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

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 5:15 pm 3675 East Highway 260, Star Valley, AZ (Star Valley Town Hall)

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- PRAYER was offered by Pastor Dave Barber of Rim View Community Church.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- CALL TO ORDER
- ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor McKinney <u>X</u>, Council Member Armington <u>X</u>, Council Member Binney <u>X</u>, Council Member Dueker <u>X</u>, Council Member Highstreet <u>X</u>, Council Member McDaniel <u>X</u>, Mayor Davis <u>X</u>.

• 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.

Star Valley Resident Richard Likens of 83 S. Hillside Drive reported that during his process of collecting signatures for his ballot to run in the next election he found that there was little complaint among the residents of Star Valley as to the performance of Town Hall. He did find that the residents of Houston Creek Landing were unhappy with the raise in sewage fees.

Mayor Davis announced that there would be a clean-up on Saturday, April 27th starting at 8:30 a.m. at the end of Quail Hollow Drive to pick up tornado debris on forest service property. After the clean-up there will be a gathering for the volunteers at Rumsey Park.

There were no further public comments and the mayor closed the public comment portion.

• 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 April 2, 2024.

B. Approval of Accounts Payable from April 1, 2024 through April 15, 2024

for the General Fund and for the Water Department.

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

A roll call vote was taken:

Vice Mayor McKinney <u>X</u>, Council Member Armington <u>X</u>, Council Member Binney <u>X</u>, Council Member Dueker <u>X</u>, Council Member Highstreet <u>X</u>, Council Member McDaniel <u>X</u>, Mayor Davis <u>X</u>.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 - 0.

• **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Discussion and possible action regarding attendance at the 2024 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference.

Town Manager Grier began the discussion by having Town Clerk Chapin review the conference dates. Ms. Chapin reported that the conference would be held at the Arizona Biltmore Resort in Phoenix from August 27th thru August 30th. The following council members responded that they would attend: Mayor Davis, Vice Mayor McKinney, Council Member McDaniel, Council Member Armington and Council Member Highstreet.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding streets and roads projects. Update provided by Town Manager Grier.

Town Manager Grier reviewed the council's decision to have a goal of a \$500,000 expenditure on streets and roads projects. He stated the project work can be somewhat seasonal. There is a target date of June 30th to complete the projects and to date \$170,124 has been spent. That would leave \$329,876 left to work with. There is also \$2,908,223 in restricted funds which can be used for streets and roads. Council Member Armington asked if snow removal is covered by these funds and Mr. Grier said yes. The town has applied for a TTAC Grant for 2.3 million, reported Mr. Grier, but it appears that the state is running on a deficit and that reduces the chances of it being awarded. However, added Mr. Grier, the town budget will include it as a potential source of funds.

Town Manager Grier reviewed the slide presentation photos of the roadwork currently completed. The next roadwork proposed will include Pinon (three quarters up), Switchman (sealcoating), Highline (fixing the ditch) and the intersection of Rainbow and Moonlight (fixing the apron on the west side). Mr. Grier said it is a good time to focus on road projects since the ADEQ funds for water projects are not known yet.

Mayor Davis asked the council if they had any questions. Council Member Binney questioned why Pinon wasn't going to be done all the way to the end. Town Manager Grier responded that Roy Haught didn't think the end portion needed fixing. Vice Mayor McKinney said the residents of Pinon and Mountain View were delighted in the repairs. Council Member Highstreet liked the proposed projects. Council Member Armington expressed reservations about sealcoating and felt chip sealing would be a better investment. Mr. Grier responded that would be something to talk to Roy Haught about and get his opinion. He knows Mr. Haught is not a big fan of sealcoat and that maybe Mr. Haught thinks the traffic can be controlled. Council Member Dueker agreed that sealcoating wears and doesn't add any strength to the surface. Council Member McDaniel agreed all the projects had merit. Mayor Davis said it would be good to consult with Roy Haught. Vice Mayor McKinney said the town has the financial resources to take care of the streets and roads and being proactive saves money in the long run. Mr. Grier agreed and said with the remaining funds that the council could look at additional streets and roads projects as they work towards the goal of spending the \$500,000. Council Member Binney questioned if Roy Haught knew of a product that he read about that could be put down between the old asphalt and the new asphalt which would help the durability of the asphalt. Mr. Grier responded that he would talk to Mr. Haught about it. Mayor Davis called for a motion.

A motion to approve the road projects on Pinon, Switchman, Highline, and Moonlight and Rainbow and to consider upgrading the level of repair on Switchman from sealcoat to chip seal, and to come out of the county road tax monies was made by Council Member Highstreet and was seconded by Council Member Armington.

A roll call vote was taken:

Vice Mayor McKinney <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Armington <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Binney <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Dueker <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Highstreet <u>Yes</u>, Council Member McDaniel <u>Yes</u>, Mayor Davis <u>Yes</u>.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 - 0.

3. Discussion and possible action for staff to look into new sign standards. Requested by Council Member Dueker.

Mayor Davis asked Council Member Dueker to begin the discussion. Council Member Dueker said the town went through a discussion previously of sign standards regarding the land next to Town Hall. He would like to take a look at the standards for the future and how to protect the image of the town as one would drive through it. Mayor Davis said it was a good idea and asked if the sign standards were adopted from the Town of Payson. Town Manager Grier said they were adopted from the county. Council Member McDaniel agreed that the town should look at the sign standards sooner rather than later so property owners would be held to the same standard. Council Member Highstreet asked if the sign standards would be an ordinance or a code. Mr. Grier said that it is both. He said he believes the League of Cities has a model sign ordinance and he will request that from them. Mayor Davis asked for a motion. A motion to direct staff to look into updating our sign standards for the town and to report back to the board at their earliest convenience was made by Council Member Highstreet and was seconded by Council Member Binney.

A roll call vote was taken:

Vice Mayor McKinney <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Armington <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Binney <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Dueker <u>Yes</u>, Council Member Highstreet <u>Yes</u>, Council Member McDaniel <u>Yes</u>, Mayor Davis <u>Yes</u>.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 - 0.

• ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vice Mayor McKinney and was seconded by Council Member Armington.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 - 0.

APPROVED:

Date:

Bobby Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 16th day of April 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 18th day of April 2024.

Del Dupree, Administrative Assistant