

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA, HELD SEPTEMBER 10, 2013, AT 5:30 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING, 826 NORTH MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Joens called the special meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Joens, Mayor  
Karen Pfeifer, Vice Mayor  
Jesse Dowling, Council Member  
Tim Elinski, Council Member  
Ruben Jauregui, Council Member  
Randy Garrison, Council Member

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Terence Pratt, Council Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Horton, City Attorney  
Marianne Jiménez, City Clerk

ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE CITY ATTORNEY – EXECUTIVE SESSION. PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), THE COUNCIL MAY VOTE TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONDUCT ITS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF THE CITY ATTORNEY, SUBJECT TO THE CITY ATTORNEY’S RIGHT TO COMPEL THE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER IN OPEN MEETING.

Mayor Joens asked Mr. Horton if he received the letter she sent him.

Mr. Horton stated he did not receive a letter, but knew there was going to be an executive session and waived notice and the right to compel the discussion be held in public.

Mayor Joens moved convene into executive session. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Pfeifer, and carried.

After conducting the city attorney’s review under executive session, Mayor Joens moved to reconvene into special session. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Pfeifer, and carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE LEGAL ACTION REGARDING THE CITY ATTORNEY’S EMPLOYMENT.

Mayor Joens moved to give Mr. Steve Horton a merit pay of six percent and commended him for his excellent job in serving the citizens of Cottonwood and the council with very good, excellent service. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dowling, and carried.

Ms. Jiménez questioned for the records of the human resource department if this was retroactive to his anniversary date.

Mayor Joens amended her motion to make it effective on the anniversary date. The amendment was seconded by Council Member Dowling, and carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Joens moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Elinski, and carried. The special meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Diane Joens, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Marianne Jiménez, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

I hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the minutes of a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Cottonwood held on September 10, 2013. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, and that a quorum was present.

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Marianne Jiménez, City Clerk

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Date