

TOWN OF WELLTON

Minutes of the October 6, 2015 Regular Meeting

Mayor Cecilia McCollough called the regular meeting to order at 6:00PM on Tuesday, October 6, 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 6:05PM), Lisa J. Jameson and Larry Killman.

Councilmember Absent:

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

Guests Present: Charlene Fitzgerald, Juell & Vera Barker, Charles Gutierrez, Fran Enos, Perry Pensky, Johnnie Altstatt, Frank Hibbard, Lynette Layton, Shirley Reynolds, Russell & Norma Cobb, and Karen Agundez.

Call to the public

No requests submitted.

Department Heads

Police Department

Chief Jones reported on activity for September 2015. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. October is also Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the Chief has authorized his officers to wear their pink badges to help raise awareness. Sergeant Rodriguez was recognized with a plaque by the US Army for his aid of soldiers with a flat tire on their way to a duty station a few months ago.

Magistrate and Court Department

Judge Jones reported on activity for September 2015. The total for the month was \$6,141.06 with \$1,349.30 from FARE.

Fire Department

Chief Rivera reported on activity for September 2015. The Fire Department will be scrimmaging against the Wellton Elementary School Volleyball team on October 6th and the Football team on October 7th. The Fire Department is also going through their annual Emergency Responder Certifications.

Public Works Department

Public Works Director Grant reported on activity for September 2015. Water Department/Safety/Building Inspections: Water Department looking at an alternative chlorine system. Streets/Water Distribution/Sanitation/Pool Maintenance/Facilities: Continued clean-up and maintenance across the board. Butterfield Golf Course/Parks/Community Center/Cemetery: Overseeding completed for the October 21st Golf Course opening day. Changes in watering

system are saving time and money for the golf course and park. Butterfield Pro Shop/N.D. Kline Pool: Pool is closed for the season and the Pro Shop is being prepared for opening day. Holidays/Special Events: Columbus Day is October 12th – trash pick-up will run on Tuesday, November 13th. Facilities: The Community Center, Police Department and the Fire Department floors have been stripped and waxed. There have been more repairs and upgrades at the Community Center. Other: Joe will be attending the Master Gardener Program thru January. On October 28th, Sal and I will be attending a “Pavement Preservation Workshop” in Phoenix.

Discussion and Action Items

1. Approval of Financial Statements:

a. For the FY 2014 - 2015.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Killman to approve the June Financial Statements for FY 2014 - 2015. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Cash Disbursements:

a. For the Quarter of: July 2015 – September 2015.

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to approve Cash Disbursements for the Quarter of: July 2015 – September 2015. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes.

a. For the Meeting of September 1, 2015 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Councilmember Killman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of September 1, 2015 (Regular Meeting). Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the WLB Group presentation of the County 12th Street Park Master Plan.

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Councilmember Killman to approve the WLB Group presentation of the County 12th Street Park Master Plan as presented. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

5. Presentation by Charlene Fitzgerald, Executive Director of Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization, an overview of the YMPO (current activities 2016 and issues impacting our mobility).

Presented.

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 7:03PM.)

- a. Variance Case #16-402: Wellton FDS 713775 LLC request a variance of Planning & Zoning Code Chapter 8, Section 8-5.6(E)(5)(d): One (1) free standing sign not to exceed twenty (20) feet in height and twenty-four (24) square feet in size. Request to allow the construction of a 29.95 square foot free standing sign located at Parcel #: 709-12-035.**

Presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to approve Variance Case #16-402. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

- b. Variance Case #16-403: Desert Paradise Partnership Tr. request a variance of Planning & Zoning Code Chapter 8, Section 8-5.6(E)(5)(d): One (1) free standing sign not to exceed twenty (20) feet in height and twenty-four (24) square feet in size. Request to allow the construction of a 160 square foot free standing sign located at 28595 E County 11th Street (Parcel #: 709-35-001).**

Presented.

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Councilmember Jameson to approve Variance Case #16-403. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

Adjourn as Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton and reconvene as the Common Council of the Town of Wellton at 7:15PM.

7. Discussion and possible action to consider recommendations of the Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton in the matter of Variance Case #16-402.

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to approve Variance Case #16-402 as recommended by the Board of Adjustment. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

8. Discussion and possible action to consider recommendations of the Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton in the matter of Variance Case #16-403.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to approve Variance Case #16-403 as recommended by the Board of Adjustment. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0. Motion carried.

9. Discussion and possible action to remove Councilmember James Deermer and add Councilmember Larry Killman as signor on all Town of Wellton bank accounts.

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to remove Councilmember James Deermar and add Councilmember Larry Killman as signor on all Town of Wellton public bank accounts. Voice vote: 4-0-1-0. Motion carried.

10. **Discussion and possible action to approve the two Grants, attached, from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety in the combined amount of Eight Thousand dollars (\$8,000.00); appoint Police Chief Donald Jones as the Town's agent; and authorize the Mayor to execute/sign Resolution # 587.**

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11. **Discussion and possible action to review and adopt the proposed Community Center rental fees as presented.**

New Community Center rental fees presented. Council requested additional information on actual usage of the Community Center. Item tabled until the next Council meeting.

12. **Discussion and possible action to support the Governor's Lighting Arizona Purple Campaign for the month of October.**

Consensus of the Council to support the Governor's Lighting Arizona Purple Campaign for the month of October and raise awareness of Domestic Violence in Arizona.

13. **Review and discuss the attached draft Code of Ethics for Elected Officials for possible adoption November 3, 2015.**

Draft Code of Ethics for Elected Officials presented. Discussion is to continue at the November 3, 2015 Council meeting.

14. **Discussion and possible action regarding Elected Official's receiving Medical Benefits paid for by the Town of Wellton.**

Item discussed. Tabled until Budget Work Sessions.

Future Agenda Items

- Next Council meeting will be November 3, 2015.
 - Request to revisit 7:00PM Council meetings. November 3rd meeting will start at 7:00PM.
 - Discussion on the Code of Ethics for Elected Officials to be on Agenda.

Other Reports

- The Mayor attended the quarterly WACOG meeting in Parker.
- The Mayor attended the monthly YMPO meeting. The topics of discussion were membership and voting.
- The Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem attended the Grand Opening of WACOG's new building on Redondo Center Drive.

Staff's Report

- Council authorized Staff to select Christmas Cards to send from the Town.
- Town Manager is scheduled to be out of Town in November 2015

Executive Session

Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:00PM to discuss Personnel Matters pursuant to ARS Section 38-431.03 A (1).

Regular Session reconvened at 8:15PM.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Killman, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:16PM.

Cecilia C. McCollough

Cecilia C. McCollough, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra Jones

Sandra Jones, Deputy Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held October 6, 2015 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Sandra Jones

Sandra Jones, Deputy Town Clerk