

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on February 23, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall Conference Room, 21 Williamson Avenue, Winslow, Arizona. The Mayor and all members of the Council appeared via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Cano, Councilmember Boyd, Councilmember Cake, Councilmember Crisp, Councilmember Jackson, Councilmember MacLean, Councilmember Nelson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF:

John Barkley City Manager (via Zoom), Trish Stuhan City Attorney (via Zoom), Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, David Coolidge Assistant City Manager, Elias Jouen Finance Director (via Zoom), Tim Westover Public Works Director (via Zoom), Ron Blass Police Lieutenant (via Zoom), Ernie Cano Police Lieutenant (via Zoom), James Hernandez Fire Chief (via Zoom)

Mayor Cano called the meeting to order. The Pledge was given and the Invocation was offered by Councilmember MacLean. Roll call was taken and all members were present.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

A. Current Events and Announcements

Councilmember Crisp announced details of the Community Food Distribution event scheduled for Thursday, February 25th and the 2021 Farmers Market scheduled to begin on April 10th at the First Street Gazebo. Councilmember Crisp also stated that the Community Profile launched by Local First is available for view at www.localfirstazfoundation.org or www.ruralaz.com.

Councilmember Crisp further stated that she has received several complaints regarding the audio quality of the council meetings and there was discussion regarding moving back to the Hubbell Building for council meetings since COVID cases are decreasing.

B. Future Agenda Items

Mayor Cano stated that she was contacted by the secretary for the Police Department Citizen Liaison Committee regarding becoming a

formal city committee which could result in action by the Council if their members decide to move in this direction.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. Navajo County Chairman Daryl Seymore and Supervisor Alberto Peshlakai

Mayor Cano welcomed Chairman Seymore and Supervisor Peshlakai and thanked them for joining the meeting.

Chairman Seymore thanked the city for the opportunity to speak at the meeting and provided a background of his service to both the City of Show Low as Mayor and to the Navajo County Board of Supervisors. Chairman Seymore referred to COVID-19 and thanked the city for their willingness to work with the County Health Department throughout the pandemic.

Chairman Seymore introduced newly elected District II County Supervisor Alberto Peshlakai, who introduced himself in English stating that he is a member of the Bitter Water Clan, born of the Towering House Clan. Supervisor Peshlakai stated that he comes from the community of Indian Wells and discussed his prior service to Navajo County before being elected to the Board of Supervisors in November 2020.

Supervisor Peshlakai referred to Navajo County's partnership with Winslow, specifically regarding the Winslow Levee, and stated that the County would like to schedule a future meeting to provide an in-depth update regarding the levee project. Supervisor Peshlakai stated that he currently serves on the Winslow Indian Health Care Center Board of Directors and thanked Mayor Cano for being present at the last mass vaccination event.

At the request of Mayor Cano, Supervisor Peshlakai provided further information regarding Federal funding for the levee project. Supervisor Peshlakai also commented on the IGA with the Navajo County Flood Control District for Winslow Flood Alert System.

B. Proclamation – Proclaiming the Month of February as Black History Month

Mayor Cano read the proclamation and thanked Councilmember Crisp for requesting that the proclamation be placed on the agenda.

STATUS REPORTS**A. Verbal Status Report on Current City Activities by City Manager**

The following reports were provided under the City Manager's Status Report:

The City Manager provided a brief overview of the Fiscal Year 22 budget process including implementation of the Classification Study into the budget. The City Manager referred to the Fiscal year 20 audit and spoke regarding the impact that the audit has on the upcoming budget.

The City Manager then commented on the following items:

- Recent public notice to recruit Agriculture Commission members
- New kiosk at the Transfer Station
- Possible elimination of recycling pick-up by Waste Management and incorporation of recycling at the Transfer Station to reduce solid waste collection fees that citizens are currently paying
- Closure of Runway 4/22 to allow McCauley Construction to repair cracking issues
- Grant funded project to repave Taxiway B at the airport

In closing, the City Manager reported that the city is striving to keep services going in the midst of the pandemic and reminded everyone of the importance of wearing their masks, washing their hands and social distancing.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Cake, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Boyd, Cake, Crisp, Jackson, MacLean and Nelson voting yes.

- A. Check Register**
- B. Minutes – City Council Regular Meeting & Executive Session – February 9, 2021**
- C. Agreement Between City and Winslow Knuckles Baseball Organization for Use of City Owned Baseball Fields**

- D. Agreement Between City and Winslow Lady Dawgs Softball Organization for Use of City Owned Baseball Fields**
- E. Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Caterpillar, Inc. for Purchase of 2021 306 Next Gen Excavator**
- F. Intergovernmental Agreement Between City and Navajo County for the Purpose of Conducting City Elections**
- G. Business Associate Agreement Between Winslow Police Department and ChangePoint Integrated Health**

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Appointment of Primary and Alternate Representative to the NACOG Regional Council**

The City Manager explained that the City of Winslow holds a seat on the NACOG Regional Council Board and they have requested that a primary and alternate representative be appointed due to changes to the City Council following the General Election. The City Manager stated that meetings are held on a quarterly basis and discussed the regional services that are provided by NACOG.

Mayor Cano stated that she reached out to NACOG and expressed her interest in serving on the Board since the mayor has traditionally been the primary representative. There was further discussion wherein Councilmembers Crisp and Nelson both expressed interest in serving as the alternate. Councilmember Crisp withdrew her name from consideration of the appointment.

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Boyd, seconded by Councilmember Crisp, to appoint Mayor Cano as the primary representative for NACOG and Councilmember Nelson as the backup/secondary. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Boyd, Cake, Crisp, Jackson, MacLean and Nelson voting yes. As a past member of the Board, Councilmember Boyd stated that this is a valuable board and is helpful to Winslow.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Boyd, Cake, Crisp, Jackson, MacLean and Nelson 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 February 23, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2021.

City Clerk