

TOWN OF WELLTON

Minutes of the April 21, 2015 Special Meeting

Mayor Cecilia McCollough called the regular meeting to order at 6:00PM on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, lead the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Cecilia C. McCollough, Mayor Pro Tem Vickie L. Bornt, Councilmembers James L. Deermer and Alejandro M. Bejarano (arrived at 6:10PM)

Councilmember Absent: Councilmember Lisa J. Jameson.

Staff Present: Town Manager Dick Watenpaugh, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Financial Director Ana Flores, Public Works Director Joe Grant, Police Chief Donald Jones, Fire Chief Mark Rivera, and Grants Administrator Yolanda Galindo.

Guests Present: Bill Phillips, Juell & Vera Barker, Frank Bornt, Shirley Reynolds, Lynette Layton and Victor Frankfather.

Call to the public: No Call to the Public.

Public Hearing

Open Public Hearing to solicit input from the citizens regarding the FY 2015-2016 Draft Operating Budget and fee changes, rate changes, and/or new fees / taxes.

Public Hearing opened at 6:02PM. Town Manager Watenpaugh turned over the floor to Financial Director Flores for her PowerPoint presentation on the budget proposals and breakdown.

Public Hearing closed at 6:55PM.

Reconvene Special Session of the Common Council of the Town of Wellton at 6:55PM.

Discussion and Action Items

1. **Discussion and possible action regarding:**
 - a. **FY 2015-2016 Draft Operating Budget**
 - b. **Possible changes to fees, rates and/or new revenue stream.**

Motion made by Councilmember Deermer, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to move to accept Staff's proposed FY 2015 – 2016 Draft Operating Budget, as presented, including the preparation of a new Town Property Tax setting the base rate of \$500,000 and direct Staff to agendize the Budget documents for adoption of the Tentative Budget at the May 5, 2015 regular Town Council Meeting; and to adopt the proposed new fees and rates as presented. Voice vote: 4-0. Motion carried.

2. **Discussion and possible action regarding the Reservation Letter accepting the new SSP / CDBG Grant in the amount of \$300,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute the document.**

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Councilmember Deermer to Move to accept the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH), Community Development Block Grant of \$300,000 for rehabilitation of six (6) owner occupied low income homes within the Town of Wellton, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Acceptance of Reservation of CDBG Funding form. Voice vote: 4-0. Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items

- May 5 Regular Meeting will be at 6:00PM. There is an Executive Session scheduled for 5:00PM before the meeting.
 - Possible adoption of Tentative Budget.
 - Amendment for Contract with ADOT.

Other Reports

- Town Manager Watenpaugh
 - GYEDC and Manufacturing Meeting
 - TIF (Tax Increment Funding)
 - Groundbreaking for Sidewalk Project on San Jose Avenue
 - Water Dog Day will be on Saturday, May 16, 2015.
- Mayor McCollough attended the WACOG Headstart Playground Equipment Ribbon Cutting on April 9.

Staff's Report

None

Executive Session

None requested

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Deermer, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:07PM.