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a great place to live, work, and visit”**

**CITY OF SAFFORD – COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY
MONDAY, JULY 9, 2012 @ 6:00 PM
PHELPS DODGE ROOM - LIBRARY**

PRESENT: Wyn “Chris” Gibbs, Mayor; Mary Bingham, Vice Mayor; Council Member’s Ken Malloque, Gene Seale, James D. Howes, Richard Ortega, and Arnold A. Lopez.

STAFF PRESENT: David Kincaid, City Manager; Sandra Findley, Executive Secretary; Christine Fisher, Personnel Director; John Griffin, Police Chief; Don Knight, Director Management & Budget; Ann Waite, Finance Director; Jan Elliott, Library Director; Randy Petty, City Engineer; Eric Buckley, Utilities Director; and Georgia Luster, City Clerk. Dale Clark, IT Support Specialist, assisted with the audio/video recording of the meeting.

OTHERS PRESENT: Raymond Lonser, Dr. Phillip Tutor, Richard K. Hancock, Steve McGaughey, James Bryce, and others who did not sign in. Kelly Van Sharr video recorded the meeting.

1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Gibbs welcomed everyone present and called the meeting to order at 6:02:44 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (all members present).
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Gibbs will lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. **OPENING PRAYER:** Dr. Phillip Tutor offered the opening prayer.
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
6. **CONSENT ITEMS:** The Mayor and City Council may wish to consider approving Items 1 through 11 as Consent Agenda Items.
 1. May 29, 2012 Special Council Minutes; May 29, 2012 Council Work Session Minutes; June 4, 2012 Council Work Session Minutes; and June 11, 2012 Council Minutes.
 2. Police Report
 3. Building Inspection Report
 4. Public Works Report
 5. Business License Report
 6. Library Report

7. Utilities Consumption Report
8. Summary of Projects Planning and Grants Administration
9. Airport Report
10. Prosecution Report
11. Expense Report Over \$5,000

It was moved by Councilman Ortega, seconded by Vice Mayor Bingham, and carried unanimously to accept the Consent Agenda Items as presented. **MOTION ADOPTED**

7. **PURCHASING CARD REPORT: Consideration and approval of Purchasing Card Report for 3/21/2012 through 4/20/2012.**

It was moved by Councilman Malloque, seconded by Councilman Lopez, and carried unanimously to accept the Purchasing Card report as published. **MOTION ADOPTED**

8. **INTRODUCTION: Introduction of new Public Works Director.**

City Manager Kincaid introduced and welcomed John Morst the new Public Works Director who started to work today. He stated that Mr. Morst wealth of experience from both, the private and public sectors, municipal counties and private engineering.

John Morst stated he is very excited to be working for the City. He has been out today meeting staff and is looking forward to meet everyone.

9. **PROCLAMATION: Drowning Impact Awareness Month, August 2012.**

It was moved by Councilman Howes, seconded by Councilman Malloque, and carried unanimously to proclaim August as Drowning Impact Awareness Month.

MOTION ADOPTED

10. **ADOPTION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET: Consider approving and adopting the Tentative Budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013, as presented.**

City Manager Kincaid explained the adoption of the tentative budget establishes the ceiling from which the City operates from for FY 2013. Adjustments may be made to decrease the budget but there cannot be any increases to the budget. He also noted that after the last work session, as directed by the Council, adjustments were made to the budget. A balanced budget is being presented for the amount of \$49,063,774.00.

It was moved by Councilman Ortega, seconded by Councilman Howes to adopt the tentative budget as presented for the amount of \$49,063,774.00 with the stipulation that staff meet with the Boys and Girls Club to discuss additional funding in the budget for the Club. Mayor

Gibbs, Vice Mayor Bingham, Councilmembers' Malloque, Lopez and Seale opposed. The motion failed 5-2.

MOTION FAILED

It was moved by Councilman Malloque, seconded by Vice Mayor Bingham, and carried 6-1 to adopt the tentative budget as presented for the amount of \$49,063,774.00. Councilman Ortega opposed.

MOTION ADOPTED

11. CALENDAR FOR BUDGET ADOPTION/TAX LEVY:

Monday, August 6, 2012 @ 6:00 p.m. – Phelps Dodge Room

Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing taxpayers on the Budget and Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2012 -2013.

When the Public Hearing concludes, the Council will convene a Special Meeting to adopt the Final Budget and adopt a City Tax Levy for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

City Manager Kincaid pointed out that the calendar is an outline of the process to adopt the final budget and tax levy. He noted a correction that the Tax Levy will be adopted on August 13th.

12. LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS: The Mayor and Council may wish to re-appoint Aimee Staten and Candy Green to the Library Advisory Board for another three-year term.

It was moved by Councilman Ortega, seconded by Councilman Lopez, and carried unanimously to re-appoint Aimee Staten and Candy Green to the Library Advisory Board for another three-year term.

MOTION ADOPTED

13. LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER: The Mayor and Council may wish to consider appointing Jimmy C. Johnson to the Library Advisory Board to fill one vacancy left by a retiring member.

It was moved by Councilman Howes, seconded by Councilman Lopez, and carried unanimously to appoint Jimmy C. Johnson to the Library Advisory Board to fill one vacancy left by a retiring member.

MOTION ADOPTED

14. ROADWAY STRIPING AGREEMENT: Consider extending an Agreement between the Town of Thatcher and the City of Safford for roadway striping effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

It was moved by Councilman Ortega, seconded by Councilman Seale, and carried 6-1 to approve extending an Agreement between the Town of Thatcher and the City of Safford for roadway

striping effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. Councilman Howes opposed. **MOTION ADOPTED**

15. **PONDEROSA AVIATION AGREEMENT:** The City requested proposals for sale of excess equipment and Fueling Services at the Safford Regional Airport on April 19, 2012. One proposal was received by Ponderosa Aviation. Staff is recommending the Mayor and Council consider approving an Agreement with Ponderosa Aviation to provide fueling services and to purchase the following equipment: 100 LL Truck (VIN 1HTSEPEN5NH445255), Jet A Truck (VIN 1HTLKUXR3EHA41269), 100 LL Tank (Fuel Farm), and Jet A Tank (Fuel Farm) at the Safford Regional Airport.

It was moved by Councilman Malloque, seconded by Vice Mayor Bingham, and carried unanimously to approve an Agreement with Ponderosa Aviation to provide fueling services and to purchase the following equipment: 100 LL Truck (VIN 1HTSEPEN5NH445255), Jet A Truck (VIN 1HTLKUXR3EHA41269), 100 LL Tank (Fuel Farm), and Jet A Tank (Fuel Farm) at the Safford Regional Airport. **MOTION ADOPTED**

16. **PIMA FIRE TRUCKS IGA:** Consider the renewal of an Intergovernmental Agreement for the Service of Fire Trucks between the Town of Pima and the City of Safford.

It was moved by Councilman Malloque, seconded by Vice Mayor Bingham, and carried unanimously to approve the renewal of an Intergovernmental Agreement for the Service of Fire Trucks between the Town of Pima and the City of Safford.

17. **MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES HELD BY COUNCIL OR CITY STAFF:**

All the Council road in the 4th of July Parade.

18. **COUNCIL OR STAFF REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS: NONE**

19. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** *Members of the Council may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the Agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.01(G), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.*

20. **ADJOURN:** It was moved by Councilman Howes, seconded by Vice Mayor Bingham, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. **MOTION ADOPTED**