

MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BISBEE, COUNTY OF COCHISE, AND STATE OF ARIZONA, HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 AT 7:00 PM AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT, 915 S. TOVREAVILLE ROAD, BISBEE, ARIZONA.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR BUDGE AT 7:05PM.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL

Councilmember Louis Pawlik, Ward III

Councilmember Joni Giacomino, Ward II Excused

Councilmember Frank Davis, Ward I

Mayor Ken Budge

Councilmember Leslie Johns, Ward I

Councilmember Mel Sowid, Ward II

Councilmember Anna Cline, Ward III, Mayor Pro Tempore

STAFF

Stephen J. Pauken, City Manager

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

Keri Bagley, Finance Director

Jesus Haro, Public Works Director

Albert Echave, Police Chief

Jim Richardson, Acting Fire Chief

CITY ATTORNEY

Joseph Estes

INVOCATION: Mayor Budge asked for a moment of silence to think of those effected by the pandemic.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Budge announced that Items 2E and 6 were pulled from the agenda.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED, CONSIDERED AND/OR DECIDED UPON AT THIS MEETING:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Subject to availability of funds

MOTION: Councilmember Cline moved to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$241,100.77 subject to availability of funds.

SECOND: Councilmember Davis

Councilmember Cline asked about water bills in the Public Works Department. She requested information on why they were so high.

Mr. Haro responded that the bill was an accumulation of multiple bills but there would also be a future credit.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Pawlik, Davis, Johns, Sowid, Cline, and Mayor Budge.

NAYS: 0

MOTION PASSED: AYES -6 NAYS -0

2. Approval of the Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session of the Mayor and Council held on August 17, 2021.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Session of the Mayor and Council held on September 7, 2021.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- C. Approval of the Minutes of the Work Session of the Mayor and Council held on August 24, 2021.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- D. Approval of the Appointment of Mary Gomez to the Civil Service Commission.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- E. Approval of the Park, Facility and Right of Way Use Permit for the Use of Howell Avenue in front of the Copper Queen Hotel for a Halloween Block Party Friday, October 22, 2021 from 8:00pm to 12:00am.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

- F. Approval of the Special Event Liquor License Application submitted by St. Patrick’s Church for an event to be held at St. Patrick’s Church Hall located at 100 Quality Hill, Bisbee, AZ on Saturday, October 9, 2021 from 11:00am to 8:00pm; Maria Pitzlin, Applicant.

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

Item 2E was pulled from the agenda.

MOTION: Councilmember Davis moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A-D and F.

SECOND: Councilmember Cline

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Pawlik, Davis, Johns, Sowid, Cline, and Mayor Budge.

NAYS: 0

MOTION PASSED: AYES -6 NAYS -0

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- 3. Discussion and Possible Approval for the Bisbee Arts Commission to Sponsor Central School Project Plein Air Festival 2021 in the amount of \$900.00.

Leslie Johns, Council Liaison Bisbee Arts Commission

Councilmember Johns explained that this was requested to cover the costs of the upcoming Plein Air Festival. She informed the public that more information could be found on the Central School website.

MOTION: Mayor Budge moved to approve the sponsorship by the Bisbee Arts Commission to Central School Project Plein Air Festival 2021 in the amount of \$900.00.

SECOND: Councilmember Johns

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Pawlik, Davis, Johns, Sowid, Cline, and Mayor Budge.

NAYS: 0

MOTION PASSED: AYES -6 NAYS -0

- 4. Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution R-21-09; authorizing the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety Grant for a 2021 Highway Safety Plan Grant in the amount of \$4,586.66 for the purpose to enhance Traffic Records Enforcement and appointing Albert B. Echave, Chief of Police, as the agent for the City of Bisbee.

Albert Echave, Police Chief

Chief Echave explained that this grant would allow the purchase of equipment necessary to issue electronic citations, developing traffic crash report and forms. This would cut down on time for the officer on a traffic stop.

MOTION: Councilmember Cline moved to approve Resolution R-21-09; allowing the Bisbee Police Department to accept the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety Grants in the amount of \$4,586.66 for the purpose to enhance Traffic Records for Enforcement and appointing Albert Echave, Chief of Police as the agent for the City of Bisbee.

SECOND: Councilmember Sowid

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Pawlik, Davis, Johns, Sowid, Cline, and Mayor Budge.

NAYS: 0

MOTION PASSED: AYES -6 NAYS -0

- 5. Discussion and Possible Approval to allow the Bisbee Police Department to purchase 15 VHF P25 F7000 portable keypad radios from Leavitt Communications for Public Safety Department, to include charges, antennas, 3 year extended warranty using Police Special Fund Account in the amount of \$18,193.31 (State Contract Pricing).

Albert Echave, Police Chief

Chief Echave explained that this would cover the remaining radios in public safety (Police and Fire) that needed to be replaced and upgraded. This would also allow the departments to have a cache of radios when additional ones are necessary during large events.

MOTION: Councilmember Cline moved to allow the Bisbee Police Department to purchase 15 VHF P25 F7000 portable keypad radios from Leavitt Communications for Public Safety Department, to include charges, antennas, 3 year extended warranty using Police Special Fund Account in the amount of \$18,193.31.

SECOND: Councilmember Pawlik

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Councilmember Pawlik, Davis, Johns, Sowid, Cline, and Mayor Budge.

NAYS: 0

MOTION PASSED: AYES -6 NAYS -0

6. Discussion and Possible Approval to lease three pick-up trucks with GM Financial for the Public Works Department.

Jesus Haro, Public Works Director

This item was pulled from the agenda.

7. City Manager's Report:

- Other Current events (No Discussion)

COUNCIL COMMENTS OR FUTURE AGENDA ITEM SUGGESTIONS: (Council members may suggest topics for future meeting agendas, but Council will not here discuss, deliberate or take any action on these topics.):

MOTION: Councilmember Davis moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: Councilmember Cline

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT: 7:36 PM

Ken Budge, Mayor