

Springerville Town Council
Special meeting minutes
January 22, 2019
3:30 p.m.

Council present: Phil Hanson, Jr., Mayor
Robert MacKenzie, Vice Mayor
Richard Davis, Councilmember
Ruben Llamas, Councilmember
Shelly Reidhead, Councilmember

Staff present: Steve West, Town Manager
Val Cordova, Town Clerk
Chris Chiesl, Community Development Director
Tim Rasmussen, Public Works Director

Public present: None

Mayor Hanson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Councilmember Llamas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public participation: None

Old Business:

4. Resolution 2019-R002 Discussion and possible action regarding adopting Resolution 2019-R002 authorizing the submission of an application for the FY2019 State CDBG grant funds, certifying that said application meets the Communities previously identified needs and the requirements of the State CDBG program, and authorizing all actions necessary to implement and complete activities outlined in said application.

Robert MacKenzie/Shelly Reidhead motion to adopt Resolution 2019-R002 authorizing the submission of an application for the FY 2019 State CDBG grant funds and accepting the project in the order noted.

Discussion: Manager West explained there's a lot of knowledge that he presented to the previous council that he failed to provide to the present council. He explained that one of the main reasons they would like the grant to go to the fields in the back is that it's not only ADA but also putting handicap sidewalk around the perimeter. The second portion is that with the \$189,000 the town can leverage an additional \$500,000 in grants from the Arizona State Parks that will allow us to do this at a 50% match and this is an automatic match for the \$489,000. It only makes sense that we do this and complete this project. Once this project is complete we can go back and look at the senior center.

He further explained that there are certain CDBG projects that have been done at the senior center and now some of them need to be redone. When we started this cycle, we were told they have to be four to five years out before they can be replaced again. We were looking at a freezer and extending the sidewalk from Navopache to the senior center and the electrical issues. The thought was that this would get rid of the stand up freezers and give enough space for frozen goods.

He said he talked to Sharon at the time and at the time she said she would rather keep her stand ups. He said he talked with her again today and she's requesting that the park needs to be completed then continue in future years to use the CDBG to fix issues that need to be corrected. He advised the council that we try to get to fix issues as they come up and the major things that come up we try to wait for CDBG grant funds

He reiterated that using these funds to leverage the match to complete the park area is a good idea.

Mayor Hanson stated that he and the other two new members didn't have enough information since they didn't attend the meeting in December.

Manager West noted that Springerville is one of very few in the state that manage a senior center and should be a private enterprise. He stated that It is 98% grant driven and it would be better for the town to donate \$35,000 toward the center and making this a private enterprise.

Councilmember Llamas asked what future plans there are for the park.

Manager West replied this is the heaviest used small children's park in both communities. They are not being mixed with older children. We are gearing the park for small children and put wood chips around all the equipment. We'll be putting in a splash pad and pathway lighting and look at lighting the basketball court with subdued lighting to get more use out of it. We've also looked at the possibility of putting in a large ramada with a full kitchen with roll up doors for community events through this grant. He reiterated that it would be a much better choice to finish one project. With the State Parks grant it would give the town close to \$689,000 instead of \$180,000 and will be giving something back to the public.

Chris noted that early on when she first stated here, parks and recreation grants were few and far between. This grant provides ADA accessibility for the kids as well so we'll be meeting both criteria.

Councilmember Llamas said the one thing he likes is that there will be a place for the little kids.

Mayor Hanson called for a show of hands from the council regarding the order of the projects, the completion of the park or the senior noting that the park had four of the five council votes.

Vice Mayor MacKenzie/Shelly Reidhead motion to amended his vote to include the order of the park project first.

Vote:	Ayes:	Phil Hanson Robert MacKenzie Ruben Llamas Shelly Reidhead
	Nays:	Richard Davis

5. Adjournment:

Richard Davis/Shelly Reidhead motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Vote:

Ayes:

Phil Hanson
Robert MacKenzie
Richard Davis
Ruben Llamas
Shelly Reidhead

Phil Hanson, Jr, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in special meeting held on January 22, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of February, 2019

Town Clerk