

TOWN OF WELLTON

Minutes of the April 3, 2018 Regular Meeting

Mayor Cecilia McCollough called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM on Tuesday, April 3, 2018, led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Cecilia McCollough, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Claar, Councilmembers Kenneth Baughman and Lisa Jameson.

Councilmember Absent: Councilmember Michelle Jones.

Staff Present: Town Manager Larry Killman, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Finance Director Shantel Quinonez, Grants Administrator Yolanda Galindo, Public Works Director Joe Grant, Police Chief Donald Jones, Town Magistrate Russ Jones, Fire Chief Mark Rivera, and Town Attorney Andrew McGuire (telephonically).

Guests Present: Frank Hibbard, Dick & Jan Deichant, Charles Brunet, John Graham, Bill Widaman, Jim & Alice LaPeer, Victor Frankfather, Russ Cobb, Shirley Reynolds, Darrell & Carolyn Eshelman, and Iris Bloxton.

Call to the Public

Charles Brunet: Discussed the caring and watering of Coyote Wash Golf Course. Also recommended an honor system for golfing during the off-season.

Department Head Reports

Police Department

Chief Jones reported on activity for March 2018. Staff has applied for a grant to replace some existing body armor. April 28th is Prescription Drug Take-Back Day. Staff is currently reviewing a potential grant regarding an electronic citation / towing system through YRCS (hosted by ADOT). Yuma County Chiefs are working on response to active shooter incidents training. WPD has 2 instructors scheduled for training. All the Gila River Grant vehicles have been received. The software has been installed and deployed for the BodyCams.

Magistrate and Court Department

Judge Jones reported on activity for March 2018. \$3,027.53 was collected with and additional \$351.02 in FARE. There was a total of 11 appearance. The Staff is very happy with the Town's maintenance and janitorial services at the Courthouse.

Fire Department

Chief Rivera reported on activity for March 2018. There were 55 runs for the month. 31 runs were daytime. 14 runs were southside of the tracks. Total delay was 4 minutes. The results from our ISO audit will be available in 45 days. Pumper truck testing is upcoming.

Public Works Department

Public Works Director Grant reported on activity for March 2018. Staff is overseeing the contractor that is refurbishing our Water Storage Tank #3. They are almost 2/3 through the 6-week project. Rust damaged areas were replaced in the rafters and ceiling support system of the tank. Staff had to remove a mature tree on the southwest corner of the Sunset Health Clinic on William Street. It had become a hazard for falling and was pulling up the sidewalk at the same time. Staff also cleaned along the two main routes into town for our Wellton World of Wheels Car Show. Park Staff also prepped for the Car Show; painting the ramada shades, restrooms and fence. Weekend play at Butterfield Golf Course continued to increase through March. The Pro Shop is scheduled to close April 26th for the season. The Wellton World of Wheels Car Show was Saturday March 10th.

Discussion and Action Items

1. Approval of Minutes:

a. For the Meeting of March 6, 2018 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Councilmember Baughman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Claar to approve minutes for the meeting of March 6, 2018 (Regular Meeting). Voice vote: 4-0-0-1 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

2. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution #624 – a Resolution adopting a Fair Housing Policy and describing actions the Town of Wellton shall undertake to affirmatively further Fair Housing.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Baughman to adopt Resolution #624 – a Resolution adopting a Fair Housing Policy and describing actions the Town of Wellton shall undertake to affirmatively further Fair Housing. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

3. Discussion and possible action to approve the proposed On-Call Policy and Procedure for the Police Department.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Jameson to approve the proposed On-Call Policy and Procedure for the Police Department at the rate of 50¢ per on-call hour. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval to secure a liquor license for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at Butterfield Park.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Baughman to approve the securing of a liquor license for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at Butterfield Park. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items

- May 1st SSP grant consideration.
- Coyote Wash Golf Course will be a discussion item on future agendas.
- The Planning and Zoning Code is in the process of being rewritten. Andrew McGuire at Gust-Rosenfeld is currently our point of contact.
- The Town is partnering with Yuma County to facilitate some road repair. County 11th Street will receive a chip seal. The County is also doing an overlay on Highway 80 – from Avenue 20E to Avenue 28E and from Avenue 31E to Avenue 34E.

Town Manager Report

- As part of the Union Pacific Grant:
 - The old Pizza Place and the adjacent properties are going to be cleaned.
 - Wellton-Mohawk is to help in the clean-up by removing the large trees.
 - Staff is to demo the buildings.
- Coyote Wash Agreements are to address the time from May 1st – October 1st. Cost Share Agreement with Curtis, Spencer and McMillian for the power bills through the summer.
- It will be an estimated \$100,000 to care for Coyote Wash through the 5 months. This will include repair of the irrigation system and pumps.
- The Request for Proposal (RFP) is aimed to be out by 6/1. There will be 3 potential options on the RFP: lease, management or sale.
- Staff plans to utilize 100% of the next grant in the Fire Department expansion and improvements (retro-fits). Grant was \$410,000 2-years ago.
- The Cocopah Indian Tribe donated \$4,919 to the Town. Staff plans to use that to reopen Kid's Klub for the summer.

Council's Report

- Mayor McCollough participated in meetings for the State Transportation Board and the Rural Transportation Board. She will also be the YMPO and WACOG Chairman this year.

Executive Session

None requested.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Baughman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Claar to adjourn. Voice vote: 4-0-0-1 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:51PM.