

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA, HELD JUNE 1, 2010, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING, 826 NORTH MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Joens called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Joens, Mayor
Karen Pfeifer, Vice Mayor
Tim Elinski, Council Member
Duane Kirby, Council Member
Linda Norman, Council Member
Darold Smith, Council Member
Terence Pratt, Council Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Doug Bartosh, City Manager	Steve Horton, City Attorney
Mike Casson, Fire Chief	Rick Contreras, Fire Marshal
Rudy Rodriguez, Administrative Services General Manager	Richard Smith, Deputy Clerk
George Gehlert, Community Development Director	
Kyla Allen, Executive Assistant to the City Manager	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. J. J. Silvas, a volunteer Citizen on Patrol. He was presented with a certificate of appreciation by Mayor Joens.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS BY MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL AND/OR CITY MANAGER--
THE PUBLIC BODY DOES NOT PROPOSE, DISCUSS, DELIBERATE OR TAKE LEGAL ACTION ON
ANY MATTER BROUGHT UP DURING THIS SUMMARY UNLESS THE SPECIFIC MATTER IS
PROPERLY NOTICED FOR LEGAL ACTION

Mr. Bartosh made the following announcements:

- The city's chip seal project would start on June 14. It would affect a number of collector streets, including 12th Street and Fir Street. Drivers were asked to be patient with the traffic disruptions it might cause.
- Rental residents of Pine Shadows had received notices that because of the state's one percent sales tax increase their rents would be increased. The notices were in error since only the city had a rental tax and it had not been increased. Any further inquiries could be directed to city officials who would be happy to clarify the situation.

Council Member Kirby stated that he, Mayor Joens, and Council Member Norman had attended the intergovernmental meeting in Camp Verde last week.

Mayor Joens made the following announcements:

- At the intergovernmental meeting there had been a presentation about Fit Kids, which the Council had already seen. She had given a short presentation about the recreation center and its pricing policy. Sedona representatives gave a presentation about their position on SB1070. There was a presentation on water use in the Upper Verde Valley.
- She had spoken at the local 8th grade promotion exercise.
- The Verde River Basin Partnership was hoping to obtain a grant from the Walton Foundation to conduct a consumptive survey of the Middle Verde. WAC population figures would be used rather than Bureau of Reclamation estimates. Quorum requirements were changed to be 10 of 23 members. They would also file for 501(c)(3) status as they now expected to exist beyond the original four year lifetime expected for the group.
- She had attended a luncheon with the new Executive Director of the Boys and Girls Club.
- May 26 would be the first planning meeting for Verde River Days. They would not be receiving the large donation they had in the past from MATForce.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

RECOGNITION OF FIRE MARSHAL, RICK CONTRERAS, FOR BEING SELECTED AS FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR BY THE AMERICAN LEGION

Mayor Joens, Vice Mayor Pfeifer, and Chief Casson presented Fire Marshal Rick Contreras with a plaque from the American Legion designating him their Firefighter of the Year.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED BUDGET AWARD FROM THE GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION TO RUDY RODRIGUEZ AND CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FOR BUDGET PREPARATION TO KIRSTEN LENNON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009

Mr. Bartosh, Mayor Joens, and Council Member Norman presented Finance Director Rudy Rodriguez with a plaque from the Government Finance Officers Association for its Distinguished Budget Award. Ms. Lennon was unable to attend. Her award for budget preparation would be postponed until another meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES—Regular Meeting of May 18, 2010

Council Member Kirby stated on page 8, third paragraph, the word “not” should be changed to avoid a double negative.

Council Member Norman stated on page 5, paragraph 3, the word “his” should be changed to “her”. Also, there was a reference to the Vice Mayor on page 12 after her absence had been mentioned previously in the minutes.

