to replace one employee and then dwindling the Town's expenditures by doing that. Council Member Rappaport stated if Town Clerk Chapin and Finance Administrator Nutt are doing different jobs that should be in their job descriptions. They can then be paid what they are worth. Queried Mr. Grier – What do you think you need to pay an employee that's worth keeping? Council Member Rappaport answered if they have

quantitatively better job skills than the average person than you pay them more. Mr. Grier responded he is saying the same thing. Council Member Rappaport stated she thinks there is a big thing with inflation and gouging since the pandemic. Nationally, added Council Member Rappaport, inflation is only about 2%. Mr. Grier replied they may have to look specifically at what Arizona is doing and not nationally. Inflation isn't something he has factored in with employee compensation, pointed out Mr. Grier.

Council Member Davis stated the Town definitely needs to reward its employees and take care of them because the three of them do an outstanding job. He thinks that Mr. Grier should be compensated for his work too. Council Member Davis acknowledged he does not want to see any of the employees leave the Town of Star Valley. They have a great team – it's working and we want to continue that process. Council Member Davis commented he would love to see the employees be compensated. A cost of living increase and a nice salary that they don't have the urge to leave and go to work somewhere else. Council Member Davis recommended Mr. Grier come back with a plan of what he'd like to do for the staff. Council can then review Mr. Grier's compensation and cost of living increase and what he does for the Town, concluded Council Member Davis. Mayor Coon stated council is very appreciative of what Mr. Grier does and that he agrees that Mr. Grier's compensation should be handled separately.

Mayor Coon stated it would be confusing to use other towns as an example of how Star Valley should pay its employees because Star Valley employees are doing three jobs. He would like to properly compensate staff with the help of the Town Manager. Council can then discuss compensation for Mr. Grier, concluded Mayor Coon. Vice Mayor McKinney commented Star Valley is in an absolute unique position in many respects. He heartily agrees with everyone that the compensation for the stellar employees really needs to be substantially examined and revamped and he would not want the compensation for the expert and wonderful employees to be retarded by what some other town nearby might be paying. Vice Mayor McKinney suggested to not set those kind of comparisons as a ceiling but rather as a floor.

Council Member Rappaport stated she would like to clarify that she does not think parity is a good way to go but it is a measure. If all their duties are put in a new job description they can be paid anything we want to pay them. She thinks they are worthy of it and also thinks it should be clear what they do because if either one of them left the Town would have to try to fill that position. Council Member Rappaport reiterated that she really thinks all their duties should be listed in a job description. Mayor Coon stated that is a good point and that maybe their job descriptions need to be defined. Town Manager Grier responded he does not disagree with that and he assured council that the Town has a succession plan in place. The Town also has standard operating procedures in place for each employees so the day to day duties of that employee are known. Council Member Rappaport pointed out that to really reward the employees council needs to see what they do. Town Manager Grier responded that can certainly be put together.

Town Manager Grier stated he is really trying to convey to council that this is what's good for council and the Town. The Town needs to secure the employees because it's going to cost us if we don't. It's not about rewarding the employees for a job well done. This is about the direction he thinks we need to go as a town. It's not about talking them up, it's about saying this is what we need to do to continue to be successful. Council Member Rappaport responded she totally agrees and that she just wants their job descriptions written down. Mr. Grier responded that is not a big task and it can be done. Council Member McDaniel stated she definitely thinks the employees need to be compensated and to know they are appreciated. She does not want them to go anywhere. She agrees with Council Member Davis that the Town Manager needs to guide council. Mayor Coon stated he thinks everyone is on the same page. Mr. Grier clarified that neither of the employees requested a raise and this was done on his own initiative.

Town Manager Grier queried – What are we going to do next? We have so much opportunity ahead of us now and we can do a whole lot more good things. We have the money in the bank and projects need to be chosen carefully. Council Member Davis asked if staff knows what kind of money the Town may end up getting from the Cares Act. Finance Administrator Nutt answered the Town has received \$265,000.00 and there will be a second stimulus made in two payments of \$275,000.00. Council Member Davis questioned what other kind of infrastructure needs the Town has. The Town doesn't have sewer, stated Council Member Davis, and that is a huge cost. Queried Council Member Davis – Is there something that we can do to improve our commercial district to bring more tax dollars into our commercial area? Is there something we need to do as a Town to provide that so more businesses can come in? Council Member Davis stated he assumes if businesses do come here a septic system of some type will be needed or a tie in to the sewer plant down by his house. Mayor Coon responded what stopped the last developer is they couldn't get a line back to the treatment plant. Federal help might influence what the Town does, concluded Mayor Coon.

