

## MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION / REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2012  
5:10 P.M. / 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor asked everyone present to please turn off all electronic devices during the meetings

CALL THE WORK SESSION TO ORDER Mayor Beaver called the work session to order at 5:10 P.M.

Roll Call of Council: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Boatwright, Council Members Savino, Shontz, and Yackley  
Absent, Council Member Duran

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

Others Present: Dave Boatwright, and John Gutkunest

Purpose:  
Discussion: 2012 – 2013 Budget

Town Manager Wedemeyer provided all present with a Town of Parker Capital Project comparisons request for both the 2011/2012 to the 2012/2013, and the same time period comparisons of funding for the Outside Entities for this second budget session. She asked that the two items previously approved, but not completed yet; painting of the town owned buildings and the ball field work be explained. Public Works Director Edwards's then updated council on the city ball park ball fields redo; staff has worked with the Little League group of coaches and volunteers and with trustee helpers to remove and replace the base anchors of fields 1 & 3, and worked up the infields and installed pitcher mounds now that T-Ball is done. Staff removed the roofing on the dugouts and has received quotes on chain link fencing and slats as roofing replacements. Painting of the Senior Center would begin on this Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>, moving to paint the Library, then to finish at Town Hall. All in the southwestern color scheme that was agreed upon by all. PW Edwards reported the un-official news on the Diamond Backs grant, is it was awarded to an inter-city kids program in the downtown Phoenix area. Staff has been told however, that Arizona Public Service highly supports the town so there might be some help eventually; additionally, staff is looking into the Chase Foundation for endowments. Vice Mayor Boatwright requested we do something with the vacant ground at the Western Park, planting grass was suggested. Council Member Yackley added he too has been at the ball fields with Little League and voiced a big thank you for all the work that has been happening at the fields. TM Wedemeyer discussed staffs plans for future projects that would be the "pay as you go" type rather than going into another bond project which the repayment of the last one would be finished later this year. Staff does have the water tank painting project planned; to which,

council discussed that color scheme. They were advised that the current blue color might be changed to a more non-stand out color as suggested for the tanks safety and security. Funding of the outside agencies was then discussed; some of council would like the Chamber of Commerce to step-up and hold their own fund raisers similar to what the Senior Center does. Council added everyone needs to be held accountable; funds are down and the wants are up was the united comment. Economic development is floundering and council questioned if Mr. Wilson won a county supervisor's seat in the next election who then would take over as that developments director. Council Member Yackley added economic development itself is a good concept, however most other chambers have their own economic development division. Why is there the need for a separate one here, and is not that what we have Guy for? Mayor Beaver voiced the concern that if the chamber and tourism funding were cut or is reduced it could only hurt the town as a whole. He noted the Town of Tombstone in the past cutoff funding their chamber to only discover their town suffered a worse hardship and did an about face the following year post haste. Their town didn't have enough staff to field all the phone calls and inquires that were previously answered and replied to through their chamber. Council Member Shontz commented on the town's website, she thought it needed to be able to have better link-ups with the other entities websites. Council Member Savino added we are a diverse community that all the entities needed to get along and work together to bring in and make available quality jobs, that we all can obtain success for our individual entity's betterment. Other than making a few line changes Town Manager Wedemeyer stated, this probably would be the recommended budget; past councils had asked for and had a multitude of budget sessions, she feels not so with this council.

***Adjourn the Work Session***

**MOTION:** Mayor Beaver called for a motion to adjourn the Work Session  
**BY:** CM Shontz  
**SECOND:** VM Boatwright  
**VOTE:** All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the work session at 5:58pm

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Beaver again asked everyone to please turn off all electronic devices during the meeting

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER Mayor Beaver called the regular meeting to order at 6:00pm

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

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

Others Present: Dave Boatwright, John Gutkunest, Jose Moreno, CRIT Liaison John Hill Jr., Lori and Allie Dunlap, Lee Lomax, Jerry and Buni Hooper, Ken and Brenda Crutcher, and Lillian Miller

INVOCATION: Deacon Roger Yoder gave the invocation service

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Given by all lead by Mayor Beaver

PRESENTATION:

LaPaz Career Center – The COYOTE Program

Lillian Miller the LaPaz Career Center Director provided Council with information on what exactly is the COYOTE program that is offered at the Career Center. She explained that various public and private entities partner up to provide a job experience for youths that might not be able to find and learn important employment skills. The Town as well as the other entities has in the past financially helped provide 29 youths in 2011 work employment. Being a youth advocate for the past 23-years at the Career Center Ms Miller is hopeful the town's financial help would continue to be provided to help the youth of our community.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve the April 17<sup>th</sup> Special Executive Session/Regular Council Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:** The April 17<sup>th</sup> executive and regular meetings minutes are approve as presented  
**BY:** VM Boatwright  
**SECOND:** CM Yackley  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

