

## TOWN OF WELLTON

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### Minutes of the September 1, 2015 Regular Meeting

**Mayor Cecilia McCollough** called the regular meeting to order at 6:00PM on Tuesday, September 1, 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 Alejandro M. Bejarano (arrived at 6:10PM) and James L. Deermer.

**Councilmember Absent:** Councilmember Lisa J. Jameson

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Dick Watenpaugh, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Financial Director Ana Flores, Police Chief Donald Jones, and Fire Chief Mark Rivera.

**Guests Present:** Frank Bornt, Juell & Vera Barker, Lynette Layton, Shirley Reynolds, Cindy Killman, Larry Killman, Russell & Norma Cobb, & Susan Dodd.

#### Call to the public

No requests submitted.

#### Presentation

- **James Deermer:** Plaque presented.

#### Seating New Councilmember

- **Larry Killman:** Oath of Office sworn and seat taken.

#### Department Heads

**Police Department:** Chief Jones reported on July and August activity. GOHS contracts will be on the October 6, 1015 Agenda. Lt. Nuno to graduate this week from the Arizona Leadership Program and Sgt. Rodriguez will be the next to attend.

**Magistrate and Court Department:** Activity for August was reported. \$2,974.17 of which \$517.37 was FARE.

**Fire Department:** Chief Rivera reported on July and August activity.

**Public Works Department:** Water Department/Safety/Building Inspections: Staff has been flushing water and fine tuning our system. ADEQ continues to work with us, as they know we are being diligent. The Water Department received the new truck we had ordered, the old truck was passed to Sal, and his was passed to the street crew. Streets/Water Distribution/Sanitation/Pool Maintenance/Facilities: Staff replaced the AC unit on Town Hall, as usual a lot of weed chopping, they've also been hauling away the old straw bales from around our pond at Rancho El Mirage and cleaning that up. The San Jose Avenue sidewalk project is moving along, we just had 30% meeting with the engineer. Butterfield Golf Course/Parks/Community Center/Cemetery: The public is enjoying our fishing ponds, although I don't think it's that well known yet. We had a lot of vacations in this department also this month. Rigo has been verticutting T boxes at the golf course and leveling some also, getting ready for overseeding in September. The control panel for the park irrigation pump has failed, it will cost at least \$ 925 to replace, but we think we can use town water

and eliminate this pump like we did at the cemetery, so we'll be doing that soon. Butterfield Pro Shop/N.D. Kline Pool: Progress in the transfer of the pool property from the Bureau of Land Management to Yuma County to the Town of Wellton. Facilities: Staff is currently stripping and waxing the entire Community Center, Police Department and the office and living quarters at the fire department.

#### Discussion and Action Items

**1. Approval of Cash Disbursements:**

**a. For the Quarter of: April 2015 – June 2015.**

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to approve Cash Disbursements for the Quarter of: April 2015 – June 2015. Voice vote: 3-0-1-1. Motion carried.

**2. Approval of Minutes.**

**a. For the Meeting of July 6, 2015 (Special Meeting).**

**b. For the Meeting of July 7, 2015 (Regular Meeting).**

**c. For the Meeting of August 25, 2015 (Special Meeting).**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to approve the minutes for the meetings of July 6, 2015 (Special Meeting), July 7, 2015 (Regular Meeting) and August 25, 2015 (Special Meeting). Voice vote: 3-0-1-1. Motion carried.

**3. Discussion and possible action to approve Tri-Valley Ambulance Services' request to hold their 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit at the Wellton Community Center on Saturday, October 17, 2015 and to review and approve their request for a Special Event Liquor License as required by Arizona Liquor Control.**

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Councilmember Killman to approve Tri-Valley Ambulance Services' request to hold their 37th Annual Benefit at the Wellton Community Center on Saturday, October 17, 2015 and approve their request for a Special Event Liquor License as required by Arizona Liquor Control. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1. Motion carried.

**4. Discussion and possible action regarding the Hazard and Mitigation Plan Update Agreement Letter.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to approve the Hazard and Mitigation Plan Update Agreement Letter as presented. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1. Motion carried.

**5. Discussion and possible action to proclaim September 2015 Library Card Sign-Up Month.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Killman to proclaim September 2015 Library Card Sign-Up Month. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1. Motion carried.

## 6. Public Hearing

Recess as Common Council of the Town of Wellton and convene a public hearing as the Board of Adjustment of the Town of Wellton to consider the following item: (Recessed at 6:22PM.)

- a. Variance Case #16-401: Russell & Norma Cobb request a variance of Planning & Zoning Code Chapter 8, Section 8-5.4.1(E)(1) that states an accessory building shall not occupy more than thirty percent (30%) of the rear yard to allow the construction of a garage/shed on the property located at 11661 Coyote Wash Street (Parcel #: 709-52-008).

Variance Case #16-401 presented and discussed.

Adjourn as Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton and reconvene as the Common Council of the Town of Wellton at 6:25PM.

## 7. Discussion and possible action to consider recommendations of the Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton in the matter of Variance Case #16-401.

Motion made by Councilmember Killman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to allow Variance Case #16-401: Russell & Norma Cobb request a variance of Planning & Zoning Code Chapter 8, Section 8-5.4.1(E)(1) that states an accessory building shall not occupy more than thirty percent (30%) of the rear yard to allow the construction of a garage/shed on the property located at 11661 Coyote Wash Street (Parcel #: 709-52-008) as recommended by the Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1. Motion carried.

## 8. Discussion and possible action to approve the request from Julie Figueroa to extend the closing time at Butterfield Park from 10:00PM to 12:00AM (Midnight) for a 90th Birthday Party, on Friday, March 5, 2016.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to approve the request from Julie Figueroa to extend the closing time at Butterfield Park from 10:00PM to 12:00AM (Midnight) for a 90th Birthday Party, on Friday, March 5, 2016. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1. Motion carried.

## Future Agenda Items

- Next Regular Council Meeting will be October 6, 2015.
  - Elected Official Insurance
  - Elected Official Code of Ethics
- Mayor McCollough would like discussion of creating a Clean and Beautiful Committee to recognize people that do care for their homes and property.

## Other Reports

- Arizona League Conference was held in Tucson in August. Mayor McCollough and Mayor Pro

Tem Bornt attended. Very beneficial to both attendees.

- WACOG meeting will be this Thursday – Mayor McCollough to attend.
- The Yuma Sun now has “Heading East to Wellton”. Ad space is available for local businesses. It will run the first Thursday of each month in full color.
- Wellton was the League Snapshot Community. A short article appeared on their website.

#### Staff's Report

- The WLB Group will have their County 12<sup>th</sup> Street Park Master Plan ready for presentation at the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- USDA – five new homes are in the works through their program.
- Owner Occupied Housing Program – 2 new families have been approved for the rehab program.
- Wellton Paint-A-Thon will be on October 17<sup>th</sup> (clean-up) and October 24<sup>th</sup> (painting).

#### Executive Session

None requested.

#### Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Killman, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:36PM.

  
Cecilia C. McCollough, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Richard Watenpaugh, Town Manager

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held September 1, 2015 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

  
Richard Watenpaugh, Town Manager