

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on April 22, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. in the main hall of the Winslow Visitor's Center, 523 West Second Street, Winslow, Arizona.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Cano (via Zoom), Vice Mayor MacLean, Councilmember Cake, Councilmember Crisp, Councilmember Salazar, Councilmember Tafoya

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember McKee

STAFF:

David Coolidge City Manager, Trish Stuhan City Attorney, Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, Daniel Hendrix Finance Director, Ernie Cano Acting Police Chief, Tim Westover Public Works Director, Brandee Leary Librarian

Vice Mayor MacLean called the meeting to order. The Pledge was given and the Invocation was offered by George Gould. Roll call was taken and Councilmembers Cake and McKee were absent. Motion: Moved by Councilmember Tafoya, seconded by Councilmember Crisp, to excuse the absent members. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano, Vice Mayor MacLean and Councilmembers Crisp, Salazar and Tafoya voting yes. Councilmember Cake arrived at 7:10 p.m.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

A. Current Events and Announcements

The following events and announcements were made under this item:

Councilmember Crisp

- Baseball Senior Night on April 23rd
- Fluffy Therapy at the Library on April 23rd
- Meeting regarding Boys & Girls Club on April 23rd
- Pickleball Clinic on April 26th
- Fourth Annual Arts Festival on April 26th
- Borderland Produce Rescue on April 26th
- Gymkhana event at Dewitt Ranch Supply on April 26th

- Citywide cleanup on April 26th
- Prom on April 26th
- Astro Pageant on May 2nd & 3rd
- Missing & Murdered Indigenous Persons Awareness Day on May 7th
- 5th Annual Free Plant & Seed Exchange Booth at the Farmers Market on May 10th

Councilmember Tafoya

- Rotary/St. Mary's Food Bank food distribution on April 24th

B. Future Agenda Items

None.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. Proclamation – Proclaiming April 25, 2025 as Arbor Day in the City of Winslow

After Councilmember Crisp read the proclamation, it was presented to the Public Works Director. Information was provided by both Mayor Cano and the Public Works Director regarding the tree planting event on April 25th at Henderson Park.

B. Proclamation – Recognizing May 5, 2025 as Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & Relatives Awareness Day in the City of Winslow

After Councilmember Tafoya read the proclamation, it was presented to members of Alice's Place that were in attendance. Clarification was provided that the Awareness Day event will be held on May 7th at the Route 66 Plaza from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

C. Proclamation – Proclaiming May 5 – 11, 2025 as National Correctional Officers & Employees Week in the City of Winslow

After Vice Mayor MacLean read the proclamation, it was presented to Department of Corrections staff that were in attendance.

D. Presentation from Navajo County Emergency Management Director Regarding Emergency Planning and Hazardous Mitigation

Navajo County Emergency Manager Catrina Jenkins provided a PowerPoint Presentation that included information regarding completion of the Five Year Review & Update of the Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan. A flood warning siren was also installed at the intersection of Shaddox Lane and Sunset Road in Bushman Acres as part of the mitigation efforts.

Ms. Jenkins discussed the Ready Set GO! emergency alert notification system that is part of the county's preparedness efforts and encouraged citizens to take time to prepare an emergency kit in the event an evacuation order is issued. Ms. Jenkins also discussed the importance of partnerships, coordination and communication and how it relates to emergency management efforts.

In conclusion, Ms. Jenkins provided information regarding the impact that monsoon season, fire restrictions and winter weather conditions have on Winslow and the surrounding area. Vice Mayor MacLean extended his thanks to Ms. Jenkins and her team for being preventative and for keeping our citizens safe.

E. Quarterly Report from Navajo County Supervisor Fern Benally

After discussing the Middle Mile Broadband fiber project, which is approximately 65% complete and on schedule for completion before the end of 2025, Navajo County District I Supervisor Fern Benally provided a detailed update regarding the Winslow Levee project.

Supervisor Benally then provided an economic development update that included information regarding the ZenniHome Manufacturing Plant in Snowflake and the NACOG Brownfields Route 66 Coalition.

Supervisor Benally stated that Winslow High School Wrestling Champion Michael Romero was honored at a recent Board of Supervisor's meeting and also encouraged citizens to be safe in light of various upcoming Spring events.

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

Due to the fact that the Chamber Director was unable to be in attendance, Vice Mayor MacLean noted that this report will not be provided at tonight's meeting.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Verbal Status Report on Current City Activities by City Manager Which May Include Project and Legislative Update

The City Manager's legislative update included information regarding the following proposed bills:

- HCR2021: municipal food tax
- HB2221: law enforcement; defunding; prohibition
- HB2033: building permits; solar; approval process

The City Manager then provided detailed updates regarding the following grant funded projects:

- New water tank
- Completion of accessibility project at Tom Harris Field
- Ramada project
- Pocket Parks and 9/11 Park Renovations

The City Manager also provided information regarding the RFP for the Wilson Street housing development and the RFP for development of airport property.

The City Manager announced that the budget work session is scheduled for Thursday, May 8th at 4:00 p.m. and stated that this will be a difficult budget due to declining revenue based on the current economic uncertainty in the market.

The City Manager responded to questions from the Council regarding the housing development RFP.

B. Monthly Financial Report by Finance Director Which May Include Balances, Expenditures and Revenues in All Funds

After stating that three quarters of the fiscal year has passed, the Finance Director provided detailed information regarding city wide revenues and expenditures, as well as revenues and expenditures in the General Fund, the HURF Fund and the Enterprise Funds.

The Finance Director reported that wastewater income and expenditures have been adjusted to reflect the return of an extra bond payment that was made at the beginning of the year. The Finance Director also stated that income and expenditures are within expected variances.

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

The Librarian referred to moving to the new library facility, which is averaging over 200 patrons a day, and thanked the entire Public Works team for their assistance with the move. The Librarian announced that baby goats will be part of the Fluffy Therapy event on April 23rd.

The Librarian also provided the following information regarding the upcoming Color Your World Summer Reading Program:

- Public speaking class
- Beanstack app
- Writing Contest hosted by the Navajo County Library District
- Magician show
- Writing workshop/open mic night
- Silent Book Club
- Glow in the Dark Volleyball
- Cardio Drumming

The Librarian responded to comments from Councilmember Crisp regarding the wide range of events included on the community calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Tafoya, seconded by Councilmember Cake, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano, Vice Mayor MacLean and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, Salazar 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 April 8, 2025 and the City Council Executive Session of April 8, 2025**
- C. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Reappointment of Members to the Board of Adjustment**
- D. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Reappointment of Members to the Historic Preservation Commission**

- E. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Notice of Intent for Proposed New and Increased Rates, Fees and Charges**
- F. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Ordinance No. 1428 Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Real Property and Authorizing and Directing the Mayor, City Manager and City Attorney to Acquire Title by Donation; and Declaring an Emergency**
- G. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Ordinance No. 1430 Authorizing the Sale of Certain Real Property to Dixon Oates and Authorizing and Directing the Mayor, City Manager and City Attorney to Take all Action Necessary to Complete the Transaction**

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Presentation by City Engineer and Discussion and/or Action to Adopt the Water, Wastewater, Storm Water and Reclaimed Water Master Plans**

Alica Stoffers, Senior Project Manager at Ardurra, provided a PowerPoint Presentation detailing information regarding each of the city's utility master plans. The presentation also included the goals to document the existing system, evaluate performance and improvement recommendations.

Prior to the following motion being made, Vice Mayor MacLean thanked city staff and Ardurra for their work on the master plans:

Motion: Moved by Vice Mayor MacLean, seconded by Councilmember Crisp, to adopt the Water, Wastewater, Storm Water and Reclaimed Water Master Plans. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano, Vice Mayor MacLean and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, Salazar and Tafoya voting yes.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Vice Mayor MacLean, to adjourn to executive session. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano, Vice Mayor MacLean and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, Salazar and Tafoya voting yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Under authority of A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), the City Council may hold an executive session for discussion or consultation with the**

attorney for legal advice related to the city's transaction privilege tax

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to move back into regular session. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano, Vice Mayor MacLean and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, Salazar and Tafoya voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano, Vice Mayor MacLean and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, Salazar 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 April 22, 2025 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 *May*, 2025.

Suzy Wetzel
City Clerk