

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Beaver asked everyone to please silence or set their electronic devices to mute during the Council Meetings

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

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Library Manager Davis, Sergeant Thompson, Water Distributor Cloy, Public Works Supervisor Ziegler, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: Pastor George Rennau, John Gutmest, Ken and Debra MacFarland

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor George Rennau from Grace Assembly

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Given by all present

PRESENTATION: Focus Future Strategic Plan by Ken MacFarland

*Mr. MacFarland explained the LaPaz County Board of Supervisors in 2012 adopted their Focus Future Strategic Plan for community and economic development and have decided to bring it back for their grant proposes. The board has requested Mr. MacFarland reach out to other entities for collaboration purposes. Council asked if the county had anything specific they needed assistance with. Mr. MacFarland said he is working on a grant to rebuild the Cibola Bridge and the county is researching assisted living facilities which are badly needed in our area. Council wished the County well in their endeavors.*

CONSENT AGENDA:  
***Approve the following:***

A. Regular Council Meeting Minutes from August 2, 2016

**MOTION:** The August 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes are approved as presented

**BY:** Vice Mayor Hooper

**SECOND:** CM Collett

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

B. Special Council Meeting Minutes from August 15, 2016 (CM Savino absent)

**MOTION:** The August 15<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting minutes are approved as presented  
**BY:** CM Shontz  
**SECOND:** VM Hooper  
**VOTE:** All in favor except CM Savino who was not present approved and passed the motion

C. The 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Colorado River Indian Tribes Native American Days Fair and Expo Parade Request for Saturday, October 1, 2016; assembly at 18<sup>th</sup> Street at 9:00am traveling west on Joshua Avenue to 12<sup>th</sup> Street to disband at approximately 11:00am by the Senior Center. This will be the first parade to use the official Tim Edwards Parade route

**MOTION:** The parade request is approved as presented  
**BY:** VM Hooper  
**SECOND:** CM Shontz  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

REGULAR AGENDA:

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

1. Hearing on a liquor license application from applicant Stephany F, Wang for the China Garden Restaurant located at 1000 S. Hopi Avenue, Parker, AZ. And action by Council to recommend approval or denial of the application to the State Director of Liquor Licenses and Control

*Town Manager Wedemeyer deferred to Clerk Cockrell for this item; Ms Cockrell explained the request to grant the new liquor license for Ms Wang and the China Gardens which had suffered a fire back in October of 2014, was rebuilt and now under a new corporation name. While under construction the original license had expired; they are open now ready for business. VM Hooper inquired, what is a Series 12 license, the reply was a restaurant that sells beer and wines.*

**MOTION:** The request for a new Series 12 liquor license for the 1000 Hope Avenue China Garden Restaurant is approved as presented.  
**BY:** VM Hooper  
**SECOND:** CM Collett  
**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny the Town of Parker collaboration with LaPaz County Board of Supervisors in support of the 2012 LaPaz Regional Focus Future II Strategic Plan for grant purposes.

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained Council previously heard from Mr. MacFarland about the County's request for the town's support in their 2012 Regional Focus Future II Strategic Plan to help their grant seeking endeavors. CM Collett inquired if they had any pending grants; Mr. MacFarland replied yes, they were working on the Cibola Bridge restoration project. CM Shontz provided past information on the towns involvement with APS and Focus Future projects, that those then attendees are now elected officials at both the Town and the County. Mayor Beaver added he had attended breakout sessions on Strategic Plans in economic development at the League of Cities and Towns, that many small communities like ours were not familiar with the process. Council was pleased the Focus Future was being reassembled and granted their support of the county's efforts.*

**MOTION:** Approval of the Town of Parker's support for LaPaz County Board of Supervisors endeavors with the 2012 LaPaz Regional Focus Future II

**Strategic Plan for grant purposes be adopted and instructed staff to work with MacFarland is granted**

**BY: CM Shontz**  
**SECOND: VM Hooper**  
**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed**

1. Approve/Deny adoption of Resolution 12-2016, Town of Parker giving the Notice of Intent to revise/increase the Basic Charges, Minimum Monthly Charges, and Commodity rates of the Town of Parker Water.

