



TOWN OF HUACHUCA CITY

The Sunset City

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HUACHUCA CITY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00^{PM} THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2015

- A. **The Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.**
- B. **Roll Call**

Present:

Mayor: Ken Taylor

Mayor Pro-Tem: David A. Perry

Council Members: Walter Welsch
Anna Gonzales
Laura Wallace
Donna Johnson
Christy Hirshberg

Town Clerk: Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC

Town Attorney: Thomas Benavidez

Absent: None

- C. **Approval of Minutes from the December 10, 2015 Regular Meeting and Workshop.**

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action to approve the Minutes from the December 10 Meeting, **seconded** by *Councilmember Gonzales*.

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to approve the minutes, **seconded** by *Councilmember Wallace*.

5-2 Motion Carried
Councilmembers Johnson and Welsch Abstained

- D. **Call to the Public [3 minute limit] Agenda Items Only. (See below)**
None

- E. **Reports by Council Members and Officers:**

1. **Councilmember Welsch - Library/Senior Center-**. Councilmember Welsch reported that Polar Express at the Library was a big success. The light on the Library are working but he was looking for some others that were mentioned. Clerk Mitchell stated on the corners there will be lights.
2. **Councilmember Gonzales– Planning and Zoning-** . Councilmember Gonzales stated P&Z is still working on projects and the General Plan.
3. **Councilmember Wallace – Parks and Recreation-**.Councilmember Wallace said she has no report but would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.
4. **Councilmember Johnson – Public Safety-**Councilmember Johnson stated that the deer are real bad right now and many are being hit on the highway. So, slow down and watch for deer. Councilmember Johnson said that Assistant Chief Thiess is going to get sign that said deer crossing. Councilmember Johnson also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
5. **Mayor Pro Tem Perry - Public Works-** Mayor Pro Tem Perry said in your packets you have photos of the 12 Clay-val being installed. He also thanked Public Works and the Fire Department for delivering toys and food. Councilmember Perry said he has heard that Engineer Hugh has the first section done and we should be receiving this very soon.
6. **Councilmember Hirshberg– Finance-**.Councilmember Hirshberg said the parade was a lot of fun and she wished everyone Happy Holidays.
7. **Mayor Taylor-** Mayor Taylor reported that January 8, 2016 we will have our first Public Hearing to have public input for the CDBG Block Grants. We do have assistants with SEAGO who will be a big help to make sure this is done right. Mayor Taylor said at the next meeting we will discuss the ISO with the Fire Department. Chief Jon was in touch with a liaison from Organ that will be coming down and discuss with the council the ISO. Mayor Taylor also wished everyone a Merry Christmas a Happy New Year and be safe.
8. **Tammy Mitchell – Town Clerk’s Report-**Clerk Mitchell reported the Parade was great we beat the rain. Also, we had the employee Christmas party and we had a lot of fun and went real well.
Mayor Taylor said he could not stop by the Holiday Party because he has a friend in the hospital so please pray for all of our Veterans that are in the hospital or are ill.

F. Unfinished Business

1. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Executive [closed] session, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A)(1), (3) and (4), for legal advice and for consideration of appointing/hiring a new Town Magistrate and to discuss the Council’s position on contract terms.**
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, **seconded** by *Councilmember Johnson*.
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to enter Executive Session, **seconded** by *Mayor Pro Tem Perry*. *Entered into executive session at 7:15 p.m.*
7-0 Motion Carried
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to resume Regular Session, **seconded** by *Councilmember Hirshberg*. *Resumed the regular meeting at 7:24 p.m.*
2. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Appointing/hiring Keith Barth as new Town Magistrate and approving contract terms.**

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, **seconded** by *Mayor Pro Tem Perry*.

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to accept the contract agreement between Judge Keith Barth and the Town with the change to make the last day of service to terminate on the last day of February 2018, **seconded** by *Mayor Pro Tem Perry*.

7-0 Motion Carried

G. **New Business: None**

H. **Payment Approval Report in the amount of \$96,082.97**

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, **seconded** by *Councilmember Johnson*.

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to approve the payment report, **seconded** by *Councilmember Wallace*.

7-0 Motion Carried

I. **Call to the Public: [3 min. limit] ARS38-431-01 Public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.**

1. Neil Josephson: ISO: Everybody's Insurance went up. From what I understand, the town hall and Town Council knew about it a long time ago. The equipment needs to be upgraded. It was duly noted, but was passed along. Toy run was a big success. There were hundreds of toys and food donated. People gave donations; they purchased items to fill in the blanks. There were a few people that want to chastise the chief because he contacted the club. There were people from all of Arizona that brought toys and donations. I thought it was very unprofessional that there were no councilmember's there, but the Town Clerk was there. It was a slap in the face to the club.
2. Johann Wallace: The Christmas parade. I was worried that it would have been rained out, but the weather held. I just want to say thank you for having it. My son enjoyed it.

J. **Discussion and/or Action [Town Clerk]: Items to be placed on the next agenda**

1. Discussion and/or Action [Councilmember Wallace]: ISO findings
Mayor Pro Tem Perry stated he would like a workshop regarding the ISO
2. Discussion [Mayor Pro Tem Perry]: Initiative on August election for Mayor / Manager Form of government.
3. Discussion [Mayor Pro Tem Perry]: Town Code clarification on elections

K. **Adjournment**

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to adjourn, **seconded** by *Councilmember Wallace*
Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

7-0 motion Carried

Approved by Mayor Taylor on January 14, 2016

Mayor, Kenneth Taylor

Attest: _____
Town Clerk Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC

Seal:

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Meeting for the Town of Huachuca City held on December 23, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, and a quorum was present.

Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC, Town Clerk/Administrator