

# TOWN OF WELLTON

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## Minutes of the January 5, 2016 Regular Meeting

**Mayor Cecilia McCollough** called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM on Tuesday, January 5, 2016, 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 and Lisa J. Jameson.

**Councilmember Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Larry Killman, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Finance Director Ana Flores, Chief Donald Jones, Judge Russ Jones, Chief Mark Rivera and Public Works Director Joe Grant.

**Guests Present:** Julie Sparks, Bob Sparks, Hank Leonard, Lynette Layton, Shirley Reynolds, Vickie England, Ruth Waite, Ed & Maggie Heikila, Bob & Betty Whittington, Iris Ball, Sue Falk, Gerry Harning, and Robert Ludwig.

### **Call to the public**

Iris Ball – Resident in Coyote Wash. Her complaint is regarding a building that was built over the summer. She does not feel that it belongs in a residential neighborhood. She requested the Council review the situation.

### **Outdoor Decorating Contest Winners**

Plaque presented to:

Commercial 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Tier Drop RV Park

Commercial 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Coach Stop RV Park (not in attendance)

Residential 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Paul & Mary Jane Dashiell (not in attendance)

Residential 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Cosme Saboria (not in attendance)

### **Department Heads**

#### **Police Department**

The 2015 Grant for Stonegarden has come to an end. We are currently waiting on the paperwork for the 2016 Stonegarden Grant. AZ Post Rules have changed. Department of Justice laws have also undergone some changes. The Department is in the process of reviewing a Mutual Aid Agreement with surrounding agencies that will be brought forward to Council approval at the February Meeting. NIXLE user numbers are continuing to grow.

*Mayor McCollough took a moment to welcome the new Town Manager Larry Killman.*

#### **Magistrate and Court Department**

Judge Jones reported on Court activity for the month of December 2015. Total of \$2,454.82. Wellton Police Department had five civil, two criminal, six misdemeanor and one animal citation. He has been very pleased with the janitorial maintenance the Town is providing.

**Fire Department**

Chief Rivera reported on the Fire Department activity for the month of December 2015.

**Public Works Department**

Public Works Director Grant reported on the activity for December 2015. Water Department/Safety/Building Inspections: A wall has been built in the foyer of the water plant control building – creating another office. This frees up my old office for its intended purpose - a meeting room. Streets/Water Distribution/Sanitation/Pool Maintenance/Facilities: The two workers that were off are now back to work on light duty. One of the residential trucks was towed to town on the 29<sup>th</sup> for a hydraulic pump problem, which may be under warranty, we are looking into it. Butterfield Golf Course/Parks/Community Center/Cemetery: Staff have been painting the interior walls of the Community Center and replacing baseboards to continue improving its overall condition. N.D. Kline Pool: The pool is shut down for the winter. Facilities: Had the roof leaks repaired on the Community Center and Fire Department by D.S. Rich Roofing. We are looking into cost of expanding the Fire Station to the East to house the new Tender Truck and then we will expand the drive way for access onto Los Angeles Avenue. Other: We had a visit from J.C. Sanders, who is the President of Arizona Peace Trail and a group of 8 ATVs from Arizona SunRiders ATV Club from Quartzite. They were very excited about what our town had to offer, loved our close proximity and I'll note that they stayed overnight and ate meals here so we're already benefitting from the trail.

**Discussion and Action Items****1. Approval of Minutes.**

- a. **For the Meeting of December 1, 2015 (Regular Meeting).**
- b. **For the Meeting of December 3, 2015 (Special Meeting).**

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to approve minutes for Meetings of December 1, 2015 (Regular Meeting) and December 3, 2015 (Special Meeting). Voice vote: 4-0-0-0. Motion carried.

**2. Discussion and action to appoint Larry Killman as Chief Fiscal Officer for the Town of Wellton.**

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to appoint Larry Killman as Chief Fiscal Officer for the Town of Wellton. Voice vote: 4-0-0-0. Motion carried.

**3. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mayor to sign Form CD-1 Authorized Signature Card for all Administrative Actions and Form F-2 Authorized Signature Card for all Requests for Payment on CDBG Accounts. New signature cards are required for the new Town Manager.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to authorize the Mayor to sign Form CD-1 Authorized Signature Card for all Administrative Actions and Form F-2 Authorized Signature Card for all Requests for Payment on CDBG Accounts. New signature cards

were required for the new Town Manager. Voice vote: 4-0-0-0. Motion carried.

**4. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution #588, the Code of Ethics for Elected Officials.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt, seconded by Councilmember Bejarano to adopt Resolution #588, the Code of Ethics for Elected Officials. Voice vote: 4-0-0-0. Motion carried.

**5. Discussion and possible action to review application process to fill the vacant Council position.**

Applications to be accepted through January 20, 2016. Interviews to be held on January 27, 2016 and the selection of the new councilmember to be announced at the February 2, 2016 Regular Meeting.

**Future Agenda Items**

- Next Council Meeting will be February 2, 2016.
  - New Councilmember selection announcement is tentatively scheduled for this February meeting.

**Other Reports**

- The Request for Proposal for Municipal Legal Services is ready to advertise. Anticipated end date of March 1, 2016.
- January 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM – meeting with Nicklaus Engineering and Staff to discuss the particulars on the Fire Station Addition #2.
- The railroad has been working in the area. It has effected traffic at the crossing at William Street as well as others in the area. Updates will be posted on NIXLE to keep residents informed.
- The Yuma Regional Medical Center Tractor Rodeo will be January 16, 2016 at Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District.
- Pioneer Day Parade and Fiesta will be February 20, 2016.
- Wellton World of Wheels Car Show will be March 12, 2016 at Butterfield Park.

**Staff's Report**

- Finance Director Flores informed Council and residents that the Town's annual audit was complete. We did have one finding – based on the allocation of money into the correct fiscal year.
- Mayor McCollough discussed the article about Wellton that had been in the Yuma Sun. Overall a very positive article.

**Executive Session**

Recessed Regular Session at 7:29PM. Council convened into Executive Session at 7:32PM to discuss Fire Department matters.

**Regular Session**

Reconvened at 8:11PM.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Councilmember Bejarano, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bornt to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:12PM.



*Cecilia C. McCollough*

Cecilia C. McCollough, Mayor

ATTEST:

*Larry Killman*

Larry Killman, Town Manager

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held January 5, 2016 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

*Larry Killman*

Larry Killman, Town Manager