

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2017 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Beaver asked all 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, R. Hartless, V. Hartless, Savino, and Shontz

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

Others Present: Skip and Carol Becker, Mary Hamilton, John Gutkunest, Reverend Goforth, Lorre Murel, Roberta Hoffman, and Sheriff Bill Risen

INVOCATION: Given by Reverend Lisa Goforth from Church of the Resurrection

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Given by all present

3rd Quarter Presentations: Community Partners
Parker Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism * Economic Development

Mary Hamilton from the Chamber provided her printed 3rd Quarter update for the Council beginning first with the information she is not expecting that any Chamber funding will be coming from LaPaz County. Due to that she is cutting back, the first was the bookkeeping staff. She can't plan for any building maintenance until after the results come in from this year's Tube Float. She and the staff are looking for a very successful event and added she would like to see some of the council attending. Her report provided the ac/heat pump unit has been paid off; she is still planning on attending the Tourism Conference, networking is so very important in this business. The chambers website is used daily and she has just added links to Job postings. The new hotel is expected to be open very soon. She thanked the Council and the town for all their support.

Skip Becker from Economic Development thanked the council for their past and hopefully continued financial assistance. He stated he loved his job, it's not easy creating change, its needed, and together we are making Parker and LaPaz County a better place to work and live in. New things are coming; the Hamptons will be opening soon, the Jack-in-the-Box will be starting to remodel the old KFC building, and Rose Acres is expanding. When asked by other city's how he does it, all he can say is Parker and LaPaz are the models for great projects

ahead. He again stated his thanks.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve the following: Mayor Beaver asked the two items be voted upon separately

a. Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 4th, 2017.

MOTION: The April 4th council meeting minutes are approved as presented

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: CM R. Hartless

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

b. Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2017 (absent CM V Hartless)

MOTION: The April 18th council meeting minutes are approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor except for CM V. Hartless that was not present approved and passed the motion

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny authorize Public Works to award a Professional Service contract on the California Avenue Storm Drain Improvement Project.

Public Works Director Stewart explained the three bids for the project were opened the week prior, all postings were met; the town and the contractor both would work with ADOT to bring this project to an end. He explained the major sink hole was caused by the big rainstorm the past January; the business of Eddie's Marine Services would be working with the town and ADOT replace a storm drain and the installation of 93 linear feet of a 42" diameter storm drain pipe in the Town's and ADOT right-of way approximately 18 feet below existing grade. He added this would require special heavy trenching and shoring equipment. Council had previously inquired if the property owner had filed and received any insurance claims, this was stated he hadn't. Partnership effort of this project is an emergency and not budgeted in the current fiscal; however, HURF funding could be utilized the Manager added.

MOTION: The California Avenue Storm Drain Improvement Project be awarded to Granite Construction in the amount of \$12,768.00

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

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

VM Hooper reported attending the recent Streets and Traffic Committee's meeting, which the above was discussed and would now go dark through the summer months

Financial 3rd Quarter Report * Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Sheriff Bill Risen wanted to thank the Parker Police Department, the Chief, and his Officers for assisting the Sheriff during the recent LaPaz County's Board of Supervisors Meeting. Sheriff stated, due to the layoff of 30 employees he didn't want his County Officers or personnel present in case something went wrong. He informed the Council of some changes he is implementing; you will begin to see Border Patrol officers riding in and with County officers, the same is also planned for CA officers; the adding of 2 manned units would be a more visible presence seen. Council asked how many prisoners were at the jail currently, he replied 70 locals, 25 federal and recently San Luis prison requested LaPaz take over 80 of their inmates. Upon the receipt three men collapsed from heat exhaustion after awhile many stated their thanks to the Sheriff for taking them and complimented the jail facility on its cleanness, the food provided and the general kindness given.

Roberta Hoffman complimented Skip on his speech and added what many great things are coming to Parker they have been and more will follow. She thanked the Council for being a positive council and for giving their support to the Economic Development group, which she is a board member.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thurs. May 4 th	Youth Day Festivities	9:00 AM – 12:00noon
Thurs. May 4 th	Senior Center Committee @ the Center	9:30 AM
Mon. May 8 th	Friends of the Library Meeting @ the Library	12:00 noon
Mon. May 8 th	Parks n Rec Committee Meeting (CM HC)	4:00pm
Mon. May 8 th	Parker Public Library Board @ the Library (CM MS)	5:00pm
Tue. May 9 th	Special P & Z Meeting (General Plan)	4:00pm
Tue. May 16 th	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 6:45pm

Approve

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Council Meetings of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk

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