

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on June 11, 2024 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 MacLean,
Councilmember McKee, Councilmember Tafoya

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember Cake, Councilmember Nelson

STAFF:

David Coolidge City Manager, Trish Stuhan City Attorney, Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, Margaret Dyer Finance Director, Tim Westover Public Works Director, Franklin Caldwell Police Chief, Michael Duran Fire Chief

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

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Julia Sells spoke regarding the General Plan process and requested that the same process be followed with development projects. Ms. Sells also referred to comments made by Councilmember McKee at the last meeting and asked if there will be an opportunity to bring ideas forward to the Council.

Heather Pruett referenced the challenge initiated by Councilmember McKee at the May 28th City Council meeting and discussed her recommendations that were included in a letter that she provided to the Council.

Ann Schmidt spoke regarding the massive size of the Corridor Development Agreement and challenged the Council to let the public know if they have read and understand it. Ms. Schmidt also spoke regarding the corridor project.

Theresa Del Mar inquired about when the Council will make a decision regarding the Planning & Zoning Commission.

David Alexander commented on previous announcements related to the GLD Partners Open House and stated that more information is needed regarding Mr. Wasserman and his firm.

Mayor Cano responded to comments made as follows:

- Staff was directed to schedule a meeting with Julia Sells and the Economic Development Director
- Thanked Heather Pruett for her suggestions
- Staff is in the process of finalizing the GLD Partners Open House
- A final decision regarding the Planning & Zoning Commission will be made soon

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

A. Current Events and Announcements

Councilmember Crisp announced details regarding the following items:

- Start of Friday night farmers market on July 5th
- Rotary/St. Mary's food distribution on June 20th
- Borderland Produce distribution information for June & July
- Too Broke for Sturgis Motorcycle Rally June 20th – 23rd
- ADOT lane restrictions on I-40 east of Holbrook
- Friends of the Library Annual Meeting on June 12th
- Garden Tour on August 18th
- Pride Weekend events on June 28th & 29th

Councilmember McKee provided information regarding the following items:

- Taste of Winslow on June 21st
- NPC food giveaway on June 12th
- July 4th fireworks show
- June Jams events at Route 66 Plaza

Councilmember McKee also spoke regarding her recent visit and tour of the Animal Care Facility and encouraged donations of small swimming pools and water troughs for the outside dog pens.

Councilmember MacLean announced information related to both the City Clean-Up Day on June 22nd and the Clear Creek Clean-Up Day on July 13th.

Councilmember Tafoya announced that an Electric Dance Party will be held at the Route 66 Plaza on June 13th.

After providing details regarding the Route 66 Standing Horse Pow Wow on June 29th - 30th, Mayor Cano commented on a recent meeting held with Senator Kelly in St. Johns.

B. Future Agenda Items

Mayor Cano briefly discussed the Historic Preservation Commission's Birthplace Cabin project and requested that an update from the commission be included on a future agenda. Councilmember Crisp commented on an email that she recently received from Local First regarding a historical preservation grant.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

A. Quarterly Northland Pioneer College (NPC) Report Which May Include Update on the 2025-2030 Strategic Planning Process, Fall 2024 Programs, Scholarship Opportunities and Little Colorado Campus Activities

Betsyann Wilson, Executive Director of NPC Friends & Family, provided information regarding the following items:

- Scholarships awarded for the 2024 Fall semester and free tuition being offered for summer classes
- Scholarship opportunities still available for the Fall semester
- Update regarding Five Year Strategic Plan
- Resignation of Dr. Chato Hazelbaker, appointment of Interim President Michael Solomonson and recruitment process for a new president
- Upgrades to the Kayenta facility utilizing Arizona Commerce Authority grant funds
- Details of new programs being offered in the Fall

At the conclusion of her report, Ms. Wilson responded to questions and comments from the Council.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Verbal Status Report on Current City Activities by City Manager Which May Include BEAD Challenge Update

After providing background information regarding the Broadband Equity Access & Deployment (BEAD) program that will provide affordable broadband/high speed internet to residents in Navajo County, the City Manager discussed results of the challenge process that wrapped up in Arizona on May 14th.

