



## TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday June 3, 2021 7:00 pm

Town Hall

425 Papermill Road

Taylor, Arizona

**Mayor**  
David Smith  
**Vice-Mayor**  
Jason Brubaker  
**Council Members**  
Bill Baldwin  
Sherry Cosper  
Dustin Hancock  
Kris Neff  
Shawn Palmer

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor David Smith, and Council Members Bill Baldwin, Sherry Cosper, Dustin Hancock, Kris Neff, and Shawn Palmer

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** Vice Mayor Jason Brubaker

**STAFF PRESENT:** Gus Lundberg, Town Manager; Allen Davis, P&Z Administrator; and Willie Nelson, Fire Chief

**VISITORS:** Luis Alcantar

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Smith

**INVOCATION:** Offered by Gus Lundberg

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** Luis Alcantar gave a brief introduction to the White Mountain Hawks, a collegiate Baseball team; they play throughout the Country.

### CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve Council meeting minutes of May 6, 2021
- B. Approve Council Special meeting minutes of May 13, 2021
- C. Approve May 2021 Check Register

**A motion was made by Councilman Hancock; to approve the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Councilman Baldwin; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, Hancock, and Neff voting in favor.**

### DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. **Public Hearing: Zone Change Request for Parcel 205-05-054R at 13 S. 600 East; Change to R-2 Zone for Converting Home to Duplex**  
Mayor Smith opened the public hearing; receiving no public comment the hearing was closed.
2. **Consideration and Action Regarding Zone Change Request for Parcel 205-05-054R at 13 S. 600 East; Change to R-2 Zone for Converting Home to Duplex**  
Allen said Mr. Hensley has requested a zone change to add Mother-in-law quarters to his property; the zone change can potentially allow a duplex on the property.  
  
Mayor Smith said most of the neighbors are for the change; there is some concern about the potential duplex. Mr. Hensley said there are no plans at this time for a duplex.  
  
**A motion was made by Councilman Palmer to approve the zone change request to R-2 for Parcel 205-05-054R at 13 S. 600 East; seconded by Councilwoman Cosper; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, Hancock, and Neff voting in favor.**

3. **Fire Department Update and Consideration and Action Regarding Current Year Budget Increase**  
Willie reported on the department's activity over the past year; providing confined space monitoring at the pig farm which the department received \$75,000 last year; fireworks show; Scottsdale Rodeo; wildland training; vehicle purchases; call volume increases over the past five years.  
  
Willie said staffing is a problem; the departments staff is short by half; Taylor-Snowflake is second busiest on the mountain; and wages are low in comparison with other communities.

Gus said there is a budget increase request; with the increase in calls and revenue, there is an increase in expenses. The budget revenue of \$900,000 will be exceeded; Gus requested a \$150,000 budget increase; the increase will not cost the town, since the budgeted revenue will be exceeded.

**A motion was made by Mayor Smith to authorize the Fire Department budget increase of \$150,000; seconded by Councilman Palmer; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, Hancock, and Neff voting in favor.**

**4. Consideration and Action Regarding Purchase of Type 6 Brush Truck from Fire Trucks Unlimited**

Willie said the backup fire engine is older; he would like to purchase a Type 6 truck outfitted for rescue with ropes and special equipment; the truck would not be used for wildland fires. Willie is currently trying to sell or trade-in engine 51; he said the new truck would carry and pump enough water for calls East of town.

Gus said half the money would be put down in the current year; and pay the remainder in the next fiscal year after selling the older engine.

**A motion was made by Councilwoman Cosper; to authorize the contract and purchase of a Type 6 Brush truck from Fire Trucks Unlimited; seconded by Mayor Smith; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, Hancock, and Neff voting in favor.**

**5. Summary of Current Events:**

- A. Mayor
  - Anvil Breakfast is set
- B. Council Members
- C. Town Manager
  - Trapper Days events had more people attend than before.
  - Bleachers are in process of being completed.
  - Papermill Road project
  - Flood control berms making progress.
  - Jared Rebideaux completed Grade 1 Wastewater certification.
  - Jeremy Peters 2 certifications.
  - Pool update behind schedule and over budget, Lusk Contracting has taken over the project.

**6. Adjournment:** There being no further business Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting 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 3rd day of June 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 7th day of June 2021

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Geri Judd-Town Clerk