

## MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING / SPECIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015  
6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Beaver asked all present to please turn off or set to mute all their electronic devices during the Council Meetings

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Collett, Hartless, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley

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

Others Present: John Gutkunest, Louie Marsh, Chuck Baker, Kelly Dinolfe, Buni Hooper, Lillian Miller, Heather Carrey, DL Wilson, Kim Harsh, and Bob Gory

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor Louie Marsh from the Christ Church on the River

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

PRESENTATION: The Coyote Program – Lillian Miller & Ramona Duran

*Lillian Miller announced she was here to let the Mayor and the Council knows about the new changes that will affect the LaPaz County's One-Stop Career Center and how vital the town's participation this year would be. Major funding changes will be affected but first is the ages the Center provides jobs for. In the past 75% was dedicated towards the 14-21 school age students with 25% applied towards younger adults. This has just flipped; the Center will need to supply jobs for 75% young adults and only 25% for student age brackets. She stated the Center is not here for just summer babysitting job, it is to teach the participants work ethics, how the real world really works; not all the youth go to college or to a trade school, many stay in Parker and eventually become our town business, city, and county employees. Council Member Hartless inquired what if the numbers are not meet; Ms Miller responded the numbers will be met! Council commented the Center provides a vital program and is support of all that is offered.*

PRESENTATION: Pop Harvey Aquatic Association Summer Program – Buni Hooper

*Buni Hooper and the Pop Harvey President of the POP Harvey Aquatics thanked the Mayor and Council for their past support for both the swimming programs and for the summer camp programs. They were here to ask again that the town helps with the learn to swim programs which last year help 127 youths with swimming skills; the pool and time would again be donated by CRIT at the Kofa Inn. The AWC College also provides college credits for those that participate in their programs. She did suggest that*

council member Collett and Vice Mayor could participate in the programs both being certified Red Cross Instructors.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

***Approve the following:***

- a. April 7, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes (absent CM Hartless, Savino, & Yackley)
- b. April 9, 2015 Special Council Meeting Executive Session Minutes (absent CM Collett)
- c. April 14, 2015 Special Council Meeting Executive Session Minutes

*Mayor Beaver requested separate action be taken on the three Consent items*

**MOTION:** Consent item a is approved as presented  
**BY:** VM Hooper  
**SECOND:** CM Hartless  
**VOTE:** All in favor, except for Council Members Hartless, Savino, and Yackley who were not present and took no action; the remaining passed the motion

**MOTION:** Consent item b is approved as presented  
**BY:** VM Hooper  
**SECOND:** CM Shontz  
**VOTE:** All in favor, except for Council Member Collett who were not present and took no action; the remaining passed the motion

**MOTION:** Consent item c is approved as presented  
**BY:** VM Hooper  
**SECOND:** CM Shontz  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

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

1. Approve/Deny Ordinance 03-2015 (second and final reading) issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) related to a wireless tower use for certain property, generally located at 1108 Joshua Avenue Parker, Arizona.

*Public Works Director Edwards explained the request to replace the existing 65 foot lattis tower with a 75 foot monopole for the collected use by the County, Verizon Wireless, and the future use by GovNet. VM inquired how much taller and will lighting on the pole be required; PW Edwards said no lighting is required for the 15 foot taller pole and it would be painted to blend in with the existing area space.*

**MOTION:** Ordinance 03-2015) the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit related to a wireless tower use for certain property, generally located at 1108 Joshua Avenue Parker, Arizona is approved as presented  
**BY:** CM Collett  
**SECOND:** VM Hooper  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny the Town of Parker annual sponsorship of three (3) youths during the LaPaz County COYOTE Summer Youth Program.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this annual pre budget request would provide for 3 jobs within the town and is staff recommendation for approval. Mayor commented even though his business has its own work experience programs he supports the Career Centers program. Not all our youth will go to college, or to a trade school, this program gives way more bang for the buck being spent by the town.

**MOTION: Annual sponsorship for three positions is approved again for this annual expenditure of \$2000 each total of \$6,000.**

**BY: CM Savino**

**SECOND: CM Yackley**

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

3. Approve/Deny the Town of Parker Public Library entering into a contract with Sudden Link for the purpose of being the Library's phone and internet provider.

*Library Manager Davis explained the Library use to have a T-Line for the 20 plus computers that use internet service. Sudden Link if approved would provide their service at a cost that after her Erate pays their portion would be a reimbursement of 90%. CM Hartless asked if this was the first time for this program, the reply was no it is a yearly expense for the library.*

**MOTION: Town of Parker Public Library entering into a contract with Sudden Link for the purpose of being the Library's phone and internet provider is approved as presented**

**BY: VM Hooper**

**SECOND: CM Collett**

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

4. Approve/Deny funding the annual Pop Harvey Aquatic Association Learn to Swim Program (pre-budgeted item).

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the annual budgeted request; its funding would come from the special recreational activities set aside town account. CM Shontz asked if the number of youths went above the 100 allowed for what would happen; Buni replied she would keep to the allowed numbers.*

