



TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday November 3, 2016 7:00 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

PUBLIC HEARING

The Taylor Town Council will take public comment on adoption of Ordinance O2016-02 Town Code Title 18 Zoning

- Open Public Hearing – The Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Fay Hatch at 7:00 pm
- Receive public comment – There was no public comment. Zoning Administrator Allen Davis stated that the new Ordinance is more consistent and better suited for our area.
- Close Public Hearing – The Public Hearing was closed at 7:02

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Fay Hatch called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

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

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilman Gary Solomon, Councilman Carl Cosper

STAFF PRESENT: Manager Gus Lundberg, Utility Supervisor Jeff Foster, Building Official Allen Davis, Clerk Geri Judd

VISITORS: See list

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Councilman Smith

INVOCATION: Offered by Vice Mayor Palmer

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Cindy Schreiber with the Silver Creek Senior Center reported that Thanksgiving Dinner will be served Thursday, November 17th Cindy invited all available to come help serve meals. Cindy introduced the new Senior Center Director, Chris Wall.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Council Meeting minutes of October 6, 2016
- B. Approve October 2016 Check Register

A motion was made by Councilman Smith to approve the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Councilman Brubaker; passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Consideration of Resolution R2016-09 Intent to renew Arizona Public Service Franchise Agreement and proceed for measure to be placed on the March 14, 2017 Election Ballot**

Kendra Lee with APS gave a presentation on the APS Franchise Agreement. APS serves 11 of the 15 counties in the State, has 1.2 million meters and over 2 million customers. Ms. Lee explained that the franchise agreement grants APS the right to work within the towns' rights of way; APS collects the 2% franchise fee and remits those funds back to the municipalities; the agreement is for a term of 25 years. Ms. Lee stated once the council approves the intent to renew the franchise agreement APS will send the measure to Navajo County to be placed on the March 14, 2017 ballot for voter approval.

A brief discussion followed concerning the option of the town taking over its own power utility, which the AZ Corporation Commission would have to approve. Councilman Brubaker asked what percentage of the power lines are underground or overhead. APS Division Manager Bryan Gardanier estimated 75% are overhead and 25% in the ground.

A motion was made by Councilman Brubaker to approve Resolution R2016-09 Intent to renew Arizona Public Service Franchise Agreement and proceed for the measure to be placed on the March 14, 2017 Election Ballot; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously

2. Presentation on Automated Well Controls

Utilities Supervisor Jeff Foster gave a presentation on the towns new Mission Control System, the system alerts town staff in case of power outages or other problems at town well sites as well as the lift station. Jeff said the system is cellular based and works with the Verizon network. The system also sends daily, weekly and monthly reports of equipment operations which will allow staff to address any concerns in equipment performance and maintenance needs before a problem occurs. Jeff added that the Sweetwater well was the first well set up; the system has been running for about a month.

3. Consideration and Second Reading of Ordinance O2016-02 Town Code Title 18 Zoning

Vice Mayor Shawn Palmer read Ordinance O2016-02 Town Code Title 18 Zoning by title only.

Councilman Brubaker noted that the ordinance is available on the town’s website. Councilman Brubaker asked about town fees and why the ordinance does not address those. Allen Davis stated current fees fit what is currently being done, he went on to say that if at some point fees need to be adjusted it would be brought to council for approval. Gus added that if fees were to be changed it would be by resolution.

A brief discussion followed concerning the grandfather clause; Allen said if a property owner is following the current ordinance they may continue to do so but if any changes are made to the properties’ use they would have to follow the new ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilman DeWitt to approve Ordinance O2016-02 Town Code Title 18 Zoning; seconded by Councilman Brubaker; passed unanimously

4. Consideration of Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Transportation

Manager Gus Lundberg reported that the IGA with ADOT has been in the works for a while, it relates to the intersection at Main Street & Walmart. The agreement states that ADOT will provide maintenance of the signals themselves and ancillary equipment, the town is responsible to pay utilities, and replacement of the LED lights in the street name signs. If a problem occurs and the town fails to maintain the signs ADOT would remove them and replace them with standard street signs.

A motion was made by Mayor Hatch to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Transportation; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously

5. Manager update, Councilmember reports and future agenda items:

Gus reported that the public works staff has removed several trees at the Airport; he said this is the first phase of a reconfiguration to the Airport entrance. Gus added that the lighting project is underway and plans have been submitted to the FAA.

Gus reported on the Bio-solids process and the hiring of an engineer, after negotiations and discussing the scope of work, Gus feels is not in the towns best interest to pursue the USDA Rural Development funding for this project. Staff feels there is a simple solution to the problem and the USDA funding route has added requirements and costs. Gus said ADEQ has given the town time to make the necessary corrections.

Gus reported that the live nativity is scheduled for December 5th and 6th behind the museum.

Councilman Smith reported that the live nativity will be 2 nights this year and part of the 12 days of Christmas.

Councilman Brubaker reported on the Northern Arizona Mayors and Councilmembers Association, he said the director of NACOG was in attendance and has offered to visit with Senior Center staff and Town Council to discuss current issues with the Senior Center.

6. Adjourn: A motion was made by Councilman Smith to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilman DeWitt; 8:00 pm

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 November, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of November, 2016

Geri Judd - Town Clerk