



CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of Sierra Vista held on the 24th day of September 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 22nd day of October 2015

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Maria G. Marsh
Deputy City Clerk

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill Adams", written over a horizontal line.

Jill Adams
City Clerk

Sierra Vista City Council
Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2015

Mayor Mueller called the September 24, 2015 City Council Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 1011 N. Coronado Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ

Roll Call

Mayor Rick Mueller – present
Mayor Pro Tem Bob Blanchard – present
Council Member Alesia Ash – present
Council Member Gwen Calhoun – present
Council Member Rachel Gray – present
Council Member Hank Huisking – present
Council Member Craig Mount – absent

Mayor Mueller announced that Council Member Mount is out of town.

Others Present:

Chuck Potucek, City Manager
Mary Jacobs, Assistant City Manager
Tom Alinen, Police Chief
Adam Thrasher, Deputy Police Chief
Ron York, Fire Chief
Sharon Flissar, Public Works Director
Richard Cayer, Interim Transportation and Environmental Services Director
Victoria Yarbrough, Leisure and Library Services Director
Lee Elaban, Leisure Services Supt.
Jenifer Thornton, Management Analyst
Abe Rubio, IT Director
David Felix, Finance Manager
Pam Weir, Management Analyst
Jill Adams, City Clerk
Nathan Williams, City Attorney

Invocation – Council Member Calhoun conducted the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Pro Tem Blanchard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 1 Acceptance of the Agenda

Council Member Huisking moved that the agenda for the Regular City Council Meeting of September 24, 2015, be approved. Council Member Gray seconded the motion.

Mayor Mueller stated that after further discussion with the City Attorney, it was determined that the City Council back in the 80's, when they initiated the resolution, assumed some authority that was probably not in State law. After researching that, the item was pulled and the action that needs to happen is for Council to rescind that ordinance at a future meeting so that the IDA can amend their bylaws appropriately.

The motion carried unanimously, 6/0.

Awards and Presentations

Mayor Mueller presented the Mayor's Award to Police Chief Thomas M. Alinen and wished him well on his retirement.

A Proclamation declaring October 2015 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month was presented to Liz York, Lauri Owen and Brenda Parker, all from the Governing Board for Cochise Family Advocacy Center.

Ms. York announced that the Governing Board for Cochise Family Advocacy Center will be opening in October that will be serving the community and announced upcoming events.

The 2014 Leisure and Library Employees of the Year were recognized:

- Jessie Romero, Part Time Recreation Leader III, Kids World;
- Monika Hamm, Part Time Administration and now full time secretary;
- Gerald Busha, Part Time Instruction - Archery;
- Tara Cepeda, Part Time Library;
- Megan Dunning, Part Time Library Runner Up;
- Logan Vaaler, Part time Aquatics;
- Tara Rashed, Part Time Therapeutic Recreation; and
- Valerie Myers, Part Time Therapeutic Recreation.

The Full time Leisure and Library Services employees were recognized as well: Susan Abend; Patrick Cahir; Debra Chatham; Gloria Colby; Tamara Grimm; Marita Helbig; Donna Hewitt; Ken James; Laura Killberg; Jack King; Nancy Krieski; Theresa Miller; Parmalee Mitchell; Ruth Roush; Susie Soto; Chris Swan; Lee Elaban; and Emily Scherrer.

City Manager's Report - Mr. Potucek made the following announcements:

- Council Work Session on October 6, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers regarding City Manager Update;
- The Fry Boulevard West End Corridor Study being funded by the Sierra Vista MPO and those negotiations have been concluded with the lead firm on the project. The MPO Board recently met and voted to approve them and that will involve taking a look at Fry Boulevard section from Carmichael to the main gate and determining on how best to spruce that up and making it an important asset on the west side in the future;
- The veterinary services request for proposals date has been shifted to September 25 in order to get a number of veterinarians involved. The City of Bisbee has expressed interest in joining so the City is going to give them time to respond;
- The City has now gone to the firm of Mansfield Oil to provide fueling services for the City which should save the staff a lot of time chasing down the best pricing for it as well as hopefully consolidating all of the financials, a big time saver and savings to the tax payers regarding the fueling services. If that goes well, the City will expand the scope of the services that they provide to the City;
- Recognized Police Chief Alinen on his over 37 years of service to the community that has been exemplary and wished him well on his project with Sheriff Darnels that will not only assist the County but the City as well.

