

Springerville Town Council
Town Council Work Session and Regular Meeting
November 20, 2019
4:45 p.m.

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

Staff: Joseph Jarvis, Town Manager
 Valentina Cordova-Whitworth, Town Clerk
 Kelsi Miller, Finance Clerk

Public Doug Henderson

Mayor Hanson called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m. with a quorum present. He noted that vice Mayor MacKenzie would be a few minutes late.

Manager Jarvis handed out a list of town properties and asked them to review the list for discussion. He explained each of the properties in relation to the town, further explaining they might want to combine some. He also noted that they are still doing research on whether the town owns the easements on which our wells are located but also said that they don't have parcels associated with them.

He noted that we need to look at what type of insurance we need for each vacant piece of property. He explained that we had two parcels of land at the corner of Mohave and Papago. One of those parcels was sold to Navopache but the Assessor's office still has it listed under the town. The other portion with the solar panels belongs to the Town but there is an expired between the Town and Navopache Electric Coop that was signed in 1962. He would like to have another discussion regarding what to do with the Property on North Papago St. There are several properties that need discussion including what to do with the garden shed and a tower leased on. We have property leased to Verizon with a sublease to Gov.net. He said he was proposing that the town actively engage in selling some town properties such as the NPC Building. He also recommended the possibility of moving the Historical Park to town hall property and possibly reverting that land back to the cemetery. He said he would like to advertise for an RFQ to liquidate property.

Councilmember Reidhead asked if the town donates acreage and said she has a person interested in building in an indoor equestrian ring. She was told there are grants for those types of parks.

Manager Jarvis continues noting that there are several properties/issues the town needs assistance with. He said he would provide a visual map and plan to make decisions at another work session.

Richard Davis/ Robert MacKenzie motion to adjourn at 5:40 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Phil Hanson Robert MacKenzie Richard Davis Ruben Llamas Shelly Reidhead
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Mayor Hanson called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the all the council present.

Staff present: Manager Joseph Jarvis
 Town Clerk, Valentina Cordova-Whitworth
 Kelsi Miller, Finance Clerk
 Susan Seils, Heritage Center Director
 James Kemp, Police Sergeant
 Quintin McCue, Police Officer

Public: Doug Henderson, Arlando Teller, Rep. LD&, Reyna Kemp, Kevin Burk,
 Terry Shove, Chris Miller, Danika Buseman and Amber Shepard
 w/WMI.

Mayor Hanson called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. State Representative LD #7, Arlando Teller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

State Representative LD #7 Arlando Teller introduced himself to the council and public. He then explained that his effort here tonight is to show that he represents us and works for us as a town and community and we are ultimately his boss. He asked that we please reach out to him if there is anything we need and he will do his best to listen and to be there. He asked for information and language for appropriations regarding our senior citizens and our airport. He said he would be introducing language for the legislature to stop sweeping Hurf funds. He's working on the opioid crisis in small communities and pushing for the lawsuit against the pharmaceutical's, and working on discussion regarding short term rentals such B&B's and BRBOs. He also said he'd like to be our advocate on the State Transportation Board on how to get ADOT to resurface, overlay, restripe some of the problem area in the community. He recommended a work session with ADOT and NACOG include having for average daily counts available. He's also drafting language on a taxing mechanism on vaping which could help pay for senior citizen programs. He's working with gun issues and also with an Interstate Student Exchange. A Certificate of Education Convenience would allow qualifiers for funding exchange without IGA's. He reiterated that he would advocate on Springerville's behalf.

3. Public participation: Terry Shove on behalf of the Boys & Girls Club and the RV School District gave quick updates. She said they Boys & Girls Club is looking for coaches for basketball season. They'll be using referees from the school district and they will have a clinic for referees.

4. Public Hearings: Discussion and possible action regarding going into a public hearing to take comments from the council and the public on the two items listed below.

