

TOWN OF GILA BEND

Minutes of the June 14, 2016 Regular Council Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Call to order – **Mayor C Turner called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – **Led by Mayor C Turner**
- C. Invocation – **given by Fred Hull**

II. ROLL CALL

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

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 following meeting minutes:
 - May 17, 2016 Work Session
 - May 24, 2016 Regular Meeting
 - June 1, 2016 Joint Work Session
 - June 7, 2016 Special Meeting**Discussion and Action**
- B. **Payment of Claims:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve payment of claims in the amount of \$121,655.17 for the period of May 20, 2016 through June 10, 2016. **Discussion and Action**
- C. **Vehicle Lease Agreement:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve the vehicle lease agreement between the Town of Gila Bend and Area Agency on Aging for the lease of a 2002 Ford E350 Van, 2007 Ford E450 Bus and 2011 Ford Mini Bus in the amount of \$3.00 (\$1.00 per vehicle) for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. **Discussion and Action**
- D. **GPEC Agreement FY2016/2017:** The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Gila Bend may discuss and possibly take action on approving an agreement between the Greater Phoenix Economic Development Council (GPEC) and the Town of Gila Bend for membership from July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$869.00. **Discussion and Action**

Council Member T Sikes moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; Seconded by Council Member J Turner. Motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented passed 6-0

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

- A. **2013-2014 Independent Audit Report and Financial Report:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action for the approval of Colby and Powell's Draft of the 2013-2014 Annual Financial Statement and Independent Audit Report. **Discussion and Action**

Finance Director S Young reviewed the 2013/2014 Draft Independent Audit Report and Financial Report noting that there were 3 findings. There was a brief discussion about the creation of an Internal Audit Committee, internal controls, accounts receivable and bad debt. Town Manager M Celaya advised that there is

one more audit to complete. Mayor C Turner asked that staff look into the cost of conducting a pre-audit. Council Member J Turner moved to approve the 2013-2014 Draft independent Audit Report and Financial Report as presented by Colby & Powell; Seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion to approve passed 6-0.

- B. **Call for Bid:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to Call for Bid for the rebuild and installation of the lift station pump #2. **Discussion and Action**

Town Manager Celaya requested that Item F. Update on Reverse Osmosis Plant be heard prior to Item B.

- F. **Town Manager M Celaya and Water/Wastewater Tech C Turner gave a brief presentation on the RO Plant and sewer lift station noting the critical needs of the plant and lift station which include the purchase and installation of 2 tonkaflow pumps, 2 lift station pumps and replacement of RO #3. Water/Wastewater Tech C Turner advised that RO #3 has been down for a month. Town Manager M Celaya spoke about recent inspections of the RO facility noting the Town is in compliance. It was noted that the cost for all pumps necessary would be approximately \$32,000.**

- B. **Call for Bid:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to Call for Bid for the rebuild and installation of the lift station pump #2. **Discussion and Action**

Council Member J Turner moved to approve the purchase and installation of 2 tonkaflow pumps and 2 lift station pumps, declaring an emergency and waive bidding requirements; Seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion to approve passed 6-0.

- C. **Water Supply to Gila Bend Unified School District:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve the supply of non-potable water to the Gila Bend Unified School District. **Discussion and Action**

Town Manager M Celaya spoke about the schools need for irrigation water and after a brief discussion it was decided on a motion by Council Member T Sikes to approve the request to provide irrigation water to the Gila Bend School by way of connection to Well #4 and the cost to be based on the Town's current fee schedule. Motion was seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion passed 6-0.

- D. **Contract Renewal with Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for Fiscal Year 2016-2017:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve AAA contract in the amount of \$52,504.00 for fiscal year 2016-2017. This represents a funding increase of 20%. **Discussion and Action**

Community Services Director K Valenzuela spoke about the program and presented current data. She noted that the renewal agreement includes a 20% funding increase. Council Member F Fernandez moved to approve the contract renewal with Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for fiscal year 2016-2017; Seconded by Council Member C Kreeger. Motion to approve passed 6-0.

- E. **Exhibit K Amendment 2, Change Order for Engineering Cost for Redundant H2O Line:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve

amendment 2 of exhibit K, in the amount of \$10,780.48 for additional costs in engineering of the USDA-RD Redundant H2O line. **Discussion and Action**

Finance Director S Young spoke about the redundant waterline project noting that the brine pond project and waterline project were combined. She reviewed the requested change order reporting that the grant funds will reimburse the Town for the cost of the change order. Council Member J Turner moved to approve amendment 2 of exhibit K, in the amount of \$10,780.48 for additional costs in engineering of the USDA-RD Redundant H2O line; Seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion passed 6-0

- F. **Update on Reverse Osmosis Plant:** Town Manager Michael Celaya will give an update on the Reverse Osmosis Plant. **Discussion Only**

Item F. was heard after Item A.

- G. **Update on 4th of July Celebration:** Town Manager Michael Celaya will give an update on the Town's 4th of July Celebration. **Discussion Only**

Town Manager M Celaya, Accounts Payable Clerk S Villegas and Fire Chief F Baldrige gave an overview of the schedule of events for the 4th of July celebration. Fire Chief F Baldrige noted the change in location of the Fire Works Shoot necessitating the closure of certain Town roads.

- 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)

Mayor C Turner reported on the following: Welcomed Corey Drury to the Town Staff; praying for families that have recently lost loved ones and asked that everyone one drive safe as there has recently been 3 accidents.

No other reports were given

- 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 M Celaya reported on the following: Waste Management has issued a rate hike to take effect July 1; Property tax rate for Gila Bend is the 5th lowest within the State; Town Hall has been connected to AireBeam and the other Town Facilites are scheduled to be connected on June 21st; fish pond weather and readings are not the issue with the dead fish.

- 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)

No staff reports were given

- 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.)

Resident Fred Hull spoke about the Martin Avenue Railroad crossing noting that it is in worse shape than before the new rails were installed and he requested Council assistance with resolving this issue. He also spoke about the Fish Pond and that people are using it and that the lift pump has a grinder on the bottom that grinds and pumps that is why it is more expensive.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

Vice-Mayor R Henry asked about the AireBeam Contract. No discussion

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to enter into 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 was called.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Mayor R Henry moved to adjourn; Seconded by Council Member F Fernandez. Motion to adjourn passed 6-0 at 5:56 pm

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 14, 2016 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Beverly Turner, MMC
Town Clerk