



**TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday August 13, 2020 7:00 pm**

**Town Hall**

425 Papermill Road

Taylor, Arizona

**Mayor**  
David Smith  
**Vice-Mayor**  
Jason Brubaker  
**Council Members**  
Bill Baldwin  
Sherry Cospers  
Fay Hatch  
Shawn Palmer  
Kyle Peck

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00pm  
**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Dave Smith, Vice Mayor Jason Brubaker and Council Members Fay Hatch, Shawn Palmer, Sherry Cospers, Bill Baldwin and Kyle Peck  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Manager Gus Lundberg, Planning & Zoning Administrator Allen Davis and Clerk Geri Judd  
**VISITORS:** See list  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Councilman Palmer  
**INVOCATION:** Offered by Councilman Baldwin

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Meeting minutes of July 2, 2020
- B. Approve July 2020 Check Register

**A motion was made by Councilman Hatch to approve the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Councilman Palmer; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cospers, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Snowflake/Taylor Police Department Citizens Act of Valor Award Presentation**  
Police Chief Bobby Martin presented Walmart employee Jason Diaz with the Citizens Act of Valor Award
2. **Snowflake/Taylor Police Department Update**  
Police Chief Bobby Martin reported on events of the last year; several officers completed training; May dispatch transferred to Show Low Police Department; mapping program that tracks officer location; updating staff criteria policies; evidence processing room was upgraded; hired Animal Control Officer; citizens police academy to restart.  
  
Chief Martin reported on incidences during the past year; incidences were down from the prior year; however, misdemeanor arrests were up; decrease in high crimes, collisions and citations were down.  
  
Mayor Smith commended the department on the Walmart incident. Councilman Hatch asked about the call center. Vice Mayor Brubaker asked if there has been a decrease in cell phone use while driving, Chief Martin replied that Covid effected the ability to track and get stats on the new ordinance.
3. **Consideration and Action of Intergovernmental Agreement with Navajo County Sheriff's Office, Byrne Grant Funding**  
Police Chief Bobby Martin said this grant is received each year; the agreement acknowledges that the grant is given to fund the MCAT officer.

**A motion was made by Mayor Smith to approve the Byrne Grant Funding Intergovernmental Agreement with Navajo County Sherriff; seconded by Vice Mayor Brubaker; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker, and Council Members Palmer, Cospers, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

- 4. Public Hearing-Zone Change request for Parcel 202-23-009 Brimhall Lane from R-1 to R-2**  
Mayor Smith opened the public hearing; receiving no public comment the hearing was closed.

- 5. Consideration and Action Regarding Zone Change request for Parcel 202-23-009 Brimhall Lane from R-1 to R-2**

Allen Davis said the zone change request is for a currently non-conforming use with at least two homes on the property at the time. The Planning & Zoning Commission is recommending this for approval.

**A motion was made by Councilman Baldwin to approve the zone change request for Parcel 202-23-009 from R-1 to R-2; seconded by Councilman Peck; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cospers, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

- 6. Consideration and Action to Canvass the Votes of the August 4, 2020 Primary Election**

Results of the August 4, 2020 Primary Election are as follows:

Total Ballots Cast 993

Council Member 2 Year Term (2022)

Sherry Cospers 829

Write-In 5

Council Member 4 Year Term (2024)

Dustin Hancock 725

Kris Neff 741

Shawn Palmer 665

Write-In 21

Proposition 424 - Alternative Expenditure Limitation (Home Rule)

Yes 640

No 202

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Brubaker to Canvass the vote of the August 4, 2020 Primary Election, thereby seating Sherry Cospers for a two (2) year term; and Dustin Hancock, Kris Neff, and Shawn Palmer for a four (4) year term commencing November 2020; seconded by Mayor Smith; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cospers, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

- 7. Consideration and Action regarding Resolution R2020-03 Railroad Grade Flood Control Project**

Manager Gus Lundberg said this project would be in the area Foothills, crossing Papermill Road; the grant was applied for over a year ago; this resolution acknowledges that the town will have a twenty-five percent match.

**A motion was made by Mayor Smith to approve Resolution R2020-03 Railroad Grade Flood Control Project; seconded by Councilwomen Cospers; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker, and Council Members Palmer, Cospers, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

- 8. Public Hearing - Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Final Budget**

Mayor Smith opened the public hearing; receiving no public comment the hearing was closed.

- 9. Consideration and Action Regarding Resolution R2020-04 Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Final Budget**

Manager Gus Lundberg reported that at the last meeting, Council approved the proposed \$12.1 million-dollar tentative budget. All notices have been published and ready for Council approval of the final budget.

**A motion was made by Councilman Hatch; to approve Resolution R2020-04 Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Final Budget; seconded by Vice Mayor Brubaker; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker, and Council Members Palmer, Cospers, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

**10. Consideration and Action to Award Papermill Road Widening Construction Project Contract**

Manager Gus Lundberg said in 2016 the design of the Papermill Road widening project began; previously Council approved a revised agreement with ADOT; the town performed design work of the project allowing all funds received to be used toward construction; the town will also be managing the project. At yesterday's bid opening two firms submitted bids for the project, Hatch Construction and Show Low Construction.

Gus reported that sidewalks were added to the design; there is an issue with swelling in the road that will be addressed; and four culverts are being added to help water flow.

Gus is recommending the project be awarded to Hatch Construction who bid \$994,429.49. Mr. Eric Ritz with Hatch Construction added that the project does not address the swelling issue; there is a portion of the contract and design that is high risk and may not work; Mr. Ritz recommends that the sidewalk project move slowly.

Vice Mayor Brubaker asked if the sidewalk would help with the water, Mr. Ritz replied no, it would not help. Gus added at this time the turn lane is more important than the sidewalk.

Gus said the bid includes sidewalk from 700 West to just past Silver Creek Mortuary. Discussion followed regarding options walking surface options or moving forward with concrete.

**A motion was made by Councilman Peck to award the Papermill Road widening project base bid of \$994,429.49 to Hatch Construction; seconded by Councilman Palmer; motion carried 7-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, Peck and Hatch voting in favor.**

**11. Summary of Current Events:**

- A. Mayor – Reported that Sweet Corn Festival Parade is going as well as festivities.
- B. Council Members
- C. Town Manager

**12. Adjournment:** There being no further business Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:07pm

*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 13th day of August 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 13th day of August 2020

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Geri Judd-Town Clerk