

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
SPECIAL / REGULAR / PUBLIC HEARING COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 5:30PM / 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: ***Mayor Beaver asked all present please turn off or set to mute their electronic devices during the Council Meetings***

CALL THE SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Beaver called the special meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Library Manager Davis, Senior Center Director Tilley, Sergeant Bailey, Buddy Cloy, Jackie Johnson and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: John Gutkunest, Dennis Crawford, Liz Rennau, and Chad Atkinson

PRESENTATION: Town of Parker Water Rate – Chad Atkinson, CPA
ACTION
Adjourn the Special Meeting and convene into the Regular Meeting

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Special Meeting at 5:56pm and then called the regular to order

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

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Library Manager Davis, Senior Center Director Tilley, Sergeant Bailey, Buddy Cloy, Jackie Johnson and Town Clerk Cockrell

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INVOCATION: Given by Pastor George Rennau with Grace Assembly
Youth Pastor Liz Rennau gave the invocation in her father's absence

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

Call the Public Hearing to order: Mayor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:03pm

Roll call: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Members Collett, Hartless, Savino and Shontz
Absent, Council Member Yackley

1. Discussion
Re: a. New Water Rates and Water Charges
Re: b. New Fees and Charges Solid Waste Collection Services

ACTION

2. Citizens Comments
Re: a. New Water Rates and Water Charges
Re: b. New Fees and Charges Solid Waste Collection Services
Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Citizen Dennis Crawford spoke on the water rates increase, while the raise will be burdensome for some the overall picture is, everyone needs to be a better conserve of our recourses. Examples of the drought in California that much of our Colorado River is going there and to the Phoenix areas when it could be used here at home.

Adjourn the Public Hearing and re-convene into the Regular Meeting

Mayor, hearing no further comments adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:10 and re-convened back into the Regular Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor requested separate action be taken on each item

- A. Approve the regular/special executive session meeting minutes of 10-4-16 (absent CM Savino)

MOTION: The October 4th Council Meeting Minutes are approved as presented
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: Mayor Beaver
VOTE: All in favor, with CM Savino abstaining not being present passed the motion

- B. Approve the Parks and Recreation Committees' Annual Halloween Trunk n Treat on Monday, October 31st Street Closures and Pop Harvey Park Usage

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

C. Approve the annual Veteran's Day Parade on Saturday, November 5th beginning at 9:00am disbanding approximately around 11:00am using the Tim Edwards Parade Route.

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

D. Approve Parker Motor's 100th Year Anniversary Celebrations' + Block Party on Saturday, November 5th beginning at 11:00am disbanding approximately around midnight.

MOTION: The request as presented is approved
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: With the Mayor abstaining, the motion passed

E. Approve the Sacred Heart Catholic Church annual Fall Festival and Block Party on Saturday, November 12th beginning at 7:00am until 4:00pm

MOTION: The request as presented is approved
BY: CM Savino
SECOND: CM Collett
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1 Approve/Deny entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town of Parker Senior Center and Western Arizona Council of Governments/Area Agency on Aging (WACOG/AAA) for office space for SFY 2017 at the Senior Center.

Center Director Tilley explained the center has rented a office for the case manager for the local WACOG agency for the past few years with a great working relationship, staff recommends approval of the understanding

MOTION: Entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town of Parker Senior Center and Western Arizona Council of Governments/Area Agency on Aging for office space for SFY 2017 at the Senior Center is approved as presented.
BY: CM Collett
SECOND: VM Hooper
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny authorize Public Works to accept the bid from Shade 'N Net of Phoenix AZ for shade structures at the Aaron Hill Field bleachers (2016/2017 FY Capital Projects Budget).

Steve Ziegler, Public Works Supervisor

Town Manager Wedemeyer presented the request in Mr. Ziegler's absence; the request comes from the Parks and Recreation Committee. This would be a second purchase from Shade Net that is on the State bidder list; funding has been previously approved at budget time for the \$22,000; this bid is \$873.00 over the amount approved. CM Hartless inquired if it was the only bid received. CM Collett explained the

committee worked on this for over three months and using the same company as used prior was a good idea. CM Savino explained how using the State bid process is beneficial to the town. Staff inquired if the P & R Liaison CM Collett remembered the colors the committee selected, he replied green tops with tan frames.

