

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on July 23, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. in the main hall of the Winslow Visitor's Center, 523 West Second Street, Winslow, Arizona.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Vice Mayor Crisp, Councilmember Cake, Councilmember MacLean, Councilmember McKee, Councilmember Nelson, Councilmember Tafoya

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Cano

STAFF:

David Coolidge City Manager, Michelle Stinson City Attorney (via Zoom), Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, Franklin Caldwell Police Chief, Michael Duran Fire Chief, Jack Fitchett Economic Development Director, Brandee Leary Librarian

Vice Mayor Crisp called the meeting to order. The Pledge was given and the Invocation was offered by Pastor Erna Snukis of the First Methodist Church. Roll call was taken and Mayor Cano was absent. Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to excuse the absent member. Motion passed unanimously with Vice Mayor Crisp and Councilmembers Cake, MacLean, McKee, Nelson and Tafoya voting yes.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

A. Current Events and Announcements

Councilmember McKee provided details regarding the High School Swim Team Booster Club fundraiser that will be held on August 17th.

Councilmember Nelson provided information regarding a Fight Night fundraiser on September 14th at the rodeo grounds for a local family whose child was recently diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. Councilmember Nelson also provided information regarding an upcoming meeting scheduled to discuss the Shop with a Cop program.

Vice Mayor Crisp announced details regarding the following items:

- Winslow Garden Tour on August 18th
- Third Annual Arts Council FABFEST on August 3rd
- August & September Winslow Indian Health Care Center food distribution schedule
- Third Annual Backpack Drive on July 28th at FadezbyJ
- School Supply Drive hosted by the Cherry Bombs
- Second series of Elevate Winslow business classes scheduled to begin on August 14th
- Cancellation of Borderland food distribution on July 27th
- Night Farmers Market every Friday through the month of August

Councilmember McKee announced that the Rotary/St. Mary's food distribution will take place on July 25th.

Councilmember MacLean provided information regarding Alice's Place Mystery at the Monster Mash Benefit fundraiser that will take place on September 7th.

B. Future Agenda Items

Councilmember McKee discussed traffic issues at Alfred and Flaming and requested that consideration be given to installing a four way stop at the intersection.

Councilmember Nelson requested that discussion regarding the Atlas Global PAD be included on a future agenda.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. Proclamation – Proclaiming August 4 – 10, 2024 as National Farmers Market Week

After Councilmember Tafoya read the proclamation, it was presented to the Farmers Market Manager and Farmers Market vendors that were in attendance.

B. Quarterly Report from Navajo County Supervisor Fern Benally

Navajo County District I Supervisor Fern Benally introduced herself by clan as is custom in the Navajo culture. Supervisor Benally then provided an extensive update regarding the broadband project that included work that has been done since the groundbreaking ceremony that took place in April. Supervisor Benally thanked the City Manager for being a valuable member of the project taskforce.

Supervisor Benally also provided an update on the Winslow Levee project including the schedule for the project. After discussing various county economic development projects, Supervisor Benally provided a recap of the legislative session that sine died on June 15, 2024.

In conclusion, Supervisor Benally provided information related to the July 30th Primary Election.

C. Quarterly Chamber Report Which May Include Visitor Center Statistics, Bed Tax Financial Information and Past/Future Event Update

Bob Hall, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, provided his report for the period February – June 2024 that included the number of visitors (local, in-state, out of state and foreign) for the period, the number of travel and relocation packs distributed, the number of brochures printed and distributed, website hits totaling 48,715 and tourism related emails received.

Mr. Hall noted that the room at the Visitor's Center was utilized a total of 82 times between February and June and discussed income and expenses, specifically the increase to the bed tax income during the reporting period.

