

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Vice Mayor Hooper asked all to please turn off, or set to mute, all electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: In absence of Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

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

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

Others Present: John Gutkunest, Jose Garcia, Tony Rogers, Linda Scott, D French, Mary Hamilton, Skip Backer, and Josh Savino

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor Garcia from Parker Apostolic Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

PROCLAMATION: "Child Support Awareness Month" LaPaz County Attorney Tony Rogers

County Attorney Rogers read aloud the Governors proclamation declaring August as Child Support Awareness Month. He added the division of child support in La Paz County has collected over 1.1 million dollars locally during the last 12-month period ending June 30, 2014.

PRESENTATION: "*Community Partners*"  
Parker Area Chamber of Commerce – Parker Area Tourism  
LaPaz Economic Development

Skip Becker from LaPaz Economic Development reported there are 17 current projects going at this time within the town and county areas. Over 70-80 hours have been spent this week alone working with the businesses, contractors, and private contacts, etc. in the attempts to bring new business economy to our area. He reminded Council that even though some good ventures are happening, it is all done with small steps; there are still permits, plans, etc. to obtain before any construction can begin. Kudus were given to the town for all their cooperation and their patience given in these past months and he gave thanks to the Town and the County for finding the funding to budget all the Community Partners into this next fiscal.

Josh Savino from Parker Tourism also voiced kudos to Council for their fortitude and courage to take the steps required to bring new business ventures into the town for everyone's benefits. He too thanked the BOS for funding Tourism for another year. His presentation included showing how many people travel in the USA, to Arizona, and to our community. What they come to see, do, and have done for them while they're here. Social media, E Post Cards help furnish the marketing, Parker provides the location you give the reason. Reports are the upcoming winter visitors have many areas at the camp sites, rentals, and motels already reserved.

Mary Hamilton Executive Director for the Chamber added information, chamber and tourism both are taking advantage of the social media offers as it is inexpensive and an effective means in reaching out to a large number of people. She offered to provide the council with any training she might offer at the college classes she teaches. There would be a Meet the Candidate coming up soon, the Chamber is busy finishing the new Business Directory for 2015. Recently her group attended the Governor's Tourism Awards Gala held in Phoenix where this Chamber was presented an award for holding the top Rural Special Event held in 2014 "The Tube Float". Mary too thanked the Council for funding the partners for another year.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

***Approve the following:***

- a. Special Meeting/Executive Session minutes of July 15, 2014
- b. Regular Council Meeting minutes of July 15, 2014
- c. Saturday, October 4, 2014 CRIT Native American Days 42<sup>nd</sup> annual Indian Days Parade- assembly/start at 9:00am at 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Joshua Avenue to then proceed along the Joshua Avenue parade route to disband at approximately 11:00am off 12<sup>th</sup> Street

*No comments were given on these items by Council*

**MOTION:** The consent agenda items a, b, and c are accepted and approved as were presented

**BY:** CM Collett

**SECOND:** CM Shontz

**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

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

- 1 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker and Arizona Public Service Company Agreement (Contract No. 201408002) for the purpose of providing Streetlight Maintenance.

*Public Works Director Edwards provided each with a copy of this and the following two separate APS agreements each indicating a certain purpose; the first being maintenance. He explained the town has been in a street light energy agreement with APS since 1997, it was renewed back in 2011, and now to keep aligned with other cities and towns he's bringing it back. Council asked what if any changes and if researching the use of solar could be beneficial in lowering the towns cost?*

**MOTION:** APS Agreement Contract No. 201408002 for the purpose of providing Streetlight Maintenance with the Town of Parker be approved as presented

**BY:** CM Collett

**SECOND:** CM Savino

**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

- 2 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker and Arizona Public Service Company Agreement (Contract No. 201408003) for the purpose of providing Streetlight Pole Use License.

*Public Works Director Edwards explained the town owns all but 64 poles within the town limits for a total of 300 streetlight poles; this item was to lease the space for each and is paid annually. Council inquired if the cost has changed through the years, that answer was no.*

**MOTION:** APS Agreement Contract No. 201408003 for the purpose of providing Streetlight Pole Use License with the Town of Parker be approved as presented

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** CM Hartless

**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

- 3 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker and Arizona Public Service Company Agreement (Contract No. 201408004) for the purpose of providing Streetlight Energy

*Public Works Director Edwards explained this is to allow the town to purchase electricity for the streetlight facilities and the agreements are consistent throughout the state*

**MOTION:** APS Agreement Contract No. 201408004 for the purpose of providing Streetlight Energy with the Town of Parker be approved as presented

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** CM Hartless

**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

- 4 Approve/Deny the renewal of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town of Parker Senior Center and Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG) Area Agency of Aging (AAA) regarding office space for the WACOG Case Management Services

*Senior Center Director Tilley explained this is an agreement to allow WACOG to have office space within the senior center for their Case Management. WACOG make monthly payments to the center for the space; it is a win/win for both Ms Tilley told the council.*

**MOTION:** Renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Parker Senior Center and Western Arizona Council of Governments regarding office space for the WACOG Case Management Services is approved as presented

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** CM Yackley

**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

5. Approve/Deny authorizing an Invitation to Bid for services and materials to perform a chip seal project for certain Town of Parker streets

*Public Works Director Edwards requested council approve going out to bid the next street project of putting down a chip seal treatment for certain town streets in the amount of approximately \$211,000 which would be paid from the HURF revenues. Council inquired if the cost of materials had gone up as with the prices of fuel; the reply was not just the opposite Mr. Edwards stated. Vice Mayor asked for an explanation of what is the chip seal process. He explained it's like putting lotion on dry skin; it provides an emulsion that afterwards the chips that are laid down can be rolled clean and smooth.*

**MOTION:** Going to bid for services and materials to perform a chip seal project for those certain Town of Parker streets is approved as presented

**BY:** CM Collett

**SECOND:** CM Savino

**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\*

**There were no reports given**

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

**There was none**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Wed.	Aug. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Special Board of Adjustments Meeting	4:30pm
Mon.	Aug. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting	4:00pm
Thurs.	Aug. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Streets & Traffic Committee Meeting	5:30pm
Tue.	Sept. 2 <sup>nd</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.***

The Library Board, Friend of the Library, and the Senior Center Committee's are **DARK** until September

*CM Hartless announced Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup> would be the Blake Schools annual PTA Open House/Spaghetti feed at 5:00 to 6:00pm and the open house at 5:30 to 6:00pm; she would invite everyone to attend. The Parent Teacher Association needs new members; you are not required to be one of the parents just have the desire to be involved with the youth.*

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION: Vice Mayor Hooper adjourned the regular meeting at 6:55pm**

Approve

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Jerry Hooper, Vice 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 August 5, 2014. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

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Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk

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