

**TOWN OF PAYSON  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
April 7, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 303 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona.

**INVOCATION**

Gordon Gartner, Stake Patriarch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice-Mayor Michael Hughes, Council Member Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, and Council Member John Wilson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** LaRon Garrett - Town Manager, Hector Figueroa - Town Attorney, Don Engler - Police Chief, Silvia Smith - Town Clerk, Cameron Davis - Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director, Emily Linkey - Library Director, and David Staub - Fire Chief.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tracie Bailey - Chief Deputy Town Clerk, Bobby Davis - Economic Development Specialist, Doni Wilbanks - Planning Specialist, Chris Floyd - Executive Assistant, and Monica Savage - Administrative Assistant.

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

1. There were no public comments.

**B. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Items listed on the agenda with an asterisk are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion.**

**Motion:** to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda.

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

**Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice-Mayor Michael Hughes, Council Member Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, and Council Member John Wilson.

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

1. Brief presentation of current events by the Town Manager, Mayor, and/or Council Members. The Arizona Open Meeting Law specifies that the Town Council may not discuss or take action on any matter mentioned during this presentation or on the attached materials unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

Cameron Davis, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Director, announced April 9, 2016, was The Rim Country Optimists Club 10th Annual Kid's Fishing Festival at Green Valley Park from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mr. Davis invited everyone to come. The Rim Country Regional Chamber of Commerce Business Showcase was April 9, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Beeline Cruise Inn Car Show was April 29-30, 2016, at Green Valley Park. There were 262 people registered for the Mogollon Monster Mudder in June. Mr. Davis expected close to 1,000 runners this year.

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk, announced the Primary Election to elect a Mayor and three Council Members was August 30, 2016. Candidate packets would be available on April 8, 2016. The candidate filing deadline was June 1, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. and the deadline to register to vote was August 1, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Smith noted no less than 124 and no more than 248 signatures were required. Ballots would be mailed out approximately July 29, 2016, in yellow envelopes. Mayor Evans asked if the Town had anything for the May 17, 2016, Election. Ms. Smith replied May 17, 2016, was a State Election.

2. Documents, materials and information for Council review. (The Council will not discuss or take action on the attached; they are provided for information only)

There were no documents for Council review.

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

1. Comments, Commendations, and Presentations by Mayor, Council Members, and/or Town Staff.

Vice-Mayor Hughes read into the record a proclamation declaring April 21, 2016, to be PowerTalk 21 Day in Payson. The proclamation would be mailed to the recipient.

Mayor Evans presented a birthday card to Vice-Mayor Hughes and wished him happy birthday.

Council Member Carpenter thanked everyone in Gila County for doing a good job on the Presidential Preference Election at the polling places.

2. **Proclamation.** Council Member Connell read into the record a proclamation declaring April 10-16, 2016, as National Volunteers Week. Various volunteer groups were present to accept the proclamation.

#### E. MINUTES

1. **\*Council Meeting Minutes:**  
March 17, 2016, Regular Meeting Pages 1-9  
March 22, 2016, Special Meeting Pages 1-6  
**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

**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. **\*There were no items in this section.**

#### F. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

1. **\*Application for a Special Event Liquor License.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by April Lynn Oswalt, agent for Payson Rodeo Committee, Inc. for a fundraiser to be held at Payson Multi-Event Center, 1400 South Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona, May 19 through May 21, 2016, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.  
**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**
2. **\*Application for a Special Event Liquor License.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by April Lynn Oswalt, agent for Payson Rodeo Committee, Inc. for a fundraiser to be held at Payson Multi-Event Center, 1400 South Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona, August 18 through August 20, 2016, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.  
**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**
3. **\*Application for a Special Event Liquor License.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, an application for a Special Event Liquor License filed by Virginia Margaret Ingram, agent for Humane Society of Central Arizona for a fundraiser to be held at Against the Wind, LLC, 710 West Airport Road, Payson, Arizona, May 21, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

#### G. RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1. **Resolution No. 2907.** Mayor Evans opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2907 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTIVE THIS RESOLUTION, MAKING KNOWN ITS COMMITMENT TO THE

PRINCIPLE OF FAIR HOUSING, AND DESCRIBING ACTIONS IT WILL UNDERTAKE TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING.

Mayor Evans explained this resolution was making known the Town's commitment to fair housing. Council Member Carpenter noted the Town had to this annually to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money. LaRon Garrett, Town Manager, replied that was correct.

**Motion:** to Approve Resolution No. 2907 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTIVE THIS RESOLUTION, MAKING KNOWN ITS COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLE OF FAIR HOUSING, AND DESCRIBING ACTIONS IT WILL UNDERTAKE TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING.

Moved by Council Member Fred Carpenter, seconded by Council Member Richard Croy.

**Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice-Mayor Michael Hughes, Council Member Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, and Council Member John Wilson.

2. **Resolution No. 2908.** Mayor Evans opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2908 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FROM RONALD C. ZELRICK AND BONNIE L. ZELRICK PERTAINING TO THE MANZANITA DRIVE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

LaRon Garrett, Town Manager, noted the Manzanita Drive roadway reconstruction project was out to bid currently and he hoped to award the bid by the end of May 2016. This resolution was for a temporary construction easement for the project.

**Motion:** to Approve Resolution No. 2908 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FROM RONALD C. ZELRICK AND BONNIE L. ZELRICK PERTAINING TO THE MANZANITA DRIVE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

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

**Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice-Mayor Michael Hughes, Council Member

Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, and Council Member John Wilson.

3. **Resolution No. 2910.** Mayor Evans opened discussion/possible action concerning Resolution No. 2910 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PAYSON ("SPONSOR") AND MCCAULEY CONSTRUCTION, INC. ("CONTRACTOR"), FOR THE ADOT PROJECT NO. E5S1X.

**Motion:** to Approve Resolution No. 2910 captioned as follows: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PAYSON ("SPONSOR") AND MCCAULEY CONSTRUCTION, INC. ("CONTRACTOR"), FOR THE ADOT PROJECT NO. E5S1X.

Moved by Council Member John Wilson, seconded by Council Member Chris Higgins.

**Vote:** Motion carried 7 - 0

Yes: Mayor Kenny J. Evans, Vice-Mayor Michael Hughes, Council Member Fred Carpenter, Council Member Su Connell, Council Member Richard Croy, Council Member Chris Higgins, and Council Member John Wilson.

#### **H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. There were no items in this section.

#### **I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. There were no items in this section.

#### **J. CLAIMS**

1. **\*List of checks.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, a list of checks paid from March 11, 2016, through March 25, 2016, Check Nos. 048547 through 048593, except Check No. 048748, and authorization to file the checks for audit.

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

2. **\*Check No. 048748.** Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, Check No. 048748 and authorization to file the check for audit. (Note: due to a perceived and/or possible conflict of interest, Council Member Croy was considered to have abstained from voting on this item).

**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

**K. MISCELLANEOUS**

1. \*Council approved, on the Consent Agenda, the acceptance, with regrets, of the **resignation of Hannah Osier** from the Payson Area Advisory Youth Council with thanks for a job well done.  
**\*CONSENT\* APPROVED**

**L. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Evans adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:54 p.m.

APPROVED:

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

Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Silvia Smith, 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 7 of April, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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Tracie Bailey, Chief Deputy Town Clerk