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CITY OF SAFFORD - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY
MONDAY, March 11, 2013 @ 6:00 PM
Safford Library Program Room, 808 S. 7th Avenue, Safford, Arizona

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

ABSENT: Mary Bingham, Vice Mayor, and Councilman Seale were excused.

STAFF PRESENT: David Kincaid, City Manager; Sandra Findley, Executive Secretary; Christine Fisher, Personnel Director; John Griffin, Police Chief; Ann Waite, Finance Director; Randy Petty, City Engineer; Eric Buckley, Utilities Director; Leanne McElroy, Library Director; Jenny Howard, Public Works Director; Dustin Welker, Planner/Downtown Manager; Tisha Clark, Accounting Specialist; and Georgia Luster, City Clerk. Dale Clark, IT Assistant, assisted with the audio/video recording of the meeting.

OTHERS PRESENT: Don Carter, Kathy Grimes, Chad Crockett, Bill Wren, Glen Orr, Robin Dutt, Freeda Christensen, Kelly Van Shaar, Van Shaar Productions, video recorded the meeting.

- 1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Gibbs called the meeting to order at 6:01: 08 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (5-2).
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Gibbs led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- 4. OPENING PRAYER:** Councilman Lopez offered the opening prayer.
- 5. PUBLIC HEARING:** Mayor Gibbs opened the Public Hearing at 6:02:53 p.m. to hear public comments and to give consideration to Ordinance Number 13-001, a proposal to amend Title 16, Subdivisions and Ordinance Number 13-004, a proposal to amend Title 17, Zoning of the City of Safford Municipal Code, dated 1999 by making comprehensive changes.

ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING AND CONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL

MEETING: Mayor Gibbs adjourned the public hearing and convened the regular council meeting at 6:11:19 p.m.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

6. **RECOGNITION:** Recognized Danny Bodine for serving twenty-five years with the Safford Police Department.
7. **CONSENT ITEMS:** The Mayor and City Council may wish to consider approving Items 1 through 11 as Consent Agenda Items. **ADOPTED**
 1. February 11, Council Minutes, February 25 Council Work Session, and February 25, 2013 Special Council Meeting 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. Prosecution Report
 10. Airport Report for February
 11. Expense Report over \$5,000
8. **PURCHASING CARD REPORT:** Consider approving the Purchasing Card Report ending December 20, 2012. **MOTION ADOPTED**
9. **PRESENTATION:** Kathy Grimes will provide information to the Council on the Rx Pilot Project and 8th Annual Substance Abuse Awareness Conference scheduled for April 24th. Kathy Grimes, Program Coordinator for the Graham/Greenlee County Substance Abuse Coalition provided a presentation regarding prescription drugs. She pointed out prescription drugs are now known as a silent epidemic? In November 2011, the CDC noted that deaths from prescription drugs/pain relievers have reached epidemic proportions. There are more deaths caused from prescription drugs than Heroin and Cocaine, combined and the deaths have surpassed motor vehicle deaths. She reviewed a graph that indicated percentage of pills by drug type used in Arizona:
 - 524 million Class II-IV pills were prescribed in Arizona in 2011 - Over 4 million in Graham County, making it the 4th highest county in the state per population size.
 - Pain Relievers had the highest percentage of scripts, pills and average

number of pills per day. Accounting for 58.2% of all pills prescribed. Pain Relievers accounted for 73% of all pills prescribed in Graham County.

- Hydrocodone and Oxycodone accounted for 82.1% of all pain relievers prescribed in Arizona.
- Why it matters = probability and access!

She explained the Prescription Drug Abuse Reduction grant must be approved through a governmental entity-through the Safford Police Department. Those funds will help financially with printing expenses and mileage. She encouraged everyone to attend the 8th Annual Graham and Greenlee Substance Abuse Awareness Conference 2013 at Eastern Arizona College Activities Center on April 24, 2013.

- 10. RESOLUTION NUMBER 13-015: Consider approving and adopting Resolution Number 13-015, a Resolution of the City of Safford accepting a grant on behalf of the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission for Prescription Drug Abuse Reduction Initiative FY 2013 Award for the amount of \$6500, RX-13-003; and authorizing the City Manager to execute. **MOTION ADOPTED****
- 11. RECOMMENDATION AND AWARD OF BID: The City has bid the Wastewater Treatment Plant Sand Filter Shade Structure as per A.R.S. Formal Bidding Procedures. Consider awarding Bid to Bungler Steel for the amount of \$20,032.14 for a shade structure for the WWTP sand filter. It was moved by Councilman Ortega, seconded by Councilman Malloque and carried unanimously to award a bid to Bungler Steel for the amount of \$20,032.14 \$21,995.29 to construct a shade structure for the WWTP sand filter. **MOTION ADOPTED****
- 12. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION: The current terms of E.C. "Buff" Cunningham and Chad Crockett will expire on March 30, 2013 as Commissioners on the City of Safford Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Crockett and Mr. Cunningham have expressed interest in continuing their service on the Commission. Consider reappointing E.C. "Buff" Cunningham and Chad Crockett to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a 4-year term to expire March 30, 2017. **MOTION ADOPTED****
- 13. RESOLUTION NUMBER 13-016: Consider approving and adopting Resolution Number 13-016, a Resolution of the City of Safford authorizing the City Manager to submit an application to ADOT, through SEAGO, for Highway Safety Improvement Program for funding and upgrading traffic signs throughout the City of Safford. **MOTION ADOPTED****

14. **LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD BYLAWS:** The proposed Library Advisory Board Bylaws were previously reviewed by the Council in a council work session. The library advisory board and staff request the consideration and approval of the Library Advisory Board Bylaws.

MOTION ADOPTED

15. **LIBRARY POLICY:** The proposed library policy was previously reviewed by the Council in a council work session. The library advisory board and staff request the consideration and approval of the Library MNG-9 Meeting Rooms Use Policy.

MOTION ADOPTED

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

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

18. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE

19. **ADJOURN:** It was moved by Councilman Malloque, seconded by Councilman Howes, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:41:58 p.m.

MOTION ADOPTED