

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS / PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2014 5:45 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor asked everyone 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 session to order at 5:45 P.M.

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

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

Others Present: Jose Garcia, John Gutkunest, Skip Becker, Roberta Hoffman, Shawn Van Fleet, Sarkis Parseghian, DL Wilson, and David Plunkett

Call the Public Hearing to order: Mayor Beaver called the public hearing to order at 5:46pm

1. Discussion
Re: Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015 Budget
2. Citizens Comments
Re: Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015 Budget

Town Manager Wedemeyer provided all present an overall update of the previous budget sessions and the previous public hearing on the proposed 2014/2015 fiscal year's budget. The overall budget has increased by approximately \$6,205,934.00; this includes the selling of the town property for \$1.6M, adding \$2M to the Annex Capital Project Fund, adding \$1.5M into the Impact Fees, adding \$2.1M to the Debt Service and adding \$1.4M to the HURF Fund Balance. Council approved recommending the Learn to Swim program be increased by \$2,500; State Shared Revenues are up approximately 2%; the Town Sales Tax is up 3-5%; Health Insurance rates are up approximately 6%; along with State Retirement up around 3%, but Public Safety Retirement is down around 68%. Council has recommended the Chamber, Tourism, and Economic Development continue to be funded, as well as the Coyote Youth

program, and bring back the town's summer youth program for another year; bringing the overall budget up by 52%, mainly due to budgeting any possible grants received. Mayor asked if there were any council or citizen's comments on the proposed budget; Ms Wedemeyer stated, if approved tonight the final adoption would be posted on the town's website and forwarded onto the State. There were neither council nor citizens comments given.

Adjourn the Public Hearing and convene into a Special Meeting

MOTION: Adjourn and reconvene into a special meeting
BY: CM Collett
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: All in favor, Mayor reconvened into the special meeting at 5:50pm

CALL THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER

- a. Roll Call of Council Present: Mayor Beaver, Council Members Collett, Hartless, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley
Absent, Vice Mayor Hooper
- b. Call to the Public for Comments – none were given
- c. Approve/Deny Resolution 12-2014, Adoption of Fiscal Year 2014- 2015 Town of Parker Budgets (Roll Call Vote)

MOTION: Resolution 12-2014 adoption of the 2014-2015 FY budgets is approved in the amount of \$18,003,845 to include the following: Capital Projects in the amount of \$7,288,809, including \$292,002 from GADA loan and \$5,795,736 from grant funding. The dog park will be funded if ½ (\$11,327.50) is raised by the outside entities. The Chamber of Commerce funded at \$23,000, Tourism at \$25,000, and \$15,000 for LaPaz Economic Development; the Learn to Swim will be increased by 2,500 for the total of \$6,700.00.
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Collett
VOTE: Roll call vote: Mayor Beaver yea, Council Members Collett, Hartless, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley all voted yea – no nays were given; the motion passed

d. Adjourn Special Council Meeting

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

It was decided no need to adjourn the meeting and then continued with the invocation service

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor Jose Garcia from the Apostolic Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

CONSENT AGENDA:
Approve the following:

A Approve the June 17, 2014, Regular Council Meeting Minutes (All present)
MOTION: The consent agenda be accepted as presented
BY: CM Collett
SECOND: CM Yackley
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

REGULAR AGENDA
Possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny Ordinance 04-2014, amending the Town of Parker Town Code, Chapter 4, Miscellaneous Offenses, Section 6-4-1, Explosives and Fireworks, related to conformance with State Law, and declaring an emergency.

Town Clerk Cockrell provided council with information on State Bill 1158 which was signed into law in April; approval and adoption of the requested ordinance would amend the Town Code and bring it into compliance with the State. The major change was a civil penalty has been established for any violations in the state firework laws. Council discussed the emergency clause going into effect as soon as the ordinance is approved

MOTION: Ordinance 04-2014 amending the Town of Parker Town Code is approved as presented declaring an emergency and enacted upon
BY: CM Collett
SECOND: CM Yackley
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny Ordinance 05-2014 (second/final reading), approving the rezone of 1217 Fiesta Avenue from a Light Industrial I-1 to a General Industrial I-2 Zoning District.

Public Works Director Edwards explained this is the second reading to request a zone change to allow for a oil recycling business at 1217 Fiesta Avenue; all legal requirements have been complied with and it is the planning and zoning commission's recommendation the request be approved

MOTION: Ordinance 05-2014 rezone of 1217 Fiesta Avenue from a Light Industrial I-1 to a General Industrial I-2 Zoning District is approved as presented
BY: Mayor Beaver
SECOND: CM Collett
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

3. Approve/Deny Ordinance 06-2014 (second/final reading), approving the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for 1217 Fiesta Avenue, Parker Arizona, File number CUP 05-2014.

Public Works Director Edwards explained and provided answers to council's questions as to property values, how soon the plant would be in operation, how many full time employees would be hired and what the time line was for product turn around. 38 new jobs would be offered sending a message to other companies Parker is a great place to come and bring new businesses. CM Yackley inquired where the CUP remains if the business were to be sold, which answer is, it would remain with the business not with the land.

MOTION: Ordinance 06-2014 the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit for 1217 Fiesta Avenue, Parker Arizona, File number CUP 05-2014 is approved as presented

BY: CM Collett
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

4. Approve/Deny authorize the execution of a contract with Allied Waste Transportation Inc. for the purpose of providing residential solid waste collection for the Town of Parker.

Public Works Director Edwards explained this item was housekeeping, due to new regulations the town could no longer provide commercial waste collection but going out to bid for the residential provided one bid to provide services – Allied Waste that would provide that service for the towns residential customers as the current provider. Council inquired if those rates would be going up; Mr. Edwards responded yes but not right away.

MOTION: Authorize the execution of a contract with Allied Waste Transportation Inc. for the purpose of providing residential solid waste collection for the Town of Parker is approved as presented

BY: CM Savino
SECOND: CM Yackley
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-+++++ * 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*

Mayor Beaver reported attending the chamber of commerce recent board meeting, the main topic was the Tube Float, while expenses were higher than in the past the profits outweighed them by double or more.

CM Savino reported the Joint Venture board did meet with a quorum, board members would remain the same as in the previous term, there is a special joint work session scheduled for the 10th with EPA giving a presentation on the Wetlands; and CM Yackley added Joint Venture approved their budget for the new fiscal.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There were two

Shawn Van Fleet spoke on behalf of the Special Olympics of Arizona, after a long recess the torch has once again been raised to bring events back into the Parker area. Kickoff is scheduled for Thursday, July 17, 2014 starting at 5:00pm going until 9:00pm at the Splash Pad/water area of Pop Harvey Park. Coaches and volunteers are needed to help with the events she explained to the council. You do not need to be “special” to be involved you can be a partner. Basketball and volleyball are the first two events she is working to hopefully get a program restarted in Parker.

Roberta Hoffman first congratulated Shawn on her efforts to attempt to bring Special Olympics back to the Parker area. Secondly, thank you to Mayor and Council for voting to continue supporting economic development in the Parker area.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Friday, July 4th all Town offices will be closed in observance of Independence Day

Mon. July 14th Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting 4:00pm
Tue. July 15th next Regular Council Meeting 6:00pm
The Friends of the Library, the Library Board, along with the Senior Center Committee are **dark** for the summer; all will reconvene in September

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

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: The meeting be adjourned

BY: CM Shontz

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:20pm

Approve

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on July 1, 2014. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk

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