

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

**Tuesday, October 15, 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 Vice Mayor McKinney.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- CALL TO ORDER
- ROLL CALL:
Vice Mayor McKinney X, Council Member Armington X, Council Member Binney X,
Council Member Dueker X, Council Member Highstreet X, Council Member
McDaniel X, Mayor Davis X.

- **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 comments. Richard Likins of 83 S. Hillside Drive spoke regarding the dog park in Houston Creek Landing. He said that section of property was owned by the county and he was wondering if the Town of Star Valley could take it over and manage it as a public 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 October 1, 2024.

**B. Approval of Accounts Payable from October 1, 2024 through October 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 Binney and was seconded by Council Member Armington.

A roll call vote was taken:

Vice Mayor McKinney X, Council Member Armington X, Council Member Binney X, Council Member Dueker X, Council Member Highstreet X, Council Member McDaniel X, Mayor Davis X.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 – 0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding Traffic Control Options at the intersection of Moonlight and Garrels. Presentation by Town Clerk Edie Chapin.

Town Clerk Chapin opened the discussion by describing the intersection of Moonlight and Garrels as a spot that lacks clear sightlines making it potentially hazardous. She provided the council photos of the intersection. Ms. Chapin then discussed three options for improvements. Option one would be to install traffic signs on both roads to alert drivers to drive with caution. Estimated cost would be \$206.53. Option two would be to re-install the stop sign. Estimated cost would be \$113.99. Option three would be to install a speed bump and a 15 mph traffic sign. The council discussed other options of purchasing additional land near there to improve the intersection or cutting a tree and bushes at the intersection to improve the line of sight. Mayor Davis asked for a motion.

A motion to direct town staff, preferably the Town Manager, to contact Roy Haight about cleaning up the corner to make it more visible to traffic was made by Council Member Armington and was seconded by Council Member Highstreet.

Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney Yes, Council Member Dueker Yes, Council Member Highstreet Yes, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Davis Yes.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 – 0 .

Town Manager Grier switched up the order of agenda items two and three as Water Operator Dean Shaffer was called out to a water line break and he would like him to be in attendance for the discussion on using the remaining ARPA funds on the aging asbestos-cement (“AC”) water lines.

2. First Reading and Public Hearing concerning Ordinance No. O 24-02 captioned as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF TH TOWN OF STAR VALLEY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF STAR VALLEY, ARIZONA, BY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. O 07-04 (ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION) AND ORDINANCE NO. O 07-16 (ARCHITECURAL DESIGN REVIEW GUIDELINES) AND ADOPTING BY REERENCE THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT ENTITLED “AMENDMENTS TO STAR VALLEY TOWN CODE, TITLE 2 (BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), CHAPTER 4 (COMMUNITY BETTERMENT COMMITTEE)”; REPEALING ANY CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Manager Grier explained that this was a first reading on this ordinance to put in place a beautification committee and repeal the Architectural Design Review Commission. The Council has a copy of the ordinance and has an opportunity to request changes. Mayor Davis asked for comments from the council and as there were none he closed the session.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding using the remaining COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) funds on the aging asbestos-cement (“AC”) water lines in the Moonlight Drive Area.

Town Manager Grier introduced Finance Administrator Tina Woody and asked her for a history of the funds. Ms. Woody began by explaining that back in 2019/2020 the town received COVID money for certain expenditures to help the community. If the town does not spend or obligate the funds by December 31st of this year they will take it back. We currently have approximately \$260,000 available. Council Member Armington asked if this money could be used for water tanks and Ms. Woody said it could. However, the town is possibly getting grant money for that. Mr. Grier explained that the COVID money could also be used for the park, old infrastructure water lines and streets. He felt that the repair of old water lines would be a good use of the funds. Although, at a cost of \$3 million dollars, the COVID funds would be just a start for that. Also, if the grant funding for the water tank doesn’t come thru, the town might have to use the COVID money for the tank because it is a result of the PFAS issue.

Council Member Armington asked if the HURF funding could be used to replace the road when doing water line repairs and Town Manager Grier said yes but the COVID money has to be obligated soon. He said there were three challenges before the town but ADEQ is funding the booster pump station and there is grant funding for the water storage tank. He felt that the town needed to stay ahead of the game by obligating the \$260,000 COVID money for water infrastructure. Council Members McDaniel, Binney, Highstreet and Dueker were in favor of that. Mr. Grier said that the infrastructure project would go out to bid. Vice Mayor McKinney said he liked the idea of using COVID money for water pipes and using HURF money for roads. Mayor Davis asked for a motion.

A motion to direct staff to obligate the remainder of the ARPA funds in the amount of \$264,974 to replace the aging water lines on Milky Way and Walters Lane and to move forward with the project was made by Council Member McDaniel and was seconded by Council Member Armington.

Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney Yes, Council Member Dueker Yes, Council Member Highstreet Yes, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Davis Yes.

The motion was voted on and passed 7 – 0 .

• ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was voted on and passed 7 – 0.

APPROVED:

Bobby Davis, Mayor

Date: _____

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 15th day of October 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 22nd day of October 2024.

Del Dupree, Administrative Assistant