



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Springerville Town Council Chambers - 418 E. Main St. Springerville, AZ
85938**

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Springerville Town Council and to the general public that the Council will hold a meeting open to the public at the Springerville Town Hall, 418 East Main Street, Springerville, Arizona. The Town Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes Section 38-431.03 (A)(1)(3)(4) and (7) for legal consultation on any of the following agenda items.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Minutes:

Mayor Reidhead called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Barry Williams led the pledge of allegiance.

2. INVOCATION:

Minutes:

Terry Shove offered the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL:

Minutes:

The Town Clerk completed the Roll Call.

Present: Shelly Reidhead, Mayor; Richard Davis, Vice-Mayor; Douglas Henderson, Councilor;

Donald Scott, Councilor; Florencio Lozoya, Councilor

A quorum is present.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Minutes:

Terry Shove reported on the Lava Run Wind and Solar Farm meeting held on the 18th. The meeting was well attended and interesting. She reported the school has sold the first half of their bonds. They have a good bond rating. They will be able to access that money on the 1st of July.

The first project will be addressing any safety concerns. They plan to purchase new furniture for the elementary and high schools. They are hoping to repave the auditorium and elementary school

parking lots and improve the audio system in the auditorium. She reported that 1st grade will be moving to the primary school and 5th grade will be moving to the elementary school. Lastly, she reported on the passing of former Councilor Phelps Wilkins, services will be held on Saturday at noon.

5. COUNCIL, MANAGER AND STAFF REPORTS:

a. Mayor & Council Reports: Summary Updates on committee meetings.

Minutes:

Councilor Henderson reported on the success of the Aviation Expo. The profits go to the animal rescue; this was their best year yet. He thanked the Hills for putting on this event and public works. He also thanked public works for their help with getting a disabled plane off of the runway.

Councilor Lozoya reported that they have moved first grade and fifth grade back into the elementary and primary schools.

Mayor Reidhead reported she met with Senator Kelly's people and is asking for their help in stopping the wind farm project. She is also trying to get our parade route back to normal. She reported on attending the senior center BBQ.

b. Manager Tim Rasmussen: Summary Updates & presentation(s)

Minutes:

Manager Rasmussen explained it is Kelsi Millers 10 year employment anniversary with the Town, the Mayor presented her with an appreciation gift. Manager Rasmussen reported that the Round Valley Fire Department is already gearing up for the 4th of July fireworks and doing some fire prevention measures. We have been receiving calls from the public regarding a fire behind Flat Top Mountain. There is no fire there, it is south of Alpine. He reported on open positions and interviews for the airport will be held on Monday. He explained what the water model is and that it is 95% completed. He updated that Public Works is almost done with getting everything ready for auction. He has spoken with the residents of El Cajon Circle and Hacienda, they have been able to find a solution for the two garages. Public Works was able to help move one of the sheds on the easements. He has offered the help of the Town to everyone in that area if it is something we have the equipment to move. He further explained not only is this necessary for this project but also when CommNet runs their fiber lines. The town is trying to prevent future problems.

c. Staff Reports: Summary Updates

Minutes:

Stormy Palmer, Planning and Zoning Director reported she has received a rezone application and will be advertising a public hearing for both Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Robert Pena, Public Works Director reported that Sandy Rupp has started with the department and is gearing up for all the work that comes with the new budget season. Public Works has been very busy but running well.

Lieutenant Bevington reviewed the statistics for the Police Department for the month of May. These stats included 16 arrests, 9 being a felony and 29 civil citations. He reported

Cadet Ryan will graduate from the police academy on Friday. We will be sending 3 more cadets to the academy on July 22nd and Officer Aragon will be finishing FTO on Thursday.

6. CONSENT ITEMS:

Minutes:

ACTION: Motioned by Councilor Doug Henderson, seconded by Councilor Don Scott to approve consent items 6a, 6b, and 6c as presented.