**MOTION: The annual Pop Harvey Aquatic Association Learn to Swim Program in the amount of \$5,500.00 is approved as presented**

**BY: CM Savino**

**SECOND: CM Hartless**

**VOTE: VM Hooper abstained from taking any action; the remaining passed the motion**

5. Approve/Deny funding the annual Pop Harvey Aquatics Association Swim Better Camp (pre-budgeted item).

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this too is a pre budgeted request similar as above which funding would come from the same recreational account; no comments came from the council*

**MOTION: Funding the annual Pop Harvey Aquatics Association Swim Better Camp in the amount of \$1,200.00 is approved as presented**

**BY: CM Savino**

**SECOND: CM Shontz**

**VOTE: VM Hooper abstained from taking any action; the remaining passed the motion**

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

Chamber of Commerce - Mayor Beaver \* Tourism - CM Shontz \* Enterprise Zone - open \*

\*Joint Venture - CM Savino & CM Yackley\* Parks & Recreation - CM Yackley \* PAACE-CM Yackley\* \* Senior Center - CM Savino \*Tribal Committee - CM Savino \*\* WACOG/WAEDD –CM Hartless - \*Streets & Traffic - Mayor Beaver & CM Savino \* Library Board-VM Hooper  
 \* La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver

CM Shontz reported attending the last tourism meeting; Josh is hot on the social media websites of the chamber; the recent Drag races provided all the motels in town and the river being full to capacity

CM Savino commented on attending the boat races of the past and how great it was to have them back today

Mayor Beaver commented too on the races and agreed it was great to have them back in our area.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

*There were two calls                      Chuck Baker and Kelly Dinolfe*

*Chuck Baker commented first on the tourism department at the Chamber; the social media hits are offering ways to entice visitors which would bring prosperity to this community’ pockets. He announced he had submitted a financial offer on 2 lots on the Riverside Redevelopment properties. He explained what businesses he currently has in the town and what he could do on the two lots. He would like to bring new business to the town, if the town would accept his cash offer.*

*Kelly Dinolfe explained she is from the Thomas family and has concerns about the dirt side of the Parker Cemetery; she goes once a week to tend to her parents gravesites and notices how great the grass section and the trees are on the other side and asked if funding was available for improvements on her side. She noted the cypress trees along the driveway are dying or dead, she would like the council to address this issue if possible.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Wed..	April 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Special Construction Pre-con meeting	10:00am
Thurs.	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Special Senior Center Committee Meeting @ the Center	9:30am
Thurs.	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Streets and Traffic Committee meeting <b>new time</b>	5:15pm
Fri.	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Senior Center’s Cinco de Maya Dinner @ the Center	3:00-11:00pm
Mon.	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Friends of the Library <b>new time</b>	1:00pm
Mon.	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Library Board meeting @ the Library	4:00pm
Thurs.	May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Youth Day Festivities @ all the Town Departments	8:00am – 1:00pm
Tue.	May 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Next</b> Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

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

***Adjourn the regular meeting and convene into a special executive session***

Mayor adjourned the Regular meeting at 6:50pm and announced there would be a 5-minute break before he would call the Special Meeting to order.

**CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION TO ORDER:**

Mayor Beaver called the Special Meeting to order at 6:55pm

ROLE CALL OF COUNCIL: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Collett, Hartless, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, and Town Clerk Cockrell

PURPOSE:

- 1 Discussion and possible action to convene into an Executive Session pursuant to **A. R. S. § 38-431.03A (1)** for the purpose of:
  - a. Discussion of the job performance and evaluation of the Chief of Police
  - b. Discussion of the job performance and evaluation of the Town Manager

**Convene into Executive Session**

**MOTION: Adjourn from the Special Meeting and convene into an Executive Session**  
**BY: CM Shontz**  
**SECOND: VM Hooper**  
**VOTE: All in favor, Mayor Beaver gave the general warning to all present; all matters discussed while in executive session are and must be kept confidential**

**“Note, Executive Sessions are not open to the public, Matters discussed while in Executive Session must be kept Confidential by those attending”**

**Adjourn the Executive Session and Re-Call the Special Meeting to Order**

**MOTION: Adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene back into the Special Meeting**  
**BY: VM Hooper**  
**SECOND: CM Yackley**  
**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed**

CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor called the Special Meeting to order at 7:53pm

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Collett, Hartless, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley

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

1. Discussion and Consideration of any motions pertaining to the employment and compensation of the Chief of Police

**MOTION: Clay Romo be retained as the Town of Parker Chief of Police at a salary of \$80,000 plus normal benefits be approved**  
**BY: VM Hooper**  
**SECOND: CM Collett**  
**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed**

2. Discussion and Consideration of any motions pertaining to the employment, the contract, and the compensation of the Town Manager

**MOTION:** Lori Wedemeyer be retained as the Town of Parker Town Manager at a 5% increase to her salary plus normal benefits be approved  
**BY:** VM Hooper  
**SECOND:** CM Collett  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Special meeting at 7:56pm

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 Regular Council Meeting/Special Executive Session of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

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Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk

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