

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

**Tuesday, April 1, 2025 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 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. There were no comments and Mayor Davis 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 March 18, 2025.

**B. Approval of Accounts Payable from March 16, 2025 through March 31, 2025
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 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 attendance at the 2025 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference.

Town Manager Grier said this was an opportunity for the council to decide if they should attend this year's conference and who would be attending. Council decided that the five attendees would be Mayor Davis, Vice Mayor McKinney, Council Member Armington, Council Member McDaniel and Council Member Highstreet.

A motion to authorize town staff to register to attend the 2025 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference and that the council members' registration and accommodation expenses be paid by the Town was made by Council Member Armington and was seconded by Council Member Highstreet.

A roll call vote was taken:

Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney No, Council Member Dueker Yes, Council Member Highstreet Yes, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Davis Yes.

The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 1.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding backup power for the water system.

Town Manager Grier said he directed staff to research the rental of generators and Engineer Dale Miller was on the phone to provide information. Engineer Miller said it came down to three (3) options. One option was to lease the generators. The second option was to purchase the generators. The third option was neither. Mayor Davis opened the matter up for discussion. Vice Mayor McKinney indicated that he was shocked at the cost of leasing the generators. Engineer Miller agreed and did not recommend it as an option. Vice Mayor McKinney asked if we purchased the generators would there be enough time to get them for the 2025 fire season. Engineer Miller said they could do an accelerated RFP without advertising and have the bids in about one month. He also found there were generators in stock with one dealer. It was all contingent upon getting a favorable bid. If all went right they could get the generators installed and working in about two to three months from now. Council Member Binney expressed reservations against buying the generators and felt batteries are a proven technology. Council Member Dueker felt they should consider putting out an RFP. Town Manager Grier agreed they should expedite this project. Council Members Highstreet and McDaniel also agreed. Mayor Davis asked for a motion.

A motion to authorize town staff to solicit bids to put in place emergency backup generators for the Town of Star Valley water system. Staff is authorized to approve the lowest reasonable bid under emergency procurement for these generators at an approximate cost of \$255,000 was made by Council Member Highstreet and was seconded by Council Member Armington.

A roll call vote was taken:

Vice Mayor McKinney Yes, Council Member Armington Yes, Council Member Binney No, Council Member Dueker Yes, Council Member Highstreet Yes, Council Member McDaniel Yes, Mayor Davis Yes.

The motion was voted on and passed 6 – 1.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding re-obligation of the remaining COVID-19 ARPA funds.

Town Manager Grier explained that the town had to use the COVID-19 ARPA funds or lose them and recommended the town re-obligate the funds from water line replacement to the purchase of generators. He said they could take a look at the budget to see if they could still do the water line replacement at the next work study meeting. Council Member McDaniel thought it was a great idea to re-obligate the funds. 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 go towards the generator project and any additional fund money that is necessary to complete said generator project was made by Council Member Highstreet and was seconded by Council Member Armington.

A roll call vote was taken:

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 Dueker 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 1st day of April 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 2nd day of April 2025.

Del Dupree, Administrative Assistant