



First Things First / Care Family Resource Center Update

June 27, 2011



Renovations to the old sheriff sub-station, located on Pima Street, continue to move forward. A new roof, windows and general clean-up have dramatically improved the look of the building's exterior. The interior has been cleaned out and is being prepared for Phase 2 of the project.

Phase 2 is the Tenant Improvement part of the Project and includes design, engineering and construction. During this phase, cabinets, counter tops, partitions, flooring, HVAC, plumbing and electrical will all be addressed along with installation of fire sprinklers.

Chris Rounds, of Rounds Construction, noted that a portion of the roof should be completed by the end of June so that Gila Bend residents can see a visual model. He also commented that the newly installed windows are very energy efficient and pay for themselves in just a few years time.



Condition of exterior before renovation



Current view of building exterior



Condition of interior prior to renovation



Current view of interior

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Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Budget Calendar

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The budget process continues to move forward and ahead of the statutory deadline that each city and town must adhere to. Listed below are the legal deadlines that the budgetary process must meet.

- July 17 – Adoption of Tentative Budget**
- July 18 - 1st Publication of “Truth in Taxation”**
- July 25 – 2nd Publication of “Truth in Taxation”**
- August 1 – Public Hearing**
- August 1 – Adoption of Final Budget**

The 1st Publication of “Truth in Taxation” was published on June 23rd, adoption of the Tentative Budget has been placed on the June 28th Council agenda and the Public Hearing is scheduled for July 12th. All items are well ahead of their statutory deadlines.

Town of Gila Bend’s of July Painted Sky

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The Town of Gila Bend will celebrate America’s Independence on July with all day festivities beginning at 10:00am at the football field and concluding with the “ of July Painted Sky!” fireworks extravaganza at 9:00pm.

- The event schedule for July :
- 10am – 11am: Kids Mud Bog & Family Mud Volleyball
 - 11am – 3pm: Roaring River Waterslide at Burleson Park
 - 5pm – 9pm: Bounce houses, bungee run, obstacle course and screamer slide
 - 9pm – “4th of July Painted Sky” fireworks demonstration

July/August 2011 Community Calendar

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- 07/04 – 4th of July – Town Offices Closed
- 07/04 – July 4th Celebration
- 07/12 - Council Meeting –Regular Meeting(6:00pm)
- 07/12 – Public Hearing : Budget, property tax and “Truth in Taxation”
- 07/26 – Council Meeting –Regular Meeting(6:00pm)
- 08/06 – Pool Party
- 08/09 - Council Meeting –Regular Meeting(6:00pm)
- 08/23 - Council Meeting –Regular Meeting(6:00pm)

Clerk's Corner

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Town Code Online

The newly updated Town Code is available online for public viewing. To access the Town Code, go to the Town website at gilabendaz.com and click on the link on the right-hand side of the page.

Business Licenses

The Clerk's office is the department responsible for issuing business licenses to new and existing businesses. The annual fee for a business license is \$100.⁰⁰ unless alcohol sales are involved. A business license for a business that sells alcohol is \$ annually and all business licenses are valid from July through June 30th. A business license is required for any person or company doing business within the town limits. The Clerk's office has been busy issuing license renewals for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year and continues to receive applications for new businesses.

AZ Centennial / Gila Bend Bi-Centennial



The year 2012 marks the Anniversary of Arizona statehood (February) and it also is the Anniversary of the Incorporation of the Town of Gila Bend. The first Council meeting was held on July 4, 1962 after being officially incorporated as a town on July 1, 1962. The Clerk's office would like to see Gila Bend properly celebrate our Anniversary and will be contacting local organizations and businesses to discuss this statewide/local celebration. Residents will be encouraged to get involved and show their community pride.

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Public Works

Installation of the 294 new street signs has begun. The public works crew and the Parks & Rec crew have been trimming palm trees along Pima Street. The lift station generator is operational which will save the Town thousands of dollars. An Airport Master Plan Update is in the works with many companies showing an interest in the project. The Council approved sending out a Request For Proposal.

Social Services

The Workforce Development Project continues to move forward. The Social Services Department has been working with Becky Turner of Gila River Power and with Sundevil Power Holdings in an effort to provide services to high school students and adults to assist residents acquire skills and training needed.

Parks & Recreation

The Town Pool is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00am to 7:00pm. Adult Only swimming is daily from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Little League trophies for the 8 – 11 year old kids were handed out at a dinner held at the Elks Lodge. Working with Tournament Sports to hopefully get them involved with softball to host games per regulation.

Finance

Budget, budget budget.

Planning & Economic Development

Butterfield Trail Waterline project moving forward. Arizona Solar Summit scheduled and will be working with ASU, State Land Dept., and Governors Office. Working with Union Pacific on rail usage possibilities.

Town Offices Closed for 4th of July

June 23, 2011



The Town of Gila Bend will be closed on Monday, July 4th to celebrate America's birthday; Independence Day. The Town office will reopen on Tuesday, July 5th at the regularly scheduled time of 7:00am. Have a happy and safe holiday 4th of July.

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