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MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, June 1, 2021 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Please silence or mute your electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member De Leon, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas, Council Member Schontz, Council Member Savino

Staff Present: Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Town Attorney Christina Estes-Werther, Director of Public Works Steve Zeigler, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Library Manager Tracy Mcconnell, Director of Community Development Nora Yackley, Lieutenant Johnny Ferris.

Others Present: John Gutekunst, Lois Moore, Melissa Newton, Michael Kelly, Kalee Page, Karla Davis, Don Moore, Wayne Miller, Bryant Shontz, Danny Prtega

INVOCATION: Given by Ruben Magdelano, Calvary Parker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all in attendance

PRESENTATION: APS Summer Update- Regina Twomey, APS Public Affairs Manager: SW Division

Regina provides the council with an update for the summer season.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

If you wish to address the Council during this meeting, please read and fill in the information on the "Call to the Public" form and hand it to the Town Clerk. Please limit your comments to a maximum of **3-minutes**.

There was one call to the public presented to the clerk.

- 1. Karla Davis and Kalee Page-Karla Davis introduces herself and Kaylee Page and notes that Kaylee is from Little League and she is starting a co-ed softball team. They are here tonight to speak about City Park. All she knows is what she's read in the Parker Pioneer, that the council seems to be moving forward with not renewing the lease in lieu of a pool. She understands that pools are a very important subject here. She gets that but has lived here 50 years and somehow this town has managed to maintain the city park and pool. She's had the pleasure of living next to the city park for the last 21 years. The traffic over there is crazy but it's good. There's a lot of young people, there are lots of kids at the skatepark and the ballpark is our main thing. She notes that Kaylee can tell you that the Little League games over there are so many people. So many kids are practicing. Aaron Hill Park is great, it really is. The town of Parker has kept everything so nice, there's somebody over there almost everyday working. The grass is always cut nice. It's a great facility and we cannot let this go we can't. I've had the pleasure myself of watching 3 generations play t-ball over there. 3rd generation you talk about community and the continuity of community that Park most of you it's always been there we love it we use it we want it. I can bring you a petition. I can bring you tons of signatures. Kalee Page notes they have 27 teams on Little League they're trying to figure out when the time comes if the Town Council decides to get rid of these fields where are we going to go, what are we going to do. We just wanted to pull together and see what we had to do to help. What can we do as a community .Letting this go would be a huge loss for our community.*

CONSENT AGENDA:

All items in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Council, and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. If requested, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

Approve the following:

- a. Town of Parker Regular Council Meeting/Executive Session Minutes of May 4, 2021.

The Town Clerk notes minutes shall be corrected to reflect the correct attendance. The only council member absent for this meeting was Frank Savino.

MOTION: To approve Regular Council Meeting/Executive Session Minutes of May 4, 2021
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: VM Hooper
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

- b. Town of Parker Regular Council Meeting/Executive Session Minutes of May 18, 2021.

The Town Clerk notes minutes shall be corrected to reflect the correct attendance. There were no members of council absent from this meeting.

MOTION: To approve Regular Council Meeting/Executive Session Minutes of May 18, 2021
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny the purchase of the Allmand Air Compressor (FY 20-21 budgeted item)
Steve Ziegler, Public Work Director

Steve Ziegler, Director of Public Works, respectfully requests the Mayor and Council to authorize staff to purchase the Allmand Air Compressor model MA 185 from A to Z Equipment utilizing the Arizona State contract ADSP-018-007981 for \$22,378.85. In 2019 the public works department took the 2001 Grimmer Schmidt portable air compressor out of service due to oil dumping into the air compressor side of the machine. Due to the age of the piece of equipment it was not cost effective to get the engine replaced and then continue to use a 19 year old piece of equipment with 720 hours of operation. In April of 2020 the Grimmer Schmidt air compressor was sold at auction for \$2,200. During the FY 20/21 budget process we received cost estimates for the new compressor and deemed this was necessary to purchase. A to Z Equipment using the state contract pricing has provided a quote for an Allmand air compressor that meets the same specifications as at our old compressor. The quote is for \$22,378.85 which includes freight. The funding for this project will be coming from the FY 20/21 capital budget for streets where we budgeted \$23,000 for the air compressor. There are no questions or comments regarding this item.

