

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
"SPECIAL" REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
at the 901 DESERT AVENUE "WESTERN PARK"
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2012
6:00 P.M.

Meeting was moved back to town hall at 1314 11th Street due to the weather and a power outage at the Western Park location.

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

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER Mayor 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, Police Chief Mendoza, Public Works Director Edwards, Library Manager Davis, and Senior Center Director Tilley

Others Present: Santa Clause, Dave Boatwright, Darrell and Michelle Grissum, Vivian Hartless, Joe Duran, John Gutkunest, Peggy Savino and grand children, John Croteau, DL Wilson, Roberta Hoffman, Steve Madoneczky, Missy Gilbert, and Ray Cornelius

INVOCATION: Pastor Grissum from the Lilly in the Valley Church gave the evenings service

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve the Street Closure of Joshua Avenue between Arizona Avenue and 14th Street for the Colorado River Regional Crisis Shelters Thursday, January 10, 2013 3:00pm – 10:00pm "Taste of Parker" fundraiser.

MOTION: The consent request is approved as presented

BY: Vice-Mayor Boatwright

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

Mayor Beaver moved item 1 to be discussed last

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny authorize the execution of a Memo of Understanding (MOU) "re: Youth Baseball Field".

Public Works Director Edwards stated there were so many to thank that have been instrumental in bringing this MOU to council this evening. Santa delivered a special memo to Mayor and Council announcing the Arizona Diamondbacks would finance the construction of a regulation Little League baseball field at the Western Park. Mayor Beaver added this council was very pleased to give this special Christmas present to the youth of this community. PW Director Edwards explained the details of the MOU to council, under the terms of the agreement the D-Backs would provide the funds for a contractor to build the park, once completed it would then be donated to the town with the option the D-Backs have the right to name the park. The area that the baseball diamond would be built at was the previous rodeo ground arena which had not been used since 2009. That facility had since been moved to the county fairgrounds in Parker South. The history of this event began with the Community Development Director Guy Gorman applying to the Arizona Diamond-backs Foundation for a grant in 2011. That grant was awarded to an inter city area of Phoenix even though the town was told ours was the best application. Former mayor Steve Madoneczky was thanked for his work in lobbying members from Arizona Public Service, and the League of Cities at every event the council attended. Though leaving the area he would be back for the ribbon cutting and field's dedication. Thanks were given to all that have been involved with this long process – we had a vision for our community and we would not give up on it until it became a reality.

MOTION: Execution of the Town of Parker entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Diamond-backs is approved as presented

BY: CM Yackley

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, the motion was passed unanimously

2. Approve/Deny the request from Elvira Noriega the owner operator of the Amapola Café located at 1317 S. Joshua Avenue suite J for a new series 12 restaurant and bar liquor license.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this request is for a new liquor license for the Amapola Café; it has met all the legal postings and has our staff's recommendations for approval.

MOTION: The request from Elvira Noriega the owner operator of the Amapola Café located at 1317 S. Joshua Avenue suite J for a new series 12 restaurant and bar liquor license is approved as presented

BY: CM Savino

SECOND: CM Shontz

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed.

3. Approve/Deny the Soroptimist International of Parker request for a special event liquor license for the Thursday, January 31, 2013 annual Downtown Experience to be held at the 1317 Joshua Mall starting at 10:00am until 10:00pm.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this request is for the annual downtown experience which is the big kick off for the 425 off road race; it has meet with all legal postings and has staff's recommendation for approval. Council member Yackley inquired if the town earned any tax funds from the event, this was replied no.

MOTION: The request for a special event liquor license for the Thursday, January 31, 2013 annual Downtown Experience to be held at the 1317 Joshua Mall starting at 10:00am until 10:00pm from the Soroptimist is approved as presented
BY: CM Hooper
SECOND: CM Duran
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed.

4. Approve/Deny Town of Parker Senior Center Committee request for a special event liquor license for the Friday, February 15, 2013 annual Valentine's Day dinner and talent show fundraiser to benefit the Senior Nutritional Program to be held at the 1115 12th Street Senior Center beginning at 3:00pm until 10:00pm.

Town Manager Wedemeyer referred to Darla Tilley the Center's Director who explained this would be for the annual talent show that would also fall on Valentine's Day; this year the talent show is geared towards adults only. The Lion's organization would hold another event in March open to all contestants she added. Council inquired what the profits were used for and what it cost to provide the services to the homebound. Ms Tilley replied that all the profits go towards the meals on wheels program that feed all the town and county homebound residents which LaPaz County has the largest client caseload per capita she added. Center Director told council it cost \$1,780.00 per year to feed one home meals client. Council member Shontz noted there are four previous town mayors present that so much good has been created by; however hunger and our senior populace is still an issue today .Kudus were given to the Center Director and her staff for all they are able to do for our elderly.

MOTION: The special event liquor license for the Friday, February 15, 2013 annual talent show fundraiser to benefit the Senior Nutritional Program to be held at the 1115 12th Street Senior Center beginning at 3:00pm until 10:00pm is approved as presented
BY: C Hooper
SECOND: VM Boatwright
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

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 Savino reported all that attended the Senior Center's recent dinner had a good time. CM Shontz noted Tourism is very busy getting ready for the new year with the new director.

CM Duran reported the Friends and the Library Board once again did not have a quorum for an official meeting but the library is very busy and is in the need for volunteers.

Mayor Beaver reported get ready for the annual Downtown Experience, there would be a Pit Crew challenge at 5:30pm amongst all the regular festivities. Kudus to the Chamber of Commerce for all they do for our community.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Administrative Secretary Johnson announced there are tickets available for sale in Public Works for the June 8th Diamond Backs vs. San Francisco game.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Town of Parker offices will **close** early on Monday, December 24th and be **closed** on Tuesday, December 25th in observance of Christmas; and will **close** early on Monday, December 31st and be **closed** on Tuesday, January 1st in observance of New Years

Wed.	Dec. 19 th	ADOT @ Council Chambers	9:00am- noon
Wed.	Dec. 19 th	Board of Adjustments @ Council Chambers	4:30pm
		No Town of Parker regular meeting on Tuesday, January 1 st due to the holiday	
Thurs.	Jan. 3 rd	Town of Parker Senior Committee meeting @ the Center	9:30am
Mon.	Jan. 14 th	Friend of the Library @ the Library	4:00pm
Mon.	Jan. 14 th	Library Board @ the Library	5:00pm
Mon.	Jan. 14 th	Parks and Recreation Committee	4:00pm
Tue.	Jan. 15 th	next Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

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

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: The meeting be adjourned
BY: VM Boatwright
SECOND: CM Hooper
VOTE: All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the regular meeting at 6:38pm

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 December 18, 2012. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, CMC Town Clerk.