

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 6:00PM

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor asked present all to please silence or mute their electronic devices during the Council Meeting

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 Collett, R. Hartless, Savino, and Shontz
Absent, Council Member V. Hartless

Department Heads Present: Manager Wedemeyer, Police Chief Romo, Library Manager Davis, Senior Center Director Tilley, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: Pastor and Michelle Grissum, John Gutkunest, Lisa Whittier, Danny Tucker, Skip Becker, Lorrie Muriel, Mary Hamilton, and Ray Albright

INVOCATION: Given by Pastor Grissum from Lilly of the Valley Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Presentations: Community Partners
Parker Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism * Economic Development

Lisa Whittier from the Visitor Center and **Tourism** department provided the Council with the pictorial 2018 Colorado River Traveler Info Guide, a Trip Adviser & Madden Media sheet that included Digital Banner Ads information. Parker is considered as being the "AZ West Coast" area. She along with *Danny Tucker* mans the Chamber and provides our visitors with information of the area and most recently can offer a new Off-Road map of the off road areas trails and roads. She added how excited they are with their marketing of a new digital version of the map. Stop by a see them for more info.

Mary Hamilton the **Chamber of Commerce** Director provided the updated version of the organizations summary of the first new quarter of this new fiscal. She was very pleased to announce the chamber's business loan has been paid off as has the bill on the new AC system. She announced sadly the Chamber does not anticipate receiving any funding from La Paz County; however, on a good note the recent Tube Float was a huge success. Even though the route was much shorter, beginning at Buckskin State Park and ending at La Paz County Park and the fee was raised a bit everything went great with a different type of crowd attending this year. Better behaved type of people and there was way much less trash was retrieved for the float area. Changing the venue has opened many doors for the Chamber; the State was very

pleased with the event and wants to see a return for next year. The next big event is the Chili Cook-off. She thanked the Town and the Council for their annual support.

Economic Development Director *Skip Becker* reported the town hosted this year's Western Arizona Roundtable at the new college multi-purpose building. The Hampton Hilton is now open for business, the O'Rileys Auto Parts store and the Jack in the Box are happening. Many more good things are coming to our community and he thanked the Mayor and the Council for being such a pro-active group of people. He also gave Tim Edwards the past Public Works Director and special thank you for working together to bring this development to completion. Parker has won respect around the State as a great place to come visit and play with your friends and a better place to bring your family to live.

CONSENT AGENDA:

***Mayor requested that separate action be taken on each item
Approve the following:***

- a. September 5th Town of Parker Regular Meeting/Special Work Session Council Meeting Minutes (absent CM Savino)

MOTION: The September 5th regular meeting minutes be approved as presented

BY: CM Shontz

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: CM Savino abstained not being present; the remaining approved and passed the motion

- b. The 45th Annual Colorado River Indian Tribes Native American Days Fair and Expo Parade request for Saturday, October 7, 2017; assembly at 18th Street at 9:00am traveling west on Joshua Avenue to 12th Street to disband at approximately 11:00am by the Senior Center.

MOTION: The Parade request along with setup and tear down of the Joshua Street Parade Route, the barricades, and bleacher setup at Arizona/Joshua Avenue as presented be approved as requested

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- c. Approve the Parks and Recreation Committees' Annual Halloween Trunk n Treat on Tuesday, October 31st, Street Closures of Mohave and Navaho Avenues between 9th Street and Agency and Pop Harvey Park Usage; beginning at 4:00pm ending at 8:00pm.

MOTION: The Truck n Treat annual event and Park usage of Pop Harvey Park be approved as presented

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- d. Approve the Streets and Traffic Committee annual Veteran's Day Parade on Saturday, November 4th beginning at 9:00am disbanding approximately around 11:00am using the Tim Edwards Parade Route.

MOTION: The Parade Streets and Traffic committee request for the annual Veteran's Day parade be approved as requested
BY: CM Savino
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny Parker Public Library accept a \$2,000.00 increase in funding from the Arizona Western College District Governing Board for the Parker Public Library Support Services of their Intergovernmental Agreement

Library Manager Davis explained the Intergovernmental agreement with AWC has been in place since 2000 for the annual funded amount of \$6,000; this year the College has allowed an additional \$2,000 increase to be used towards the evening hours service and materials for the public library, Mayor and Council gave their kudos to the manager for everything she and her staff do for the community and approved acceptance for the additional funded amount.

MOTION: Acceptance of the additionally funding amount of \$2,000 from AWC to Parker Public through their Intergovernmental Agreement be approved as presented

BY: CM Shontz

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny Amendment #1 of the Western Arizona Council of Governments/Area Agency of Aging agreement with Parker Senior Center for the SFY2018 nutritional program at the Center.

