



TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

2:00 P.M.

February 23, 2016

Silver Creek Mortuary

745 Paper Mill Road Taylor, AZ 85939

Mayor: Fay Hatch

Vice-Mayor: Shawn Palmer

Council Members: Gary Solomon, Lynn Dewitt, David Smith, Jason Brubaker, Carl Cosper



CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hatch called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Fay Hatch, Vice Mayor Shawn Palmer, Councilman Jason Brubaker, Councilman David Smith, Councilman Lynn DeWitt (3:00)

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilman Gary Solomon, Councilman Carl Cosper

STAFF PRESENT: Manager Gus Lundberg, Public Works Director Jeremy Peters, Utilities Supervisor Jeff Foster, Clerk Geri Judd

VISITORS PRESENT: None

Discussion & Presentation on Wastewater Treatment Operations:

Gus noted that ADEQ previously gave the town a year and a half to make corrections at the treatment plant. Jeff Foster has the qualifications to run the plant and was put in charge of bringing it up to ADEQ standards.

Jeff gave an overview of the treatment process and ADEQ requirements to be in compliance. He said there were design flaws at the plant that needed to be addressed. He said it has taken 9 months to get the chlorine flow meter working properly and that a consultant was brought in. He went on to say that a full-time employee is at the plant testing and monitoring for changes.

Jeff said there is 170,000 gallons of water pumped out of the plant daily. A brief discussion followed concerning what happens when there is no one to take the water that currently goes to the Saline farm.

There was discussion concerning solid waste disposal options and the costs associated with that. Jeff stated that rags in the plant are an issue. Gus suggested that public education may cut down this problem. Jeff said there is a belt press system that essentially dries the solids so they can be transferred to a landfill. Jeff talked about a rags filtration system that will eliminate the trash being collected at the plant. Rags and bio solids are a priority that must be addressed. Recommendation was made to come back with a few options.

Site Visit to Treatment Plant:

Attendees visited the WWTP, Jeremy and Jeff gave a walkthrough of the treatment process and improvements made at the plant. There was discussion on septage dumping and how to better track what is being dumped in the lagoon.

Discussion of Fiscal Year 2017 Town Budget:

There was discussion concerning a letter submitted by Judge Peterson requesting the Council to consider options for budgeting resources directed to the Magistrate Court.

Gus reported that Allen Davis has retired, he said Allen is willing to contract with the town and continue to perform the building official and planning functions.

Jeremy stated Public Works is working on the cemetery irrigation system, he said the town will be going out to bid for the new sprinkler system. Gus added that there is \$20,000 budgeted for the irrigation, grass and trees.

There was a brief discussion on costs to have a sports court at Freeman Park. Councilman Brubaker reported on cost estimates he has received.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM

Certification of Minutes:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Taylor Town Council work session held on the 23rd day of February, 2016.

Dated this 24th day of February, 2016

Geri Judd-Town Clerk