

TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the July 17, 2013 special Council Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Call to order **Mayor Holt called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance **Led by Mayor Holt**
- C. Invocation **given by Resident Fred Hull**

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Steve Holt
Vice-Mayor Chuck Turner
Council Member Fernando Fernandez
Council Member Armida Gonzalez

Council Member Ron Henry
Council Member Tommy Lee Sikes
Council Member James "Bud" Turner **absent**

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. **F/Y 13/14 Budget, Property Tax Levy and Truth in Taxation.** The Mayor and Town Council shall receive Public Comment relating to the F/Y 13/14 Budget, Property Tax Levy and Truth in Taxation. **(Public Comment Only) Mayor Holt opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 pm. MR Terry Basu asked that Council consider postponing this item suggesting changing to the last item on the agenda being that Heather Goebel was just getting off work at the Library and may want to ask questions. Mayor Holt advised that the Public Hearing has to occur prior to Budget adoption. Town Manager Buss advised that an increase in property tax can only increase by 2% on an annual basis and that Gila Bend's current rate is only 0.29% which is very low. With no further public comment, Mayor Holt closed the public hearing at 6:04 pm.**

VI. BUSINESS – Discussion and possibly action on the following items:

- A. **Resolution 13-07:** A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Gila Bend, Arizona, adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. **Discussion and Action Mayor Steve Holt moved to adopt Resolution 13-07; seconded by Vice-Mayor Chuck Turner; motion to adopt Resolution 13-07 failed 1-4 with Mayor Steve Holt yes and Vice-Mayor Chuck Turner abstaining.**
- B. **Truth in Taxation:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve the levy of proposed property taxes with taxes to be assessed by Ordinance on July 23, 2013. **Discussion and Action Vice-Mayor Chuck Turner moved to approve the levy of proposed taxes with taxes to be assessed by Ordinance on July 23, 2013; seconded by Council Member Fernando Fernandez. Motion passed unanimously 6-1; Roll call vote was as follows: Mayor S Holt – Yes; Vice-Mayor C Turner – Yes; Council Members A Gonzalez, F Fernandez, T Sikes, and R Henry - Yes**

V. ADJOURNMENT **Vice-Mayor C Turner moved to adjourn; seconded by Council Member R Henry. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously 6-0 at 6:11 pm.**

ATTEST:

Steven Holt, Mayor

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held July 17, 2013 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk