

TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the regularly scheduled March 22, 2016 Town Council meeting

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.02, notice is hereby given that the TOWN COUNCIL will hold a regular Council meeting on March 22, 2016 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 **at 5:00pm by Mayor C. Turner**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance **was led by Mayor C. Turner**
- C. Invocation **provided by Town Attorney S. McClure**

II. ROLL CALL

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

Staff present: Interim Town Manager (ITM) T. Weter; Town Attorney S. McClure; Town Clerk B. Turner; Deputy Town Clerk C. Eisenberger; Town Planner T. Smith; Social Services Director (SSD) K. Valenzuela; Parks and Recreation Director (PRD) C. Turner; Finance Director S. Young

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. Rubalcava motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Council Member J. Turner. No discussion. Motion 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 March 8, 2016 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 \$132,501.07 for the period of March 1, 2016 through March 15, 2016. **Discussion and Action.**

Mayor C. Turner noted that Item VIII. MCSO REPORT would be addressed first.

VIII. MCSO REPORT

(This is the time MCSO may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented). **Captain D. Whelan reviewed the report noting that it was a fairly quiet month and that 67 traffic citations were issued. He reviewed a few minor issues and noted that the sexual assault involved travelers staying in one of the local motels, did not involve any local people and that the female did not want to press charges when the deputies arrived. No discussion. No action taken - report only.**

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

- A. **Monthly Financial Report:** Finance Director Stacey Young will give the monthly financial report. **(Report only). Finance Director S. Young reported on the financial status and provided a brief summary on the revenues and expenditures year-to-date and their relation**

to the budget. No action taken - report only.

- B. **Call for Bid: Gila Bend Zuni Water Improvement Project DG1504:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to authorize staff to issue a Call for Bid for the Gila Bend Zuni Water Improvement Project DG1504. **Discussion and Action.** *ITM T. Weter reviewed the CDBG project. Question and discussion on Town match required in the amount of \$65,000.⁰⁰. Council Member T. Sikes moved to authorize staff to issue a Call for Bid for the Gila Bend Zuni Water Improvement Project DG1504. Second made by Council Member J. Turner. No further discussion. Motion carried unanimously: 6 – 0.*
- C. **Contract Renewal between the Town of Gila Bend and Helping Families in Need (HFIN) for fiscal year 2016/2017:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve renewal of the HFIN contract in the amount of \$45,000 for fiscal year 2016/2017. **Discussion and Action.** *SSD K. Valenzuela reviewed the HFIN contract, noting that they enrolled 300 people this year and expect to enroll 500 people during the next fiscal year. She noted that though their primary focus is on AHCCCHS, they assist in many different areas at no cost to the town. Council Member J. Rubalcava motioned to approve the renewal of the HFIN contract in the amount of \$45,000 for fiscal year 2016-2017. Motion seconded by Council Member F. Fernandez. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously: 6 – 0.*
- D. **Contract Renewal Between The Town of Gila Bend and First Things First (FTF) for fiscal year 2016/2017:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve renewal of the First Things First contract in the amount of \$204,589 for fiscal year 2016-2017. **Discussion and Action.** *SSD K. Valenzuela reviewed the First Things First contract and noted that it pays K. Cavanaugh's salary, operation expenses and 10% of her salary. Council Member J. Turner motioned to approve the renewal of the First Things First contract in the amount of \$204,589 for fiscal year 2016 – 2017. A second was made by Council Member C. Kreeger. Question and discussion on the amount is 100% grant funded. No further discussion. Motion 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).
Council Member J. Rubalcava commented that he had no report but that he has found that it can be a little scary running for State Legislature because there are some people that have issues with state legislators
Mayor C. Turner reported that dialogue continues between the Town and a possibly interested service provider of internet and TV for Gila Bend residents.
No other 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).
ITM T. Weter reported that they are continuing to work on the water easements; Circle K and ADOT are on schedule and moving forward and that issues with Cemetery Road continue to be addressed.
- 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 reported that at the next Council meeting there will be a Public Hearing on the Sales Tax; the Clerk's office will have a volunteer intern assisting beginning tomorrow; starting to prepare the candidate packets; that 103 fire prevention service letters have gone

out to those owning property outside of the town limits; and that the San Lucy meeting is still a go.

Finance Director S. Young reported that the CAP February Reimbursement has been submitted; in the process of reviewing the ARCR report received from Buckeye Valley; established a spreadsheet on the server for department expenditure cuts to next year's budget; created a timeline explanation of funding sources and change orders related to the Brine Pond and Waterline Extension.

SSD K. Valenzuela reported that the CAP is hosting a hiring event tomorrow; there was a pre-hiring event today and April 9th there will be a Health Fair held at the Community Center Park.

PRD C. Turner reported that High School and Jr. High baseball is still going on; DPS is using our shooting range this week for training; Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday at 10:00am in the park and the Pitch, Hit & Run will take place in the park next Saturday at 10:00am.

VIII. MSCO REPORT

(This is the time MCSO may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented) **MCSO REPORT given after Item III. CONSENT AGENDA.**

IX. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

(This is the time Chamber of Commerce may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented) **Chamber Coordinator Christina Hubbard reported that at the last meeting there was approximately 30 attendees to hear the speaker from GovNet. The next meeting will be held at the KOA and Dr. Perkins will speak about the school bonds. Ms. Hubbard noted that she is waiting to hear from AZ Highways and that she will let the Town know when she does.**

X. 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.)* **Renee Morris informed the Council that there is pornographic material written on the underside of the ramada ceiling at the Community Park. She also informed them that when she had to call for the ambulance recently that when they showed up they were rude with bad attitude. She noted that they told her that there is only 1 (one) ambulance available and that if there was a real emergency they would not be able to assist because they were busy with her cough. Mayor C. Turner asked if she got the names of the crew and after she responded that he had not, asked her to provide him with the date and approximate time so that he could determine what crew was working. End of public comments.**

Mayor C. Turner asked ITM T. Weter for an update on Cemetery Road. ITM T. Weter spoke about issues with ingress and egress.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

Mayor C. Turner called for a ten (10) minute recess before going into Executive Session. Time: 5:34pm.

- XII. 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 and/or A.R.S. 30-431.03 (A)(1) personnel matters relative to the Town Manager position/contract. **Council entered into executive session at 5:42 pm.**

Mayor C Turner called the regular meeting back to order 6:22 pm

- XIII. **Town Manager Position:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action regarding the Town Manager position. **Council Member J Turner moved to direct the Town Clerk to set a second interview for Town Manager Candidates Celaya, Marsh and Weter. Seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion passed unanimously (6-0)**

- XIV. ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm on a motion by Council Member J Turner and a second by Council Member J Rubalcava. Motion to adjourn passed (6-0)

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 March 22, 2016 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk