

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mayor Beaver asked all in attendance 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 R. Hartless, V. Hartless, D. Lucas, F. Savino and M. Shontz

Staff Present: Town Manager L. Wedemeyer, Chief of Police C. Romo, Public Works Director S. Ziegler, Library Manager R. Davis and Payroll Specialist J. Alcaida

Others Present: John Gutekunst, Parker Area Chamber Director Mary Hamilton, Chamber President Amber Parker, Chamber Board Members Kyleen Baldwin and Tammy Thorn, and Ray Albright

INVOCATION: In the absence of Pastor George, given by John Gutekunst

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all in attendance

PRESENTATION: Parker Area Chamber of Commerce  
*Mary Hamilton with the Chamber gave the Council a detailed breakdown of services and events the Chamber provides for the community. The Tube Float was a success. There was a minor incident that caused some complaints, but they were taken care of individually. There will be a Tube Float in 2019. Connect with Met was cohosted with the Lake Havasu Chamber. This event explained how to do business with Met and how to contract with the Government. There was an Employer Workshop with the Arizona Western College with explanation of Arizona @ Work. The Chili Cook-Off was successful. Mary also let the Council know about upcoming events. They are working on a Veterans event with Arizona @ Work. The Parker 250 and Parker 425 with the Downtown Experience are great events. The Chamber is also working on their marketing to get more people to Parker. VM Hooper asked about the drag boat races, and discussion was held about the possibilities of bringing that back.*

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

**Approve the following:**

A Town of Parker Regular Council Meeting Minutes from December 4, 2018

**MOTION:** The December 4, 2018 Regular Council Meeting minutes are approved as presented

**BY:** CM V. Hartless

**SECOND:** VM Hooper

**VOTE:** All seven in Favor; the motion passes

REGULAR AGENDA:

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

1. Approve/Deny a Special Event Liquor License from applicant, John D. Croteau representing the Parker Rotary for their annual 3-day community fundraiser benefit for local youth projects. This event will be held within the LaPaz County Fair Grounds located at 21600 Hillside Drive, beginning on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> ending on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the “Beer Garden” will open each day at 10:00am and close at 11:00pm.

*Town Manager Wedemeyer apologizes; the applicant was not invited to Council to answer any questions should they arise. The applicant is in good standing and all protocols have been followed. Approval of the application is recommended.*

**MOTION:** Approval of the Special event Liquor License for Parker Rotary “Beer Garden” March 7<sup>th</sup> – March 9<sup>th</sup> at the La Paz County Fair.

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** CM Shontz

**VOTE:** All seven in Favor; the motion passes

2. Approve/Deny a Special Event Liquor License from applicant, Lynnda Sweeney representing the Soroptimist of Parker for the “Annual Downtown Experience” This event will be held at the closed off 1317 Joshua Street Mall between Arizona Avenue and 14<sup>th</sup> Street, on Thursday, January 31, 2019 beginning at 10:00am then end at 10:00pm. Streets will be closed off for the event, arm bands will be provided for all the carded drinkers, and local law enforcement will be present throughout the event. All required posting have been met along with the Town staff’s approval are granted.

*Town Manager Wedemeyer apologizes again; the applicant was not invited to answer any questions if needed. This application is in order and all protocols have been followed. The application is in good standing as well. Approval of the application is recommended.*

**MOTION:** Approval of the Special event Liquor License for Soroptimist of Parker “Downtown Experience” January 31, 2019.

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** VM Hooper

**VOTE:** All seven in Favor; the motion passes

3. Approve/Deny adoption of Ordinance 19-2018 approving the amendment to the Town Code Title 4 “General Business and License Regulations” by updating language to conform to changes in law.

*TM Wedemeyer explains that the ordinance will help clean up the Town Code. Business License fees were never charged based on the gross revenue of the business. There is a flat rate fee of \$80.00 per year if based in the surrounding area.*

**MOTION: Approve the adoption of Ordinance 19-2018 amendment to the Town Code Title 4 “General Business and License Regulations”**

**BY: VM Hooper**

**SECOND: CM Shontz**

**VOTE: All seven in favor; the motion passed**

4. Approve/Deny an Amendment to the Program Services Agreement with Parker Area Chamber of Commerce

*TM Wedemeyer explains that the amendment for the agreement adds on that the Town will now be a voting member as a non-elected official. CM R. Hartless clarifies that CM Savino will still be on the board but not as a voting member and asks why do we need a contract now. TM Wedemeyer says the Town Attorney says we should have an agreement with anyone we give large amounts of money to. It was reminded that the La Paz Economic Development Corporation already has an agreement that was signed in July. It is asked if the funds will be released to the Chamber if approved tonight, Yes they will.*

**MOTION: Approve Amendment to the Program Services Agreement with Parker Area Chamber of Commerce**

**BY: CM Savino**

**SECOND: VM Hooper**

**VOTE: All seven in favor; the motion passed**

5. Approve/Deny appointment of Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer to Chamber Board

*TM Wedemeyer explains that this is self-explanatory as per the agreement. TM Wedemeyer will represent the Town as a non-elected official. Mary Hamilton lets the Council know that “Ex-Officio” members are not subject to quorum and will not vote on officers. CM R. Hartless asks how many members on the Chamber Board. Mary Hamilton says there are 13 and that they are allowed to have 3 ex-officio and 2 honorary members.*

**MOTION: Approve Appointment of Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer to the Chamber Board**

**BY: VM Hooper**

**SECOND: CM Savino**

**VOTE: With Yes votes from VM Hooper, CM Savino, CM Lucas, Mayor Beaver and CM Shontz; and No votes from CM R. Hartless and V. Hartless, the motion passes 5-2**

6. Approve/Deny authorization to issue a Call to Bids for services and materials for the Well 7 Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project

*Public Works Director Ziegler lets the Council know that this item was approved by Council in April 2018 however there were no bids. The funds have been re-allocated to the FY 18/19 Capital budget and it brought before you again. Wells age over time and Tim Edwards was attempting to get the inspection done in 2015 and 2016. An inspection has not been done in*

ages. The inspection will insure that the system is adequate enough to supply Parker. Three companies have looked at the system, two dropped out and the third had a bond issue that has since been resolved.

**MOTION:** Approve Authorization to issue a Call to Bids for services and materials for the Well 7 Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** VM Hooper

**VOTE:** All seven in Favor; the motion passes

## **Mayor's Presentation**

*At this time the Mayor presented Vivian Hartless with a plaque thanking her for her service to the Town from 6/12 – 11/18. Mayor Beaver says that Vivian is very passionate about what she does and is a hard worker and that he admires that in her. CM Hartless says that she ran because she was mad at the Council and that she respects each and every one. Thank you.*

### **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 Savino\*
- Tribal Committee - Mayor Beaver + CM Savino \*
- Parks & Recreation- open \* Senior Center-CM Savino \*
- Streets & Traffic - VM Hooper + CM Savino\*
- Library Board \* CM Shontz \* La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
- \* WACOG - CM V Hartless \* PAACE - open
- \*WAEDD - CM Savino + Mayor Beaver

*VM Hooper reports on Parks and Rec. They are making plans for the future; a winter downtown experience, music in the park and a tree lighting ceremony for 2020. There are a lot of good ideas moving forward.*

*CM Shontz says the Library has it going on again. They have raised \$4,900 this year. They had the appraiser out again. The Little Library that could still can.*

*CM Savino reports on the Senior Center Committee. Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners were successful. The committee is looking to revise the Secretary/Treasurer position. They are working on a Talent Show for April. The financials are in great shape. The Winter Visitors are back. 1969 meals were delivered in November. They are working on replacing the chair through fundraising efforts. The Volunteer Dinner was a great event. The staff did a wonderful job. He wholeheartedly thanks Darla and her staff for their hard work and Lori for her help in getting it organized.*

*Mayor Beaver talks about the Best in the Desert meetings he has attended for the Parker 250 and Parker 425. Both of the permits from CRIT are in place and they have a BLM permit with BLM through 2024. Donald is doing a good job. 2019 will be good and 2020 will be better.*

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

*Chamber President Amber Parker thanks the Council for releasing the funds.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Wed. Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> Joint Venture Board at Bluewater Casino 10:00am  
Mon. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – Tues. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> All Town Offices and Buildings **CLOSED** in observance of Christmas  
Tues. January 1<sup>st</sup> All Town Offices and Buildings **CLOSED** in observance of New Year's  
  
Tue Jan. 8<sup>th</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.*

**ACTION**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:55pm

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, December 18, 2018; I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

*Jennifer Alcaida for  
Candy Cockrell, Town Clerk*

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