

MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISBEE, COUNTY OF COCHISE, AND STATE OF ARIZONA, HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016, AT 7:00 PM IN THE BISBEE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 118 ARIZONA STREET, BISBEE, ARIZONA.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR OERTLE AT 7:03PM.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL

Councilmember Eugene Conners, Ward I

Councilmember Joan Hansen, Ward II

Councilmember Shirley Doughty, Ward III

Mayor Ronald Oertle

Councilmember Anna Cline, Ward III, Mayor Pro Tempore

Councilmember Douglas Dunn, Ward II

Councilmember Serena Sullivan, Ward I

Attending via phone

STAFF

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

Albert Echave, Police Chief

Andy Haratyk, Interim Public Works Director

CITY ATTORNEY

Britt Hanson

INVOCATION: Mayor Oertle asked for a moment of silence for the refugees of North Africa and the Middle East who are struggling and dying.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Mayor Oertle announced that he will enforce the three (3) minute rule for Call to the Public. The City Clerk will be the time keeper.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

- Tamara Birch, Bisbee, AZ asked for cooperation to help communicate to our community information about the new voter center locations. She requested support / help in carpooling efforts to ensure that voters can get to the new voting center. She stated that the only voting center in Bisbee was at the First Baptist Church located at 1173 State Highway 92. She said that there used to be 64 polling places now there are only 18 in the whole county. She requested that the City possibly consider using the City bus in Douglas and Bisbee to pick up people on the route and drop them off to vote on the voting days.
- Charlet LePard, Bisbee resident also asked for help in getting people out to vote. She said that Bisbee only has one (1) voting location the same with Douglas. She also spoke about the new voting machines. She asked the Mayor and Council for support and assistance with getting people to the poles.
- David Smith, Bisbee resident spoke about the petition being presented. He offered his suggestions regarding Fire Department Cost Recovery.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED, CONSIDERED AND/OR DECIDED UPON AT THIS MEETING:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Subject to availability of funds.

MOTION: Councilmember Cline moved to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of \$243,897.31.
 SECOND: Councilmember Doughty MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

- 2. Approval of the Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session of Mayor and Council held on February 2, 2016 at 7:00PM.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session of Mayor and Council held on February 16, 2016 at 7:00PM.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- C. Approval of the Appointment of Raymond Frazee to the Airport Advisory Committee with a Waiver of Residency Requirement.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- D. Approval of the Special Event Liquor License Application Submitted by Bisbee Vogue Inc. for an Event to be held on Erie Street (All of Street in Lowell- 1 through 75 Erie Street) Saturday, April 9, 2016 from 12 (Noon) pm to 10:00PM; Cynthia Conroy, Applicant.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

MOTION: Councilmember Cline moved to approve the Consent Agenda items 2A-2D.
 SECOND: Councilmember Hansen

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Connors, Hansen, Doughty, Cline, Dunn and Mayor Oertle

NAYS: 0

MOTION PASSED: AYES -6; NAYS -0

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- 3. Discussion and Possible Approval for the Recycling Department to Sponsor the Friends of the Warren Ballpark in the Amount of \$250.00.

Andy Haratyk, Interim Public Works Director

Mr. Haratyk said this request was from the Friends of Warren Ballpark to help with the construction of their new restrooms. The proposed donation was for \$250.00.

MOTION: Councilmember Connors moved to approve the Recycling Department to sponsor the Friends of Warren Ballpark in the amount of \$250.00.

SECOND: Councilmember Hansen

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

4. Discussion and Possible Motion Regarding a Petition Received from Susan Blackford Regarding Increasing our General Revenue by the Purchase of one or more Ambulances.

Ronald Oertle, Mayor

Susan Blackford, Bisbee resident spoke regarding her petition; purchasing an additional ambulance. She stated that this was a proven money maker. There should be no reason to table this much needed revenue source again.

Mayor Oertle said that the correct time would be during the budget talks. Mayor Oertle asked the City Attorney about the CON (Certificate of Necessity) and Arizona Ambulance.

Mr. Hanson gave an update on the issues with the CON (Certificate of Necessity). He gave a status of the litigation.

Councilmember Cline agreed with Mayor Oertle on the time that this discussion should take place was during budget although she agreed with the need for one.

Councilmember Dunn corrected some of the things that Ms. Blackford had said. He supports the need to study the opportunity to increase revenue by transfers. He hoped that a number of issues would be researched and discussed. He spoke on our fleet the housing of it and the age of it.

Councilmember Cline spoke on the housing of the ambulances.

Mayor Oertle said that the petition would be filed.

5. City Manager's Report:

- Other current events

Mayor Oertle said that the City Manager was under the weather there would be no report.

COUNCIL COMMENTS OR FUTURE AGENDA ITEM SUGGESTIONS: (Council members may suggest topics for future meeting agendas, but Council will not here discuss, deliberate or take any action on these topics.):

- Councilmember Hansen would like to comment on how to better inform the public about commission vacancies and how the process works.

Mayor Oertle said that Councilmember Hansen deferred to speak at a later time.

MOTION: Councilmember Cline moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: Mayor Oertle

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT: 7:03PM

Ronald Oertle, Mayor