

TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the June 9, 2015 regular Town Council Meeting

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.02, notice is hereby given that the TOWN COUNCIL will hold a regular Council meeting on June 9, 2015 beginning at 5:00 p.m., in the Gila Bend School District Media Center located at 308 N Martin Avenue, Gila Bend, Arizona. **Council Members of the Town of Gila Bend Town Council will attend either in person or by telephone or video communication.** 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 to order at 5:00pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance **Led by Mayor C. Turner**
- C. Invocation **Provided by Town Attorney S. McClure**

II. ROLL CALL

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

Staff present: Town Manager (TM) E. Rubi, Town Attorney S. McClure, Town Clerk B. Turner, Finance Director S. Young, Parks & Recreation Director (PRD) C. Turner, Social Services Director K. Valenzuela, Public Works Director (PWD) T. Weter, Town Planner T. Smith, Deputy Town Clerk C. Eisenberger

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) **Council Member J. Turner requested Item C. Donation be removed for discussion. After the discussion Council Member J. Turner motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Council Member F. Fernandez. No further discussion. Motion to approve carried unanimously: 6 – 0.**

- A. **Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action on the approval of the May 26, 2015 regular meeting minutes and June 2, 2015 Work Session 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 \$84,770.30 for the period of May 16, 2015 through May 31, 2015. **Discussion and Action**
- C. **Donation:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to accept a donation of two (2) Bullard LDX XFactor Thermal Imagers valued at \$16,425.00 from Firefighter Support Services. **Discussion and Action Council Member J. Turner asked for more details on the donation asked if there were any 'strings attached'. Mayor C. Turner noted there were no strings and reviewed what the thermal imaging device does.**
- D. **Agreement by and between the Town of Gila Bend and HFIN:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve an agreement with Helping Families in Need (HFIN) for the provision of health insurance outreach and application assistance for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 in the amount of \$45,000. **Discussion and Action**

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

- A. **Adopt F/Y 2015/2016 Town Tentative Budget:** The Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to adopt the F/Y 2015/2016 Town Tentative Budget. **Discussion and Action Question and discussion on the date by which the Final Budget needs to be adopted. Finance Director S. Young gave a brief review of the Tentative Budget versus the Final Budget. Council Member J. Turner moved to approve the Tentative Budget. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor R. Henry. No further discussion. Motion to approve the Tentative Budget carried unanimously: 6 – 0.**

- B. **4th of July Fireworks:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action on designating FPA, Ltd., DBA Fireworks Productions of Arizona, as a sole source provider for the Fireworks Shoe on July 4, 2014, and thereby waiving bidding requirements for this vendor pursuant to Chapter 38, Section 38.06 of the Town of Gila Bend Municipal Code and authorize the purchase of the display in the amount of \$9,000.00. **Discussion and Action PRD C. Turner reviewed, noting it is the same as in previous years. Motion to waive the bidding requirements and approve the purchase of the fireworks display made by Council Member T. Sikes. Motion seconded by Council Member F. Fernandez. Discussion on the fireworks display will have a few more of the smaller fireworks. Discussion on fireworks insurance coverage. No further discussion. Motion to waive the bidding requirements and approve purchase of the fireworks display carried unanimously; 6-0.**
- C. **Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Town of Gila Bend and Arizona Department of Revenue:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve an agreement renewal with the Arizona Department of Revenue for the collection of local Transaction Privilege Tax. **Discussion and Action Finance Director S. Young reviewed. Motion to approve the IGA between the Town of Gila Bend and Arizona Department of Revenue made by Council Member T. Sikes. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor R. Henry. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously: 6-0.**
- D. **Grant Submission:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action on the submittal of a grant application to the Tohono O'odham Nation for the purchase of a new ambulance. **Discussion and Action Social Services Director K. Valenzuela reviewed and noted that it was a good application. Discussion on previous grant funds received for a new gurney. Motion to approve the submission of the grant application made by Council Member J. Turner. Seconded by Vice Mayor R. Henry. No further discussion. Motion to approve submission of the grant application carried unanimously: 6-0.**
- E. **RO Pond Expansion Project Amendment #4:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve amendment #4 to the RO Pond Expansion Project, construction of a redundant waterline, in the amount of \$180,500.00 contingent upon USDA-RD approval. **Discussion and Action PWD T. Weter reviewed the project and Amendment #4. Council Member J. Turner motioned to approve Amendment #4. Motion seconded by Council Member C. Kreeger. Discussion on total cost of project and importance of the project. No further discussion. Motion to approve Amendment #4 carried unanimously: 6-0.**
- 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)
No reports provided.
- 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) **TM E. Rubi reported on the possibility of a Hickman's Processing Plant locating to Gila Bend. Mr. Rubi reviewed the meeting he had earlier today with potential buyer of the Shrimp Farm. TM E. Rubi gave kudo's to the Finance Department for working hard with the auditors who finished today.**
- 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)
Town Clerk B. Turner noted that the next Council Meeting is on June 23, 2015. Town Clerk B. Turner reported that she and Deputy Clerk C. Eisenberger attended the quarterly West Valley Clerk's Meeting, there is a new Chair and Vice Chair for the San Lucy District and that Deputy Clerk C. Eisenberger gave a tour of the Gatlin Site today. Finance Director S. Young reported that the Finance Department has been working with the auditors and they finished earlier today, working on the CAP grant: and continuing to work

on the FY2015-16 Budget.

PRD C. Turner: Reported that there has been about 50 people a day using the Community Pool, instead of the 10 people/day last year, since doing away with the 50¢ Admission Fee and Director Turner thanked Social Services Director K. Valenzuela for her help with grants.

Social Services Director K. Valenzuela: Reported on the status of Walgreen's continuing doing the pharmacy and possibility of them doing more on-site things like blood pressure checks, etc. and that she is working on a grant for movable playground equipment for the Resource Center.

PWD T. Weter: Reported on the RO Plant filters and that the crew is busy working on the lagoon to prepare it for the upcoming inspection.

Town Planner T. Smith: Reviewed work being done on violations, commercial demolitions and working on dispensary location. She noted that Circle K move was still on but are waiting on ADOT. Mayor C. Turner asked if there were any special taxes associated with the dispensaries with TM E. Rubi reporting that there were not.

TM E. Rubi introduced Sgt. Josh Wilhelm, the new DPS Sergeant in charge of the Gila Bend DPS Compound. Sgt. J. Wilhelm gave a brief bio and noted he was looking forward to working in Gila Bend.

TM E. Rubi asked if Gila Bend Chamber of Commerce Coordinator, Christina Hubbard, had anything to report. C. Hubbard noted she had submitted the MOU invoice for payment to the Town and thanked them for their continued support of the Chamber of Commerce.

VIII. 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.) **Barbara Tillman, resident, had a question for DPS Sgt. J. Wilhelm regarding ongoing issues with a neighbor. Sgt. Wilhelm noted that the issue she spoke about should be reported to MCSO as DPS can assist MCSO upon their request, but this is the jurisdiction of MCSO, who will handle the issue. Resident Heather Goebel noted that she has not seen a representative for MCSO attend the council meetings for some time and that they really need to have someone attend at least one a month. Resident Fred Hull spoke on how the donated thermal imaging devices will be great tools and would have made a difference at the June Ward house fire. Mr. Hull also noted that resident Margie Lomas is in the hospital with pneumonia. No further public comment made.**

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(This is the time Council Member's may request items be placed on future agenda's) **No future agenda items.**

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to 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.**

XI. ADJOURNMENT **Vice Mayor R. Henry moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Council Member F. Fernandez. No discussion. Motion to adjourn carried unanimously: 6-0 Time of adjournment: 5:42pm**

Chuck Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular Council Meeting held June 9, 2015 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk