

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015 6:00 P.M.

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

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 Collett, Hartless, Savino, Shontz, and Yackley

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Chief of Police Romo, Public Works Director Edwards, Library Manager Davis, and Town Clerk Cockrell

Others Present: Father McQueen, John Gutkunest, Walter Shontz, Mary Hamilton, Josh Savino, Skip and Carol Becker, Nick Bompezzi, Casey Folks, Roberta Hoffman, DL Wilson, and Barbara Schwind

INVOCATION: Given by Father Dale McQueen from Church of the Resurrection

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all present

PROCLAMATION: February 1 – 28, 2015 as Career and Technical Education Month Presented and read aloud by Nick Bompezzi the Parker High School Career Director

PRESENTATIONS: Casey Folks "Best in the Desert"

Casey Folks explained he had met Mayor Beaver many years ago way before the creation of the Best in the Desert racing association; he has much respect for the Mayor, the Town staff and s Public Works, the Police Chief, the Chamber staff, and the LaPaz County staff. It always has been a pleasure coming to the Town for the 250 and 425 races. Parker is the mixing pot of racing for Arizona, California, and Nevada and is known as the "race capital of the USA" to all off road racers. He happily reported the Best in the Desert racing association has just been given approval for the unheard of in the USA a BLM 10-year off-road race permit certificate. Thanks were given and received to and from the council to the racing association being as such a safe and quality association to work with.

"Community Partners"

Parker Area Chamber of Commerce – Parker Area Tourism - LaPaz Economic Development

Mary Hamilton Director of the Chamber of Commerce provided the audience and the Council with an overview of the new Chamber Master Internet program, what all it has to offer the board members, the visitors, and for reports back for the council. This is an on-line program for all the viewers to check and see all the town and area we have to offer. Council asked if users could make changes to the program or to its results, they were told no, only the chamber staff could. Council agreed they liked the new program and its results.

Josh Savino Tourism Coordinator ran a video starting back last November with the Chamber's Chili-Cook-off, the 68th year of the Thanksgiving race boat regatta with 75 teams attending, the 250 bike and ATV race and the 425 Off Road race; he explained how many hits the events had received on via Face Book, Twitter, and added the "social media" is the way one communicates now. In the past you could travel anywhere in California and everyone knew where Parker was, this is now the same for the eastern Arizona and southern Nevada areas; 2014 was a great year for tourism in Parker.

Skip Becker from the **LaPaz Economic Development Corporation** updated all on the current development projects; as he explained for the past many months the news of his projects have been under wraps. Rose Farms is real, jobs are coming to our area, the Hampton Inn is still happening and it is still within the Town of Parker; Good things are coming!

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve the following:

Mayor Beaver requested that a separate action be taken for each item

- a. Special Executive Session Meeting minutes January 13, 2015 (absent Council Members Collett and Savino)
- b. Regular Council Meeting Minutes January 20, 2015 (absent Mayor Beaver, Council Members Shontz and Yackley)
- c. The Blake School Friday, February 20th Annual Street Closures of 6th and 7th Streets on Mohave Avenue for the school's "Career Day" special event.

MOTION: Consent item a is accepted as presented

BY: CM Shontz

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: Council Members Collett and Savino abstained not being present for the meeting; the remaining approved and passed the motion

MOTION: Consent item b is accepted as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Collett

VOTE: Mayor Beaver, Council Members Shontz and Yackley abstained not being present for the meeting; the remaining approved and passed the motion

MOTION: Consent item c is accepted as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: Motion approved and passed

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

- 1 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker and Kyocera MESD entering into an easement agreement to allow for the operation and maintenance of the Solar Power Generating facilities at Town Hall.

Public Works Director Edwards explained this agreement is the same as the next two items just the locations are different. There is no cost involved in the agreements, once approved by both entities the agreements would be recorded, then distributed as needed. No comments were given by council on the three items.

MOTION: An agreement between the Town of Parker and Kyocera MESD to provide an easement for the operation and maintenance of the solar power generating facilities at Town Hall is approved as presented

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- 2 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker and Kyocera MESD entering into an easement agreement to allow for the operation and maintenance of the Solar Power Generating facilities at Parker Public Library.