MOTION: To approve the purchase of the Allmand Air Compressor (FY 20-21 budgeted item)
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM De Leon
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

2. Approve/Deny Receiving LSTA Grant for Laptops and Outdoor Seating
Tracy McConnell, Library Manager

Tracy McConnell, Library manager, respectfully requests the Mayor and Council to approve the accepting of the Library Services And Technology Act Grant of \$17,056. We were awarded for laptops and outdoor furniture through the Institute of Museum and Library services. Parker Public Library is creating an outdoor reading area in the grass outside of the teen room, on the side of the building facing Pop Harvey Park. Having an outdoor area for people to sit down and read books or use electronics is more crucial than ever. The library has big plans for this area. This grant will be used to purchase laptops and buy outdoor furniture. This project was approved at

the February 7th, 2021 Town Council meeting. There are no questions or comments regarding this item

MOTION: To approve the Receiving LSTA Grant for Laptops and Outdoor Seating
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Lucas
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

3. Approve/Deny Receiving LSTA Subgrant for WiFi Expansion

Tracy McConnell, Library Manager

Tracy McConnell, Library Manager, respectfully requests the Mayor and Council to approve the acceptance of Library Services And Technology Act Sub Grant of \$4,000 when we were awarded to extend Wi-Fi through the Institute of Museum and Library services. The Parker Public Library wishes to extend the Wi-Fi to reach across the entire grass area about 100 ft on the Navajo side of the building and to reach all the way across the parking lot about 150 ft. This was going to be included with the laptop and outdoor furniture grant but the Arizona State library has special grants specifically for Wi-Fi expansion so we moved the Wi-Fi to the subgrant. The project was approved as part of the other project on February 7th, 2021 at the Town Council meeting. Following the acceptance of grant funds Tracy will set up a meeting with Darrin so he can order the equipment. They will be purchasing a Wi-Fi router, access points, Hardware and software for the firewall. There are no questions or comments regarding this item.

MOTION: To Approve Receiving Lsta Subgrant For Wifi Expansion
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM De Leon
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

4. Approve/Deny Receiving LSTA Grant for Mini-Grant for Spanish Collection

Tracy McConnell, Library Manager

Tracy McConnell, Library Manager, respectfully requests the Mayor and Council to approve the accepting of the Library Services And Technology Act Sub Grant of \$4,000 The awardees for the multilingual collection through the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Spanish and bilingual books currently only make up about 1% of the total collection at the Park Public Library. According to a survey that was done in 2019 about 24% of the town of Parker residents speak only Spanish in their home. Our collection should represent our community, and sadly it does not. We will use the \$4,000 collection and programming mini-grant to purchase the Spanish and bilingual books. The purpose of the CAP grant is to help libraries enhance materials for targeted audiences. CAP Grant funds may be used only for Library collection materials and instructor/presenter fees. The project was approved at the February 7th, 2021 Town Council meeting. After receiving the award the library will start planning their Spanish Heritage Day event. They will order a banner with all the event info on it and hang it at Western Park. They will use 70% of the money immediately to purchase children's bilingual books and Spanish books from the bestseller list as well as the books that have been requested by our Spanish-speaking patrons. We will catalogue all the new books and have them ready before the debut of the event. The library will create a display in the main entrance with some of the new books and have signage that points patrons to the area of the books where they will usually be shelved. They will have the rest of the new books on tables and have an unveiling of the new books at the event. Spanish club students from the high school will perform Spanish dances. We will ask community members to bring a Spanish dish for everyone to taste. We will take book requests from the

attendees and then purchase the other 30% of the books for the collection. They will be issuing library cards to anyone who does not have one yet. Julie Castillo, a volunteer and a friend of the library, and Leo Bejarano, a Town of Parker employee, will be attending our event to help with the communication barriers. There are no questions or comments regarding this item.

MOTION: To Approve Receiving LSTA Grant for Mini-Grant for Spanish Collection
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM De Leon
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

5. Discuss Current Activity with Liquid Titan, The Council may vote to discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

Nora Yackley, Community Development Director

This Item Moved to Executive Session for Discussion

6. Discuss Current Activity with Sako Oil. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

Nora Yackley, Community Development Director

This Item Moved to Executive Session for Discussion

7. Discuss Current Status of Craig Reynolds Project. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(7).

Nora Yackley, Community Development Director

This Item Moved to Executive Session for Discussion

8. Discuss Current Status of Anderson's Trailer Park, The Council may vote to discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

Nora Yackley, Community Development Director

This Item Moved to Executive Session for Discussion

9. Discuss Current Status of Parks & Recreation Director Applications

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Town Manager Wedemeyer notes That as of May 28th 2021 we had received no applications for the Parks and Recreation director position. She notes that Town Clerk, Amy Putnam, worked with the school and asked them to share the job announcement, which they did. There was no response, Town Clerk Putnam has let the Parks and Recreation Department know that we will not be moving forward with the summer program this year. There are no questions regarding this item

10. Report of Meeting with Arizona Commerce Authority

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Tow Manager Wedemeyer, notes that on 04-27-2021 herself and Community development director Nora Yackley met with Kaeith Watkins from the AZ Commerce Authority. Pinocchio has been very welcoming and understands some of our goals. They discuss the current status of broadband. And notes that this is a very hot topic Statewide. He understands our needs and knows we are not forgotten. Keith is well aware of what's going on in Parker South. We spoke of all the improvements to town has done and brought him up to date on the couple of manufacturing businesses that are currently operating out in Parker South. Everyone is always very intrigued by the new e w s and Parker is getting a lot of notice because of this company and their ideas. She notes the keep did say he would love to make a visit soon and see how they are operating.

He offered his assistance to us. Mayor Bonds notes that this is encouraging news and she hopes to be able to invite Mr. Watkin's out to see the area soon. There are no other questions on this item.

11. Discuss Current Status of Water/Land Purchase. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(7).

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

This Item Moved to Executive Session for Discussion

12. Discuss and Approve Town of Parker Special Worksession/Special Meeting & Executive Session Amended Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2019. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) and (3).

MOTION: To Approve Town of Parker Special Worksession/Special Meeting & Executive Session Amended Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2019
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM De Leon
VOTE: With Council Member Hartless not in favor and all others in favor, the motion passed;

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thursday	June 3, 2021	Adult Book Club	Parker Public Library 6:00 PM
Monday	June 7, 2021	Baby and Me Story Time	Parker Public Library 6:00 PM
Saturday	June 12, 2021	Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce & Tourism 43rd Annual Parker Tube Float	See the Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce & Tourism website for further information
Monday	June 14, 2021	Parks and Recreation Committee Regular Meeting	4:00 PM

Monday	June 14, 2021	Library Advisory Board Regular Meeting	5:30 PM
Tuesday	June 15, 2021	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00 PM

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

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

CALL THE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds called the executive session to order at 6:37 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member De Leon, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas, Council Member Schontz, Council Member Savino

Staff Present: Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Town Attorney Christina Estes-Werther

For Item (b) the Chief of Police, Michael Bailey is in attendance.

For Item (c) and (d) the Director of Community Development, Nora Yackley is in attendance for regular agenda items 5-8 and 11.

PURPOSE:

1. Discussion and possible action to convene into an Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38431.03A(1)(2)(3) for the purpose of:

- a. Discussion or consideration of the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of the Town Manager
- b. Discussion or consideration of the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of the Chief of Police
- c. Discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.
- d. Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body.

Convene into Executive Session

**"Note, Executive Session are not open to the public, Matters discussed in an Executive Session must be kept Confidential by those attending"
Adjourn the Executive Session and Re-Call the Meeting to Order**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds recalled the meeting to order at 8:45 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member De Leon, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas, Council Member Schontz, Council Member Savino

Staff Present: Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Town Attorney Christina Estes-Werther

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion or consideration of the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of the Town Manager

_____ ***There was no action taken on this item***

2. Discussion or consideration of the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of the Chief of Police

_____ ***There was no action taken on this item***

ADJOURN: Mayor Bonds adjourn the meeting at 8:49 PM

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
The council may vote to recess into an executive session which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice regarding any of the agenda items, pursuant to §38-431.03()(3).

Approve

Karen Bonds, Mayor

ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Time: June 1, 2021 6:00 PM Arizona

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