Item 2 Consent Agenda

Item 2.1 Approval of the City Council Special Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2015

Item 2.2 Approval of the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2015

Item 2.3 Resolution 2015-095, Extension of Premises/Patio Permit for John Patrick O'Connor on behalf of the Elks Lodge No. 2065 for the Annual Oktoberfest, October 16 and 17, 2015 at 1 Elks Lane, Sierra Vista, AZ

Item 2.4 Resolution 2015-096, Special Event Liquor License for Calvert T. Singer on behalf of the Elks Lodge No. 2065 for the Annual Oktoberfest, October 16 and 17, 2015 at 1 Elks Lane, Sierra Vista, AZ

Council Member Gray moved that the City Council Special Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2015; the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2015; Resolution 2015-095, Extension of Premises/Patio Permit for John Patrick O'Connor on behalf of the Elks Lodge No. 2065 for the Annual Oktoberfest, October 16 and 17, 2015 at 1 Elks Lane, Sierra Vista, AZ; and Resolution 2015-096, Special Event Liquor License for Calvert T. Singer on behalf of the Elks Lodge No. 2065 for the Annual Oktoberfest, October 16 and 17, 2015 at 1 Elks Lane, Sierra Vista, AZ, be approved. Mayor Pro Tem Blanchard seconded the motion. The motion carried, 5/0, Council Member Huisking abstained.

Public Hearings

Item 3 Resolution 2015-097, a person transfer, limited liability-type of ownership for a Series 6 Liquor License for Kevin Arnold Kramber on behalf of the Horned Toad, LLC

Council Member Calhoun moved that Resolution 2015-097, a person transfer, limited liability-type of ownership for a Series 6 Liquor License for Kevin Arnold Kramber on behalf of the Horned Toad, LLC, be approved. Council Member Gray seconded the motion.

Ms. Adams stated that the application is for the transfer of the bar liquor license for the former Sorry Gulch Saloon then known as Sorry Gulch Saloon II and now to be known as the Horned Toad. They have found someone that is going to run the bar under a new name and the public meeting has been posted as required as well as the background check.

The motion carried unanimously, 6/0.

Item 4 Resolution 2015-098, an application for a person transfer, location transfer, limited liability-type of ownership Series 9 Liquor License for Thomas Robert Aguilera for the Sierra Pharmacy, LLC dba Sierra Pharmacy and Compounding Lab

Council Member Ash moved that Resolution 2015-098, an application for a person transfer, location transfer, limited liability-type of ownership Series 9 Liquor License for Thomas Robert Aguilera for the Sierra Pharmacy, LLC dba Sierra Pharmacy and Compounding Lab, be approved. Council Member Huisking seconded the motion.

Ms. Adams stated that this is a full liquor store license that was purchased by the Compounding Pharmacy from a pharmacy in Tombstone. The notice of the public hearing was posted and the Police Department has done the background check.

The motion carried unanimously, 6/0.

New Business

Item 5 Resolution 2015-099, Official Intent to be reimbursed for Certain Capital expenditures

Mayor Pro Tem Blanchard moved that Resolution 2015-099, Official Intent to be reimbursed for Certain Capital expenditures, be approved. Council Member Huisking seconded the motion.

Mr. Felix stated that this is the City's standard annual reimbursement resolution. The City has always had the practice of financing all of the capital equipment purchased at the end of the fiscal year in the May-June timeframe. In order to do that, the IRS requires the City to pass the reimbursement resolution showing the City's intent to finance them after they have been bought and paid for. If it is not done this way, then the City cannot finance the vehicles and would have to do the financing right now and the City would be paying interest on equipment that the City does not even have. It works in the best interest for the City to do it this way and it is the best thing to do financially for the many times that vehicles have not come in or other issues.

The motion carried unanimously, 6/0.

Item 6 Resolution 2015-100, Appointment of Becky Bjork to the Tourism Commission, said term to expire June 30, 2017

Council Member Huisking moved that Resolution 2015-100, appointment of Becky Bjork to the Tourism Commission, said term to expire June 30, 2017, be approved. Mayor Pro Tem Blanchard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 6/0.

Call to the Public – there was no response.

Comments and Requests of the Council

Council Member Huisking congratulated Police Chief Alinen, offered a big hug as he has helped out the City on a number of issues and stated that she is excited that he will be working on the regional communications because Council knows that is a pet project of his; thanked the Library and Leisure employees as everyone depends on them; announced the following events for September 26th: 5K Mutt March at 7:30 a.m. around the park and at 11:30 a.m. the opening at the Henry Hauser Museum of the Sirens and Whistles and Badges Oh My.

Council Member Ash stated that she echo everything that Council Member Huisking said because as a young official, Chief Alinen is the epitome of the type of leader that she would like to be; thanked him for his dedication to public service and continuing to work on the regional communications center which will be great for the region; and announced that on October 17th will be the SierraVistability Day at the Sierra Vista Mall.

Council Member Calhoun joined the others in thanking Police Chief Alinen for all he has done for the community and stated that since she has been on the Council, she appreciates his leadership and his calm approach to issues and his way of explaining things. She added that she also looks forward to seeing him often around the community; stated that she is proud of the Leisure and Library Services employees for all they do, particularly the full time employees that everyone knows took on extra duties while doing it with grace and providing good customer service; gave kudos to the Sierra Vista Health and Wellness Advisory Committee that is working closely with Fort Huachuca and the public schools, Legacy Foundation and many other groups in the community to sponsor and support activities that lead to assisting the community to get out and enjoy the community and to exercise. In closing, she also thanked Mayor Mueller, City Attorney Williams, City Manager Chuck Potucek and Assistant City Manager Mary Jacobs for their diligence for which she is grateful for.

Council Member Gray stated that everyone has said it all and he will certainly be missed in the City as the Police Chief, added that it has been a pleasure for her to work with Police Chief Alinen; congratulated all of the Leisure and Library Services employees and stated that the City has a fantastic Leisure and Library Department, which could not be done without the direction of Victoria Yarbrough that she greatly appreciates; lastly announced that on October 31st, the Sierra Vista Police Association will hold a Foot Pursuit, a 5k and 10k starting at 8:00 a.m. at Huachuca Mountain Elementary and the web site to sign up is runsignup.com.

Mayor Pro Tem Blanchard expressed his appreciation to Police Chief Alinen and stated that it has been a pleasure working with him both as a co-worker and a friend.

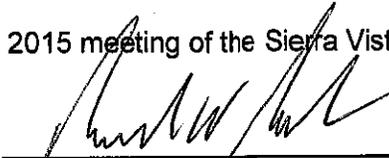
Mayor Mueller stated that Police Chief Alinen and he had a conversation earlier in the week and hopefully he expressed his appreciation for everything that he has done as one of the key things that the Chief has shown over the years is that he has got a quiet but determined style. He gets things done and he pays attention to detail that not only helps the department; but the individuals that he has trained coming up behind him; reported on the two-day visit by state lawmakers to Fort Huachuca and the community through the great partnership with Huachuca

50 that was able to host the event spearheaded by Senator Griffin and State House Speaker David Gowan; thanked the National Guard that provided the airlift to fly them down from Phoenix.

Mayor Mueller stated that it was a great day and discussions took place about Fort Huachuca and when preparing for BRAC, they now understand the importance of Fort Huachuca to the National Defense and the importance of the community relationship of the Fort to the region. In closing, he thanked all of the partners and staff members that worked hard to make it happen.

Adjournment

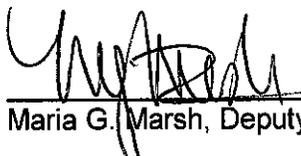
Mayor Mueller adjourned the September 24, 2015 meeting of the Sierra Vista City Council at 5:35 p.m.



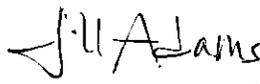
Mayor Frederick W. Mueller

Minutes prepared by:

Attest:



Maria G. Marsh, Deputy Clerk



Jill Adams, City Clerk