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**CITY OF SAFFORD**  
**COUNCIL WORK SESSION/SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY**  
**MONDAY, March 25, 2013 @ 6:00 PM**  
**Safford Library Program Room, 808 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Safford, Arizona**

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

**DEPARTMENT HEADS’ 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; Randy Petty, City Engineer; Eric Buckley, Utilities Director; Leanne McElroy, Library Director; Jenny Howard, Public Works Director; Dustin Welker, Planner/Downtown Manager; and Georgia Luster, City Clerk. Dale Clark, IT Assistant and Sam Napier, IT Specialist, assisted with the audio/video recording of the meeting.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** George Lemon, Mayor of Town of Pima; Kim Larkey; Tisha Clark; Sally Holguin; Vicki Foote; Mark Efros; Deana Stone, Gila Water Shed; Glen Orr; Erik Swanson; Clark Bingham; Steven Blackman; James Bryce; Gale Hedges; Linda Burrell; Susan Duros; Jeremy Samuels, Severn Trent; and Vicki Foote. Jon Johnson, Eastern Arizona Courier, and others who did not sign in.

1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Gibbs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He recognized Mayor George Lemon from the Town of Pima.
2. **ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (7).
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Gibbs led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
4. **OPENING PRAYER:** Rev. Ann Johnson offered the opening prayer.
5. Discussion on the renewal of the Severn Trent Agreement for Operations at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Term of current agreement: July 1, 2009 - July 1, 2013. The proposed agreement will be presented to the Council at a future council meeting for action.
6. Discussion on Budget Process/Review estimates of State Shared Revenues and City Sales Tax for 2014.
7. Review and discussion of Special Event Application: Water Hole Festival.
8. Review and discussion of Special Event Application: Main Street Family Festival.
9. Discussion regarding Hangar P-12 at the Safford Regional Airport. Staff is requesting direction regarding selling or to continue leasing Hangar P-12. If Council prefers to sell Hangar P-12, an invitation to bid would need to be published.

10. Review and discussion of Salary Survey recommendations.
11. Discussion on water and water rates.
12. **ADJOURN WORK SESSION AND ENTER SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING:** It was moved by Councilman Ortega, seconded by Councilman Howes, and carried unanimously to adjourn the work session and to enter the special council meeting at 7:48:13 p.m. **MOTION ADOPTED**
13. **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 13-001:** First Reading of Ordinance Number 13-001, adopting by reference, amending Title 16, Subdivisions, of the City of Safford Municipal Code by reference and fixing the effective date thereof. Mayor Gibbs read the Title of Ordinance Number 13-001.
14. **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 13-004:** First Reading of Ordinance Number 13-004, adopting by reference, effectuating a map amendment to the zoning map of the City of Safford, Graham County, Arizona, amending Title 17, Zoning, of the City of Safford Municipal Code. Mayor Gibbs read the Title of Ordinance Number 13-004.
15. **SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION:** (Discussion occurred in work session). A monthly sidewalk and street fair to be held on the first Saturday after the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month (beginning April 20, 2013) on Main Street between Central and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Consider approving/denying a Special Event Application submitted by Mark Efros, Applicant, to hold a Main Street Family Festival. **ADOPTED**
16. **SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION:** (Discussion occurred in work session) Event to promote water conservation, sponsored by Gila Watershed Partnership. Event will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2013 from 10AM - 4PM on City Hall Lawn. Consider approving/denying a Special Event Application submitted by Deana Stone, Applicant, to hold Water Hole Festival, and all equipment requested to be donated by the City of Safford. **MOTION ADOPTED**
17. **HANGAR P-12:** (Discussion occurred in work session). Consider directing staff to publish "Invitation to Bid" seeking bids to sell HANGAR P-12 at the Safford Regional Airport. It was moved by Councilman Lopez, seconded by Vice Mayor Bingham, and carried unanimously to TABLE any further discussion/action involving Hangar P-12 for three (3) months. **TABLED**
18. **PROCLAMATION:** Proclamation proclaiming April as Graham County Drug Prevention Month. Mayor Gibbs read a Proclamation proclaiming April as Graham County Drug Prevention Proclamation.
19. **ADJOURN:** It was moved by Councilman Malloque, seconded by Councilman Howes and carried unanimously to adjourn the work session and enter a Special Council Meeting at 7:59:51 p.m. **ADOPTED**