

**WINKELMAN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024, 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
Council Member Angela Skillings
Council Member Adrian Bravo
Council Member Bernardine Pinkard

Absent: Vice-Mayor Anita Hinojos

Staff: Nicholas Cook, Town Attorney
Gloria Ruiz, Interim Town Clerk
Kevin Heaslip, Hayden Police Sergeant
4. Approval of Minutes
4.1 *Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, November 12, 2024*
Council Member Pinkard made the motion to approve the minutes as recorded.
Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
Mayor Bracamonte: Yes
Council Member Skillings: Yes
Council Member Bravo: Yes
Council Member Pinkard: Yes
5. Communications and Petitions
5.1 *Discussion and Possible Approval of allowing Thomas Rodrigues to use the Winkelman Flats Public Park for a Desert Musical Fest on March 28-30, 2025 for a set fee, as determined by the Council*
Mayor Bracamonte said this is the second time this has been on the agenda, and Mr. Rodrigues has not appeared. Mayor Bracamonte said this agenda item should be tabled until Mr. Rodrigues says he will appear before the Council because they have questions. Council Member Bravo made the motion to table this agenda item until Mr. Rodrigues appears in person. Council Member Pinkard seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.
Mayor Bracamonte: Yes
Council Member Skillings: Yes
Council Member Bravo: Yes
Council Member Pinkard: Yes

5.2 *Old Business: Discussion and Possible Approval of allowing Angel and Angela Ordaz to have a sewer line on property at 116 W. Highway 177, at the corner of Highways 177 and 77 for only one mobile home, not a trailer park*
The Council said they only want Mr. and Mrs. Ordaz to have one (1) mobile home on the two lots. Mr. Ordaz also needs to put skirting around the current mobile home and make it presentable or remove it. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to only have one (1) trailer on the two lots on Highways 177 and 77 and to have it presentable with skirting around the mobile home. Council Member Bravo seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.
Mayor Bracamonte: Yes
Council Member Skillings: Yes
Council Member Bravo: Yes
Council Member Pinkard: Yes

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- 5.3 *Old Business: Discussion and Possible Approval of allowing Dominic Sosa to build a guest house at 425 4th Street (12' wall, 10' ceilings, wood beams straight across instead of trusses) Highways 177 and 77 for only one mobile home, not a trailer park*
Council Members had questions. Council Members decided to have this item tabled until Mr. Sosa can appear in person to answer their questions. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to table this agenda item until Mr. Sosa can appear in person. Council Member Bravo seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

6. Legal

- 6.1 *Discussion and Possible Approval of selling and/or advertising to sell Town Property, adjacent to the Nugget Bar, Parcel No. 101 12 076*

There had been confusion of the location of the property, and it is west of the Nugget Bar. Town Attorney Cook said the Council can advertise for sealed bids with no minimum. Council Member Bravo made the motion to advertise the sale of Town Property, Parcel No. 101 12 076. Council Member Pinkard seconded it, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7. Departmental Reports

7.1 **Administration Report**

- 7.1a *Discussion and Possible Approval of authorizing a monetary Christmas Gift for each Staff Member*

Council Member Skillings made the motion to authorize a monetary Christmas Gift to each Staff Member in the amount of \$100.00. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

- 7.1b *Discussion and Possible Approval of compensating Walter Romero for five (5) days of unused vacation time*

Due to limited Staff, it is not always possible to take vacation. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to compensate Walter Romero for five (5) days of unused vacation time. Council Member Bravo seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

- 7.1c *Discussion and Possible Approval of authorizing a check signer on Town accounts*

After much discussion, Council Member Pinkard made the motion to authorize Council Member Skillings to be a check signer on town accounts. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

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7.1d Discussion and Possible Approval of appointing a Council Member to the Central Arizona of Governments (CAG) Regional Council, representing Winkelman

After much discussion, Council Member Bravo made the motion to authorize Council Member Skillings to be an alternate for Central Arizona of Governments (CAG) Regional Council Meetings. Council Member Pinkard seconded it, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7.2 Police Department Report

Updates:

- Hayden Police Sergeant gave the November 2024 report to the Council Members.
- There was a shoplifting incident at Speedway. The company only has one employee working at night, which makes it harder to prevent theft.
- The new liquor cabinet at Speedway is not locked.
- There were domestic violence arrests in Winkelman.

7.3 Fire Department Report

7.3a Discussion and Possible Approval of paying \$225.00 for lunch for a training session for fifty (50) people on December 14, 2024

The Winkelman Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting participants from Kearny, Mammoth, Globe, Superior, Prescott, Tempe and other locations for a training on emergency response on December 14, 2024. They will be feeding the participants burritos. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to pay \$225.00 for lunch for the participants in the training session. Council Member Bravo seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7.3b Discussion and Possible Approval for a credit card in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the fire department

Some of the firefighters are continuously attending trainings in Wildland Fire. It is difficult for them to register for trainings without a credit card. At the last Town Council Meeting, Chief Weber requested a credit card to be used for trainings, travel and hotel reservations. Staff will be working on policies and procedures on who can use the credit card. Council Member Pinkard made the motion to approve a \$5,000.00 credit card for the fire department. Council Member Skillings seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

7.4 Municipal Report

Clerk Ruiz said she could not access the report from the court computer.

7.5 Animal Control Report

Animal Control Officer Flores was not present, and no report was made.

7.6 Parks & Recreation

Updates:

- Staff continues to receive compliments on how nice the Winkelman Flats Public Park looks.
- The Christmas Community Event on December 7, 2024 was a hit!
- Fencing is being put in by the new bridge.

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7.7 Sanitation Division Report

Clerk Ruiz reported that Staff continues to collect delinquent sewer and garbage fees by sending residents to small claims court.

7.8 Streets Division Report

Update on the Quarelli Street/Golf Course Road Project: Bids will be in January, with possible construction scheduled for April 2025. Staff did not have an update for the Randall Avenue Project through Central Arizona of Governments (CAG).

7.9 Wastewater Treatment Plant

Staff Members are working with the engineers to become compliant with Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ).

8. Call to the Public

- There is a resident at the corner of Highway 177 and Thorne Avenue who needs to clean her yard. She has been sent letters but has not complied. Sergeant Heaslip said he will speak to her.

9. Claim No. 006, December 2024 Invoices

Council Member Pinkard made the motion to pay Claim No. 006, December 2024 Invoices. Council Member Skillings seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	Yes
Council Member Bravo:	Yes
Council Member Pinkard:	Yes

10. Adjournment

With no other business at hand, Council Member Pinkard made the motion to adjourn this meeting at 6:56 p.m. Council Member Bravo seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Bracamonte:	Yes
Council Member Skillings:	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 Monday, December 9, 2024. I further certify that this meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.


Gloria Ruiz, Interim Town Clerk

December 13, 2024

Date