

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on February 28, 2023 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, Councilmember Crisp, Councilmember McKee, Councilmember Tafoya

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember Cake, Councilmember MacLean, Councilmember Nelson

STAFF:

David Coolidge City Manager, Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, Tim Westover Public Works Director, Sandra Knight Recreation Manager, Zach Pollard Finance Analyst

Due to technical issues, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Cano at 6:45 p.m. The Pledge was given and the Invocation was offered by Pastor Randy Therio of the Multiply Church. Roll call was taken and Councilmembers Cake, MacLean and Nelson were absent. Motion: Moved by Councilmember Crisp, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to excuse the absent members. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

George Gould referred to a water leak in the early morning hours of February 1st and thanked city crews who were working to repair the leak in below freezing temperatures. Mr. Gould also commented on damage to city streets from the trucks that are carrying heavy wind farm loads.

Alice Kenkman spoke regarding the need to reinstate the trap and neuter release program. After stating that there are local residents who are willing to foster cats, Ms. Kenkman encouraged pet owners to spay and neuter their pets.

Fred Harris commented on the new school zone roll out signs and wondered if consideration could be given to installing permanent signs since the new ones have been blowing over due to high winds.

At the conclusion of Call to the Public, Mayor Cano stated that staff will look into the possibility of installing permanent school zone signs. Mayor Cano also stated that she has advised Ms. Kenkman that a new Animal Control Supervisor has been hired and a meeting will be scheduled with her in the near future to discuss her concerns.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

A. Current Events and Announcements

Councilmember Crisp provided details regarding the following events:

- Community Blood Drive sponsored by the Elks and the Cherry Bombs on March 22nd & 23rd
- Soroptimist Bunco fundraiser on March 4th
- Winslow Beautification Committee trash pickup day on March 28th north of Maverik
- Good Morning Winslow on March 1st
- Mother Road Farmers Market Grand Opening on April 22nd

Councilmember Tafoya provided additional information regarding Good Morning Winslow that will be hosted by the High School CTE Department which was formerly known as the Vocational Program.

B. Future Agenda Items

Councilmember Crisp requested that an introduction of the new Farmers Market Manager and presentation of her plans be included on a future agenda.

Mayor Cano stated that she would like for the city to institute a Key to the City program to recognize individuals who are affiliated with Winslow when they visit the community. Mayor Cano referred specifically to Erika Alexander who is an actress and activist who was born in Winslow and will be visiting Winslow in August.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation of Employee Service Awards

The City Manager announced the name of the employee that was receiving a ten-year service award but was not in attendance.

B. Presentation Regarding the 2023 Navajo County Community Health Assessment

This presentation took place prior to the presentation of Employee Service Awards

Bill Ricci, Navajo County Community Health Outreach Liaison, presented information outlining details of the 2023 Navajo County

Community Health Assessment Survey that is currently underway. Mr. Ricci stated that the assessment is a systematic examination of health status indicators for communities that is used to identify key problems and is done every six years with an update every three years. Mr. Ricci explained that strategies are developed to address issues based on the survey results.

Additional information provided in the presentation included who is involved in the assessment, methods for reaching the public, previous assessment needs and goals, and the deadline of April 2nd to complete the survey. Mr. Ricci reported that over 1500 surveys have been completed to date with Winslow currently being in the lead for the highest number completed.

Navajo County Health Director Janelle Linn, who was also in attendance, asked those in attendance to encourage their family and friends to take the survey. Councilmember McKee stated that hard copies of the survey can be dropped off at her office and there was a brief discussion regarding QR code locations for those who would like to complete the survey on-line.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Verbal Status Report on Current City Activities by City Manager Which May Include Legislative Update Regarding SB1321

After providing an update on Senate Bill 1321 regarding a \$20 million appropriation for the Little Colorado River levee, the City Manager commented on the following items:

- New library construction update
- Ceremony on March 9th to rename section of East Cherry Street to East Loy Engelhardt Way
- March 14th work session at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Downtown Entertainment District
- Details of the anticipated closure of Interstate 40 at Winslow due to large winter storm expected in the early morning hours

Mayor Cano stated that arrangements have been made by the police department to facilitate shelters for stranded travelers.

