

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2012 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mayor asked all present to please turn off all electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER Called to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice-Mayor Madoneczky, Council Members Boatwright, Duran, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Cockrell, Police Chief Mendoza, and Public Works Dir. Edwards

Others Present: John Gutekunst, Kelly Wilson, and Dave Boatwright

INVOCATION: Given by John Gutekunst

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve the January 3, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- b. Approve the **street closure** of Mohave Avenue at 8th Street to 5th Street for the annual Blake School Community Helper's Safety Fair on Friday, January 27, 2012 beginning at 7:45am ending at 10:45am.

MOTION: The consent agenda be accepted as presented

BY: Council Member Shontz

SECOND: Council Member Duran

VOTE: All in favor except for Council Member Boatwright that abstained from item a not being present, the remaining passed the motion.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny a Special Event Liquor License from applicant Terry Kelly Wilson of the Benevolent Patriotic Order of Does for their annual Saturday, February 25, 2012, 12:00noon until 6:00pm charity fundraiser, this event is scheduled to be held at the 1509 Palo Verde Avenue applicants residence (map included)

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this would be the Does third annual fundraiser at the Wilson's residence. VM Madoneczky commented he has attended them in the past and it is a very good event. CB Boatwright added she too has attended and Ms Wilson puts out a very good spread.

MOTION: All of council approve the request for a special event liquor license for the requested date and time

BY: Vice Mayor Madoneczky

SECOND: Council Member Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny approve the Town of Parker Parks and Recreation Committee recommendation that the family provided memorial monument be placed within the 901 Desert Avenue Western Park grounds.

Public Works Director Edwards explained this request comes to Council from the Parks and Recreation Committee with their recommendation for approval that the monument is set in an upright vs. horizontal position. Set at a prominent location within the Western Park, because that was the park Private First Class Deysie played in as a youth. Council discussed the cost of the application; PW Edwards reported the soldier's mother had provided the 12"x24" six-inch thick stone, public works has a stone that staff can mount the monument in, and what labor is involved is small compared to the sacrifice this family has given in the line of duty; all of which, Council totally were in agreement.

MOTION: Placing a memorial honoring Private First Class Deysie within the Western Park is approved

BY: Council Member Savino

SECOND: Council Member Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Chamber of Commerce-Mayor Beaver * Tourism-CM Shontz *
- Enterprise Zone-CM Duran * Joint Venture-VM Madoneczky & CM Savino*
- Tribal Committee-VM Madoneczky, CM Savino, & CM Boatwright *
- Parks & Recreation-CM Yackley * Senior Center-CM Savino *
- Streets & Traffic-Mayor Beaver, VM Madoneczky, & CM Savino *
- Library Board-CM Duran * La Paz County Fair Board-Mayor Beaver
 - WACOG/WAEDD-CM Boatwright *

CM Savino reported a special meeting of the Joint Venture was held appointing Mark Schifo as the Member at Large pending on approval from the BIA. CM Duran reported the Library Board and the Friends met this month with major kudos given to Manager Davis. The group has renamed a section the "Seiberts Corner" which after the recent facelift is setup and styled as a coffee corner. The Parade Magazine article has earned close to \$31,000 in cash, books, and material donations for the Library. A wish list has been started for the funds with an outside patio set as a priority. Social Security meets every Monday with the minimum of five-hundred clients going in and out at the Library's back room. Having a patio with sitting places and a possible weather cover would allow all a place to sit outside while waiting for a turn or just a nice

place to sit a read a book or use the internet. Ruthie has applied for a few grants, one of which could help with the patios construction. Additionally, a youth volunteer is needed to replace the one that quit recently. CM Yackley reported the parks and recreation committee met and made the evening agenda recommendation. One of the meetings conversations pertained to the Potpourri vs. the Diamondbacks grant for building a regulation baseball diamond at the Western Park. The outcome is still unknown he added. Mayor Beaver reported on the Chamber of Commerce's concern with the Tube Floats status; everyone is urged to get out on Saturday and be part of the 100-year downtown Arizona Centennials Days parade. CM Shontz reported that Tourism is also very busy with Social Media and events. CM Savino gave congratulations and kudos for the new front door at Town Hall and new general appearances of Town Hall. CM Shontz thanked PW Edwards as being in Yuma the day before; they still have their Christmas lights up. Thanks were given that, ours are down and the flags and banners are up instead already.

2nd Quarter Financial Reports

Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer

Town Manager Wedemeyer reported first, there is not much good news for this quarter. Revenues are down but so are the expenditures and that is primarily due to the department heads watching their spending. Bed tax revenue seems to be lower than is expected but that could be due to all state figures are two months back reported. CM Savino inquired if other communities use outside agencies to collect and report their taxes. TM Wedemeyer replied yes, as was presented to council in the past outside agency collecting and reporting has proved very beneficial for say Bullhead City. This topic would come back to council during their upcoming council retreat session. There is one-year left on the Street Bond payback, the HURF Fund was reported no changes. CM Savino stated he has heard fuel could be up to \$5.00 per gallon for the summer if so that could hurt our tourist season traffic. There were no changes in the school officer or the police grants. Council inquired if the County was up to date on their payments. This reply was no, but it is only one payment and finance was not concerned at this time. The Library and the Senior Center are both writing grants that will be beneficial for the town was reported. The water accounts are current with not allot of concern voiced. The Governor has given the city's and towns her new budget reported Ms Wedemeyer, there is a plan to remove the 1% tax but that is unknown if how much beneficial it will be to the town and the smaller populated communities. comments were given that our local businesses need to be told they all need to be customer friendly, as we need to keep our shoppers purchasing locally not going elsewhere.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There was none

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sat.	Jan. 21	Arizona's Centennial Days Parade + Downtown Street Party	11:00am-11:00pm
Tue.	Jan. 24	Special Joint Venture Meeting @ the Senior Center	2:00pm
Tue.	Feb. 7	Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

Mayor added the reminder that of February 2nd and 4th for all the Downtown Events and for the 425 Off Road Events – everyone get out and have some fun.

Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11th Street.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: The meeting be adjourned
BY: Council Member Boatwright
SECOND: Council Member Duran
VOTE: All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:45 pm.

Approve,

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on January 17, 2012. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, CMC Town Clerk

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