The City Manager also provided details regarding the following items:

- Clean-Up Day on June 22nd
- School to Work Program that began on June 3rd
- Update regarding submitted CDS earmark requests
- I-40 TradePort Q&A sessions scheduled for June 18th

With regard to the I-40 TradePort sessions, Mayor Cano stated that she would like for the Council to hand deliver flyers throughout the community.

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 Director highlighted information from her written report for the month of April including revenues and expenditures for all city funds and cash and investment balances. The Finance Director also discussed major expenditures that occurred during the month of April including pool renovations and new city hall renovations.

C. Quarterly Report by Fire Chief Which May Include Professional Development and Community Involvement

The Fire Chief explained that the Winslow Fire Department is an “all hazards fire department” which means they are dispatched to not only structure fires and hazmat incidents, but also to medical emergencies, motor vehicle accidents, water rescue and recovery, power lines down and public lift assists.

As part of the department’s professional development, the Fire Chief reported that the fire department and police dispatch division are cross training which has resulted in improved radio communications between both departments. Additional professional development programs included live fire training, hose training, dive training for rescue and recovery and the Firefighter & Hazmat Program class.

In conclusion, the Fire Chief announced that Navajo County, as well as the city, have enacted Stage 1 fire restrictions. Councilmember

McKee thanked the chief for being a hands-on chief and Mayor Cano thanked the Fire Chief for his leadership.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember McKee requested that Item F be pulled for discussion. Motion: Moved by Mayor Cano, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented minus Item F. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, MacLean, 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 May 14, 2024, City Council Regular Meeting of May 14, 2024 and City Council Regular Meeting of May 28, 2024**
- C. Discussion and/or Action to Approve One Year Extension of Broker Real Estate Commission Agreement with Charles Tupper of West USA Realty, Inc.**
- D. Discussion and/or Action to Award Bid for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services, Authorize Staff to Negotiate Terms of Contract with Waste Management and Authorize City Manager to Execute in Final Form Approved by the City Attorney**
- E. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Resolution No. 1942 Approving the Amendments to the Rural Arizona Group Health Trust Agreement and Declaration of Trust Dated July 1, 2012**
- F. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Ordinance No. 1412 Amending Schedules 1 - Administration Fees, 3 – Building Permit Fees, 4 - Community Services Fees, 5 - Development Services Fees, 7 - Library Charges & Fees, Zoning, 8 – Police Department Fees, 10 – Zoning and 12 – Animal Care Facility Fees of Ordinance No. 637, Schedule of Rates, Fees and Charges**

Councilmember McKee explained that she pulled this item to further discuss the Funeral Escort Fees in Section 8-3. There was discussion regarding the proposed fee and it was the consensus of the Council that they did not feel it is a necessary or appropriate fee. The City Manager stated that staff can work with local providers to establish a program so that the police department is made aware of funerals ahead of time.

The City Manager responded to questions from Councilmember Crisp regarding the Transportation System Use License Fee shown in Section

5-23. The Public Works Director and the City Manager also provided additional information regarding the Sidewalk Repair Fee and the Curb and Gutter Repair Fee shown in Section 5-11.

Motion: Moved by Councilmember MacLean, seconded by Mayor Cano, to approve Ordinance No. 1412 amending those schedules but deleting Section 8-3, Funeral Escort Fees. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Appropriation to the 2024 Fireworks Show (David Coolidge)

After the City Manager advised that there is currently a balance of \$7,000 in the Special Events Account, the following motion was made:

Motion: Moved by Councilmember MacLean, seconded by Mayor Cano, to donate \$5,000 to the Winslow fireworks fund. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Councilmember McKee, seconded by Mayor Cano, to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Crisp, 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 June 11, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 25th day of *June*, 2024.

Suzy Wetzel
City Clerk

