

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
SPECIAL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING / PUBLIC HEARING / WORK SESSION  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016 5:15PM / 5:30PM / 5:45PM / 6:00 P.M.

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

CALL THE WORK SESSION TO ORDER: Mayor called the special work session to order at 5:15 P.M.

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Library Manager Davis, Senior Director Tilley, Administrative Assistant Johnson, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: John Gutkunes, Mary Hamilton, Lisa Whittier, Skip and Carol Becker, DL Wilson, Danny Tucker, Heather Wellborn, Robert Hoffman, and Ron Simms

### PRESENTATION:

#### Outside Agencies

President and CEO of the La Paz Economic development Skip Becker first thanked the council on their past and current support with their investment; he additionally gave thanks to his wife Carol for her support of his many hours away from home. He reported on the town's current four projects and informed all there were more on the horizon to come.

After being introduced Lisa Whittier updated the council on her plans for the Tourism side of the Chamber; they would be reaching out to the euopium areas along with the tri-states with information that the Parker area has to offer. Through the use of Trip Advisor the Chamber can reach out nationally and globally to all avenues.

Mary Hamilton had previously provided her written report for the council which was included within the packet of her Chamber update. She is requesting that the council maintains its level of funding for both chamber and tourism for fiscal year 2017. Most of the goals have been met to date as she told of the loss of the front person and the replacement with Danny Tucker, who she also introduced. He report had provided the stasis for the past year of all the chamber offers. She ended with many thank you to the whole council, the police and public works, and town staff for their support.

***Adjourn the Work Session and convene into the Special Meeting***

CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor called the special meeting to order at 5:45 P.M.

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Library Manager Davis, Senior Director Tilley, Administrative Assistant Johnson, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: John Gutkunest, Mary Hamilton, Lisa Whittier, Skip and Carol Becker, DL Wilson, Danny Tucker, Heather Wellborn, Robert Hoffman, and Ron Simms

PRESENTATION:

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained council has held the required three budget sessions which were all have met the legal posting requirements. If the proposed tentative budget is approved tonight it would be published locally for two weeks, go to the state for its approval, and then be brought back for the council's final approval.

***“Present, discuss, consider and adopt the tentative estimate of expenses (budget) for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and set a public hearing for discussion of the budget”***

***Adjourn the Special Meeting and convene into a Public Hearing***

Mayor adjourned the Special Budget presentation and called the Public Hearing to order at 5:50pm

Call the Public Hearing to order: 5:50 P.M.

Roll call: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Hartless and Shontz  
Absent, Council Members Collett, Savino, and Yackley

Manager Wedemeyer explained that council heard the presentation earlier and asked if council had any questions or concerns. Citizen Hoffman gave congratulations to the council for being a positive organization in their endeavors as her public comments

1. Discussion  
Re: Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 Budget
2. Citizens Comments  
Re: Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 Budget

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

***Adjourn the Public Hearing and convene into a Special Budget Session***

Mayor adjourned the Public Hearing at 5:55pm and called the Special Budget Session to order at 5:58pm

Roll call: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Hartless and Shontz  
Absent, Council Members Collett, Savino, and Yackley

1. Approve/Deny the Tentative Adoption of Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 Budget.

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

**MOTION:** THE ATTENTIVE ADOPTION OF THE FY 2016-2017 BUDGET OF \$16,636,865 APPROVED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: CAPITAL PROJECTS OF \$7,190,993, INCLUDING \$292,002 FROM GADA LOAN, \$5,500,000 FROM GRANT FUNDING; CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, TOURISM, & LAPAZ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS \$23,000 FOR THE CHAMBER, \$25,000 FOR TOURISM, AND \$20,000 FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; COMMUNITY PARTNERS WILL REMAIN THE SAME AS FY 2016-2017, EMPLOYEES WILL RECEIVE A 2% COLA AND UP TO 3% MERIT ON THEIR ANNIVERSARY DATE.

