

# TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the December 9, 2014 regular Council Meeting

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.02, notice is hereby given that the TOWN COUNCIL will hold a special Council meeting on December 9, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the Gila Bend School District Media Center located at 308 N Martin Avenue, Gila Bend, Arizona. A copy of the final agenda will be available twenty-four hours prior to the meeting in the Town Clerk's Office, 644 West Pima, Gila Bend, AZ 85337.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Call to order **Mayor C. Turner called the meeting to order at 6:00pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance **Led by Mayor C. Turner**
- C. Invocation **Given by Town Attorney S. McClure**

## II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Chuck Turner	Council Member Jesus Rubalcava- <b>absent</b>
Vice-Mayor Ron Henry	Council Member Tommy Lee Sikes
Council Member Fernando Fernandez- <b>absent</b>	Council Member James Turner
Council Member Clyde Kreeger	

**Staff present: Town Manager (TM) E. Rubi, Town Attorney (TA) S. McClure, Town Clerk B. Turner, Finance Director S. Young, Parks & Recreation Director (PRD) C. Turner, Deputy Town Clerk C. Eisenberger**

- III. PRESENTATION: Jon Vlaming of Stellar Polaris will give an update on the Gila Bend General Plan Update. **TM E. Rubi introduced Jon Vlaming of Stella Polaris. Mr. Vlaming provided a PowerPoint presentation on the General Plan Update and what is included in the update. A question and discussion on whether a paper copy of the presentation would be available, with Mr. Vlaming replying that a paper copy can be made available. A question and discussion on the property outside of the town limits. No further questions or discussion.**

- IV. CONSENT AGENDA (all items subject to approval by a single motion; any Council Member may require any of these items to be voted on separately).  
**Council Member J. Turner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Vice Mayor R. Henry. No discussion. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda carried unanimously: 5-0.**

- A. **Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action on the approval of the November 25, 2014 regular meeting minutes.  
**Discussion and Action**
- B. **Payment of Claims:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to ratify claims in the amount of \$92,524.53 for the period of November 16, 2014 through November 30, 2014. **Discussion and Action**

## V. NEW BUSINESS – Discussion and possibly action on the following items:

- A. **Ordinance 14-06 Time of Council Meetings:** An Ordinance of the Common Council of the Town of Gila Bend, Maricopa County, Arizona, hereby amending the time of meeting provisions of the Gila Bend Town Code as currently enacted in Chapter 30.20, regular meetings, as hereinafter set forth. Mayor may read Ordinance by title only. **Discussion and Action**  
**Mayor C. Turner read the Ordinance by title and gave a brief summary of the proposed change. Resident Heather Goebel noted that the change in meeting time creates a problem for some people who have to work until 5:00pm, but want to attend the meeting, even though it is more convenient for Town of Gila Bend staff. Council Member J. Turner motioned to approve Ordinance 14-06 Time of Council Meetings. Second provided by Vice Mayor R. Henry. No discussion. Motion to approve Ordinance 14-06 carried unanimously: 5-0.**
- B. **Cancellation of December 23, 2014 Regular Council Meeting:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to cancel the regular meeting of December 23, 2014 due to the Holiday Season. The next regular meeting would be January 13, 2015. **Discussion and Action**  
**Council Member J. Turner moved to approve the Cancellation of the December 23, 2014**

**Regular Council Meeting. Second by Council Member C. Kreeger. No discussion. Motion to approve the cancellation of the December 23, 2014 Regular Council Meeting carried unanimously: 5-0.**

- C. **Planning and Zoning Commission Appointments:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to appoint Steve Holt and Scott Smith to the Planning and Zoning Commission. **Discussion and Action**

**Vice Mayor R. Henry made a motion to approve appointing residents Steve Holt and Scott Smith to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Second by Council Member C. Kreeger. No discussion. Motion to approve the appointments to the Planning and Zoning Commission carried unanimously: 5-0.**

- D. **Facilities Use Agreement – Omega Motor Sports Roll Race Airport Event:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve a facilities use agreement with Omega Motorsports for the use of the Airport for a Roll Race Event to be held December 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014. **Discussion and Action** **TM E. Rubi gave a brief update on the upcoming event. Question and discussion on what time the event starts on Saturday with PRD C. Turner commenting that the gates will open at 7:00am. Question and discussion on whether the Town is covered as an additionally insured by event hosts with Town Clerk B. Turner noting that insurance coverage of \$5 million-host/\$2 million-Town per incident is in place. Question and discussion on whether a fee is charged for the use of the airport with Town Clerk B. Turner noting that event host(s) are paying \$1,000.<sup>00</sup>/day. Question and discussion on whether there would be an issue for the use of bleachers for the event with PRD C. Turner noting that bleacher use has been authorized. No further discussion. Council Member J. Turner moved to approve the Facilities Use Agreement with Omega Motor Sports for the Roll Race Airport Event. Second by Vice Mayor R. Henry. Motion to approve the Facilities Use Agreement carried unanimously: 5-0.**

VI. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

(This is the time Council Member's may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented).

**Council Member C. Kreeger spoke about the issue of numerous loose dogs roaming around town, noting that a child had been injured, other animals mauled and that we should consider the option of termination.**

**Vice Mayor R. Henry commended the Parks & Recreation Department for the great job with the lights and banners.**

**Council Member T. Sikes had no report**

**Mayor C. Turner gave his condolences to Council Member F. Fernandez and his family for their loss. He commended the Parks & Recreation Department, Fire Department, Arizona Public Service and Santa for great job on the annual tree lighting ceremony, for the first electric light parade and commented that next year he hopes for more entries.**

VII. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

(This is the time the Town Manager may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented)

**TM E. Rubi noted that Social Services Director D. Dempsey could not be here so he is reporting that the funding for her project came through. Mr. Rubi reported that the staff luncheon for December will be tomorrow at the Town Hall and invited Council Members to stop by if available, that he has been working with potential locates and provided an update on the progress of the new website.**

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

(This is the time Staff Member's may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented)

**Town Clerk B. Turner reported that she and Deputy Clerk C. Eisenberger have been working on new website with the new website to be up and live sometime in January. Ms. Turner informed Council that she will email them each a link so that they can take a look at it. A question on whether there will be a section on businesses was answered by Ms. Turner who noted that there will be a link to the Gila Bend Chamber of Commerce. She reported on six (6) new business licenses.**

**Finance Director S. Young reported on the meeting with All-Covered, thanked Accounts Clerk S. Villegas for arranging with All-Covered to have new Council Members laptops set**

*up and that she established and reported that she established an improved procedure for all billable fire incidents that included having Fire Chief F. Baldrige review the Fire Department payroll.*

*PRD C. Turner thanked the LDS church, Santa, APS, and the Fire Department for their involvement at the annual tree lighting event; reported that over 100 cars are signed up the No Fly Arizona event on Saturday and 60+ cars for Sunday; reminded everyone of the upcoming Santa in the Park event on December 19th and reported that he is also working on the upcoming Annual Butterfield Stage Days.*

*Chamber Coordinator C. Hubbard reported on the Chamber meeting, progress with Butterfield Stage Days and that she has updated the Chamber website.*

*No further reports.*

IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC (The procedures to follow if you address the Council are: Council requests that you express your ideas in three minutes or less and refrain from any personal attacks or derogatory statements about any individual . The Mayor will limit discussion whenever he deems such an action appropriate to the proper conduct of the meeting. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the Council may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Council, may ask Staff to review a matter, or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the Council shall not discuss or take legal action on any matters during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.) **Mayor C. Turner mentioned that resident Fred Hull is in the hospital. Ekram Dogantemur spoke about street light problems, noting that many of them on Papago Street either remain on 24-hours per day and the one by his residence flickers constantly. No further public comments.**

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS  
(This is the time Council Member's may request items be placed on future agenda's)  
**Vice Mayor R. Henry motioned to place an item on the agenda for the next regular meeting in January for an update on the solar project at the water farm. Finance Director S. Young noted that TM E. Rubi is meeting with them and that WIFA would also like to be involved with meeting. Motion seconded by Council Member T. Sikes. Motion to place the water farm solar project update as an item on the agenda the next regular meeting in January carried unanimously: 5-0.**

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1) Personnel Matters The Town Council may go into executive session relative to the Town Manager position and A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) for purpose of obtaining legal advice relative for any of the above agenda items. **No Executive Session called.**

XII. ADJOURNMENT  
**Vice Mayor R. Henry made a motion to adjourn. Second by Council Member J. Turner. No discussion. Motion to adjourn carried unanimously: 5-0. Time: 6:38pm.**

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Chuck Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Beverly Turner, MMC  
Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of regular Council Meeting held December 9, 2014 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

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Beverly Turner, MMC  
Town Clerk