

**THE MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 6th DAY OF AUGUST 2012**

CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Bob Irvin called the work session meeting to order on Monday, August 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance

ROLL CALL-City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford, called the roll:

PRESENT

Mayor Robert A. Irvin
~~Vice Chairman Bill Holloway~~
Councilman Gerald W. Lindsey
Councilman Elwood A. Johnson arrived at 6:06 pm

~~Councilwoman Monika Cronberg~~
Councilman Earl Goolsby
Councilman William "Bill" Nigh

ABSENT

Vice Chairman Bill Holloway
Councilwoman Monika Cronberg

STAFF

~~City Manager Pat McCourt~~
~~City Attorney Hector M. Figueroa~~
Jake Weaver Chief of Police
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford
Finance Director Ruth Graham
~~Library Director Tom Miner~~
Public Services & Works Director Dave Bonner
~~Development Services Jeff Stoddard~~

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG lead by Mayor Irvin

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None Declared

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.

MOTION: Councilman Lindsey moved to adopt the agenda as presented.

SECONDED: Councilman Nigh seconded the motion. **DISCUSSION:** None **CARRIED.**

DISCUSSION ON COCHISE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

DISCUSSION: Mr. Bonner addressed the council and stated he wrote up a 14 page summary and hopes it helps for the discussion tonight. He stated that Jake Weaver, Mr. Benavedeous and few others back in 2007 put together but it never was put on the agenda he read portions of the summary and asked if anything comes up please let him know. The primary reason to have the hazard mitigation is to have federal funding. There is an Act and the actual Act wasn't approved until 2007 for the plan. There is also CFR 201-6 stated the local government has to have this Hazard Mitigation Program in place. This is the reason for this meeting tonight. I mentioned earlier when it started and when it was up for approval previously. So back in 2011 there were four meetings put together and that was when they were revising the plan. Most important part of the Mitigation in section 6 the mitigation surrounds the codes that are adopted by council and zoning title 17 that should be title 11, that will be revised and title 16. The previous Hazard Mitigation Plan that has not been adopted for example for flooding. If you were in a flooding area you would have to elevate at least one foot. This is also landing flood plan managers surveyors; we use contractor, emergency manager, public works department and city manager. In section six the hazards are fire, haz mat and flooding, these are the haz mats that we have to adhere to. Chief Weaver stated we did have one hazard about 2 miles out, the wind condition would be a factor of evacuation. This causes for the intersection to be closed, if this was closed it would be the potential for evacuation due to the wind condition. Councilman Goolsby asked does this program inclusive with the railway or combination of both the reason I'm asking is because I do discuss this with the students. I do talk to them about the railroad and how this program does impacts this. Mr. Bonner explained this is a planning tool, a just incase something like this happens. Now with the Railroad they have their own why of dealing with this kind of thing, if a derailment does happen. Chief Weaver stated plan is in place if something like this is to happen we would be requested to help evacuate. Councilman Goolsby stated this is just a fire department and local police department, is this for communication. Councilman Nigh asked does the railroad have a disaster kit. Mr. Bonner stated he could not answer that. Chief Weaver stated the Railroad would have something like this in place and the railroad would be responsible for this. Councilman Nigh stated they should have the equipment and I will ask them this. Mr.

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Bonner stated I have been here for 10 years and I have not seen this happen. Councilman Lindsey stated it should be noted we have had some major flooding and I was called from Washington DC to come here and set up a disaster zone back in the 1980's. Councilman Nigh asked when was the flood control channel done. Mr. Bonner stated back in 1979. Councilman Nigh stated so this didn't help back in 1983. Councilman Lindsey stated it was a unique situation and we had about 50 applications come through. Mr. Bonner stated I am looking to see if there was a sum amount back in 1983 of the cost. The final part of the plan is the Disaster Plan and every five years this plan is to be reviewed in it's entirety and we are here to put it back on the agenda for approval for the updated version. Councilman Lindsey asked why this has come to council. Mr. Bonner stated that is in section 6 on the summery if you get beyond that the maintenance of the drainage that was passed in the ordinance. Councilman Goolsby stated you have stated Willcox and Tombstone have not adopted and you are asking the council to approve this HMP. Mr. Bonner stated yes, it is an action on the regular agenda. Mr. Weaver stated I would like to add if we did not have this we would have to pay for this out of the General Fund and if we do adopt this we will be able to get disaster help. Councilman Goolsby stated sometimes the State or the Federal does declare an emergency and does this go with this? Chief Weaver replied yes it does we would have to do this at a local level then it goes to the county level and they would have to do what they have to do. Mr. Bonner stated this is what we are asking to pass tonight. Councilman Goolsby stated that is a good idea to do. Councilman Lindsey asked is this what you are asking us to do. Mr. Bonner stated this is a work in progress, as stated above it will be done every five years. Councilman Goolsby stated yes your right every five years we will be looking at this again with other changes. Mr. Bonner stated this is for the City's best interest. Councilman Lindsey said okay we will move on to the next item on the agenda and that is adjournment.

ADJOURN

Being no further business before the Mayor Irvin adjourned the Work Session at 6:35 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Willcox held on the 6th day of August 2012. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

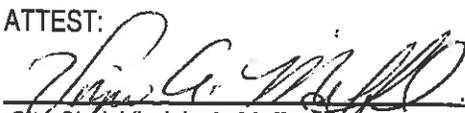
Dated this 6th day of August 2012


City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of September 2012.


MAYOR ROBERT A IRVIN
Signed 09-18-2012

ATTEST:


City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford