



**TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday, February 3, 2015 7 pm

Town Hall

425 Paper Mill Road
Taylor, Arizona

Mayor
Fay Hatch
Vice-Mayor
Shawn Palmer
Councilmembers
Jason Brubaker
Gary Solomon
Carl Cosper
Lynn DeWitt
David Smith

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Fay Hatch called the meeting to order at 7:00

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Fay Hatch, Vice Mayor Shawn Palmer, Councilman David Smith, Councilman Carl Cosper, Councilman Jason Brubaker

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilman Gary Solomon, Councilman Lynn DeWitt

STAFF PRESENT: Manager Gus Lundberg, Public Works Director Jeremy Peters, Building Official Allen Davis, Clerk Geri Judd

ATTORNEY: Karl Lautz

VISITORS: See List

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Councilman Cosper

INVOCATION: Offered by Manager Gus Lundberg

TOWN RECOGNITIONS

Mayor Hatch presented Scouts Trace Hancock, Austin Rogers, Colton Despain and Rand Ritz with a letter of recognition and thanked them for their service to the community; the Scouts performed Eagle Scout projects at the Taylor Rodeo Park. Mr. Eddie Hancock also thanked the Scouts for their dedication and service.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: No public comment

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Council Meeting minutes of January 7, 2015
- B. Approve January 2015 Check Register

A motion was made by Councilman Brubaker to approve the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously (5-0)

ACTION ITEMS

1. Information: Introduction of Navajo County Supervisor Jason Whiting

Supervisor Jason Whiting addressed Council stating that he looks forward to working for the region; Mr. Whiting went on to say he has an open door policy should the Town have any questions or concerns. A video entitled "We are Navajo County" was presented highlighting the services provided by Navajo County.

2. Discussion/Action: Recommended Appointment to Special Events Committee

Special Events Chairman Vance Muder stated there is currently one seat vacant on the committee; Vance recommends the appointment of Barbara Bruce to the committee.

A motion was made by Councilman Brubaker to approve the appointment of Barbara Bruce to the Special Events Committee; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously (5-0)

3. Discussion/Action: Bleacher Purchase Proposal

Vance Muder stated that every year during the July 4th Rodeo many patrons are turned away due to a lack of seating; the Special Events Committee has been looking at different options for additional seating at Rodeo Park; the committee has received bids for bleachers and would like to go with a bid from GT Grandstands for \$42,051 plus tax; with volunteer efforts to install the bleachers. The committee is asking the Town to lend approximately \$15,000 for the bleacher purchase; with the funds being paid back after the July 4th Rodeo. Vice Mayor Palmer added that this will be a 3 stage process; the first set of bleachers will be installed behind the current handicap seating. There are plans to have restrooms and concessions under the bleachers in the final phase of the project. Councilman Cosper appreciates that the project is going in the right direction and will be done correctly. Councilman Brubaker added that along with the additional occupied seats there will be other Town services the attendees will utilize. Vice Mayor Palmer thanked Allen Davis for his efforts and assistance in making this project possible.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Palmer to approve the bleacher purchase proposal as discussed; seconded by Councilman Smith; passed unanimously (5-0)

4. Discussion/Action: Amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding with NACOG for Multi-Agency Sign Inventory

Gus stated about a year and a half ago a Memorandum of Understanding was proposed to the Council; the agreement is with the Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) and involves a sign inventory within Town limits. This agreement permits agents and/or contractors to work within the Town rights-of-way without having to obtain special permission.

A motion was by Councilman Smith to approve the Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding with NACOG for Multi-Agency Sign Inventory; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously (5-0)

5. Discussion/Action: Consideration of Transportation Improvement Project Prioritization

Gus noted this item has to do with Federal Highway dollars that come to the Town thru NACOG; a project was programmed to add sidewalks and widen Papermill Road; Gus added that these funds do not cover the full cost to widen the roadway. However, if the Town changes the original plan there will be a loss of approximately \$200,000 in funding; Gus recommends the Town keep with the original project design and use the \$800,000 to continue the sidewalk from 700 West down a short distance; as well as address some structural issues with the road in that area. Mayor Hatch asked if when the Town gets this money is the Town obligated to get engineering done; Gus stated yes that has been an issue with this funding.

A motion was made by Mayor Hatch to approve the Transportation Improvement Project Prioritization as discussed this evening; seconded by Councilman Cosper; passed unanimously (5-0)

6. Discussion/Action: Consideration of Resolution to Support Proposed Legislation for School Tax Credit Changes

Gus stated this issue has been brought up by the Town of Eagar; the proposed legislation would equalize the tax credit amounts for private and public schools; the Town of Eagar would like support to have the playing field leveled. The current legislation allows charter schools up to \$2,000 and public schools \$400.

A motion was made by Councilman Brubaker to approve Resolution R2015-01 Supporting Legislation to Equalize the School Tax Credit; seconded by Councilman Smith; passed unanimously (5-0)

7. Councilmember updates/Future agenda items:

8. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Palmer to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilman Smith; passed unanimously (5-0) 8:03

Certification of Minutes:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Taylor Town Council meeting held on the 3rd day of February, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of February, 2015

Geri Judd
Town Clerk