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TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING/EXECUTIVE SESSION
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, July 20, 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 Savino, Council Member Hartless, Council Member Lucas, Council Member Shontz

Staff Present: Town Manager Lori Wedmemeyer, Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Community Development Director Nora Yackley, Community Health Outreach Program Director Lee Ann Anderson, Chief of Police Micahel Bailey, Library Manager Tracy McConnell, Public Works Director Steve Ziegler, Payroll Specialist Jennifer Alcaida, Police Department Administrative Assistant Mark Baldenegro, TOP CHOP Staff Mady LoPresti and Miranda Akalski

Others Present: Frank Vidrine, Melissa Newton, John Gutekunst, Robert Marlowe

INVOCATION: Given by Council Member Frank Savino

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all in attendance

PRESENTATION: Employee Recognition Awards

Mayor Bonds presents all the employees that are present with their awards and thanks them for their service to the town. Pictures are taken.

PRESENTATION: 25 Year Business Awards

Mayor Bonds reads the names of the businesses receiving awards and thanks them for serving our town.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: There were 2 calls to public presented to the clerk:

1. Frank Vidrine-*"I just like to bring this to the attention again. I'm a volunteer at the senior center. I'd like to personally congratulate you Ms. Mayor for being there, Mr. Hooper, Mr. De Leon, Frank Savino. All I can say is this, they have excellent food and the people that are working there really put out a lot of effort to please those that walk in there to eat. You people are the city leaders. The city mothers, fathers, wives. If you have not gone there and talked to the management to ask what's going on or what you can do you're not doing your job and that's your responsibility, to get over there and any other business that this Council runs or is responsible for. Thank you very much."*
2. Jennifer Alcaida-*"I come before you today, not as an employee, but as a constituent. I can honestly say that I have voted in every town council election since I moved here. I can no longer stand by quietly. I am making the choice to talk to you today and make the voice of the silent majority heard. I stress the word "choice" because that is what this entire situation, entire debate boils down to...choices. One of my favorite quotes of all time states "you are always one choice away from a completely different life." Choices were made and now they need to be lived with. Darla chose to retire, chose to leave. Bottom line. Not a single person has ever stated that Darla did not care for the seniors, or that she did a horrible job. That is not, nor has it ever been in question. She chose to leave, same as the people that worked with her the closest. They chose to leave. Again, no one has questioned the dedication or service to the seniors by those staff members. Ever. But each and every one of them that left, chose to do so, leaving the seniors that they love so much, in a bind, in a lurch. So Lee Ann and TOP staff chose to step up to the plate and make sure that the seniors were cared for and continue to get the food and vital services they need. Thank goodness they did, because in my opinion and my opinion only, those that chose to leave (because of change or whatever their reasoning), abandoned the seniors, the same seniors that they had such dedication to, and for what? It is time to move on. The choice was made and as adults we need to live with the consequences of those choices. Let's quit beating a dead horse. Let us choose to work together for the betterment of the community we love and serve and choose to make the best out of the center. There is only one side here and that is the side that serves and provides to the community."*

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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. Special Budget Work Session/Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2021

MOTION:

Move to Approve Special Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2021

BY: Council Member Savino
SECOND: Council Member Lucas
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

b. Special Budget Work Session/Executive Session Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2021

MOTION: Move to Approve Special Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2021
BY: Vice Mayor Hooper
SECOND: Council Member Savino
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Friends of the Library Agreement
Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Town Manager Wedmeyer requests the council to approve the Friends of the Library Agreement. We have worked with the friends of the library on this agreement since November of 2020. It was brought to our attention through our Auditors and then through our Attorney that there was no agreement in place. Between the Attorney and the Friends of the Library they worked it out and I believe each side is happy now. This keeps both parties legal when they do their book sales and when they raise any money at all and want to donate it towards the library board. Mayor Bonds opens the floor for any comments or discussion; she notes that Robert Marlowe from the friends group is present as well as Library Manager Tracy McConnell and the Town Attorney in case there are any questions on the contract. Vice Mayor Hooper comments that this is great. There are no other comments or discussions.

MOTION: Move to Approve Friends of the Library Agreement
BY: Council Member Shontz
SECOND: Council Member De Leon
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed;

2. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Use of FY2021 Prop 207 Monies
Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Town Manager Wedemeyer requests council to approve the use of FY2021 Prop 207 monies to pay down the public safety unfunded liability account. This is the new prop 207 making marijuana legal in Arizona. This is the tax portion that is shared amongst all communities within the state and this is our share for the first half of the year. We will receive two disbursements over the year and at this point my recommendation is to start paying down our unfunded liability for police retirement. We are at about 1.5 million right now even though that's high. Every little bit helps to get it paid. Mayor Bonds asks how the disbursements are figured out? It is based on population. Council Member Savino asks about the uses? These funds can only go towards public safety

uses. Council Member De Leon asks about the average payment. Lori notes that we are unsure at this point. This was the first payment since the law went into effect. Her guess is that the payments would increase over time. Discussion continues about disbursement amounts and how the state breaks down the disbursements. There is no further discussion on this item.

MOTION: Move to Approve Use of FY2021 Prop 207 Monies
BY: Vice Mayor Hooper
SECOND: Council Member Hartless
VOTE: With 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*

No reports are given

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday	July 21, 2021	Joint Venture Board	10:00 AM
Thursday	July 22, 2021	WACOG/WAEDD	9:00 AM
Monday	July 26, 2021	Streets and Traffic Committee	5:00 PM
Tuesday	August 3, 2021	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00 PM

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

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Bonds adjourned the meeting at 6:19 PM and notes that the executive session following the regular meeting has been cancelled.

Executive Session Cancelled

CALL THE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL:

PURPOSE:

1. Discussion and possible action to convene into an Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03A(3)(4) for the purpose of:

- a. Discussion or consultation with the attorneys of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the public body's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations.

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

Approve



Karen Bonds, Mayor

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 a.r.s. §38-431.03(a)(3).

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