Council Member Davis stated he would like to see ideas from staff and council in order to start planning on this. Town Manager Grier responded that is the excitement he's looking for from council. Queried Mr. Grier – Is there something we can do? Maybe we don't have the answer to that right now. It doesn't stop there, stated Mr. Grier, as far as the Cares Act money that is coming and in the bank. Mr. Grier stated he is excited about the infrastructure money and that bill. Whether or not that passes through is unknown. Staff has been working hard to find out how to position itself if that money does become available. Queried Mr. Grier – Does it need to be a green project? Sewer is something that has always been out of bounds for the Town because of the expense. Maybe that is something the Town looks at. There may be a lot of things at this point to take a look at and see what may be available to the Town. Mr. Grier reiterated he wants council to get excited about what is next for Star Valley.

Council Member Rappaport stated she's excited about the sewer and thinks that would bring in all kinds of businesses. Council Member Davis responded he agrees and thinks the Town needs to re-look at that. It's a big ticket item but they are going to be spending billions of dollars. Projects in place and shovel ready to go forward are the ones that are going to get the money. The Town needs to have its ducks in a row and have a plan, concluded Council Member Davis. Town Manager Grier reported he is trying to have his ear to the ground to get a jump on it and that right now he is not getting a lot of information. One thing he has heard is maybe the project is not going to have to be engineered and shovel ready. Mayor Coon stated it's not a bad position to be in. The Town is in a really good position to do a whole lot more good, concluded Mr. Grier.

#### **5. Discussion and possible action regarding purchasing shade structures and an embankment slide for the community park.**

Mayor Coon welcomed Dan Gardiner, the representative from ExerPlay. Mayor Coon asked council if they had any questions. Vice Mayor McKinney asked Mr. Gardiner if he could briefly go over the advantages and disadvantages of each of the shade structures. Mr. Gardiner explained the advantages of the cantilever shades: ease of installation as it is a single post; the post can be placed outside the safety zone; the price and install is usually a little cheaper. The advantages of the four post shade: much more shade coverage so the entire area can be shaded; the fabric, columns and footers are beefier.

Mayor Coon stated he is curious about the big 50' X 60' shade and asked if it would have to be taken down because of snow or wind and what kind of procedure that would involve. Mr. Gardiner answered they deal with that quite a bit and there are a couple of options. They have installed them in Alaska and they definitely have to come down in the winter time in Alaska because of snow load. They have also installed them in a lot of areas where they do get snow and because they don't get enough snow

they are able to keep them up. Mr. Gardiner explained that they have installed about one hundred shade structures in Northern Arizona and because they are designed for snow loads they are fine with the snow they get up there. Mr. Gardiner added that the fabric can rip when the snow gets heavy. The fabric is definitely designed to be able to come on and off and one method is a quick release that releases the tension of the fabric. Mr. Gardiner explained that the fabric of a 50' x 60' shade weighs a couple hundred pounds and is definitely not a one person job. It would require a boom lift, and a couple of guys and would be a couple hour project. It would be a difficult process to do it with ladders. It is definitely doable, stated Mr. Gardiner, and 98% of the people that put these up keep them up year-round.

Council Member Davis asked about the life expectancy of the fabric. Mr. Gardiner answered there is a ten year warranty on the fabric and he would say the Town should not have to worry about replacing the fabric outside of the ten year window. When it does come time to replace the fabric the Town would be looking at \$3,000 to \$4,000. It is definitely not the most expensive piece of the structure. Council Member Armington asked what the cost would be considering increases in product prices. Mr. Gardiner answered it would be somewhere around \$3,500 to \$4,000 for the 50' x 60' fabric because normally the fabric shade industry sees about a 1% to 2% increase every year. Mr. Gardiner reiterated that the Town should not have to worry about it for ten years. If the Town is planning to take it down in the seasons, stated Mr. Gardiner, he would say that would double the life span of it.