Public Works Director Edwards reminded council this is the same as above

MOTION: An agreement between the Town of Parker and Kyocera MESD to provide an easement for the operation and maintenance of the solar power generating facilities at Parker Public Library is approved as presented

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- 3 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker and Kyocera MESD entering into an easement agreement to allow for the operation and maintenance of the Solar Power Generating facilities at Town of Parker Senior Center.

Public Works Director Edwards reported the same as the previous two; no comments received from council

MOTION: An agreement between the Town of Parker and Kyocera MESD to provide an easement for the operation and maintenance of the solar power generating facilities at the Senior Center is approved as presented

BY: CM Shontz

SECOND: VM Hooper

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- 4 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker consenting to a Collateral Assignment of the Solar Power PPA Easement Agreement located at the Town Hall and the Parker Public Library in consideration of Wells Fargo entering into an equipment lease agreement with Kyocera MESD.

Public Works Director Edwards explained these two are similar as above; again, there is no cost involved with the mayor and council granting the consent to give a collateral assignment of the solar PPA easement agreement

MOTION: The Town of Parker entering into a collateral assignment of the solar power PPA easement agreement located at town hall and the public library

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- 5 Approve/Deny the Town of Parker consenting to a Collateral Assignment of the Solar Power PPA Easement Agreement located at the Town of Parker Senior Center in consideration of Wells Fargo entering into an equipment lease agreement with Kyocera MESD.

Public Works Director Edwards explained this item is the same as the previous except this one pertains to the senior center

MOTION: The Town of Parker entering into a collateral assignment of the solar power PPA easement agreement located at the senior Center

BY: VM Hooper

SECOND: CM Savino

VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

- 6 Approve/Deny authorizing Public Works to issue an Invitation to Bid for services and materials needed to perform a scrub seal as a preservation treatment for certain Town streets project.

Public Works Director Edwards explained the public works request to go out to bid for services and materials to perform the preservation scrub seal project for certain town streets, the engineers' estimate is \$240,000 for the materials and labor for this 2014/2015 budgeted HURF funded capital project. Mayor Beaver added the S & T Committee have worked alongside with public works in researching what streets needed to be added or deleted for repairs and or replacement; a list of the streets was included in the council's packets. Council inquired to how long the project might take; 30 days to 6-months was the reply.

MOTION: Public Works is authorized to issue an Invitation to Bid for services and materials needed to perform a scrub seal as a preservation treatment for certain Town streets is approved

BY: CM Collett

SECOND: VM Hooper

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-Open * Joint Venture - CM Savino & CM Yackley*
Tribal Committee - CM Savino *
Parks & Recreation-CM Yackley * Senior Center-CM Savino *
Streets & Traffic-Mayor Beaver & CM Savino *
Library Board –VM Hooper * La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
* WACOG/WAEDD-CM Hartless * PAACE –CM Yackley*

CM Hartless reported attending the Yuma WACOG meetings; Mayor Beaver added its going to be race weekend, he hoped everyone would attend and have a great time; no other reports were given

2nd Quarter Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Financial Report * Town Manager Lori Wedemeyer

Ms Wedemeyer updated the council on the second quarter town's finance; most line items are showing in a positive note, the audit was just approved at the last meeting. The department head are remaining frugal in their expenditures. Overall the 2nd quarter ends in a positive note.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Local town resident Barbara Schwind reported a major concern with the four-way crossing at Mohave Avenue and Agency Road; there are way too many blow-bys. Someone is going to get hurt especially with a child care facility, the park, and the library all within the same surrounding area.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thurs.	Feb. 5 th	Senior Center Committee meeting @ the Center	9:30am
Thurs.	Feb. 5 th	Downtown Experience @ Joshua Mall	8:00 am - 8:00pm
Sat.	Feb. 7 th	425 Off Road Race start in front of Chamber of Commerce	5:00 am-10:00am
Sat.	Feb 7 th	Mexican Consulate @ Parker Library	9:00 am - 3:00pm
Mon.	Feb. 9 th	Friends of the Library @ the Library	4:00pm
Mon.	Feb. 9 th	Library Board @ the Library	5:00pm
Mon.	Feb. 16 th	All the Town of Parker offices will be closed in observance of President's Day	

CM Hartless informed all that PAACE is hosting a "meet the 425 drivers" at Pop Harvey Park on Wednesday the 4th for all the kids to meet the racers and see their race vehicles

Tue. Feb. 17th **Next** Regular Council Meeting 6:00pm

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Beaver adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 8:03pm

Approve

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015. 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.