

# TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the September 23, 2014 Regular Council Meeting

## I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Call to order **Mayor S Holt called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance **led by Mayor S Holt**
- C. Invocation **given by Fred Hull**

## II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Steve Holt	Council Member Ron Henry
Vice-Mayor Chuck Turner	Council Member Tommy Lee Sikes
Council Member Fernando Fernandez	Council Member James Turner

**Staff Present; TM E Rubi; TC B Turner; FD S Young; PRD C Turner; SSD D Dempsey; PWD B Menard**

## III. 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)

- A. **Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action on the approval of the September 9, 2014 regular meeting minutes and the September 15, 2014 special 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 \$120,438.81 for the period of September 1, 2014 through September 15, 2014. **Discussion and Action**

**Consent agenda was approved as presented on a motion by Vice-Mayor C Turner and a second by Council Member T Sikes. Motion to approve Consent agenda as presented carried unanimously**

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

- A. **Repeal Resolution 14-08 Recount:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to repeal Resolution 14-08 calling for a recount of the vote of the Primary Election held August 26, 2014. **Discussion and Action Town Clerk B Turner noted that the Maricopa County Elections Department along with the County Attorney's Office determined that a recount was not necessary, thereby negating the necessity for Resolution 14-08. Vice-Mayor C Turner moved to repeal Resolution 14-08 Recount; Seconded by Council Member J Turner; Motion to repeal Resolution 14-08 carried unanimously.**
- B. **Minor Subdivision for Gila River Power LLC:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve a Minor Subdivision/Lot Split for the Re-Plat of Block 3 & 4 of the Gila River Power Blocks Final Plat. **Discussion and Action Town Manager E Rubi reviewed the request for lot split noting the sale of another power block; he advised that this is a simple lot split that will split block 3 & 4. There was a discussion about use tax and it was advised that Entegra will hold onto one power block. Council Member J Turner moved to approve the Minor Subdivision/lot split for the re-plat of Block 3 & 4 of the Gila River Power Blocks Final Plat; Seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion to approve carried unanimously.**

## V. 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)

**Vice-Mayor C Turner reported that the State Fire School will be donating gear to the Gila Bend Volunteer Fire Department and whatever gear the Town does not use will then be donated to Rocky Point Mexico the Town's Sister City.**  
**Mayor S Holt reported that he will be attending the MAG meeting.**

VI. 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)

**Town Manager E Rubi reported on the following:**

**Letter from First things First notifying of a possible F/Y 2016 decrease in funding due to the decrease in tobacco sales; Algenol update the Arizona Congressional District sent a letter of support Algenol representatives are impressed with the support they are receiving from Gila Bend; working on an update to the Town Code relative to nuisance abatement; APS representative Patrick McDerment will give a presentation to the Council in the near future; the dogs that attacked Council Member Gonzalez's dogs have been caught by Animal Control and they are working on capturing other strays.**

VII. 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)

**Parks & Recreation Director C Turner reported on the following; youth tackle football program; fence repairs at McMahon Field are complete; camera's have been installed at the Community Center; working on new doors at the Community Center; Grand Prix banners are up on Pima; working on two separate races scheduled for Gila Bend; Christmas lights in the park will begin to be installed in October and he is also announced that he is working on the annual Butterfield Stage Days event, annual Fright Night event and the 2015 Events Brochure.**

**Public Works Director B Menard reported on the following: Brine Pond project; spry field removal; notice of establishment on the quiet zone; waiting on fuel tank to arrive for Airport; cleaning out Well #8 and Tom Burn has received his Grade 2 Certification in Water Distribution.**

**Finance Director S Young reported on the following; TPT tax reports are now being sent to her; brine pond project first reimbursement request has been filed; meeting with BVFD regarding the ACR and meeting with Solana Power Plant to discuss Fire Protection Services.**

**Social Services Director D Dempsey reported that the annual clean up is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup>; ALI has ordered the hearing screening equipment; she attended a meeting with HFIN who will be presenting to Council in the near future and the winter visitors will be returning to Gila Bend.**

**Town Clerk B Turner reported that the next Council meeting will be held October 14<sup>th</sup>; working on the new Website to get it completed; gave condolences to the George and Mendoza families.**

VIII. MCSO REPORT

**No MCSO report was given**

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.)

**Resident Fred Hull suggested the Town Council send a letter to the Legislature requesting that the stay out of Town business and to require that anyone involved with a tie breaker be present.**

**Resident Heather Goebel asked about what can and cannot be recycled.**

**Resident Diane Henry announced that there will be a Community Blood Drive on October 7<sup>th</sup> at the High School Gym.**

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(This is the time Council Member's may request items be placed on future agenda's)

**Council Member Henry requested an executive session be placed on the next agenda to discuss Town Manager Position and Vice-Mayor C Turner requested that discussion on the**

**Public Works Director Interviews also be placed on the next agenda. Council Member R Henry moved to place the requested items on the next agenda; Seconded by Vice-Mayor C Turner. Motion to approve carried unanimously.**

- XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3)The Town Council may go into executive session for purpose of obtaining legal advice relative for any of the above agenda items. **No Executive Session called.**
- XII. ADJOURNMENT  
**Council Member J Turner moved to adjourn the meeting; Seconded by Council Member R Henry. Motion to adjourn carried unanimously. Time 6:30 PM**

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Steven Holt, 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 the Council Work Session held September 23, 2014 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

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Beverly Turner, MMC  
Town Clerk