**BY:** VM HOOPER

**SECOND:** CM SHONTZ

**VOTE:** ALL IN FAVOR, PASSED THE MOTION

*Adjourn the Special Budget Session and convene into the Regular Meeting*

Mayor adjourned the Special Budget Session at 5:59pm

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor reminded all present to please turn off or silence all electronic devices during the Council Meetings

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

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Library Manager Davis, Senior Director Tilley, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: John Gutkunest, Heather Wellborn, Robert Hoffman, and Ron Simms

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor Jose Garcia from Parker Apostolic Church  
*John Gutkunest gave the invocation in Pastor Jose's absence*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve the June 7<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting/Budget Work Session minutes
- MOTION: THE JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING/BUDGET WORK SESSION MINUTES ARE APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- BY: CM SHONTZ**
- SECOND: VM HOOPER**
- VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

REGULAR AGENDA:

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

- 1 Approve/Deny the Submission of a State Library Grant for a Smart Table for the Parker Public Library

*Library Manager Davis submitted a copy of the state grant along with a picture of the Smart Table that if awarded the youth of the library would have the use of. There would be no cost to the town which would be around \$7,000 to purchase. CM Hartless asked who provides support for the unit, as with all new "toys" all support is provided through the internet.*

- MOTION: PARKER PUBLIC LIBRARY'S SUBMISSION OF THE STATE GRANT FOR A SMART TABLE IS GRANTED**
- BY: CM HARTLESS**
- SECOND: VM HOOPER**
- VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

2. Approve/Deny Resolution 07-2016 Approving the Annual Extension of the Intergovernmental Agreement between Yuma/La Paz Counties Community College District (AWC) and the Town Parker Public Library from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017

*Library Manager Davis explained this is annual housekeeping for the agreement which has been in place since 2012 for the library's materials support and of a part time person. no comments were given from the council.*

- MOTION: RESOLUTION 07-2016 THE ANNUAL EXTENSIONS OF THE IGA BETWEEN THE PARKER PUBLIC LIBRARY AND AWC IS APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- BY: VM HOOPER**
- SECOND: CM HARTLESS**
- VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

3. Approve/Deny Resolution 08-2016 the WACOG Area Agency on Aging Contract for Nutritional Services in La Paz County for fiscal year 2016-2017

*Senior Center Director Tilley explained the town has provided the nutrition program for all of LaPaz county seniors since 2005, CM Hartless commented concerns of the waiting list which Ms Tilley explained if there is no waiting list the agency thinks funding needs to be cut (catch 22).*

- MOTION: RESOLUTION 08-2016 THE ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR THE NUTRITIONAL SERVICES OF LAPAZ COUNTY WITH WACOG/AAA FOR FY-2017 IS APPROVED AS PRESENTED**
- BY: VM HOOPER**
- SECOND: CM SHONTZ**
- VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

4. Approve/Deny the Contract Renewal for Town Prosecutor Services for the Parker Magistrate Court with Attorney Heather Wellborn

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the town received a request for a new yearly contract with an increase in the rate. Both the magistrate and the police department are pleased with the quality of Ms Wellbore's service for the town. No questions were received from council on this item.*

**MOTION: THE TOWN OF PARKER MAGISTRATE COURT PROSECUTORS CONTRACT BE RENEWED AS PRESENTED WITH THE REQUESTED INCREASE IS APPROVED**

**BY: VM HOOPER**

**SECOND: CM HARTLESS**

**VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

5. Approve/Deny Contract with Good Creations, LLC for Grant Writing Services

*Town Manager Wedemeyer reported the Senior Center currently uses Good Creations and has received numerous awarded grants; previously both Lori and Tim gave a huge wish list to the firm of the towns wants and needs. A fee of \$28,800 per year is proposed for the firm's services. Mayor commented it has been needed for some time and gave kudos for the departments that had in the past written their own.*

**MOTION: ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH GOOD CREATIONS, LLC FOR THE PURPOSE OF GRANT WRITING IS APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

**BY: CM SHONTZ**

**SECOND: VM HOOPER**

**VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

6. Approve/Deny the Town of Parker Police Department Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Annual Renewal with Parker Unified School District #27 for the School Safety Officer

*Chief of Police Romo reported it is renewal time for the town's annual intergovernmental with Parker Unified for the safe school officer; the fee is equally split between the town and the school. No comments were given from the council.*

**MOTION: THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF THE TOWN OF PARKER POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PARKER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #27 FOR THE SAFE SCHOOL OFFICER IS APPROVED AS PRESENTED**

**BY: VM HOOPER**

**SECOND: CM SHONTZ**

**VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR, THE MOTION PASSED**

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

VM Hooper reported there was not a Joint Venture meeting held this month; CM Hartless reported attending the latest WACOG meeting; Mayor Beaver reported he was very surprised and in enlightened when he attended the WACOG executive meeting and would be attend more if possible.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

**THERE WAS NONE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mon	June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Streets and Traffic Committee Meeting	5:15pm
Mon	July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Town Offices CLOSED in Observance of Independence Day	
Tue	July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 6:27pm

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 of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on Tuesday June 21,, 2016. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, 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.