

## TOWN OF WELLTON

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### Minutes of the January 3, 2017 Regular Meeting

**Mayor Cecilia McCollough called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM on Tuesday, January 3, 2017, led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor Pro Tem Brian Claar gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.**

**Councilmembers Present:** Mayor Cecilia C. McCollough, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Claar Councilmembers Kenneth Baughman, Lisa J. Jameson, and Michelle Jones.

**Councilmember Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Larry Killman, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Police Chief Donald Jones, Fire Chief Mark Rivera, Public Works Director Joe Grant and Town Attorney Andrew McGuire (telephonically).

**Guests Present:** Ed & Sally Hawley, Al & Sharon Lockwood, Bob & Peggy Leeper, Jerry & Charlene Holland, Ed & Maggie Heikila, Preston Olney, Brian & Sharon MacGillvary, Bruce Michael Hess, Katlyn Jones, Norman Anderson, & Shirley Reynolds.

#### **Call to the Public**

**Victor Frankfather:** Discussion against a potential property tax.

#### **Department Heads**

##### **Police Department**

Chief Jones reported on the activity for 2016.

##### **Fire Department**

Chief Rivera reported on the activity for December 2016. There were 19 runs on the south side of the tracks with zero-time delay. Personnel responding has increased to 6. Staff (in conjunction with AUHS Student Council) collected 1,538 pounds of canned goods and food. Public Safety Day at Wellton School will be January 20<sup>th</sup>. The time between Christmas and New Year's was very busy.

##### **Public Works Department**

Staff has had a steady stream of home building inspections. Staff spent most of last month preparing for Christmas Tree Lighting – which went very well. The crew at Butterfield Golf Course tilled and reseeded some of the sparser tee box areas. Staff is also installing replacement posts around the park and golf course. Elane Fajardo has now officially retired. Georgetta will take her place in the Pro Shop and Shasta will take her position at the swimming pool.

**Discussion and Action Items****1. Approval of Minutes:****a. For the Meeting of December 6, 2016 (Regular Meeting).**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Baughman to approve the minutes for the meeting of December 6, 2016 (Regular Meeting) with noted corrections. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

**2. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution #606: a Resolution repealing resolution #161 and prescribing standards of financial disclosure for local public officers and providing for repeal of conflicting resolutions.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Jones to adopt Resolution #606: a Resolution repealing resolution #161 and prescribing standards of financial disclosure for local public officers and providing for repeal of conflicting resolutions. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

**3. 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 and convened at 7:17PM.

- A. Variance Case #17-003: Bruce Michael Hess requests a six-foot (6') variance (north lot line) and a four-foot (4') variance (west lot line) of Planning & Zoning Code Chapter 8, Section 8-5.4(D)(1): Required Standards: Minimum Street Yard Setback: 15 feet to replace an existing carport with a smaller carport on their corner lot located at 29101 San Diego Avenue (Parcel #: 709-05-011).**

Staff presented the Variance request. Request discussed.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Jones to recommend approval of Variance Case #17-003 to the Common Council of the Town of Wellton. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

**Adjourn as Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton and reconvene as the Common Council of the Town of Wellton:** Adjourned and reconvened at 7:21PM.

**4. Discussion and possible action to consider recommendations of the Board of Adjustment for the Town of Wellton in the matter of Variance Case #17-003.**

Motion made by Councilmember Baughman, seconded by Councilmember Jones to approve Variance Case #17-003: Bruce Michael Hess requests a six-foot (6') variance (north lot line) and a four-foot (4') variance (west lot line) of Planning & Zoning Code Chapter 8, Section 8-5.4(D)(1): Required Standards: Minimum Street Yard Setback: 15 feet to replace an existing carport with a smaller carport on their corner lot located at 29101 San Diego Avenue (Parcel #: 709-05-011). Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

### **Future Agenda Items**

- **Property Tax Discussion leads to potential options:**
  - Values from Yuma County Assessor
  - Separate Fire District
  - Possible Sales Tax
- RCAC Water Rate Study: information to be available January 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Staff's Report**

- Outdoor Decorating Contest Winners
- USDA Grant/Loan Presentation (recommendation to "hold-off" applying for additional loans at this point.
- Fusion Dispensary closing and moving to a more populated area.
- Bids for electrical upgrade at Fire Department came in at \$1,500.
- Minimum wage increase was effective January 1, 2017.
- Town is utilizing modified timesheets to have a more effective way of tracking time and budgeting.
- The railroad crossing on William Street is scheduled to be worked on soon.
- Pioneer Day Parade Grand Marshalls are Charles and Billie Slocum.
- Butterfield Golf Course is up 54 rounds and \$1,300 for the month of December 2016. Saturdays are still slow.
- Donation from VFW to the Food Bank (Check for \$1,000).
- School starts on January 10<sup>th</sup> – next Tuesday.
- Pioneer Museum is open for the winter season Saturdays and Sundays, 1:00PM – 3:00PM.
- Parks and Rec Positive Instigators meeting next Friday at AWC Building.

### **Executive Session**

None requested.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Baughman to adjourn. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:39PM.