

**TOWN OF PAYSON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
September 21, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Edwards called the Special Meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 303 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Andy Romance, Council Member Mike Vogel, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member John Wilson, and Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth (arrived at 4:10 p.m.).

STAFF PRESENT: Silvia Smith - Town Clerk, Fred Carpenter - Town Manager, Sam Streichman - Town Attorney, Glenn Smith - Chief Fiscal Officer, LaRon Garrett - Public Works Engineer, and Jerry Owen - Community Development Director.

OTHERS PRESENT: Tracie Bailey - Deputy Town Clerk, Tim Wright - Deputy Town Attorney, and Diane Stoyer - Legal Department Office Manager.

PURPOSE OF MEETING

Mayor Edwards opened discussion/possible action concerning the September 1, 2006 Bureau of Indian Affairs letter regarding the potential Trust Status of the Tonto Apache Reservation Land Exchange land.

Fred Carpenter, Town Manager, explained that the land transfer has been completed.

Motion: to approve to direct staff to send a response to the Bureau of Indian Affairs that the Town does support the land exchange.

Moved by Council Member Su Connell, seconded by Council Member Andy Romance.

Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth arrived at 4:10 p.m.

Robert Henley asked the Council to consider all the steps this goes through before it takes place and to take a neutral position. Mr. Henley understood the Tribe's reluctance to put anything in writing regarding the land exchange.

The Mayor clarified that the letter of response would state that the Town has no position on this issue at this time.

Vote: Motion carried 7 - 0

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Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Andy Romance, Council Member Mike Vogel, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member John Wilson, and Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth (arrived at 4:10 p.m.).

Adjourned 4:19 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

_____ Date: _____
Bob Edwards, Mayor

ATTEST:

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the special meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Payson held on this day the 21 of September, 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 2006.

Tracie Bailey, Deputy Town Clerk