Mr. Hall then provided information regarding the following events during the months of February - June:

- Good Morning Winslow events the first Wednesday of every month
- Meet & Greet for new police and fire chiefs
- Clear Creek Cowboys luncheon
- Second Annual Psychic Fair
- Annual Chamber Dinner
- Business Expo Job Fair
- Taste of Winslow fundraiser

Mr. Hall encouraged citizens to shop local and recognized 11 new members that have joined the Chamber. Mr. Hall announced that he was recently asked by the Governor's office to join the Route 66 Centennial Commission Board of Directors and stated that there is also a local committee working on the 2026 Centennial Celebration.

After a Winslow commercial that will be airing on a Phoenix television station over the next two months was played on the screen, Councilmember McKee thanked Bob and Angela for not only

promoting Winslow but also for their dedication to the Chamber/Visitor Center.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Verbal Status Report on Current City Activities by City Manager Which May Include Little Colorado River Levee at Winslow Update and Capital Project(s) Update

After thanking Supervisor Benally for providing an update regarding the levee, the City Manager briefly discussed the design phase timeline which is still on track to be completed by the end of 2025.

The City Manager also provided updates regarding the new city hall facility, the basketball court renovations and the pickleball courts. The City Manager noted that discussion regarding the possibility of a future city hall in the facility next to the police department will take place during the upcoming capital improvement planning.

B. Quarterly Report from Librarian Which May Include Statistical Information, Past Events and Announcements for Upcoming Events

Prior to the library report, Bob Hall briefly discussed new banners that will be displayed in the downtown area.

The Librarian referred to the Summer Reading Program that ends on July 24th and encouraged all participants to enter their reading minutes and tickets by midnight on Wednesday. The Librarian also discussed details of the program and recognized the program sponsors.

After discussing both previous events and upcoming scheduled events, the Librarian provided information regarding two grants that have been received and explained how they will be utilized. The Librarian also announced that the Friends of the Library Book Sale is scheduled for September 19th – 22nd.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed unanimously with Vice Mayor Crisp and Councilmembers Cake, MacLean, McKee, Nelson and Tafoya voting yes.

A. Discussion and/or Action to Approve the Check Register

- B. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of July 9, 2024**
- C. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Affordable and Workforce Housing Incentive Program Amendment**
- D. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Ordinance No. 1417 Amending Ordinance No. 637, Schedule of Rates, Fees and Charges, Amending Schedule 11 – Municipal Court, by Revising Section 11-5 Court User and Staffing Fee**

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Discussion and/or Action Regarding Request for Assistance from the Just Cruis'n Car Club for their Annual Car Show on October 4 & 5, 2024 and Waive Vendor Fees**

Bill Mendoza, speaking on behalf of the Car Club, referred to their request for the 29th Annual Car Show and stated that the request includes waiving of vendor fees and providing financial assistance. Mr. Mendoza advised that some changes have been made for the upcoming show that will need to be discussed with the city prior to the event.

In response to a question from Councilmember McKee, the City Clerk clarified that the amount of \$5,000 has been appropriated for the car show for the past several years. The City Manager also responded to a question from Councilmember Nelson regarding in-kind services that are provided by the city.

Motion: Moved by Councilmember McKee, seconded by Councilmember Cake, to donate \$5,000 to the Car Club and waive fees that would normally be charged. Motion passed unanimously with Vice Mayor Crisp and Councilmembers Cake, MacLean, McKee, Nelson and Tafoya voting yes.

- B. Discussion and/or Action Regarding Approval and Adoption of Ordinance No. 1416 – Property Tax Levy and Declaring an Emergency**

The City Manager referred to the property tax levy and explained that although the percentage decreases, the levy increases because valuations go up. in order to collect the maximum amount.

Motion: Moved by Councilmember McKee, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to adopt Ordinance No. 1416 – property tax

levy and declaring an emergency. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote with Vice Mayor Crisp and Councilmembers Cake, MacLean, McKee, Nelson and Tafoya voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Vice Mayor Crisp and Councilmembers Cake, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on July 23, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this *13th* day of *August*, 2024.

Suzy Wetzel

City Clerk