

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012
6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mayor request that everyone please turn off all their electronic devices during the Council Meetings

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

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice-Mayor Boatwright, Council Members Duran, Hooper, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Cockrell, Chief of Police Mendoza, Public Works Dir. Edwards, Library Manager Davis, Senior Center Dir. Tilley, Jeannie Smith and Tammy Brookbank from the Library and Karen Rath from the Senior Center

Others Present: John Gutekunst, David Boatwright, Jim Putz-Artrup, Joe Duran, Don & Judy Sands, Ray Smith, Wanda Robinson, Mary Jo Odem, Christine Shaffer, Bob Gienger, Lowie & Murrell Rodgers, Barb Schwin, Mark Brookbank, Margret Dahlhoff, and Kevin Derby

INVOCATION: In the absence of Don Lowery, Tim Edwards provided the meetings invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present lead by the Mayor

PRESENTATIONS: Darla Tilley – Parker Senior Center
Senior Center Director Tilley presented Karen Rath with an appreciation plaque and explained to everyone that the Karen has been the Center's head Chef and would be leaving the center and will be greatly missed.

Ruth Davis – Parker Public Library
Parker Public Library Manager Davis presented Jennie Smith and Tammy Brookbank with appreciation baskets as she informed council through a PowerPoint presentation that Jeannie started at the Library in 1997 as the Child Services Director and throughout the years taken over as the Adults and the Teens Director. She has worked with all the local organizations and service providers. Each book discussion is entered into with her dressing in a costume reflecting the book topics.

Tammy started at the Library in 2009 as a part-time 19 hours a week employee; today still at only a paid 19-hour employee she has taken over the Computer Lab service which in September had 59 clients; she also provides those same services at the Senior Center one-day a week. Recently clients at Saint Vincent's are also using her services; Ms. Davis added Tammy does all this, while still doing her regular work at the Library; she designed and brought in the flags that attracts clients to both the Monday's Social Security office she shares with the computer center the other days of the week. Council Member Duran interjected big kudos from the Career Center and from those at Mohave County educational services. Ms Davis added that both Jeannie and Tammy give many personal hours to the Library.

Mayor Beaver presented a plaque to the Town from Casey Folks from the Best in the Desert Association in their appreciation for all that the town helps with during the 250 and the 425 Off-Road Races.

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 ask. If requested, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

- a. Approve the September 28, 2012 Special Council Meeting Minutes (-FS)
- b. Approve the October 2, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- c. Approve the October 4, 2012 Executive Session/Special Council Meeting Minutes
- d. Approve the Annual Mountain Man Triathlon on Saturday, October 20th beginning at 7:45am; (no road closures required) traffic assistance with bike route beginning at town limits along Riverside Drive turning right onto California Avenue to the bridge crossing is requested
- e. Approve the Street Closure of 11th Street between Joshua Avenue and the Sacred Heart parish's alleyway on Saturday, November 10th starting at 7:00am to end at approximately 7:00pm for the Catholic Church Annual Fall Festival located at 1101 Joshua Avenue
- f. Approve the Annual Veteran's Day Parade for Saturday, November 10th, assemble and start at 9:00am from 18th Street traveling west along California Avenue up to 11th Street, to disband at Super Fuels at approximately 10:00-11:00am.

MOTION: The Consent items a through f is approved as presented

BY: VM Boatwright

SECOND: CM Hooper

VOTE: CM Savino abstained from item a not being present for the meeting; the remainder accepted and approved all the items unanimously

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny adopting Ordinance 01-2012 amending the Town Code of the Town of Parker, Title 10, Zoning Regulations, Chapter 15, Sign Provisions, Section 10-15-6, Temporary Sign, and Section 10-15-10, Exceptions; and proving for Severability.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this item comes before council for its second reading and approval to make their suggested changes in the town code as it pertains to signage within the town limits. If approved the ordinance would be recorded then go in affect in thirty days. No comments came from council.

MOTION: Ordinance 01-2012 as presented is approved and so adopted changing the Town Code as it pertains to signage in the town
BY: CM Duran
SECOND: VM Boatwright
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed.

2. Approve/Deny appoint Jim Putz-Artrup to a two-year term as the Town of Parker Magistrate.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the current magistrate Michael Newman is retiring and would be leaving the area. Staff advertised the position; the candidate selected has gone through and passed the required extensive background review. If approved he will begin working with retiring Judge Newman on November 6th and attend the two required training sessions. Mayor commented on the process the town used in their background research and affirmed the council's appreciations.

MOTION: Appointment of Jim Putz-Artrup to a two-year term as the Town of Parker Magistrate is approved as presented
BY: CM Hooper
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed unanimously

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

Chamber of Commerce - Mayor Beaver * Tourism - CM Shontz *
Enterprise Zone - CM Duran * Joint Venture - CM Savino & CM Yackley*
Tribal Committee - CM Savino & Vice-Mayor Boatwright *
Parks & Recreation - CM Yackley * Senior Center - CM Savino *
Streets & Traffic - Mayor Beaver & CM Savino *
Library Board - CM Duran * La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
* WACOG/WAEDD - Vice-Mayor Boatwright *
PAACE-Vice Mayor Boatwright

CM Shontz reported Tourism is working on budget issues since Mary was hired as the Chamber Director while looking for a new tourism director. The new river campsite and RV rental flyers are out; everyone is getting ready for the boat races, the chili cook off, and welcoming back the winter visitors.

Mayor Beaver earlier presented the Best in the Desert's appreciation plaque and he relayed that Casey Folk's wanted them to know this next 425 Race and Downtown Experience is expected to be much bigger and better than any before. They are expecting 125 more racers as our 425 race will be the first race of 2013.

CM Duran reported the Library is still receiving donations from the Parade Magazines article, and the board is back meeting.

CM Yackley reported the Parks and Recreation committee met and are in the process of selecting two new members, once that is completed they should have a retreat for all the members so each could be on the same page and aware of the open meeting laws. All the parks and the cemetery grassy areas are being winterized with rye grass, and the ball fields are being used by both men's and girl's leagues he added.

CM Savino added Joint Venture would have a meeting on the 30th at the Casino

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: There was none given

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wed.	Oct. 17	ADOT pre-con @ Council Chambers	9:00-12noon
Thurs.	Oct. 18	League of Cities and Towns presentation	5:30pm
Fri.	Oct. 19	Oktoberfest Event @ the Senior Center	5:00-11:00pm
Wed.	Oct. 24	PAACE @ Players (VM)	12noon
Sat.	Oct. 27	Mexican Consul @ Parker Library	9:00am – 2:00pm
Sat.	Oct. 27	Parker PD Golf Tournament @ Emerald Canyon	6:30am – 2:00pm
Tue.	Nov. 6	Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

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

CM Duran added information for all that PAACE is hosting a town hall meeting on the 17th at Blake School

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: The meeting be adjourned
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Duran
VOTE: All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm

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 October 16, 2012. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, CMC Town Clerk

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