Senior Center Director Tilley explained the first amendment of the Centers agreement with WACOG for the home delivered meals for FY 2018.

MOTION: Amendment #1 of the Western Arizona Council of Governments/Area Agency of Aging agreement with Parker Senior Center for the SFY2018 nutritional program at the Center be approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

3. Approve/Deny the adoption of Resolution 10-2017 updating the Policies and Procedures for the Town of Parker Cemetery.

Town Manager Wedemeyer turned this item to the Town Clerk; she explained that after the Mayor, Manager and she met with the Tribal Secretary Flores and a few members of the Tribal Council discuss their cemetery concerns; she researched the town's cemetery lease, contacted other cities and towns about their cemetery policies and procedures. She drafted the attached version of the new general rules and interment guidelines which first went to the Parks and Recreation Committee for their recommendations. During those two meetings which the Tribal Secretary Flores and the P & R committees Tribal Council Liaison Page had attended they too provide theirs and the Tribal Council's suggestions. After various additional additions and deletions the following changes are what all agreed to the policy. She would like the resolution be adopted If council approves the recommendations. Mayor asked pertaining to the town cementing a border surrounding a headstone, there is no-charge to any and all families should a cement border be requested. Ms Cockrell confirmed this to be so.

MOTION: Resolution 10-2017 updating the General Rules and Interment Guidelines Policies and Procedures be approved and adopted as presented

BY: VM Hooper

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

4. Approve/Deny annual renewal of the Town of Parker Agreement for Development/Grant Writing Services with Good Creations, LLC.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this is a housekeeping annual item for the agreement between Good Creations and the Town of Parker to provide grant writing services for many of the towns departments. Council Member R. Hartless inquired which departments and for what grants? The Library Manager replied they have been granted three just recently and the Senior Center added she had received her ADOT vans through their grant service and there have been quite a few more awarded through their efforts. To date the Department Heads and the town have been very pleased with the services provided.

MOTION: Renewal of the Town of Parker Agreement for Development/Grant Writing Services with Good Creations, LLC be approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

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 – VM Hooper + CM Savino*
- *PAACE Board – CM Collett + open *
- Library Board – CM Shontz * La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
- * WACOG - CM Hartless *
- *WAEDD - CM Savino + Mayor Beaver*

Mayor Beaver reported attending tourism but council just heard the chambers report earlier. VM Hooper reported attending the Parks & Recreation meeting where new member Doc Z was present and Trunk & Treat was discussed along with the Cemetery Policy's. The Streets and Traffic committee was busy planning the upcoming Veteran's Day Parade to be held on the 4th of November. CM Collett reported there would be a Joint Venture Board meeting on the next day at the Casino at 10am. CM Shontz reported attending the recent Library Board Meeting which discussed the new Little Free Library that is housed at the corner of 11th and Mohave Avenue; the first one is located close to the Bus Stop in the Blue Water Lagoon and has been such a success they have since added one by the side of the Library close to the new Friends Book Nook.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Library Manager Davis provided the Council with a picture report and explained how the "Little Free Library" came to existence; a second "house" was added at the corner of 11th and Mohave to which neighbor Ms Jo Andress had called complaining and thinking it was a bad idea due to vandals, thief, etc. but to her happy surprise the little library is treated with respect and has been seen to have many a mother helping the child with a book. Mayor Beaver confirmed this as Ms Jo is his sister and he too had heard from her. A third little "box" has been placed in front of the

Friends storage unit which is now named the "Friend Book Nook", but this one is the "Love they Neighbor" box which is a free pantry with food and family supplies housed within. Ruthie added her brother-in-law Tim Gross built the first unit and her son Raymond Pope has built the remaining units. Major kudos were given to Ruthie and to her family; everything is given as a donation she added.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wed.	Sept. 20 th	Joint Venture Board @ BWC	(VM Hooper + CM Collett)	10:00am
Thurs.	Sept. 22 nd through Sunday September 24 th	11 th Street will be closed between California Avenue and Hopi Avenue for Arizona/California Rail Road to repair the 11 th Street Rail Road Crossing		
<i>Update, the date is the 29th not the 22nd as listed.</i>				
Mon.	Sept. 25 th	Street & Traffic Committee Meeting (VM Hooper+ CM Savino)		5:15pm
Tue.	Oct. 3 rd	Next Regular Council Meeting		6:00pm

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00pm

Approve

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 19, 2017. 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 a 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.
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