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

**CITY OF SAFFORD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, January 19, 2016 and Wednesday, January 20, 2016
City Annex Conference Room, 808 S. 8th Avenue, Safford, Arizona**

PRESENT: Wyn “Chris” Gibbs, Mayor; Richard Ortega, Vice Mayor; Councilmembers, Gene Seale, Kenneth Malloque, Arnold A. Lopez, and James D. Howes.

STAFF PRESENT: Georgia Luster, City Clerk.

- 1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Gibbs called the meeting to order at 4:59:11 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (6).
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** NONE
- 4. OPENING PRAYER:** NONE
- 5. CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
- 6. CITY COUNCIL VACANCY: The Mayor and City Council will conduct interviews to fill a vacant seat of the City of Safford Council pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 38-431-03(A)(1). The City Council may enter executive session to interview candidates.** Interviews will be conducted in the following order and times:

5:00 p.m.	Steve McGaughey
5:20 p.m.	Chris Taylor
5:40 p.m.	Ralph P. Wood
6:00 p.m.	Neil Karnes
6:20 p.m.	Michael Andazola
6:40 p.m.	Patrick T. O’Donnell, Jr.

The Council adjourned regular session and entered executive session to conduct interviews to fill the council vacancy at 5:03 p.m. The interview of Mr. Wood will be conducted tomorrow due to Mr. Woods needing to be out of town on Tuesday.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Ortega, seconded by Councilman Howes and carried unanimously to recess until noon, Wednesday, January 20, 2016. The Council will interview Mr. Wood. **MOTION ADOPTED**

The Council recessed at 6:31:42 p.m. until noon, January 20, 2016. The interview of Mr. Wood will be conducted in the City Hall Annex Conference Room.

Wednesday, January 20, 2016 reconvened regular session at noon: The Council entered executive session at noon to interview Mr. Ralph P. Wood. The City Council adjourned executive session at 12:46:31 p.m. and reconvened regular session to take action to vote on a candidate to fill the City Council seat.

Mayor Gibbs and the Council commented that the candidates were an incredible field of candidates and thanked them for applying. They encourage them to consider running in the upcoming election.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Ortega seconded by Councilman Malloque and carried unanimously to appoint Steve McGaughey to the Council seat vacancy. **MOTION ADOPTED**

A motion was made Councilman Malloque, seconded by Councilman Lopez and carried unanimously to adjourn at 12:49:22 p.m. **MOTION ADOPTED**

APPROVED:

Wyn "Chris" Gibbs, Mayor
City of Safford

ATTEST:

Georgia Luster, MMC, City Clerk

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss
County of Graham)

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of the Safford City Council, Graham County, Arizona held Tuesday, January 19, 2016 and Wednesday, January 20, 2016 and approved at a Regular Council Meeting on Monday, February 8, 2016. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held and that a quorum was present.

February 8, 2016

Date:

Georgia Luster, MMC, City Clerk