



# TOWN OF HUACHUCA CITY

*The Sunset City*

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## HUACHUCA CITY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00<sup>PM</sup> THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2015

### Present

**Mayor:** Ken Taylor

**Mayor Pro-Tem:** Vacant

**Council Members:** Gene McCullough  
David A. Perry  
Laura Wallace  
Walter Welsch  
Donna Johnson

**Town Clerk:** Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC

**Town Attorney:** Thomas Benavidez

### Absent:

A. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (7:00PM)**

B. **Roll Call**

C. **Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 23, 2014**

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

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

**Motion Approved 6-0**

D. **Call to the Public [3 minute limit] Agenda Items Only. (See below)**

**Mayor Taylor stated that the Item most Calls to the Public are related to is being pulled due to incorrect verbiage**

Mr. Byron Robertson – This appointment to open council seat should be invalid until the voters have the opportunity at the recall. As soon as Ms. Mary Van Slyke resigned her seat, the position should go to the next election. Mr. Dave Perry and

Mr. Walter Welsch should have been elected at the following election. The council is in violation.

A gentleman from 301 Apache wanted to say thank you to the police and fire department for their help or he would have lost his home.

#### E. **Reports by Council Members and Officers**

1. ***Councilmember Welsch - Library/Senior Center-*** Councilmember Welsch reported that the Library had 7 new library cards and currently have 1,843 items in circulation. They are still awaiting the arrival of our new label printer and will get the materials out on the shelf and available for check out. Kelly had her baby on Wednesday and is doing very well.
2. ***Councilmember McCullough – Planning and Zoning-*** Councilmember McCullough reported that the P&Z had their meeting and swore in a new member Randy Keeling, Also we started looking at the General Plan.
3. ***Councilmember Wallace – Parks and Recreation-***Councilmember Wallace reported that the Parks & Recreation Board still needs members if anyone would like to be on our board. We have meetings the second Monday of every month. Also, next month we are going to be looking at the Urda Award.
4. ***Councilmember Johnson – Public Safety-***Councilmember Johnson said we are not firing Chief Grey; we have no reason to fire him. Chief Grey stated we have had a few arrest for all kinds of reasons. The Helicopter for Cochise County crashed and killed two people, services will be next week. Councilmember Johnson said we do still have a lot of animals at the animal shelter for adoption.
5. ***Councilmember Perry - Public Works-*** Councilmember Perry reported we have a hefty bill here for a valve that needs replaced at one of our wells. The problem with this valve is the water pressure going up and down. This valve is very old and can't be fixed and was hard to even find this part. The cost is about \$6,600.00. Councilmember Perry reported that the land fill is still working on a major piece of equipment.
6. ***Mayor Pro Tem– Finance-*** Clerk Mitchell stated we are still on track with the budget, and the bills this month were a little lower because of the close of the end of the year. Therefore, next set of bills will be a little higher.
7. ***Mayor Taylor –*** Mayor Taylor reported we are putting together training for our police department. Mayor Taylor stated that we are still working with this firm out of Seattle Washington for our codification, well are in our final stages and it should go to publication very soon and we will hold public hearings for everyone to see it. Mayor Taylor said that we have been getting increased pressure to enforce out Town Codes; well with the new codification it will be easier to enforce these codes. Like Mr. Goad is saying we need to enforce our codes and we have one that is not changing with the new codification and we have delivered 33 notices. Mayor Taylor stated many people have been violating the codes for decades and trying to enforce these codes has been impossible. With the new and organized code book it will be easier to start enforcing the codes.
8. ***Tammy Mitchell – Town Clerk’s Report-***Clerk Mitchell has nothing to report at this time.

#### F. **New Business**

1. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Appointment to open Council Seat**  
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, seconded by *Councilmember Perry*  
Motion made by *Councilmember Perry* to appoint Terry Hobbs to council seat, seconded by *Councilmember Welsch*  
 Councilmember Welsch – Yea  
 Councilmember Perry – Yea  
 Councilmember Wallace – Nay  
 Councilmember McCullough – Yea  
 Councilmember Johnson – Nay  
 Mayor Taylor – Yea  
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to appoint Terry Hobbs to the vacant council seat pending his resignation from the Planning and Zoning Board, seconded by *Councilmember Perry*  

**Motion Approved 6-0**
  
2. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Executive [closed] session, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (3) & (4), for legal advice and consultation with the Town’s Attorney and Special Counsel concerning former Town Mayor Byron Robertson’s receipt of health insurance benefits from the Town. After the executive session, the Council might take action on this item, including providing direction to the Town’s Attorney and/or Special Counsel.**  
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to enter Executive Session, seconded by *Councilmember Perry-8:00 p.m.*  
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to exit Executive Session at 8:49 p.m. and resume Regular Council Meeting, seconded by *Councilmember Perry-8:49 p.m.*  

**Motion Approved 6-0**

Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to direct the Town Attorney as discussed in the Executive Session, seconded by *Councilmember Perry*  

**Motion Approved 6-0**
  
3. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Ordinance for the International Property Maintenance Code-2009 First Reading.**  
Item Pulled by Mayor Taylor
  
4. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Resolution 2015-01, Town Clerk Mitchell Read by Title Only, Resolution 2015-01 of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Huachuca City, Cochise County, Arizona, Declaring Support for Placement of “No Parking” Signs Along State Route 90.**  
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, seconded by *Councilmember Perry*  
Motion made by *Mayor Taylor* to adopt Resolution 2015-01, seconded by *Councilmember Johnson*  
Motion Approved 6-0

5. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Formulation of Community Development Advisory Committee as per Town Code. (Section 3-4-8).**  
*Motion* made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, *seconded* by *Councilmember McCullough*. The council decided once again to encourage the citizens to be on the Advisory Committee for the Town of Huachuca City.  
*No Action Taken*

6. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Code Enforcement Contracting or Hiring**  
*Motion* made by *Mayor Taylor* to open for discussion and/or action, *seconded* by *Councilmember Wallace*  
*Motion* made by *Mayor Taylor* to direct staff to research the position for Town Code Officer, *seconded* by *Councilmember Wallace*  
*Motion Approved 5-1*  
*Councilmember Welsch Voting Nay*

7. **Discussion and/or Action [Mayor Taylor]: Police Department Command Structure A.R.S. 38-431-03 (A) (1) Discussion and or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment of a public officer, Police Chief Dennis Grey. The Council might take action on this item, including providing direction to the Town's Attorney.**  
*Item Pulled by Mayor Taylor*

- G. **Payment Approval Report in the amount of \$38,124.35**  
*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 amount, *seconded* by *Councilmember Wallace*  
*Motion Approved 6-0*

- H. **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.**

Jim Goad 211 N Buchannan, Whetstone: Quoted from A.R.S.28-7944 regarding Junk Yards.

- I. **Discussion and/or Action [Town Clerk]: Items to be placed on the next agenda**  
1. **Discussion and/or Action [Councilmember Wallace]: Community Development Advisory Committee**

- J. **Adjournment (9:00 PM)**  
*Motion* made by *Mayor Taylor* to adjourn, *seconded* by *Councilmember Johnson*  
*Motion Approved 6-0*

Approved by Mayor Taylor on January 22, 2015

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Mayor Ken 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 January 8, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, and a quorum was present.

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Tammy J. Mitchell, MMC, Town Clerk/Administrator