

MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISBEE, COUNTY OF COCHISE, AND STATE OF ARIZONA, HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017, AT 6:00PM IN THE BISBEE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 118 ARIZONA STREET, BISBEE, ARIZONA.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SMITH AT 6:00PM.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL

Councilmember Anna Cline, Ward III

Councilmember Joan Hansen, Ward II

Councilmember Frank Davis, Ward I

Mayor David M. Smith

Councilmember Bill Higgins, Ward I

Councilmember Douglas Dunn, Ward II , Mayor Pro Tempore

Councilmember Gabe Lindstrom, Ward III Excused

STAFF

Vacant, City Manager

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

CITY ATTORNEY

Britt Hanson

THE FOLLOWING ITEN WAS DISCUSSED AND/OR CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING:

1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ROBERT E. SMITH AS INTERIM CITY MANAGER

Per ARS § 38-431.03(a)(1), the City Council may vote to go into executive session for discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body.

David M. Smith, Mayor

- Russ “Eli” Malone, Bisbee resident said that we had to provide services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively. He spoke regarding a movie that he had watched “13 days”.
- Donna Pulling, Bisbee resident asked if this person was hired at \$3,300.00 per week for a forty (40) hour week how was this budgeted and how are we paying for this.

MOTION: Councilmember Higgins moved to go into Executive Session for discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body.

SECOND: Councilmember Davis

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: Councilmember Higgins moved to come out of Executive Session.

SECOND: Councilmember Hansen MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION: Councilmember Hansen moved to approve Robert E. Smith as Interim City Manager and contract with Interim Public Management, LLC.

SECOND: Mayor Smith

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Hansen, Davis, Higgins, Dunn and Mayor Smith

NAYS: Councilmember Cline

MOTION PASSED: AYES -5; NAYS -1

Mayor Smith explained the rationale of this approval we need a strong City Manager in place to put Bisbee back on track it had been off for a period of time. The hiccup seems to be the monetary expenditure on this rather than the individual.

Mayor Smith addressed the fee was going to a temp agency, it worked out to be with housing \$15,000 per month and if we had realized what we had been paying Mr. Marsh would have been about \$10,000 a month. The money will come from the existing City Manager budget and listed the other funds that the money would come from to pay for this

Councilmember Dunn said that he was not at the interviews but heard great things.

MOTION: Councilmember Higgins moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: Councilmember Davis

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT: 6:46PM

David M. Smith, Mayor