



**TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday May 7, 2020 7:00 pm

Town Hall

425 Papermill Road

Taylor, Arizona

Mayor

David Smith

Vice-Mayor

Jason Brubaker

Council Members

Bill Baldwin

Sherry Cosper

Fay Hatch

Shawn Palmer

Kyle Peck

NOTICE: As a precautionary measure and in accordance with the federal recommendations the meeting is closed to in-person participation by the public. An audio connection will be available with links on the town's Facebook page and at www.tayloraz.org. Residents who wish to provide public comment can submit their comment via email to the Town Clerk at geri@tayloraz.org or by calling the number provided on the Town's website, no later than 5:00 pm May 7, 2020. Any slides presented to Council during the meeting will be uploaded to the Town's website prior to the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor David Smith, Vice Mayor Jason Brubaker, and Council Members Fay Hatch, Bill Baldwin, Sherry Cosper, and Shawn Palmer

COUNCIL ABSENT: Councilman Kyle Peck

STAFF PRESENT: Manager Gus Lundberg, Fire Chief Willie Nelson, and Clerk Geri Judd

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Councilman Baldwin

INVOCATION: Offered by Councilman Hatch

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and Action of Papermill Road Project Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Department of Transportation

Manager Gus Lundberg said the town receives federal transportation funds through the state; the Love Lake Road overlay project was completed with these funds; the town chose the project however, it was an ADOT project and the town was required to use an ADOT approved engineering firm, this created some problems.

There have been rule changes and the town can use federal funds for engineering and design. The town will use local money for the engineering and design of the Papermill Road widening and sidewalk project; the town has been working with Painted Sky Engineering. Through the HURF Exchange program federal funds come to the town through the state HURF Exchange program, allowing the town more flexibility.

Gus said tonight's request is for the Mayor to sign and cancel the two previous agreements; then sign the new agreement authorizing the project through the HURF Exchange program. Gus added that under the previous agreement with the ADOT project funds received would be \$857,221; HURF Exchange program funds are \$771,499 available to the town as reimbursement; the town will administer the project and enter into contracts with the contractors.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Brubaker to approve entering into the Intergovernmental Agreement with ADOT and authorize Mayor Smith to execute and cancel previous agreements; seconded by Councilman Hatch; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin and Hatch voting in favor.

2. Consideration and Action of Resolution R2020-03 Lease/Purchase Agreement with Zions Bancorporation
Manager Gus Lundberg requested to table item #2.

A motion was made by Mayor Smith to table item #2; seconded by Councilman Palmer; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin and Hatch voting in favor.

3. Consideration and Action of Development Agreement with Cedar Ridge Enterprises, Inc.
Manager Gus Lundberg requested to dismiss item #3.

A motion was made by Mayor Smith to dismiss item #3; seconded by Councilwomen Cosper; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, and Hatch voting in favor.

4. Consideration and Action Regarding Trade-in and Purchase Agreement with Firetrucks Unlimited
Fire Chief William Nelson said the department has two water tender trucks; Willie would like to trade in the larger truck, engine 42 that does not suit the needs of the town. The trade-in would be approximately \$100,000; the department currently does not have a tactical tender and would purchase one for approximately \$70,000 and use the remaining trade-in funds toward a remount ambulance, a remount is a redone box mounted on a new chassis; Willie said an ambulance comparable to the remount is approximately \$50-60,000 more than a remount. Using some wildland, funds continue paying on new ambulance for net 2 to 3 years.

A motion was made by Mayor Smith to approve the trade-in and purchase agreement with Firetrucks Unlimited; seconded by Vice Mayor Brubaker; motion carried 6-0 with Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Brubaker and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin, and Hatch voting in favor.

5. Consideration and Action Regarding July 4th Celebration

Mayor Smith said as we continue to battle the COVID-19 virus the Governor has ordered a shut down until May 15th. Mayor Smith has spoken with members of the Rodeo Committee; the committee would like to see the rodeo happen; and would like the Council to move forward as if the rodeo was proceeding.

Mayor Smith said the committee has addressed stock contractors and there is not an issue. Mayor Smith advised that the Council wait another month to make a decision, based on what the Governor decides. Council briefly discussed the attendance of the Rodeo. Fire Chief Nelson said fireworks are in.

Councilman Palmer said the town should move forward with the event. Mayor Smith said the town should follow the Governor's orders and hold off one more month to make a decision. Councilman Hatch said the volunteers, parking and building availability could be a problem. Mayor Smith asked about a special meeting following the Governor's announcement and make a decision at that time.

Council asked Gus what it would do to finances if the attendees were not there. Gus said the payout to contestants is a large part; and could payout be reduced if there was a loss on gate money. Vice Mayor Brubaker asked how the town could control attendance and reduce the crowd size, by possibly limiting ticket sales. Gus said there are similar events in Utah; these communities are waiting on their County Health Departments to give guidelines; Gus asked when our State might have guidelines. Council discussed postponing a decision or moving forward with the program and if volunteers could be found if plans changed at last minute.

A motion was made by Councilman Hatch to proceed with the July 4th Celebration; seconded by Councilman Palmer; motion carried 5-1 with Mayor Smith and Council Members Palmer, Cosper, Baldwin and Hatch voting in favor, Vice Mayor Brubaker gave the dissenting vote.

6. Summary of Current Events:

- A. Mayor
- B. Council Members
- C. Town Manager

Gus said the paving project on Brimhall Lane to Siesta was completed by Surface Contracting.

Streets department is working on several intersections East of town.
700 West curbing is being completed and connecting drain to culverts under Papermill Road.
Hatch Construction will be starting the 2" overlay and sidewalks on 700 West
Center Street will be getting 48" culverts to divert water from the State land.
Police Chief Bobby Martin updated on the consolidation to Show Low Police Dispatch.
Town Hall will be re-opening Monday the 18th

7. Adjournment: There being no further business Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting 8:00pm

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 7th day of May 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 7th day of May 2020

Geri Judd-Town Clerk