

MINUTES OF THE PIMA TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023

Call to Order:

Mayor Brian Paull called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer:

Mayor Brian Paull gave the prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Vice Mayor Sherrill Teeter led the Council and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Brian Paull, Vice Mayor Sherrill Teeter, Councilmember Teresa Bailey

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Lucas Hoopes, Councilmember C.B. Fletcher

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Vernon Batty, Town Manager; Jon Paladini, Town Attorney; Jimmie Lofgreen, Public Works Director; Evan Stringfellow, P&Z Administrator; Cody Marshall, Town Clerk

GUESTS: David Bell, John Howard, and others.

Approval of Minutes of the Regular Town Meeting held September 12, 2023.

Vice Mayor Teeter motioned to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2023 Regular Meeting and seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: None

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Paull opened the Public Hearing in compliance with A.R.S. § 38-431.02 to take input and discuss the proposed Pima Sports Complex

Manager Batty explained that he is seeking a Grant through AZ State Parks for \$1million dollars that is a 50/50 match and working on a companion grant to help with the match as well and also planning to apply to United Way for the rest of the funds to total \$2million dollars. If all goes through, it would be no out of pocket for The Town. The plan would be to use the Grant to construct facilities out by the soccer fields (Arena Way) that would include but not limited to:

Concession Stand

Bathroom

Covered Playground

Basketball Court

Sand Volleyball Court

Pickle Ball Courts that could convert to Tennis Courts

Fence, Sidewalk, Parking, and Lighting

Timilie Carragher from the Public mentioned that she would like to see the parks we currently have be enhanced with possibly ADA equipment and possibly a fence around the pool. Manager Batty stated that he would talk to State Parks to see if he could split the grant to different areas. He also stated that currently there is not funds in the budget for upgrading or adding parks. And if he turned the grant in by this month, he would probably know by March if approved and possible funds by July.

No other comments were made.

Mayor Paull closed the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding donating \$1000.00 to the Graham Economic Partnership: (Vernon Batty)
Vernon mentioned that this was an agenda item from the last meeting that needed action.

Councilmember Bailey motioned to approve donating \$1000.00 to the Graham Economic Partnership and seconded by Vice Mayor Teeter. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding Wreaths Across America: (Leslie Cuning & Kat Sticklin)

There was not representation present for Wreaths Across America.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding Quit Claiming property: (Mitchell Beals)

Mitchell Beals presented his plan for Quit Claiming property to the Town and to have the Town do the same along 200 East and 800 South to clear up some property alignments. Councilmember Bailey asked for Attorney advice with concerns of future issues in doing this and wanted more information. Attorney

Paladini agreed it wouldn't be a bad idea to revisit this item and postpone until next month's meeting.

Vice Mayor Teeter motioned to table this agenda item for next month's meeting and seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Discussion regarding Public Works hours to 4-10's: (Vernon Batty)

Manager Batty mentioned to the Council that the DOC will be cutting back our time that we will be getting inmates to work for us to Tuesdays and Thursdays only. When this happens, it is his intention to change our Public Works schedule from 5-8's to 4-10's. The Council agreed to the idea of changing Public Works schedule to 4-10's if needed.

5. Discussion and possible action regarding amending Article 12-3-2 of the Town Code (Agricultural Residential Zone): 2nd Reading: (Jimmie Lofgreen)

Public Works Director Jimmie Lofgreen read the Second Reading for Ordinance 2023-07 (Agricultural Residential Zone)

Vice Mayor Teeter motioned to approve the second reading for ordinance 2023-07 and seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discussion regarding amending Article 2-6 of the Town Code (Planning & Zoning): 1st Reading: (Jimmie Lofgreen)

Public Works Director Jimmie Lofgreen read the First Reading for amending Article 2-6 Planning & Zoning Membership and Voting.

Vice Mayor Teeter suggested changing the wording under Voting for the Second Reading to state that "The affirmative vote of "the majority of a quorum" (instead of "four members") shall be required for a passage of any matter before the commission. This change will be made for the Second Reading.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding the Alfredo & Sandra Contreras zoning variance located at 501 S 200 E: (Vernon Batty)

Manager Batty stated that the Contreras' are not present and they did not bring in any proof of a permit for a manufactured home or receipts for money already invested that they had told the Council at the last meeting that they had. He also informed the Council that they had brought in a permit for an RV and a permit for a fence last week (Sept. 28, 2023), which the Contreras' were informed they were denied, although they already have an RV and fence on their property.

(Councilmember Hoopes joined the meeting via phone)

Vice Mayor Teeter motioned to not approve the variance as stated on the agenda and seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.

(Councilmember Hoopes exited the meeting at 7:45 p.m.)

CONSENT AGENDA:

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Batty stated that The Town was able to chip Seal about 4.25 miles. He appreciates the help from The County and the hard work from our Public Works Department, the Police Department for traffic control. And also The Town appreciated everyone's patience as improvements were made.

The date for The Soccer Field Grand Opening will be Saturday, November 4, 2023 starting at 8:00 a.m. at the New Soccer Field. A food truck will be out there serving breakfast.

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

Vice Mayor Teeter informed the Council she will be distributing information for the 7th Annual Wish Tree.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Mayor Teeter motioned to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:53 p.m. and seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Motion carried unanimously.