

**MINUTES OF THE PIMA TOWN COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024**

Call to Order: **Mayor Brian Paull called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.**

Prayer: **Vice Mayor Sherrill Teeter**

Pledge of Allegiance: **Mayor Brian Paull**

Roll Call: **Councilmembers Present: Mayor Brian Paull, Vice Mayor Sherrill Teeter, Councilmember Lucas Hoopes, C.B. Fletcher, Teresa Bailey**

**Staff Members Present: Manager Vernon Batty, Town Attorney Jon Paladini (via phone), Public Works Director Jimmie Lofgreen, P&Z Administrator Evan Stringfellow, Town Clerk Cody Marshall**

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Town Meeting held January 9, 2024. **Action**

**Vice Mayor S. Teeter motioned to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2024 Regular Town Meeting and seconded by councilmember T. Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.**

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

- 1- Lois McClellan expressed her appreciation for the Police Chief D. Cauthen and stated that she is doing a great job.

**DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST** None

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the affidavit to allow the Graham County Chamber of Commerce as the official Destination Marketing Organization and attached Resolution 2024-04: (Chamber Director, Vance Bryce)

**Manager V. Batty informed the Council that David Bell would be addressing this agenda item for Vance Bryce but would be late due to the Graham County Spelling Bee, therefore this agenda item would be addressed later in the meeting when he arrives.**

2. Discussion and possible action regarding a Grant for the Library to have a pre-school: (Librarian, Rane Jones)

**Rane Jones informed the Council about the possibility of pursuing a grant for a Kinder Prep Program. She was told that the Grant originally could only be used**

for Programming, but then received updated information that it can also be used for Capital, which would allow possibilities for new flooring, shelving, etc. for the new library. Rane asked the Council for direction on pursuing the Grant for Programming or Capital. There were some concerns brought up by councilmembers pertaining to the liability and process of a Kinder Prep program and would prefer Rane to pursue the Grant for Capital use.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding new CD's for some of the Town's funds: (Manager, V. Batty)

**Manager V. Batty stated that it is time to renew the current CD's and asked for permission to do so.**

**Councilmember L. Hoopes motioned to allow Vernon to renew the CD's and seconded by seconded by Vice-Mayor S. Teeter. Motion carried unanimously.**

4. Discussion and possible action regarding amendment to the IGA with the Town of Pima and Pima Unified School District and attached Resolution 2024-05: (Manager, Vernon Batty)

**Manager V. Batty informed the council this Resolution is to amend the IGA that was previously approved due to a change in the Engineering fee.**

**Councilmember C.B. Fletcher motioned to accept Resolution 2024-05 and seconded by councilmember L. Hoopes. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor B. Paull stated that the council will now address original agenda item #1, as David Bell is now present.**

**David Bell informed the Council that he is representing the Chamber of Commerce and asking for the Town of Pima to allow the Chamber of Commerce to be the official Destination Marketing Organization for the purpose of promoting tourism.**

**Vice-Mayor S. Teeter motioned to approve (per agenda item #1) Resolution 2024-04 and seconded by councilmember T. Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Discussion and possible action regarding Planning & Zoning Applications: (P&Z Administrator, Evan Stringfellow)  
**P&Z Administrator E. Stringfellow stated that there is another vacancy on the P&Z Board and there are two applications in the packet for review.**
6. Upon a public majority vote of the members constituting a quorum, a public body may hold an executive session pursuant to TITLE 38, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 3.1 KNOWN AS ARIZONA OPEN MEETING LAW but only for the purposes authorized under A.R.S. § 38- 431.03: Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) Personnel matters; (3) – Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the

attorney or attorneys of the public body; and 38-431.03(A)(4) Discussion or consultation with the city's attorneys on the town's position regarding pending or contemplated litigation, or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid litigation.

- (a) P&Z applications
- (b) Luster v. Pima

**Pursuant to** (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), the Council may vote to recess into executive session for discussion. No action will be taken during the executive session.

**Vice-Mayor, S. Teeter motioned to adjourn regular meeting to executive session at 7:28p.m. and seconded by Mayor, B. Paull. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Vice-Mayor S. Teeter motioned to adjourn executive session to regular meeting at 7:42p.m. and seconded by L. Hoopes. Motion carried unanimously.**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

##### MANAGER'S REPORT

**Manager Batty stated that it is looking good for us to receive the AZ Park Grant that would be \$200k and could split it to utilize for Parks and to do some upgrades at the Pool.**

FINANCIAL REPORT  
BUILDING PERMIT REPORT  
POLICE REPORT  
LIBRARY REPORT  
PLANNING AND ZONING  
FIRE DEPARTMENT  
COUNCIL REPORT

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Councilmember L. Hoopes motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:47 p.m. and seconded by Councilmember C.B. Fletcher. Motion carried unanimously.**