

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

**Tuesday, October 7, 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 Mayor Davis.
- 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 public 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 September 16, 2025.

**B. Approval of Accounts Payable from September 16, 2025 through September 30, 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 Binney.

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.

PROCLAMATION:

1. Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Town Clerk Chapin read the proclamation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding possible PFAS water system projects. Presentation by Engineer Dale Miller and Water Operator Dean Shaffer.

Town Manager Grier said the town wanted to delve deeper into possible mitigation of the PFAS water issues. There may be money available for this thru WIFA loans with significant principal forgiveness and other grants. Engineer Dale Miller explained that the Circle K Well and the Park Well were shut down because of PFAS but it doesn't affect the town's water supply. He reviewed treatment options such as sediment removal, testing and ADEQ permitting which will add to the operations/maintenance budget every year as needed. It could amount to an average of \$10,000 per year.

Town Manager Grier commented that the loan/grant money would cover the initial cost of installing PFAS equipment but the yearly maintenance costs would be absorbed by the town. Council Member Dueker commented that the purification systems needed for the two wells currently down would double the average cost to \$20,000 per year. Engineer Dale Miller indicated that the town would not have to do both wells but could do one or the other. Council Member Dueker asked about the loan rate with WIFA. Engineer Miller gave an example of Prescott Valley who got a 90% forgivable loan rate with WIFA. He also said that ADEQ has PFAS money at 100 percent but they run the project and the town would give up control. He said the town might be better off looking at digging the wells deeper. There were pro's and con's to do that. The benefit to digging deeper would be to find high quality water and the con would be digging deeper and still finding PFAS in the water.

There was discussion among the council members as to the priority of aging water lines versus the PFAS issue. It bounced between funding one well for the PFAS issue and another opinion felt the water distribution was ok as is and to leave the two wells offline. There was also discussion regarding the generator project for wells that might go offline due to weather conditions. Engineer Dale Miller said the generator project design is on schedule and should go to bid at the first of the year. Town Manager Grier further commented on various projects such as the water storage tank and water line replacements which are funded by WIFA. Other water line replacements will be funded by CDBG.

Council Member Highstreet said he appreciated the information but felt the focus should be on water lines and not on the PFAS removal right away. Town Manager Grier said staff can follow that if it is the consensus of the council. Mayor Davis felt the town could hold off on the PFAS issue but keep an eye on it. Mr. Grier agreed because the regulations for PFAS levels are still moving and the focus should

be on water lines. However, he stressed that the council needs to balance the town's needs over all, which would include road improvements. The discussion ended and Mayor Davis called for an adjournment.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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 7th day of October 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 15th day of October 2025.

Del Dupree, Administrative Assistant