

MINUTES
TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2017 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Beaver asked all present to please silence or mute their electronic devices during the Council Meeting

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Collett, V. Hartless, Savino, and Shontz
Absent, Council Member R. Hartless

Staff Present: Manager Wedemeyer, Police Chief Romo, Public Works Director Stewart, Library Manager Davis, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: John Gutkunest, Deacon Yoder, Mary Hamilton, Nick Bompezzi, and Sam Camarata

INVOCATION: Given by Deacon Roger Yoder from Messiah Lutheran

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Given by all present

Proclamation: Career and Technical Education Month * February 2017
Nick Bompezzi read aloud the proclamation declaring February as being CTE Month

Presentations: *Parker Area Chamber of Commerce* Tourism Department
2nd Quarter Community Partners Reports*

*Mary explained her printed report; the Chamber would be 65Years old this September and she has many plans ahead planned for those celebrations. The building maintenance plan is in Phase I, the air condition has been updated and the roof project took a huge move forward after the last big rain. She added she is doing a 5-year plan on the rest of the building updates. Thank you much to all that helped make the 425 Downtown Experience the success that it was. She agreed with Nick and offered herself to work with him and the school to offer the youth an alternative to college classes.
CM Hartless thanked the Chamber and the racers for attending the PAACE Wednesday "Meet the drivers at Pop Harvey Park". A great time was had by all and she hopes it's added to the future race schedules.*

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve the following:

Mayor requested the consent items be motioned individually

A Regular Council Meeting Minutes from January 17, 2017 (absent CM Shontz)

MOTION: The January 17th regular minutes are approved as presented

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, excepting CM Shontz that abstained not being present approved and passed the motion

B Special/ Executive Council Meeting Minutes from January 18, 2017 (absent CM Collett & Savino)

MOTION: The January 18th special executive minutes are approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, excepting CM Collett and CM Savino that abstained not being present approved and passed the motion

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny Special Event Liquor License request from Soroptimist of Parker for their annual fundraising event, "Taste of Parker" to be held at the 1317 Joshua Mall site on Thursday, March 2, 2017, during the hours of 2:00pm until 9:00pm

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the Soroptimist's annual special event request which all department heads have given their approval for the event; no comments came from Council

MOTION: The Special Event Liquor License for the Taste of Parker" to be held at the 1317 Joshua Mall site on Thursday, March 2, 2017, during the hours of 2:00pm until 9:00pm be approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny Parker Public Library entering a Memorandum of Agreement by and between Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records for the "GO Train Pilot Project", for the purpose of helping staff attend continuing education opportunities and provide staff coverage through temporary substitute employee.

Library Manager Davis explained this is the same MOA with the State that is coming before them for a second renewal; she added it has been very helpful this year for allowing her and employees to go off for training and not worry who's minding the store. CM Collett inquired if there was a time period to be used by; Ruthie answered not at all the State has unlimited amount on trainings. The town's previous Librarian, Dale Savage is with the State now and has been very helpful to her on this was added.

MOTION: Extending the MOA between the Parker Public and Arizona State Library is approved as presented

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: CM Hartless

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

3. Approve/Deny Parker Public Library request for the road closure of Agency Road between Mohave and Navajo Avenues on Thursday, March 2nd during the hours of 3:00pm until 5:00pm, for the Library's annual Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party held at the Library and the Pop Harvey Park.

Library Manager Davis explained the street closure for Dr. Seuss's B-Day celebrations, last year the library hosted over 125 kids and 84 adults which caused a major overflow at the library and in the outside area. This year she would like to be able to use the areas of Pop Harvey Park, the local PTA would be partnering with and is willing to help with the event. CM Collett voiced concerns with the kids running out into the road and recommended more of a closure. Chief Romo too added the recommendation that 9th Street be closed off to deter any car traffic. Mr. Camarata offered to be a cross walk guard for the event.

MOTION: The road closure to include adding 9th Street between Mohave and Navajo Avenues to the original request for the requested day and time of 1:00pm to 5:00pm is approved as requested

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion was approved

4. Approve/Deny the annual use of Aaron Hill Ball Field and City Park Baseball fields #1, 2, 3, & 4 beginning on Monday, February 6th through June, during the hours of 5:30pm until 8:00pm; additionally, waive the \$50.00per team fee and the \$50.00 monthly electrical charges for the Parker Little League Associations 2017 Ball Season.

Public Works Director Stewart presented the Little League request for the 2017 ball season; once again they are requesting the town waive both, the \$50.00 per team and the electrical fees. Staff was in approval of the requests and no comments came from the council.