Robert MacKenzie/Shelly Reidhead motion to go into a public hearing to take comments on the two items listed.

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

- a. Liquor License application from Jacob Elias Roer dba XA Saloon

Mayor Hanson called for any comments from the public or the council regarding the XA Saloon liquor license application. There were no comments from the public or the council. He closed the hearing on the XA.

- b. Apache County Brownfield Coalition grant: Vice Mayor MacKenzie asked Manager Jarvis to explain what the Brownfield Coalition grant was about.

Manager Jarvis explained he was contacted by a representative from Stan-Tech. This company has a contract with Apache County to pursue these types of grant. Apache County needs to have a coalition to be able to submit this type of grant and reached out to the cities and towns in Apache County as well as Pinetop-Lakeside. The definition of Brownfield has been modified to include property that is underutilized. Property that has been cleaned up and needs to be revitalized for development purposes. He put together a lengthy application that includes five different properties for Stan-Tech to consider. The idea is to take three or four properties from Apache County to make the best application possible to submit to the federal government. This grant is for three years and the money will be available in October 2020.

Kevin Burk asked how much money can they get from this grant.

Manager Jarvis said there is a lot of money available but through this grant they are trying to get \$600,000 to be split between the coalition members. He explained that the idea behind having a coalition is that it will benefit multiple communities. He said he wasn't sure which properties Stan-Tech would advocate for but they've had success. He reported that he gave Stan-Tech all the information he could regarding the best properties possible. He will know by January which properties they have submitted in the grant.

There were no other comments.

Robert MacKenzie/Shelly Reidhead motion to close the public hearings and return to the regular meeting.

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

5. Manager, Council and Staff Reports:

Sergeant J C Kemp addressed the council and announced that he would like to read a letter of commendation submitted on behalf of one of his officers who helped save a citizen's life with his persistence. He announced that he would like to present Officer Quintin McCue with a Commendation Award on behalf of the Springerville Police Department.

Officer McCue thanked Sergeant Kemp for the award.

Heritage Center Director Susan Seils reported the parent's night out being sponsored again this year on December at the Heritage Center. They are also having a Christmas Tree decorating contest in the Heritage Center again this year.

Councilmember Llamas asked that we send a letter to Napa commending them for the new paint on their business. He also noted it's been seven months since the manager started and he would like to do a performance should be conducted and asked Manager Jarvis if he would be interested in having a review. He also advised Manager Jarvis he would like to speak with each of the department supervisors regarding their comments.

Councilmember Reidhead said she would like to have an update on the Strategic Plan and where we're at with the plan.

Manager Jarvis said he welcomed a review to make sure he is on the right track with what the council wants done. He said he would like to schedule this for an e-session in December or January. He

said he would put together a list of things for them to review and consider. He would have the Strategic Plan review during a regular meeting.

Mayor Hanson reported on the volunteer luncheon held at the senior center. The meal was cooked, served and donated by the XA Saloon. They provided a great meal and it was well attended and appreciated.

Manager Jarvis reported that the American Legion would be hosting its annual Christmas dinner on Christmas Day at the post. They are looking for donations of unwrapped toys and fixings for Thanksgiving dinner and would issue tax receipts.

It was noted by the Mayor that Thanksgiving dinner is also provided by the VFW and meals are sent out to shut-ins by both the Legion and the VFW.

He also reported that the St. Johns Center for Entrepreneurship is offering classes NPC if you would like to start your own business. The next class is January 15th. Apache County Public Health District is having an open hearing this evening regarding vaping and the lung damage it causes. He asked that they provide written information. He also advised the council that a form has been created by Kelsi Miller that will be available to the public or other entities that need assistance from the town for assistance with events such as lights, tables or street assistance with barricades. This will allow staff to have a clear understanding of expectations being asked of them.

The last item he reported on was that there is a PBS video created by David Fenster from Arizona Public Media that highlighted information on Springerville about Aldo Leopold video.

