



**TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday March 1, 2018 7:00 pm

**Town Hall
425 Paper Mill Road
Taylor, Arizona**

Mayor
David Smith
Vice-Mayor
Shawn Palmer
Council Members
Jason Brubaker
Kyle Peck
Carl Cosper
Lynn DeWitt
Fay Hatch

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor David Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor David Smith, Vice Mayor Shawn Palmer, Councilman Fay Hatch, Councilman Kyle Peck, Councilman Carl Cosper, Councilman Jason Brubaker
COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilman Lynn DeWitt
STAFF PRESENT: Manager Gus Lundberg, Fire Chief Willie Nelson, Clerk Geri Judd
VISTORS: See list
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Councilman Peck
INVOCATION: Offered by Councilman Cosper

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Police Chief Larry Scarber introduced Officer Moses Ramos; he said Officer Ramos tested with the department in July and graduated from the Police Academy on February 2nd.

Officer Ramos said he is happy to be working with the town. He said his background includes working as a corrections officer, Officer Ramos said he looks forward to building relationships with members of the community.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Council Meeting minutes of January 25, 2018
- B. Approve February 2018 Check Register

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Consideration of an application for a Series 12 Restaurant Liquor License, submitted by Theresa Morse, on Behalf of Hot Pizzas LLC, 716 N. Main Street Taylor, Arizona**

Manager Gus Lundberg said this item was on the agenda last month; a representative from Pizza Hut was not available to address Council concerns.

Ms. Theresa Morse, agent for Hot Pizzas addressed Council concerns. Ms. Morse said alcohol is not to be taken from Pizza Hut; a sign will be posted stating “no alcohol beyond this point”. Ms. Morse stated that although Pizza Hut does not have a soda fountain, customers could purchase soft drinks from Taco Bell and bring them into Pizza Hut.

Council asked who would be responsible for insuring that no alcohol leave the building. Ms. Morse said Pizza Hut managers receive training in liquor law requirements. Council asked about age limits concerning who can sell alcohol. Ms. Morse stated State law is 18 and over.

A motion was made by Councilman Hatch to approve the Pizza Hut Series 12 Restaurant liquor license request; seconded by Councilman Cosper; passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Consideration of Nepotism Policy Exemption for Fire Chief Willie Nelson’s Wife**

Chief Nelson said his wife has received her EMT certification; Chief Nelson would like to use his wife as a reserve EMT assistant.

A motion was made by Councilman Copser to approve the Nepotism Policy Exemption; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; pass unanimously

3. Consideration of Anvil Parade Committee Recommendation

Councilman Kyle Peck reported on recommendations made by the Anvil Parade Committee; he said Chief Scarber took the firing cylinder down for safety testing.

The committee recommends following the original Anvil Parade route with 4 stops; the route would start at the East ballpark to 200 East then down Cattle Lane across HWY 77, which the police will block off to allow the parade to cross. There will be no additional stops added; the route would consist of just a parade. The parade would then continue from Freeman Park to 700 West then on to the LDS Stake Center. The parade route will cross HWY 77 twice.

Councilman Peck said the ADOT permit needs to be turned in now (120 days prior) ADOT also requires an insurance policy strictly for the parade. It was recommend to treat the event as a parade, attendees can register on the towns website and sign a waiver; the waiver will state that vehicle drivers under 16 will be cited and the vehicle impounded.

Discussion followed on allowing four-wheelers, golf carts and tractors in the parade as long as drivers are licensed; and options to curb dangerous driving that has occurred in the past are a concern.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Palmer to accept the recommendations made by the Anvil Parade Committee including the allowance of unlicensed vehicles, no underage drivers and a signed waiver; seconded by Councilman Hatch; passed unanimously

4. Consideration of Snowflake JR. High School Student Drop-off Zone Project Participation

Manager Gus Lundberg said safety concerns exist at the JR. High drop off and pick up zone; Snowflake town manager Brian Richards, has asked if Taylor would be interested in working together to create, a safe drop off/pick up zone.

Gus said the proposal is to construct a new road that ties into Rodeo Lane; the Town of Snowflake will also be improving Rodeo Lane from Main Street to Centennial. The Town of Snowflake has resources to assistance with materials; both towns will split the total cost of \$22,000.

A motion was made by Mayor Smith to approve the JR. High School Drop-off zone project participation in the amount of \$11,000; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously

5. Consideration of Taylor Water System Drought Plan

Manager Gus Lundberg said in the course of applying for a grant it was discovered that the town does not have a drought plan; State Statute requires this. Gus read a summary of the proposed Taylor Water System Drought Plan. Gus added that the plan provides flexibility with the leaders of the town setting rules.

A motion was made by Councilman Cospers to approve the Taylor Water System Drought Plan; seconded by Councilman Peck; passed unanimously

6. Consideration of Resolution R2018-01 Bureau of Reclamation Water Smart Application

Manager Gus Lundberg said a grant application has been submitted to the Bureau of Reclamation Water Smart program; the grant would provide funding to cover half the cost of the Rolling Hills water storage tank.

A motion was made by Councilman Peck to approve Resolution R2018-01 Bureau of Reclamation Water Smart application; seconded by Councilman Hatch; passed unanimously

7. Consideration of Call of August 28, 2018 Primary Election and Approval for Navajo County Elections Office to Administer such Election Consisting of Four (4) Council seats

Manager Gus Lundberg said 4 council seats would be on the ballot this year; the Primary Election will be August 28, 2018, as in the past staff, recommends having Navajo County Elections office administer the election. Gus added that Council packets are ready for pick up.

A motion was made by Mayor Smith to approve the Call of Election and request Navajo County Elections office to administer such election; seconded by Councilman Cosper; passed unanimously

8. Consideration of Changes to National Bank Account Signers Remove Clint Burden; Add Fire Chief Willie Nelson

Manager Gus Lundberg said for convenience staff recommends having additional signers on the National Bank account; Gus would like to add Fire Chief William Nelson as an additional signer to replace Clint Burden.

A motion was made by Councilman Brubaker to approve the changes to add William Nelson as a signer on the National Bank account; seconded by Vice Mayor Palmer; passed unanimously

9. Consideration of Vac-Truck Purchase Ratification

Manager Gus Lundberg said public works had the opportunity to purchase a much-needed vac-truck. Pinetop Sanitary District was selling a 2002 truck for \$60,000; Gus said he approved the purchase agreement so the town did not miss-out on the sell.

A motion was made by Mayor Smith to approve the Vac-truck purchase; seconded by Councilman Hatch; passed unanimously

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

Gus reported on the following:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Project: Bid advertisement was in the newspaper on February 21st, there is a mandatory pre-bid meeting scheduled for March 9th. Bid opening will be March 21st and recommendation expected to be made to Council at the April 5th meeting.

Airport Wash Flood Control Project: Project manager, Rob Toy attended a teleconference kicking off the environmental review. Gus said the town is anticipating about \$450,000 in federal funds to construct the detention basin.

Freeman Park: Hatch Construction completed a 6' wide walking path at Freeman Park; culverts were installed by Town staff and basalt rock is to be added to help stabilize the sides of the path.

Chief Nelson picked up the 2017 Ford Ambulance; once decals are complete, the unit will be in service.

Papermill Road widening project design plans are near completion. The engineer is waiting for soil sample results; ADOT will then finalize the plan reviews, once approved the project can proceed to advertise for bids.

Councilman Hatch reported that the Special Event Committee would be meeting Tuesday, March 6th at 6pm.

Mayor Smith reported that the town might have an opportunity to hold a drag racing event at the airport. Gus added that the events are well ran and safe.

11. Adjourn: Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:22 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 1st day of March 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 1st day of March 2018

Geri Judd, Town Clerk