B. Monthly Financial Report by Finance Director Which May Include Balances, Expenditures and Revenues in All Funds and Various Sales Tax Comparisons by Category

The Finance Analyst discussed citywide balances, expenditures and revenues for the month of January and highlighted various City Sales Tax revenues by category in comparison to January 2022.

Councilmember Crisp referred to the percentages shown in the operational budget report that was included in the packet and stated that those numbers are expected to rise following the winter months. The Finance Analyst also stated that revenues tend to lag approximately four to six weeks behind expenditures.

C. Quarterly Report by Recreation Manager Which May Include Information Regarding Past Events/Programs and Announcements for Upcoming Events/Programs

The Recreation Manager reported that there were a total of 260 players that signed up for the Youth Basketball 2023 season which is an increase of 40 additional players from last year. The Recreation Manager also highlighted upcoming events including the Men's Basketball program, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 8th and the Street Naming Ceremony for Engelhardt Way.

After stating that the Recreation Department is teaming up with the Library for summer outdoor pool events, the Recreation Manager thanked the Council for supporting the Recreation Department by keeping the program fees at an affordable rate.

D. General Plan Update from Zoning Hearing Officer

Due to technical issues, Mayor Cano stated that this update will be provided at the next meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Moved by Mayor Cano, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, McKee 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 Executive Session of January 24, 2023; Work Session of February 14, 2023 and Regular Meeting of February 14, 2023**
- C. Discussion and/or Action to Approve the Agreement Between the City and the Winslow Knuckles Baseball Organization for Use of City-Owned Baseball Fields**

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**A. Discussion and/or Action Regarding New Settlement Agreements with Teva, Allergan, Walmart, CVS and Walgreens Related to Opioid Settlements**

The City Manager provided background information regarding the previous opioid settlements and stated that there are now five additional defendants that have agreed to enter into settlement agreements. After stating that the City of Winslow will be opting in with the State to receive proceeds for each settlement, the City Manager discussed the benefits of joining with the State to receive the funds.

In response to a question from Councilmember Crisp, the City Manager confirmed that these settlement agreements are with the city as a municipality and will not bar individuals from joining the lawsuits.

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Crisp, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to approve the new Settlement Agreements with Teva, Allergan, Walmart, CVS and Walmart related to opioid settlements. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

B. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Navajo County for the Use of Opioid Settlement Proceeds Pursuant to the Existing One Arizona Plan

This item took place following the Navajo County Community Health Assessment presentation

The City Manager referred to an agreement that was entered into with the State of Arizona some time ago related to the distribution of opioid settlement funds and explained that the purpose of this agreement is to use monies that have now begun to be dispersed to municipalities within Navajo County to develop a program to assist with combatting the opioid epidemic.

The City Manager discussed the intent of the program including that members from two the municipalities will serve on the steering committee. County Health Director Janelle Linn also provided detailed information regarding the program and the requirement that the funds must be used for public health focused issues.

After Ms. Linn responded to questions and comments from the Council, Mayor Cano made a motion that the city's opioid monies be put into the fund to facilitate services as needed and support the Navajo County Opioid Settlement Steering Committee. After the motion was

seconded by Councilmember McKee and at the request of the City Manager, Mayor Cano amended her motion to include approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Navajo County for the use of opioid settlement proceeds pursuant to the existing One Arizona Plan. The amended motion was seconded by Councilmember McKee and passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: Moved by Councilmember McKee, seconded by Mayor Cano, to move into executive session. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING ABOVE EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM

There was no discussion or action following the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Tafoya, seconded by Councilmember McKee, to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, 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 February 28, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2023.

City Clerk