*Town Manager Wedemeyer explained giving notice is the first legal step for the town to increase the water charges and new rates. The notice has been published on the town's webpage; CM Collett inquired if a public hearing was required. The reply was yes, it would come before the council at the October 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. No further comments were received*

**MOTION: Resolution 12-2016 the Town of Parker giving the notice of intent to revise/increase the Basic Charges, Minimum Monthly Charges, and Commodity rates of the Town of Parker Water is approved as presented**

**BY: VM Hooper**  
**SECOND: CM Hartless**  
**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed**

2. Approve/Deny authorize Public Works purchase of the annual grass seed for the purpose of planting winter lawns at the town parks, the existing cemetery, and the new section of the cemetery.

*Public Works Supervisor Ziegler explained with cooler weather starting it is time to reseed the town hall, library, parks and cemetery grass areas; additionally, staff would be expanding the new section of the cemetery. Bids were requested and received with the low bid from Yuma Nursery Supply at \$27.53 per bag submitted. CM Hartless inquired if the indigent section would be reseeded too? Mr. Ziegler replied that the whole cemetery would be reseeded, however the specific area discussed might require additional sprinklers being installed. VM Hooper inquired to the advertisement for a cemetery worker position; Mr. Ziegler replied he would be interviewing a few prospects within the week.*

**MOTION: Public Works is authorized to accept the bid from Yuma Nursery Supply for the annual seed purchase of grass seed is approved**

**BY: VM Hooper**  
**SECOND: CM Shontz**  
**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed**

3. Approve/Deny entering into an agreement with Attorney Jessica L. Quickle to provide the Public Defender Services for the Town of Parker Magistrate Court.

*Town Manager Wedemeyer deferred to Clerk Cockrell who explained on August 2<sup>nd</sup> Attorney Carr was approved to provide the public defender services for the magistrate court for \$3,000 a month salary. However, she has since decided not to take the position. The previous Public Defender Attorney Quickle is willing to re-accept the position but for the approved amount.*

**MOTION: Town of Parker entering into an agreement with Attorney Jessica L. Quickle to provide the Public Defender Services for the Magistrate Court for \$3,000 a month is approved as presented**

**BY: VM Hooper**  
**SECOND: CM Collett**  
**VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed**

**COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:**

- \*Chamber of Commerce - CM Savino + Manager Wedemeyer\*
- \* Tourism - Mayor Beaver + Manager Wedemeyer \*
- Enterprise Zone-Open \* Joint Venture – VM Hooper + CM Collett\*
- Tribal Committee – Mayor Beaver + CM Savino \*
- Parks & Recreation- CM Collett \* Senior Center-CM Savino \*
- Streets & Traffic - CM Yackley \*
- \*PAACE Board – CM Yackley + CM Collett\*
- Library Board –CM Shontz \* La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
- \* WACOG - CM Hartless \* PAACE – CM Yackley\*
- \*WAEDD - CM Savino + Mayor Beaver\*

VM Hooper reported the parade committee along with Streets and Traffic are onboard with the new parade route; and have worked with the Veteran’s about the Veteran’s Day parade. CM Collett Joint Venture held the monthly meeting and is still working to get the Wetlands Project going.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

**There was none given at this meeting**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mon.	Sept. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parks & Rec Meeting (CM Collett)	4:00pm
Mon.	Sept. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Friends of the Library @ the Library	2:30pm
Mon.	Sept. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Library Board monthly meeting @ the Library (CM Shontz)	5:00pm
Sat.	Sept. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Parker Fire Dept. Annual BBQ & Auction @ the Fire Hall	3:00-11:00pm
Tue.	Sept. 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Next</b> 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 6:28pm

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, September 6, 2016. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk

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