

**Minutes
Town of Clifton
Regular Town Council Meeting
February 11, 2016
7:00 P.M.**

Members Present

Felix Callicotte, Mayor
Luis Montoya, Vice Mayor*
Barbara Ahmann, Councilmember
Ray Lorenzo, Councilmember
Roy Tyler, Councilmember
B. Waddell Reyes, Councilmember
Ray West, Councilmember

*Absent

A quorum was present.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Felix Callicotte followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to the Public: Daniel Cervantez expressed concern on an exposed/protruding railroad track located in front of the local Arizona Department of Economic Security office.

Walter Mares mentioned that the Mares Bluff Veteran's committee is actively working towards designating "Mares Bluff" as an official landmark.

Council Reports: Council member B. Waddell Reyes reported that the town should soon be receiving the final report as funded by a 2014 SHPO Grant on the Revitalization of Chase Creek.

Mayor Callicotte provided an update from an earlier meeting with representatives of the Federal Railroad Administration regarding the implementation of a quiet zone.

Consent Agenda: Council member Ray West made a motion to accept the consent agenda with corrections to the December 8, 2015 Work Session Minutes (*mark Council member West as absent*) and the January 14, 2016 Regular Session Minutes (*second to the motion was made by Council member Ray Lorenzo*).

1. Approval of the December 8, 2015 Joint Work Session Minutes; January 11, 2016 Work Session Minutes; January 14, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes;
2. Receive Department Reports;
3. Approval of January 2016 Demands.

Second to the motion was made by Council member Ray Lorenzo. Motion carried.

Old Business

Discussion and/or action to authorize the Mayor to execute a lease agreement between the Town of Clifton and the Chamber of Commerce for shared office space at the current Visitor's Center: Town Manager, Ian McGaughey reported that the Chamber of Commerce had withdrawn the request to share office space as proposed.

New Business

Discussion and/or action to authorize the Mayor to execute a lease agreement between the Town of Clifton and the Community Garden: Council member Ray West made a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute a lease agreement between the Town of Clifton and the Community Garden establishing the annual leasing terms at \$1.00. Second to the motion was made by Council member Roy Tyler. Motion carried.

Discussion and/or action to authorize the Mayor to execute the Cable Television License Agreement between the Town of Clifton and Valley Connections, LLC.: Town Manager, Ian McGaughey reported that this agreement has been reviewed to the satisfaction of each of the legal counsels' and recommends moving forward.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the Cable Television License Agreement between the Town of Clifton and Valley Connections, LLC was made by Council member Roy Tyler. Second to the motion was made by Council member Barbara Ahmann. Motion carried.

Discussion and/or action to renew the Town Prosecutor's Contract between the Town of Clifton and Matt N. Clifford, Attorney at Law.: Town Manager, Ian McGaughey explained that the current contract has expired and should be renewed by the Council. He reported that there are no changes to the terms of the agreement.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to approve the renewal of the Town Prosecutor's Contract between the Town of Clifton and Matt N. Clifford was made by Council member Barbara Ahmann. Second to the motion was made by Council member B. Waddell Reyes. Motion carried.

Discussion and/or action to authorize the assignment of Contract for Legal Services to Gust Rosenfeld, P.L.C.: The Town Manager reported that the town's current legal counsel, Curtis, Goodwin, Sullivan, Udall & Schwab, PLC have merged with Gust Rosenfeld, PLC. Changes within the organization will result in Trish Stuhan now assigned as the town's attorney and the assignment of the Contract does not affect the schedule of fees at this time.

Motion to authorize the assignment of Contract for Legal Services to Gust Rosenfeld, P.L.C. was made by Council member Ray West. Second to the motion was made by Council member Ray Lorenzo. Motion carried.

Discussion and/or action to authorize the Mayor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Clifton and the State of Arizona for the Zorilla Street Bridge Project: Town Manager, Ian McGaughey reported that this project includes rehabilitation of the Zorilla Street Bridge with estimated committed town funds totaling \$52,103.00. Mr. McGaughey noted that any excess costs would be the town's responsibility. The project is estimated to begin in FY 2017.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Clifton and the State of Arizona for the Zorilla Street Bridge Project, further identified as IGA/JPA 15-0005668-I was made by Council member Roy Tyler, second to the motion was made by Council member Ray West. Motion carried.

Town Manager's Report: Mr. McGaughey, provided updates and status reports on some of the projects he has been working this past month:

- ✓ Provided an update on recent communications between the town and Mr. Lynn Ray on the status of the pending demolition of the Clifton House as well as the installation of a fence.
- ✓ Reported on a site meeting at Go-Go Gas involving representatives from Arizona Department of Transportation and the town to evaluate the preliminary plans as submitted by Lex Harrington to install diesel pumps for semi-trucks, etc. ADOT will require a traffic impact analysis from Mr. Harrington.
- ✓ Reminded the Council of a Town Council Special Session scheduled for February 25, 2016 at 2:00 to consider resolutions required by the Arizona Department of Housing-CDBG State Special Projects Grant Application.
- ✓ Informed the council that the town's new website will be accessible on the web next week.
- ✓ Reported that plans/specifications should soon be ready to initiate the bidding process.
- ✓ Stated that the advertisement for potential contractors to upgrade the sewer line on Shannon Road has been advertised.
- ✓ Noted that he has been working with Cable One and Southwest Gas on their respective license agreements or franchise language proposals.
- ✓ Also mentioned the meeting with representatives of the Federal Railroad Administration on necessary actions to implement the Quiet Zone on 7th St.; 2nd St.; and Park Avenue RR Crossings.

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- ✓ Acknowledged the exposed/protruding railroad beams near the DES facility and Circle K and is working to determine ownership of the property.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Council member Roy Tyler. Second to the motion was made by council member Ray West. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:43 p.m.

Approved:

Felix Callicotte, Mayor

Attest:

Esperanza Castaneda, Town Clerk