

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

**Tuesday, April 7, 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 Reverend Steven DeSanto of Shepherd of the Pines Lutheran Church
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL:

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

- **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 March 17, 2015.

B. Approval of Claims Payable from March 16, 2015 through March 31, 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 Hartwell, and was seconded by Vice-Mayor Binney.

A roll call was taken:

Mayor McDaniel X , Vice-Mayor Binney X , 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 7 - 0.

- **PROCLAMATIONS**

1. Proclaiming April 21, 2015 as Power Talk 21® Day

2. Proclaiming April 12-18, 2015 as the Week of the Young Child

The Town Clerk read the two Proclamations for the Council and public (see agenda packet information).

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

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

Town Manager Grier stated budget discussions for the upcoming 2015/2016 budget would begin with the next council meeting. This meeting will be a public hearing and a report will be made by Finance Director Chancy Nutt.

Town Manager Grier stated fiscal year 2014/2015 completed projects currently total \$213,676, and committed projects are \$93,000.00, for a grand total of \$306,676. Streets and roads maintenance, in addition to completed projects, is \$20,027 and committed projects are \$52,000.00, for a grand total of \$72,027. Mr. Grier stated to date \$66,800 has been spent on establishing the park.

Town Manager Grier stated the electrical work on the wells at the park has been completed; the guard rails are being put in place on Valley Road; and Roy Haught within the week will be starting the patching and chip sealing project previously approved by Council. In addition, Mr. Haught will be installing a head wall on Flint.

Mayor McDaniel stated since Tiffany Bailey of Steve Coury Ford had not yet appeared at the meeting, he was going to move agenda discussion item number 2 to discussion item number 5 and adjust the other discussion items according.

- 2. Discussion regarding First Things First and work of the Gila Regional Partnership Council. Presentation by John Taylor, Regional Director of Gila Regional Partnership Council. (Formerly discussion item number 3.)**

John Taylor introduced himself as Regional Director of First Things First and the Gila Regional Partnership Council, which is the early child safety and health board, funded by the tobacco tax.. Mr. Taylor stated this covers all of Gila County, except for the San Carlos Apache and White Mountain Apache areas. Mr. Taylor stated the function of his organization is to ensure that every child in the State of Arizona from birth to five years of old arrives at school healthy and ready to succeed. Mr. Taylor provided materials which outline his board's functions and training opportunities (attached to these minutes). Gila County's focus is on parent education, home visitation, and scholarships. The training and education are provided to families at no cost. Mr. Taylor stated they have monthly Regional Council meetings which alternate between Globe and Payson, and he welcomed any interested Council Members to attend any of these meetings.

- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding Sprague Crossing Project. (Formerly discussion item number 4.)**

Town Manager Grier stated the Sprague Crossing Project required obtaining grants of easement from two property owners. Mr. and Mrs. Colabianchi, the property owners on the upstream side of the crossing, have provided the Town with a grant of easement. However, Mr. and Mrs. Van Sickle, property owners on the downstream side of the crossing, have not provided an easement to date. Mr. Grier

explained what the Town is requesting is a maintenance easement so the Town can remove build-up from the upstream side of the crossing and place it on the downstream side after any heavy storms.

Town Manager Grier stated both he and Mayor McDaniel have contacted Mr. VanSickle on several occasions and letters have been sent to Mr. VanSickle, but to date Mr. VanSickle has not signed the easement. The easement is absolutely required before the project can proceed.

Council Member Hartwell asked if Mr. VanSickle has the Town “blocked in from going forward” because of his apparent unwillingness to sign the easement. Mayor McDaniel responded that he could have, but stated he felt Mr. VanSickle would work with the Town. Mayor McDaniel also stated he understood that Mr. VanSickle was going to use some of the language from the Colabianchi easement for the easement he would provide to the Town.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding status report of “Welcome Sign” Committee. (Formerly discussion item number 5.)

Council Member Coon, a member of the Welcome Sign Committee, reported the committee had met Heather of Ironhorse Signs, to discuss options, design, and materials, etc. for the signs. Council Member Coon stated ADOT has agreed to allow signs on its right-of-way, but the Council needs to select a design. Ironhorse Signs has indicated it will work with the Town in selecting materials, etc., and Heather encouraged the use of foam and Council Member Coon produced a sample of the recommended foam. The foam costs \$75.00 per square foot for the sign and the estimated cost for each sign is \$5,000. The foundation of the signs would be in addition to this \$5,000.

Several proposed signs were produced by Council Members Hartwell and Coon and were circulated among the Council. Discussion followed concerning verbiage on the signs, lettering style, and whether or not to include the Town logo. Council Member Henderson stated “the less on the sign the better.” Vice-Mayor Binney raised the issue that there are already two “basic” signs at each end of Town, and suggested being satisfied with these existing signs and save approximately \$15,000.

Council Member Hartwell stated the Council also needs to decide on the base design for the signs. Council Member Henderson suggested they utilize the concept of “negative space,” which means they start out with a blank space and slowly add items one at a time. Council Member Hartwell stated the committee can come back with additional designs based on the discussion at this meeting.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding Town participation in the 2015 Business Show Case to be held at Steve Coury Ford on April 17 and 18, 2015. Update report to be presented by Tiffany Bailey. Status report on “giveaways” and appearance by Council Members to be presented by Council Member Henderson. (Formerly discussion item number 2.)

Mayor McDaniel noted that Tiffany Bailey was not present for her update report. Council Member Henderson reported the candy purchased for the Show Case cost \$232, and Council Member Hartwell reported the notepads will cost approximately \$200. Since the budgeted amount of giveaways was not to exceed \$300.00, Council Member Henderson stated they were looking to the Council for additional spending authority for the giveaways.

A motion that the Council increase the spending allowance for giveaways for the 2015 Business Show Case to not more than \$500.00 was made by Council Member Henderson, and was seconded by Council Member Coon.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 – 0.

Council Member Henderson also stated there were 4 passes available for the Friday Night Mixer on April 17th, and also Council Members need to sign up for times they will be able to attend the Business Show Case on April 18th. Council Member Henderson produced a sign up sheet and requested Council Members communicate with the Town Clerk regarding their participation.

- **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.

Mark Freegard, resident of Star Valley, asked who is going to do the rock work on the signs. Council Member Coon stated they have not chosen any one yet, but have had a discussion with “Tim”. Mr. Freegard indicated he knew this person and that he is very good.

Ray Lyons, resident of Star Valley, expressed his preference for stone work on the sign and a rectangular shape.

requested that Town Manager provide him with information so he can better understand the easements

There were no further public comments, and the Mayor then closed the public comments section 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 7 - 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 7th day of April, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2015.

Lois V. Johnson, Town Clerk