Council Member Norman moved to approve the minutes with the corrections as noted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kirby, and carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS—None.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2511—APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH YAVAPAI COUNTY, EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, FOR THE CONTINUATION OF UNIFIED EMERGENCY SERVICES

SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION FROM THE VERDE VALLEY FAIR ASSOCIATION FOR AN EVENT SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 26, 2010

Council Member Pratt moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Kirby seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

ANNUAL CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF A VICE MAYOR

The consensus of the Council was that Vice Mayor Pfeifer had done an excellent job as Vice Mayor and should continue in the position.

Council Member Kirby moved to reappoint the current Vice Mayor. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES RELATED TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL MATTERS

The consensus of the Council was that, with one exception, Council representatives and alternates appointed to various intergovernmental bodies would continue as outlined in the Council packets. The appointments would be as follows:

- Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) – Council Member Kirby, representative and Mayor Joens, alternate.

- Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users' Association (NAMWUA) – Vice Mayor Pfeifer, representative and Mayor Joens, alternate.
- Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee (WAC) – Mayor Joens, representative and Council Member Elinski, alternate.
- Northern Arizona Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (NAIPTA) – Council Member Norman, representative and Council Member Smith, alternate.
- Verde Valley Transportation Planning Organization (VVTPO) – Council Member Pratt, representative and Mayor Joens, alternate.
- Coconino/Yavapai County Resource Conservation – Mayor Joens, representative and Council Member Norman, alternate.
- Verde River Basin Partnership – Mayor Joens, representative and Council Member Pratt, alternate.
- Cottonwood Personnel Board – Vice Mayor Pfeifer, representative. No alternate appointed.
- Verde Valley Land Preservation Institute (VVLPI) – Council Member Smith, representative and Council Member Elinski, alternate.

Council Member Pratt moved to accept Council representatives to represent the city on various committees related to intergovernmental/regional matters as listed with the exception that Council Member Smith would be the alternate to NAIPTA instead of Council Member Kirby. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norman, and carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Ms. Allen gave a brief presentation of the Council's previous direction to determine if there was sufficient public support to justify the creation of a Historic Preservation Commission. It had been determined that such support did exist and discussions had been held with state authorities. Staff was preparing to formalize the formation of the commission should the Council so direct.

The consensus of the Council was that such a commission was needed. The Council directed staff to finalize its preparations for the formation of the commission.

PROPOSED SUBMITTAL OF A RESOLUTION TO THE LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS REGARDING THE USE OF MEDICATIONS CONTAINING PSEUDOEPHEDRINE BE RESTRICTED TO PRESCRIPTION BY A PHYSICIAN

Mr. Horton stated the city had previously enhanced restrictions on the sales of pseudoephedrine products. The police department wished to have further restrictions but had been advised that municipal law could not be more restrictive in such matters than state law. It was proposed the issue be brought before the League of Arizona Cities and Towns by having it adopt a resolution to be put before the State Legislature urging the legislature to consider restricting the sale of all pseudoephedrine and pseudoephedrine type medicines to prescription only, effectively making these medicines controlled substances.

There was a brief discussion about the procedures and timeframe for submittal of the resolution to the League. It would require the sponsorship of two other municipalities.

Council Member Pratt asked Mr. Bartosh if such legislation would be effective.

Mr. Bartosh stated he believed it would if it were statewide. The related drugs reaching Cottonwood now were coming from the Phoenix area.

Council Member Kirby moved that the City of Cottonwood propose that the League of Arizona Cities and Towns adopt a resolution urging the Arizona Legislature and Governor to make medications that contain pseudoephedrine and other "precursor" chemicals used in the production of methamphetamine controlled substances, such that a prescription would be required to purchase them. The motion was seconded by Council Member Pratt, and carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & ADJUSTMENTS

Council Member Smith moved to pay the claims. Council Member Pratt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Kirby moved to adjourn. Council Member Smith seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The regular meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Diane Joens, Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Smith, Deputy Clerk

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CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

I hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Cottonwood held on June 1, 2010. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, and that a quorum was present.

Richard Smith, Deputy Clerk

Date