MOTION: Public Works is authorized to accept the bid from Shade 'N Net of Phoenix AZ for shade structures at the Aaron Hill Field bleachers is approved

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

3. Approve/Deny Resolution 13-2016 adopting increasing Town of Parker water rates and water charges; establishing an effective date, and repealing conflicting resolutions.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained council had previously heard the presentation from Mr. Atkinson reasoning why the town needed to raise the basic residential and commercial water rates. The notice of intent was published in both the local news paper and on the town webpage, and a public hearing was held prior to the regular meeting. CM Savino stated he believed the town's water department needed to run as a business, yes it is a service but it is one of the town resources. VM Hooper asked when would the new billing go in effect, Manager Wedemeyer replied the resolution would required thirty days, the customers billing would reflect around the end of the year. CM Hartless said she didn't think the raises of the recent sewer bill, and now the water and trash raises were fair to our poor community. CM Collett commented he didn't think it was enough of a raise, in fact he thought that it should be higher. VM Hooper and Mayor Beaver both agreed; Mayor Beaver added, that was why he voted no last time he didn't think it was enough of a basic cost raise. The three stated they would like this item to be revisited before the required 5-years. CM Collette added, the town needs to be prepared for what ifs.

MOTION: Resolution 13-2016 adopting increasing Town of Parker water rates and water charges; establishing an effective date, and repealing conflicting resolutions is approved as presented; but to add re-visit the rate increase in 2 years

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Collett

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

4. Approve/Deny Resolution 15-2016 adopting new fees and charges for solid waste collection services, providing for repeal of conflicting resolutions, and providing for severability.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the town contract with Republic Services which was Allied Waste for the solid waste collection services for the town's residential customers. The intended fee increase was also posted on the town's website and in the local newspaper per legal requirements. CM Hartless commented so this increase will be raised again next year, yes, this is the 3rd year of the 7 year contact she was told. It would come back to council again next year for further approvals.

MOTION: Resolution 15-2016 adopting new fees and charges for solid waste collection services, providing for repeal of conflicting resolutions, and providing for severability is approved as presented

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

5. Approve/Deny Resolution 16-2016 resolving the Town of Parker joins with the League of Arizona Cities and Towns and fellow municipalities in declaring October 16th through the 22nd, 2016 as "Arizona Cities and Towns Week".

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this resolution partners with and supports what other cities and towns do in support of what the league of cities and towns provides for our communities; this is an annual tem.

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BY: CM Shontz

SECOND: VM Hooper

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 attending the Parade meeting, all is on for the upcoming Veteran’s Day Parade; the shade structures for Aaron Hill were again discussed; the Trunk and Treat is scheduled for Monday the 31st at Pop Harvey Park and the committee is doing Christmas in the Park on the 18th of December.

CM Collett reported the monthly Joint Venture meeting rolled until the next month again

*1st Quarter Financial 2016/2017 Report * Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer*

Manager Wedemeyer provided the council, and department head present with a printed copy of the 1st Quarter Budget report which she added the total balance and the general fund balances were both up just a little. The department heads are still doing a good job at keeping the expenditures down. The figures for the Bed Tax is lower than this time last year that could be due to the States new report forms and the fact the State is usually a month behind in reporting. HURF funds are up some but there is a new gas station that is not within the town limits and not helpful for the town revenues. Fund 7 is the Senior LTAF which is going away and now be included with in the town general funding reports. The School resource officer fund is right on and up to date with their quarter payments. VM Hooper asked what % the school pays and was told 50%.

Kudus were given to Sergeant Bailey and to Ruthie at the Library for their individual grant efforts. CM Hartless commented the Library is going to need to look for another funding source for its part-time person.

The Seitz Bequest always goes towards the home delivered meals program; the WACOG funding is behind as always in its payments. And last was the water Fund which is below and the main reason for the need to raise the water rates. CM Collette added he would like the town to have a safety net for the water system and reintegrated bringing the rate increase back in 2years for further review in July of 2017.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There was no call at this meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wed.	Oct. 19 th	General Plan TAC Meeting @10am +Public Hearing @ 5:30pm @ Senior Center	
Thurs.	Oct. 20 th	Desert Water Line CDBG Project Bid Opening	10:00am
Fri.	Oct. 21 st	WACOG Medicare Open Enrollment @ the Senior Center	9:00am – 2:00pm
		Saturday, October 22 nd through Sunday, October 30 th Red Ribbon Week Festivities'	
Tue.	Oct. 25 th	Special Council Meeting / Executive Session	5:30 / 6:00pm
Wed.	Oct. 26 th	Special Streets and Traffic monthly meeting	5:15pm
Sat.	Oct. 29 th	Rabies Clinic @ the Western Park	7:00am – 12noon
Sat.	Oct. 29 th	Senior Center 4 th Annual Cancer Walk @ the Senior Center	7:30am
Sun.	Oct. 30 th	PAACE Annual Family Fun Day @ Pop Harvey Park	11:00 am – 7:00pm
Mon.	Oct. 31 st	Annual Trunk n Treat @ Pop Harvey Park	4:00pm – 8:00pm

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Special Regular Council Meeting at 6:58pm

Approve,

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special/Regular Public Hearing Council Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016. 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 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.