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BY: Mayor Beaver

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All I favor, the motion passed

5. Approve/Deny Parker Police Department acceptance of Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (AGOHS) awarded grant to be used for the purchase of a 2017 Ford Explorer DUI enforcement patrol vehicle; the vehicle, lights, graphics, and in-car radio will be purchased using State approved vendors.

Chief of Police Romo explained funding for the approved grant will provide for a new 2017 Ford Explorer which would be dedicated to DUI details only for its first year. The Manager asked would the vehicle require special DUI labels; chief replied yes for its first year then it would go into the regular vehicle fleet.

MOTION: Parker Police Department acceptance of the awarded AGOHS grant funds to be used for the purchase of a 2017 Ford Explorer DUI enforcement patrol vehicle; which will also get lights, graphics, and a in-car radio purchased using State approved vendors is approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Collett

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

6. Approve/Deny authorize Public Works to issue a Call to Bids for services and materials for the Geronimo Avenue Street Improvement Project (2016/2017 approved Capital Project Budget).

Public Works Director Stewart explained his request to call for bids to proceed with the next street project; CM Collett asked if this project would include curbing that answer was no not at this time. No other comments were given

MOTION: Public Works authorization to proceed with the their call to bids for services and materials for the Geronimo Avenue Street Improvement Project is approved as presented

BY: CM Savino

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- *Chamber of Commerce - CM Savino + Manager Wedemeyer*
- * Tourism - Mayor Beaver + Manager Wedemeyer *
- Enterprise Zone-Open * Joint Venture - VM Hooper + CM Collett*
- Tribal Committee - Mayor Beaver + CM Savino *
- Parks & Recreation- CM Collett * Senior Center-CM Savino *
- Streets & Traffic - VM Hooper + CM Savino*
- Library Board - CM Shontz * La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
- * WACOG - CM Hartless * PAACE - CM Collett
- *WAEDD - CM Savino + Mayor Beaver*

CM Hooper Streets and Traffic updated on item 6; Mayor Beaver Chamber of Commerce was updated from Mary earlier; CM Shontz announced the Antique Road show is on the 16th at the Library and there is a Book Sale on the 11th; Mayor gave thanks from the Best in the Desert family and announced Casey Folks memorial would be held in Vegas on the 12th; CM Savino attended the Seniors meeting and 1st event the Mardi Gras dinner n dance would be the following Friday; CM Collett reported he and VM Hooper attended the Joint Venture meeting – the crews are busy cleaning and blowing out all the drains since the last rains. They also are doing new mapping for the new tribal housing going in, also EPA announced they have zero control with the wetlands but with the new President in seat there is the possibility of financial help coming.

*2nd Quarter Financial Report * Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer*

TM Wedemeyer provided the Council with a printed copy of the 2nd Quarter Budget reports as she went over their different accounts. As always, she is comfortable with the 1st and 2nd reports even though most of the figures were below in percentages and most line expenses are up but until the 3rd quarter the normal figures don't provide a true reading she added. When she came to the Library VM Hooper asked Ruthie to have another article done about the "Little Library that Could" it had helped so much with the finances.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There was one call from Sam Camarata about his concern of the corner of 11th Street and California Avenue after a recent vehicle accident that sent a young Parker resident to the

hospital. He suggested the access from the westbound traffic be made as a “right hand turn” only. Mayor explained to him the Council could not take action on items brought up at “The Call” and suggested he meet with them after the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thurs.	Feb. 9 th	Special Regular Senior Center Committee Meeting @ the Center	9:30am
Fri.	Feb 10 th	Senior Mardi Gras Dinner & Dancing Event @ the Center	4:00-9:00pm
Sat.	Feb.11 th	BPO Does Wine Tasting fund raiser @1509 Palo Verde	noon – 6:00pm
<i>Change time to 1:00pm – 5:0pm</i>			
Sat.	Feb. 11 th	Parker Public Friends Book Sale @ the Library	8:00am-2:00pm
Sat.	Feb. 11 th	Take a Kid Fishing at LaPaz County Park	1000am – 3:00pm
Mon.	Feb. 13 th	Friends of the Library Meeting @ the Library	12:00 noon
Mon.	Feb. 13 th	Parks n Rec Committee Meeting (CM HC)	4:00pm
Mon.	Feb. 13 th	Parker Public Library Board @ the Library (CM MS)	5:00pm
Thurs.	Feb. 16 th	Hopi & Mohave Project pre-bid	10:00am
Thurs.	Feb. 16 th	Antique Road Show @ the Library	noon – 2:00pm
<i>Change time to 10:00am until 2:0pm</i>			
Monday, February 20th All Town offices are closed in observance of President’s Day			
Tue.	Feb. 21 st	Hopi – Mohave Project Bid Opening	2:00pm
Tue.	Feb. 21 st	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beaver adjourned the regular meeting at 7:10pm

Approve

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2017. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk

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