

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11<sup>th</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013  
6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mayor asked everyone to please turn off or set to mute 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 Director Edwards, and Library Manager Davis

Others Present: Jerry Kinmon, John Gutkunest, Dave Boatwright, DL Wilson, Roberta Hoffman, Skip and Carol Becker, Keerstyn Edwards, Joe Duran, Dorene Bloomer, Nick Bompezzi, Walter Shontz, Ray Cornelius, and Council Member Elect Vivian Hartless

INVOCATION: Pastor Jerry Kinmon with the First Baptist Church gave the meetings invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all lead by Mayor Beaver

PROCLAMATION: Career and Technical Education Month

Nick Bompezzi along with Dorene Bloomer from "WAVE" presented the proclamation that was read aloud by Mr. Bompezzi declaring February as Career and Technical Education Month

Mayor Beaver then presented the Best in the Desert annual thank you award to Police Chief Mendoza and gave the BITD organization heartfelt thanks to the town's police and the public works departments for all their support and help with keeping the race and downtown events the success they always are.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve the February 5, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes (-RD)

**MOTION:** The minutes are accepted and approved as presented

**BY:** CM Hooper

**SECOND:** VM Boatwright

**VOTE:** CM Duran abstained from voting not being present, the remaining approved and passed the motion.

REGULAR AGENDA:

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

1. Approve/Deny Parker Public Library submission of a LSTA grant to the State Library for a Bi-Lingual Instructor and Equipment in the amount of \$42,252.96.

*Library Manager Davis explained reasoning's for the request to submit a LSTA grant from the State Library; previously the library was awarded a BTOP II grant which provided an instructor to help with job searching, resume writing, all avenues to help teach how to get a job to better oneself. This application would provide funding for a bi-lingual instructor for the Spanish speaking community and after school literacy on equipment and devices that can be used by all ages. If awarded the library would partner with two Youth for Youth students from the PACCE organization to help the instructor teach all the community members that want to improve themselves. Council inquired what additional cost from the town is involved; Ruthie replied one-half of the warranty cost for the iPad, any office supplies needed, and the in-kind which is \$4,290.00 for the three library staff and the two youth for youth teens salaries; cost to the state would be \$37,417.96. Council additionally gave huge kudos to Ruthie for all that she does for the library.*

**MOTION:** Submission of a LSTA grant to the State Library for a Bi-Lingual Instructor and Equipment in the amount of \$42,252.96 is approved as presented

**BY:** CM Savino

**SECOND:** CM Shontz

**VOTE:** All in favor, the motion passed

2. Approve/Deny accepting Poston Rotary design and landscape concept project for the Town of Parker Pop Harvey Park

*Public Works Director Edwards reminded Council that Lane Desper from the Poston Rotary is the voice behind the Pop Harvey Park new landscape project that both the members of the Parks and Recreation Committee and council were presented with the design and drawings earlier. The rotary is requesting council's approval to proceed with their solicitations of funding for the project; currently the organization is not requesting any financial or physical resources from the town as the work would be performed with outside financial and volunteers support.*

**MOTION:** The design and landscape concept project for the Town of Parker Pop Harvey Park presented by the Poston Rotary has council's unanimous approval and good wishes for the recommended community project that was noted could be a three to four-year process.

**BY:** CM 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\*

Vice Mayor Boatwright reported attending the WACOG Executive board meeting where she was elected the boards new secretary.

Council Member Duran reported attending the Library Board where they discussed this evenings request and discussed how much time the new log in books machine is saving. Additionally there is still a need for volunteers if anyone knows any.

Council Member Savino reported that Joint Venture would meet on the 28<sup>th</sup> at the Casino at 2:00pm; the tribal council has not designated a replacement for ex-chairman Eldred Enas as the tribal board member; and they are having trouble having a quorum for a meeting.

Council Member Yackley reported both he and VM Boatwright attended a grant writing seminar in Phoenix, and that he attended the recent parks and recreation meeting.

Mayor added the chamber of commerce had not met since last report; same report from Council Member Shontz on Tourism.

Town Manager Wedemeyer announced the Alewine propertied would be on the next agenda as the town was going out to bid on bond finances.

## CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

If you wish to address the Council during this meeting, please read and fill in the information on the "Call to the Public" form and hand it to the Town Clerk. Please limit your comments to a maximum of **3-minutes**.

Roberta Hoffman representing the LaPaz Economic Development Corporation introduced Skip and his wife Carol Becker to Mayor and Council as the corporations' new Economic Development Director and CEO replacing the newly elected LaPaz County Board of Supervisor Chairman DL Wilson; his wife Carol is already employed with Parker Indian Health. Ms Hoffman added Skip has a strong economic, accounting, and financial background. He additionally is very versed in grant writing. Mr. Becker stated, he is very impressed with the town and is hoping to get onboard and make this place their home and a better community.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> Parker Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to their "Meet the Town of Parker Council Member Candidates" gathering to be held at the 1115 12<sup>th</sup> Street Community Senior Center at 6:15pm

Sat.	Feb. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Friends of the Parker Public Library Book Sale @ the Library	8: am – 2:00pm
Wed.	Feb. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Rail Car Painting Project Bid opening @ Town Hall	3:00pm

Thurs. Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Joint Venture Meeting @ Senior Center	2:00pm
Thurs. Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Streets and Traffic Committee Meeting	5:30pm
Sat. March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Senior Center Art Show @ the Center	8: am – 2:00pm
Tue. March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

***Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11<sup>th</sup> Street.***

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION: The meeting be adjourned**  
**BY: VM Boatwright**  
**SECOND: CM Hooper**  
**VOTE: All in favor, Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:35pm**

**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 February 19, 2013. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

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Candy Cockrell, CMC Town Clerk.

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