

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

**Tuesday, February 16, 2016 @ 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 X , Council Member Hartwell X , Council Member Henderson X , Council Member Coon Excused absence, Council Member McKinney X , Council Member O'Connor X .

- **GILA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORTS FOR JANUARY, 2016.**

Lt. Tim Scott of the Gila County Sheriff's Office gave the report for January, 2016.

- **HELLSGATE FIRE DISTRICT REPORTS FOR JANUARY, 2016.**

Fire Chief Dave Bathke of Hellsgate Fire District gave the report for January, 2016.

- **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 February 2, 2016.

B. Approval of Claims Payable from February 1, 2016 through February 15, 2016 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 Council Member Henderson.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

The motion was voted on and passed 6-0.

- **PROCLAMATION**

1. **Proclaiming March 23, 2016 as First Responder Day of Prayer and Appreciation**

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

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. **Town Manager/Attorney's update report on bills before the House and Senate relating to the photo enforcement safety program, and potential impact on the Town's budget.**

Town Clerk Lois Johnson informed the Council that Tim Grier, Town Manager/Attorney, was not present at this meeting as he was presenting argument to the House in support of not banning photo enforcement. Ms. Johnson gave a brief update report on HB2540, HB2122, SB 1241, SCR1010, and SB1520. Ms. Johnson reported that SB1241 – eliminating photo enforcement on state highways – had passed the Senate on February 15, 2016 and will now go to the House. Ms. Johnson stated that Mr. Grier has now appeared several times before the Legislature in a valiant fight to retain photo enforcement in Star Valley. Several of the pending bills pose a real threat, especially the bill to eliminate photo enforcement on state highways. Mr. Grier will provide a full report at the next meeting.

2. **Discussion and possible action regarding support of the “Pack it in / Pack it out” program. Presentation by Jerry Farr.**

Jerry Farr and Jim Clayton presented the “Pack it in / Pack it out” program which is designed to encourage campers to take their garbage with them and dispose of it in two sites, one at Home Depot in Payson and one on Roy Haught's lot. The organization primarily will target long weekends, Memorial Weekend, 4th of July, and Labor Day. Volunteers will go to the various campgrounds to inform campers of the need to “pack” their garbage out and will also provide bags to them. There is no charge for this. The program is requesting that the Council approve its program.

Council discussion followed. There was some question as to whether the traffic exiting Highway 260 to dispose of garbage might cause a backup. Mr. Clayton suggested they test the impact during Memorial Weekend. Vice-Mayor Binney suggested using the area behind Circle K since many people would be exiting to go to Circle K. Mr. Clayton said they would contact Roy Haught concerning this possibility.

A motion that the Council support the “Pack it in / Pack it out” program as presented, with the location of the garbage receptacle to be determined, was made by Council Member Henderson, and was seconded by Council Member Hartwell.

The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 0.

3. **Discussion and possible action regarding support of the “Color Me Run” sponsored by the Adventure Club of Payson High School. Presentation by Stacy North.**

Stacy North and Jennie White made the presentation. They would like to do the run on Saturday, May 21, 2016, and use the same route as the last two years. Ms. North stated they are considering adding 2 or 3 more color stations, and also starting it somewhat later in the day to accommodate the barbeque at the Moose Lodge put on by Albert Hunt. Mayor McDaniel indicated he is in support of the run.

A motion that the Council give its sponsorship support of the Star Valley Color Me 5K Run scheduled for May, 2016, in Star Valley which is being put on by the Adventure Club of Payson High School was made by Council Member Hartwell, and was seconded by Council Member Henderson.

The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 0.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the Town’s continuing to utilize the services of Central Arizona Governments (“CAG”).

This item was pulled from the Discussion Items as the Town Manager was not present.

5. Update report on street maintenance by Town Manager.

This item was pulled from the Discussion Items as the Town Manager was not present.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the Town’s purchasing a snow making machine for use at the B. Diane McDaniel Community Park.

Vice-Mayor Binney stated he had requested that inquiry be made into the cost of purchasing a snow making machine so the Council could decide whether or not to proceed with a possible purchase. Vice-Mayor Binney stated he has had a discussion with a gentleman who has used a snow making machine, and this gentleman stated the machine uses low water, but the noise level is a factor to consider. Mr. Binney stated the Star Valley area has perfect weather for a snow making machine as it has low humidity and the temperature gets down to 32/35 degrees. Mr. Binney suggested at this time the Council not commit to purchase, but rather have the Town Manager check into the cost and noise.

Council discussion followed relating to support, cost if photo enforcement is no longer allowed in Star Valley, and the wisdom of just looking at it before any decision comes about.

A motion that the Council authorize the Town Manager to research the cost of purchasing a snow making machine, and also the noise factor associated therewith, and present the results to the Council so it can make a decision on whether or not to purchase a snow making machine was made by Vice-Mayor Binney, and was seconded by Council Member Hartwell.

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.

There were no public comments. However, Payson Roundup reporter Teresa McQuerrey expressed appreciation that the Town had removed the “parking block” in the parking lot.

• 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 16th day of February, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 2016.

Lois V. Johnson, Town Clerk