REGULAR AGENDA:

***Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)***

1. Approve/Deny Resolution 03-2012 The Rural Arizona Group Health Trust Amendments

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the town has been in the insurance group since 2002 as one of the three beginning partners. The group now has nineteen individual participating entities. Annually the group is required by the trust attorney to review and accept any revisions or amendments made to the trust by annually approving a new resolution. Councils only comments were explained by the fact the attorney do review the trust documents.*

**MOTION:** Resolution 03-2012, the amendments to the Rural Arizona Group Health Trust documents is accepted and approved as presented  
**BY:** CM Savino  
**SECOND:** CM Shontz  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny recommendation from the Town of Parker Parks and Recreation Committee that the Town of Parker makes a special contribution to the Colorado River Indian Tribes

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained for many years Red Cross and Learn to Swim Programs have been held at the Colorado River Indian Tribes Kofa Inn Motel swimming pool. Currently that swimming pool is in need of major repairs to the pump and pipes, the pool's bowl and with the surrounding swimming pool decking. Council as a whole agreed, that being able to offer a share in the pools repair is a small thank you to the tribes for allowing the continued Learning to Swim and Red Cross programs at their pool is invaluable. Everyone agreed by in living in this area, we all need to know how to swim, and be safe around our water ways of the Colorado River and the valley canals. CRIT Liaison Hill commented*

his appreciation to the Council for their willingness to work together for all the communities' youth. Mayor Beaver added his and the councils thanks to the tribal council for all they do also.

**MOTION: Approve the recommendation from the Town of Parker Parks and Recreation Committee that the Town of Parker make a special \$10,000.00 dollar contribution to the Colorado River Indian Tribes for the Kofa Inn swimming pool repairs**

**BY: VM Boatwright**

**SECOND: CM Savino**

**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed unanimously**

## COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

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

Mayor Beaver reported attending both the Chamber of Commerce and Streets and Traffic Committee meetings where ADOT provided a power-point presentation of their proposed Mohave Road/ Highway 95 Roundabout, each were very interesting he added and would be brought to council as an action item.

Council Member Savino reported there would be a special Joint Venture meeting on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May. He also reminded all to get out and attend the Cinco de Maya dinner at the Senior Center on Friday.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: There was none

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wed.	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cempatico Community forum @ Blake School Auditorium	5:30-7:00pm
Wed.	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	SHIP – WACOG (Medicare Assistance) @ the Senior Center	10:00am
Thurs.	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Annual Youth Day Mock Council Meeting, Town Tour, & Festivities	8am-12noon
Thurs.	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Senior Center Committee Meeting @ the Senior Center (dark till Sept.)	9:30am
Fri.	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Cinco de Mayo Annual Dinner & Festivities @ the Senior Center	4:00 – 11:00pm
Tue.	May 8 <sup>th</sup>	PAACE Coalition Meeting @ Players 8 <sup>th</sup> Street Youth Center	12noon
Thurs.	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Older Americans Act – Medicare Senator Kyl representative@ the Center	11:45am
Sat.	May 12 <sup>th</sup>	PFC Deysie Memorial and Dedication @ the Western Park	10:00am
Mon.	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Town of Parker Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting	4:00pm
Tue.	May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm
Wed.	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	ADOT Transportation Enhancement presentation + open discussion	2:00 – 7:00pm

April 22<sup>nd</sup> – May 16<sup>th</sup> Town of Parker Cemetery annual spring cleaning and maintenance project

Diamond Backs vs. Chicago Cubs June 23<sup>rd</sup> game tickets \$40.00 transportation is available – speak with Tim Edwards or Jackie Johnson in Public Works

Letters of Intent from any registered Town of Parker resident wishing to serve as a Town Council Member are being accepted at Town Hall until 5:00pm on June 1<sup>st</sup>

*Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11<sup>th</sup> Street.*

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION:** The meeting be adjourned  
**BY:** CM Savino  
**SECOND:** CM Shontz  
**VOTE:** All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the regular meeting at 6:25pm

Approve,

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Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Work Session/Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on May 1, 2012. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

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Candy Cockrell, CMC Town Clerk

Some members of the Council or the Town Attorney may attend the meeting either in person or by telephone conference call. Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation by contacting, the Town Clerk, (928) 669-9265, at least (72) hours before the scheduled meeting. Facilities are handicapped accessible.