

**WINKELMAN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
206 GIFFIN AVENUE**

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order
Mayor Bracamonte called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Present: Mayor Louis Bracamonte
Vice-Mayor Anita Hinojos
Council Member Adrian Bravo
Council Member Bernardine Pinkard

Staff: Town Attorney J. Dee Flake
Interim Town Clerk Gloria Ruiz
Animal Control Officer Rafael Flores
Fire Chief Dennis Weber
Hayden Police Officer Brian Gomez

Absent: Council Member Angela Skillings

Audience: Hayden Mayor Dean Hetrick
Richard Powers
Fred Ruiz
Emilia Rutledge
Angela Gotto, CAG
4. Approval of Minutes
4.1 Regular Council Meeting, Monday, June 12, 2023
Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to approve the minutes as recorded.
Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
Mayor Bracamonte: Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos: Yes
Council Member Bravo: Yes
Council Member Pinkard: Yes

4.2 Special Council Meeting, Friday, June 16, 2023
Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to approve the minutes as recorded.
Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
Mayor Bracamonte: Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos: Yes
Council Member Bravo: Yes
Council Member Pinkard: Yes
5. Public Hearing Regarding Use of Community Block Development Grant (CDBG) Funds for 2023 Project, Presented by Andrea Robles of Central Arizona
Ms. Angela Gotto appeared before the Town Council on behalf of CAG and Ms. Andrea Robles. She explained that this was the final Public Hearing that was advertised in the Copper Basin News to give the General Public an opportunity to decide how to spend approximately \$225,000.00 in Community Block Development Grant (CDBG) Funds. The choices were renovating the Green Building into a community center, paving streets and adding speed bumps, sidewalks, streetlights, forestry restroom and playground equipment. After some discussion, the Town Council chose paving streets and adding speed bumps.

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Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to spend CDBG Funds of approximately \$225,000.00 on paving Randall Avenue and adding speed bumps on 3rd Street. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

Staff will see how much money is available in Highway Users Revenue Funds (HURF). Some of this money can be used for street paving.

6. Old Business

6.1 Discussion and Possible Approval for a date and a budget for the Annual Christmas Event, as requested by Emilia Rutledge

Ms. Rutledge would like to have the Annual Christmas Event on Saturday, December 16th. If there are vendors, they should be limited to five (5). Council Member Pinkard would like to have a light parade. Staff will speak to ADOT regarding this. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to have the Annual Christmas Event on Saturday, December 16, 2023. Council Member Bravo seconded it, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7. Legal

7.1 Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Arizona and the Town of Winkelman for Golf Course Road and Quarelli Street Road Improvements Grant for \$1,560,900.00

The State of Arizona is allocating \$1,560,900.00 for this Street Improvement Project. Winkelman is the lead agency for this project. Attorney Flake reviewed the contract and said it was fine. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to accept the \$1,560,900.00 from the State of Arizona for the Golf Course Road and Quarelli Street Project. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7.2 Consulting Service Agreement with Rick Powers for Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (RTCA) Regional Project List, Phase 2

Phase 2 of the Golf Course Rd., Quarelli St. Project will be from the entrance to the golf course, west, to the train tracks at Highway 177. Mr. Powers will charge \$1,020.00. Attorney Flake advised that the contract with Mr. Powers was acceptable. Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to hire Mr. Powers to complete the application for Rural Transportation Advocacy Council Regional Project. Council Member Bravo seconded it, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7.3 Scope of Work On-Call Engineer Consulting Agreement between Rick Powers and the Town of Winkelman

Mr. Powers is willing to assist the Town of Winkelman with engineering services as needed. Attorney Flake reviewed the contract and said it was acceptable. Council Member Pinkard made

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the motion to accept the consulting agreement with Mr. Powers as an on-call engineer. Vice-Mayor Hinojos seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

8. Departmental Reports

8.1 *Administration Report*

Clerk Ruiz reminded the Council Members that she will be attending the Elections Training in Fountain Hills from July 25-27, 2023.

8.2 *Police Department Report*

Hayden Police Officer Gomez gave Council Members the June 2023 Report.

8.3 *Fire Department Report*

8.3a *Mud Volleyball Tournament* – The tournament fundraiser for purchasing championship rings for the baseball team was a success. They raised approximately \$7,000.00. There will be another mud volleyball tournament fundraiser for the football team on Saturday, July 29, 2023. The Council had previously given permission to host this.

8.3b *Discussion and Possible Approval to pay hotel and per diem to send Firefighters to Fire School* – Chief Weber obtained six (6) scholarships to cover the cost of registration for classes for Fire School in Mesa, AZ. The Town will be reimbursed after the firefighters complete the classes. Chief Weber said they will rent an Airbnb to offset costs. Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to pay hotel and per diem and registration for Fire School. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

8.3c *Discussion regarding selling the small fire truck* – Chief Weber asked if the Department can sell the small fire truck in order to purchase a 2,000 gallon water truck, with a single axle and regular brakes. This would help with wildland fires. The small fire truck has 7,000 miles and could possibly sell for \$65,000 - \$70,000. Council Member Bravo made the motion to table this agenda item until the August 2023 meeting. Vice-Mayor Hinojos seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

8.4d *Wildland Fire Monies: Discussion and Possible Approval to buy a mini split AC for the Fire Station, ranging from \$800-\$1,500* – Chief Weber said Winkelman Fire Department responded to two wildland fires and received payment from the State of \$5,610.00 for use of our fire trucks. He asked if some of this money could be used to purchase a mini split AC to help the firefighters cool off after fires and trainings. They will ask Cecil Ramsey, electrician, to install it. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to purchase a mini split AC for the Fire Station and for Cecil Ramsey to connect it. Vice-Mayor Hinojos seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

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8.4 Municipal Report

Council Members reviewed the written report. There were no citations for the month of June 2023, and \$96.55 was collected by the Court.

8.5 Animal Control Report

Animal Control Officer Flores reported that he took five (5) animals to Globe. It is up to the Town if they want to be reimbursed by the owner. There have been no snake nor skunk calls.

8.6 Parks & Recreation – There are no issues at the Park. Things are running well.

8.7 Sanitation Division Report – Confidential Report

8.7a Update on small claims action – Clerk Ruiz informed the Council that two residents paid their balances. Four residents made monthly agreements. Two residents did not respond to letters requesting payment. Council Members reviewed the Confidential Report.

8.8 Streets Division – Regarding Streets, discussion occurred during the selection for a Community Development Block Grant Project.

8.9 Wastewater Treatment Plant – Mayor Bracamonte informed the Council that the Plant is running well. Clerk Ruiz reported that Supervisor Monterde indicated that the new contractor, Wendy Gort, is doing a great job.

9. Call to the Public

Mayor Hetrick asked if Ms. Emilia Rutledge can make a presentation to the Hayden Town Council regarding helping with the Halloween and Christmas events. Ms. Rutledge said she would.

10. Claim No. 001, July 2023 Invoices

Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to pay Claim No. 001, July 2023 Invoices. Council Member Pinkard seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.


Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

11. Adjournment

With no other business at hand, Vice-Mayor Hinojos made the motion to adjourn this meeting at 6:48 p.m. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

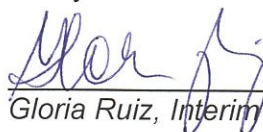
Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Vice-Mayor Hinojos:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

MINUTES RECORDED BY:


Gloria Ruiz, Interim Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Winkelman, Arizona, held on Thursday, July 6, 2023. I further certify that this meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.


Gloria Ruiz, Interim Town Clerk

July 12, 2023
Date