Mayor Coon commented the advantage of going with the cantilever shades is that they would be easier for the Town to work with as far as taking them down as opposed to the huge 50' x 60' shade. It may be something council needs to consider. Town Manager Grier asked Mr. Gardiner what he thinks would be the best shade structure for the playground. Mr. Gardiner responded he thinks the more shade there is the more appealing it is to people coming out. Mr. Gardiner stated that he lives in Mesa and by far the parks that have shade get more usage. The disadvantage with shades is they are hard to add after the fact. The swings are the biggest challenge and normally aren't shaded because an 84 inch window has to be maintained between the highest piece of playground equipment and the top of the shade. Mr. Gardiner stated the Town is kind of stuck with one of these two options. Some strategic shade with the cantilevers or full shade with the large shade. The large shade will definitely be a big appeal, especially in the summertime.

Mayor Coon asked if it has been determined that the 50' x 60' would cover the whole playground. Mr. Gardiner answered it would be in all four corners. Council Member Davis commented it would be great. Council Member McDaniel stated she personally likes the larger four post one full big shade option. Sun safety is really important and the more protection to offer the better. Even though it is a little bit bigger price tag, concluded Council Member McDaniel, she thinks it is worth the investment. Council Member Rappaport commented she's had things like that in her yard and stated her concern about the wind and snow. Queried Council Member Rappaport – Why aren't we just planting trees? Mayor Coon responded it takes a long time for a tree to grow and the type of trees we have in this part of the world are not really good shade trees. The Town has planted trees, added Mayor Coon, and we will probably plant more. What we are after is something we can do right now. Council Member Davis commented why not provide the children with shade. Mayor Coon responded some of the playground equipment can't even be touched in the summer. Council Member Davis added a shade structure would be protecting the park infrastructure.

Mayor Coon stated he thinks everyone is on board that something needs to be done. Queried Mayor Coon – Which way do we go? Council Member Rappaport asked what kind of costs the Town is looking at. Mayor Coon answered the big shade is \$56,325.00 and the three cantilever shades are \$33,309.00. There is considerable difference and when he went through and crunched the numbers the Town would get more bang for the buck with the big one. Mayor Coon reported that the cost per square

foot is only about half as much if we go with the big one. Mr. Gardiner responded that is a good comparison. Mayor Coon reported the three cantilever shades come out to \$43 a square foot versus \$18 a square foot for the 50' x 60' shade structure. Council Member Davis asked what the installation time would be for the large one. Mr. Gardiner answered they typically take eight to ten weeks to manufacture. If there is a permit process that would add time to the schedule. Once the shade arrives on sight the install would take seven to ten days. Mr. Gardiner described in detail the installation process. Mayor Coon stated he sees the Town is responsible for site preparation. Mr. Gardiner answered there is really no site preparation and nothing for the Town to get ready from the site standpoint. The site is already graded in those spots so there is nothing for the Town to do, concluded Mr. Gardiner.

**A motion to approve the purchase and installation of one four post shade structure for \$56,325.67 was made by Council Member Davis and was seconded by Council Member McDaniel.**

**A roll call vote was taken:**

**Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Davis Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney Excused, Council Member Rappaport No, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Coon Yes.**

**The motion was voted on and passed 5 - 1.**

Mayor Coon asked Mr. Gardiner if there is anything else he would like to say. Mr. Gardiner gave his congratulations and stated that the park is going to have some happy kids. He thanked council for creating such a great space for the community and for everyone who travels through. Mayor Coon responded the Town is very proud of the park and he appreciates Mr. Gardiner's help on this project. Town Manager Grier reported that staff has not yet received the quote for the slide project. Mr. Grier explained the slide would be really long and follow the contour of the ground and that it is not very far off the ground. Staff should have that quote by the next meeting, concluded Mr. Grier.

- **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.

The Mayor opened up this portion of the meeting for public comment. There was no public in attendance and the Mayor closed this portion of the meeting.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Armington and was seconded by Council Member Davis.**

**The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 0.**

**APPROVED:**

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Gary Coon, Mayor

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST:**

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Edie Chapin, 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 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.**

**Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.**

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Edie Chapin, Town Clerk