6. Consent items:

- a. Consider approval of the October 16, 2019 town council meeting.
- b. Consider ratification and approval of the accounts payable register from Oct. 12 – Oct. 26, 2019.

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to approve consent items 6a and 6b as presented.

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

7. Ordinance 2019-002: Second reading and possible adoption of Ordinance 2019-002 repealing Ordinance No 120 that granted Citizens Utilities a non-exclusive gas franchise for natural gas lines.

Robert MacKenzie/Shelly Reidhead motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-002, repealing Ordinance No. 120 granting Citizens Utilities Company a non-exclusive gas franchise for the distribution of natural gas in its entirety.

There was no discussion:

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

8. Liquor License Approval: Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the liquor license application, Series 006 Bar for Jacob Elias Roer, Roer Enterprises, LLC, dba XZ Saloon.

Shelly Reidhead/Richard Davis motion to approve the Liquor license application No. 06010026 submitted by Jacob E. Roer, Roer Enterprises, dba XA Saloon.

Councilmember Llamas asked if there would be an issue with parking and was told there was parking in the back and side of the XA Saloon.

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

Mayor Hanson announced they would be moving and discussing item 14 next on the agenda.

14. Tourism Tax Committee Recommendation: Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation from the Tourism Tax Committee to fund the request from the Heritage Center Director Susan Seils for an ad in the "Hike Book" a Phoenix magazine publication in the amount of \$500.

Richard Davis/Ruben Llamas motion to approve the request for the Heritage Center in the amount of \$500 for the ad in "The Hiker Book"

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

9. Apache County Crooked Nail Trail Committee Appointment: Discussion and possible action regarding appointing Town Manager Joseph Jarvis to represent the Town of the Apache County "Crooked Nail Trail" countywide steering committee.

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to appoint Town Manager Joseph Jarvis to represent the Town of Springerville on the Apache County Crook Nail Trail Committee.

Discussion: Manager Jarvis explained that this committee requires a staff member serve on this board.

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

10. Apache County Magistrate Intergovernmental Agreement: Discussion and possible action regarding entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Round Valley Magistrate for clerical services.

Richard Davis/Ruben Llamas motion to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Apache County for a full-time Town of Springerville Magistrate Clerk.

Discussion: Manager Jarvis clarified that this IGA for a magistrate clerk is already in existence listing both Springerville and Eagar. This updates the IGA with Springerville only since Eagar does not utilize their services. Nothing about the contract will change.

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

11. December Town Council Meeting: Discussion and possible action regarding the December 18, 2019.

Shelly Reidhead/Richard Davis motion to give direction to cancel the December 18, 2019 council meeting.

Discussion: Councilmember Llamas objected saying that these meeting aren't that long and doesn't see why they don't move the meeting to the 11th. He felt that if anything important comes up they can have a change to discuss it.

Other council members agreed that if something comes up, they could have a meeting on the 11th.

Vote: Ayes: Phil Hanson
Robert MacKenzie
Richard Davis
Shelly Reidhead

Nay: Ruben Llamas

12. Town Clerk Appointment: Discussion and possible action regarding appointing Kelsi Miller as the new Town Clerk for the Town of Springerville effective January 2, 2020.

Ruben Llamas/Shelly Reidhead motion to appoint Kelsi Miller as the new Town Clerk for the Town of Springerville, effective January 2, 2020 with a hire date of December 2, 2019 as the Deputy Clerk.

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

13. Executive Session:

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to adjourn into executive at 7:07 p.m.

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

Robert MacKenzie/Shelly Reidhead motion to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:32 p.m.

There was no action as a result of executive session.

Vote: Ayes: Phil Hanson
Robert MacKenzie
Richard Davis
Ruben Llamas

Shelly Reidhead

Richard Davis/Shelly Reidhead motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 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 copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in a regular session on Wednesday, November 20, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 2019

Town Clerk