DISCUSSION: None

Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

- a. Consider approval of the May 15, 2024 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
- b. Consider approval of the May 29, 2024 Town Council Work Session minutes.
- c. Consider ratification and approval of the accounts payable register April 10, 2024 through June 10, 2024.

7. SERVICE AWARD AND RECOGNITION OF RETIRED FIRE CHIEF SADLER:

Minutes:

PRESENTATION: Former Fire Chief Robert Pena Jr. presented this item to former Fire Chief Max Sadler of the Springerville Fire Department. The presentation included a formal retirement recognition and plaque of appreciation to Max Sadler for 38 years of service to the Springerville Fire Department. Mr. Pena shared stories of Chief Sadlers career including some of the fires, musters, awards, former employees, and many years of successes. Council and the public watched a power point presentation with pictures and memories of Mr. Sadlers career. Max thanked his family, friends, and former staff. He explained he loved what he did and thanked the Town for the recognition. Leon Hinshaw also spoke and thanked Chief Sadler for his dedication and mentorship over the years.

NEW BUSINESS

8. 578 N. MAIN STREET:

Minutes:

DISCUSSION: Manager Rasmussen reported that we put 578 North Main Street out for sealed bids with the Town of Eagar. We received one bid back which was for \$155,000. The appraisal established that the fair market value for this property is \$250,000. Eagar sent the bidders a letter letting them know they did not meet the minimum bid amount. Staff is now asking how the council would like to proceed.

DIRECTION: Council asked staff to put the building back out for bid and have a sign placed Infront of it this time.

9. AUTOMATED METER READING EQUIPMENT:

Minutes:

DISCUSSION: Public Works Director, Robert Pena reported that we received two very competitive sealed bids for the AMR meters, Aquaflow and Fortiline. We worked with the engineers to review the bids for completeness and both bids were complete. Based on our

evaluation with the engineers we are recommending that the award be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Aquaflow Solution, Inc. at the submitted lowest base bid price of \$314,068.21 funded by the WIFA Grant.

ACTION: Motioned by Councilor Doug Henderson, seconded by Councilor Florencio Lozoya to move forward with awarding this project to Aquaflow Solution, Inc. and authorizing staff to execute the construction contract.

Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

10. RESOLUTION 2024-R003: CFO DESIGNATION

Minutes:

ACTION: Motioned by Councilor Don Scott, seconded by Vice-Mayor Richard Davis to approve Resolution 2024-R003, regarding designating Heidi Wink as the Chief Fiscal Officer for fiscal Year 2025.

DISCUSSION: None

Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

11. TENTATIVE BUDGET:

Minutes:

ACTION: Motioned by Councilor Doug Henderson, seconded by Vice-Mayor Richard Davis to adopt the fiscal year 24/25 tentative budget for the Town of Springerville as presented.

DISCUSSION: None

Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

12. NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT: KROGER

Minutes:

FIRST ACTION: Motioned by Vice-Mayor Richard Davis, seconded by Councilor Don Scott to enter into executive session for item 12 at 6:58 p.m.

First Vote results: Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

Council Convened back into regular session at 7:10 p.m.

SECOND ACTION: Motioned by Councilor Doug Henderson, seconded by Vice-Mayor Richard Davis to participate and authorize staff to execute the New National Opioid Settlement with Kroger.

Second Vote results: Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

13. NOTICE OF COMPLAINT & DEMAND: ROAF

Minutes:

ACTION: Motioned by Vice-Mayor Richard Davis, seconded by Councilor Don Scott to enter into executive session at 7:11 p.m. for item 13.

Council convened out of executive session and back into regular session at 7:32 p.m.

Vote results:

Ayes: 5 / Nays: 0

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Shelly Reidhead, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelsi Miller, Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in a Regular Council Meeting on _____. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2024

_____. Kelsi Miller, Town Clerk

Members of the public who only want to provide written comments can express their comments by emailing the Town Clerk at kmiller@springervilleaz.gov to be read or summarized during the call to the public. All comments must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

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