

**TOWN OF PAYSON  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
November 15, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council Member John Wilson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Debra Galbraith, Interim Town Manager, Sam Streichman, Town Attorney, Colin Walker, Public Works Director, LaRon Garrett, Public Works Engineer, Jerry Owen, Community Development Director, Rick Manchester, Parks & Recreation Director, Marty DeMasi, Fire Chief, and Don Engler, Police Chief.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Marcia Huffman, Chief Deputy Town Clerk; Gaye Stidham, Deputy Town Clerk; Fire Captain Rob Beery; Tim Wright, Deputy Town Attorney; Ray LaHaye, Chief Building Official; Robert Lockhart, Fire Marshal.

**B. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion:** to approve the CONSENT AGENDA.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Su Connell.

**Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council Member John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member Mike Vogel.

**C. CURRENT EVENTS PRESENTATION BY THE TOWN MANAGER, MAYOR, AND/OR COUNCIL MEMBER**

Debra Galbraith, Interim Town Manager, announced that candidate nomination packets are available for the upcoming election and due back to the Town Clerk by December 12, 2007. The Electric Light Parade will be December 1, 2007. Chaparral Pines has been designated a firewise community in Arizona.

Clmn. Blair suggested to Mr. Manchester that Parks & Recreation look into acquiring the batting cages on Beeline. He also suggested a suicide hotline in town.

Mayor Edwards announced some businesses in Town: the Red Elephant Bakery, Stage, Mackies and Hike, Bike & Run. He congratulated Jesse Widell who was awarded the American Award at the recent national FFA convention. He asked the public to keep

watch for vandals in the vicinity of the Boulders subdivision.

**A. PUBLIC COMMENTS (SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM SUBMITTED)**

Penny Pew with Congressman Renzi's office said she was in Town to help the public with social security and other federal issues. She reminded those present that this was Disabilities Awareness month.

Clmn. Connell announced the November 22 Thanksgiving dinner at the Elks Lodge and the need for entrants in the Electric Light Parade. She said the Senior Center would be providing a shuttle for the parade.

**D. CEREMONIAL; ANNOUNCEMENTS; PRESENTATIONS; INTRODUCTIONS**

1. There were no other comments by the Mayor, Council Members or Staff.
2. Fire Wise Presentation by Jim Paxon. "Living with Fire". 34 yrs with FS. 200 large fires in US.

Mr. Paxon presented a brief outline of the history of forest fires and their suppression in the South West titled "Living with Fire". He then answered questions from Council and public.

**E. MINUTES BOARDS/COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES (Note: Minutes of various boards/commissions/committees are for Council information only and may or may not have been approved by the respective board/commission.)**

2. \* Green Valley Redevelopment Area Committee Minutes: . 07-05-07 Regular Meeting Pages 556-558  
. 07-11-07 Special Meeting Page 559  
. 07-26-07 Special Meeting Pages 560-561  
. 08-23-07 Special Meeting Pages 562-564  
\*CONSENT\*

**F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

1. This is a Public Hearing concerning an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by John Robert Wilson, agent, Library Friends of Payson, Inc., for a fund raiser event on Saturday, February 23, 2008, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at 328 N McLane Road, Payson, Arizona 85541.

**Motion:** to Approve an application for a special Event Liquor License filed by John Robert Wilson, agent, Library Friends of Payson, Inc., for a fund raiser event on Saturday, February 23, 2008, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at 328 N. McLane Road, Payson, Arizona 85541.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth.

**Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 0

**Yes:** Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council

Member John Wilson.  
Absent: Council Member Mike Vogel.

## G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

- \*1. As Council, staff, and the audience have the titles to all resolutions and ordinances, authorization to forego verbal title readings. \*CONSENT\* APPROVED
2. \* Discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2344, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING FEE TITLE IN AND TO CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, ALL DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "1" ATTACHED HERETO COMPRISING RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION FOR THE ST. PHILIPS ST. AND BONITA ST. ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. \*CONSENT\* APPROVED
3. Discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2345, captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING THE PAYSON EVENT CENTER HOTEL, RESTAURANT AND CONFERENCE CENTER LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS LEASE AS AMENDED.

**Motion:** to Approve a resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Payson, Arizona, approving the Payson Event Center hotel, restaurant and conference center land and improvements lease as amended.  
Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Su Connell.

Council discussed the road placement and movement of livestock from a possible horse camp and roughstock pens at the Event Center site. Mr. Manchester agreed to work with PECTAC and Mr. Berris to resolve the issue by mid-January.

**Motion:** to Approve to amend the motion to include amending the lease to include a full audit and income statement, and council approving the road alignment. (recommendations back from PECTAC by end of January).  
Moved by Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, seconded by Council Member John Wilson.

**Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council Member John Wilson.  
Absent: Council Member Mike Vogel.

**Motion:** to Approve Resolution No. 2345 of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Payson, Arizona, approving the Payson Event Center hotel, restaurant and conference center land and improvements lease as amended to include amending the lease to include a full audit and income statement and Council approving the road alignment with recommendations back from the PECTAC by the end of January.  
Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Su Connell.

**Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council Member John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member Mike Vogel.

**H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS There are no items in this section.**

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Council Decision Request filed by LaRon G. Garrett, Town Engineer, to award the contract for construction of the St. Philips Street Reconstruction Project, to Empire Excavation Inc., and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary contract documents.

**Motion:** to Approve the award of the contract for construction of the St. Phillips Street Reconstruction Project, to Empire Excavation Inc., and authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary contract documents and amended to exclude curb and gutter on Frontier Street and take the driveway pavement up to the sidewalk.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Ed Blair

**Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council Member John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member Mike Vogel.

2. Council Decision Request filed by Ray LaHaye, Building Official, to direct the Legal Department to work with the Fire and Community Development Departments to draft an amendment to Ordinance No. 726 that would allow domestic cooking appliances to be used in small commercial enterprises.

Shirley McGeary spoke in favor of amending Ordinance No. 726.

Carolyn Stanley spoke in favor of amending Ordinance No. 726.

**Motion:** to Approve a Council Decision Request filed by Ray LaHaye, Building Official, to direct the Legal Department to work with the Fire and Community Development Departments to draft an amendment to Ordinance No. 726 that would allow domestic cooking appliances to be used in small commercial enterprises. Moved by Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, seconded by Council Member John Wilson.

**Vote:** Motion carried 6 - 0

Yes: Mayor Bob Edwards, Vice-Mayor Tim Fruth, Council Member Ed Blair, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Andy Romance, and Council Member John Wilson.

Absent: Council Member Mike Vogel.

Mayor Edwards suggested Clmns. Fruth and Romance work with LaRon Garrett to

design a road standard policy and come back to Council with their recommendation.

**J. CLAIMS**

1. \* List of checks paid from 10/15/07 through 11/2/07, Check Nos. 44048 through 44247, and authorization to file the checks for audit. \*CONSENT\* APPROVED

**K. MISCELLANEOUS**

1. \* Appointment of Mark Waldrop to the Green Valley Redevelopment Area Committee beginning January 1, 2008, term to expire December 31, 2011. \*CONSENT\* APPROVED

**L. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Leona Dovenson, restaurant owner, thanked Council for working with her.

Clmn. Connell wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:48 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Bob Edwards, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Marcia Huffman, Chief Deputy Town Clerk

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Payson held on this day the 15 of November, 2007. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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Gaye Stidham, Deputy Town Clerk