

**THE MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 26th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2012**

CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Bob Irvin called the Work Session to order on Monday, November 26, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance

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

PRESENT

Mayor Robert A. Irvin
Vice Mayor Bill Holloway
Councilman Gerald W. Lindsey
Councilman Elwood A. Johnson
~~Councilwoman Monika Cronberg~~
Councilman Earl Goolsby
Councilman William "Bill" Nigh

STAFF

City Manager Pat McCourt
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford
City Attorney Ann Roberts
Finance Director Ruth Graham
Public Services & Works Director Dave Bonner
Development Services Jeff Stoddard
Library Director Tom Miner

Absent

Monika Cronberg

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG lead by Mayor Irvin

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None Declared

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

SECONDED: Vice Mayor Holloway seconded the motion. **CARRIED**

DISCUSSION ON CAPITAL EXPENSE NEEDS WATER SYSTEM & SOLID WASTE (GARBAGE)

Discussion- City Manager McCourt stated: Mr. Bonner will give the presentation on the Solid Waste first and then the Water System. Mr. Bonner gave a presentation from the material in the Council packets. Councilman Johnson asked: if Southwest Disposal is the ones called to pick up the tree trimmings. Mr. Bonner stated: they do pick it up and if they don't pick it up the City does. What is the impact of trash cans to our budget? City Manager McCourt stated: we have been anticipating this on our first year budget, but we have seen a reduction in the number of cans. Mr. Bonner gave an overview of the regulation and capital budget on the Water System from the packet presented. He indicated the wells #1, # 2, and #3 are within ¼ mile of each other within the same vicinity. Councilman Lindsey asked: what the horsepower (hp) is for well #3 run at. Mr. Bonner stated: it is 50 hp but runs at about 33 hp and also stated: well #3 runs downhill during the day as the other two wells are running uphill. Councilman Nigh asked: what the water level was. Mr. Bonner stated: 18 to 30 feet, and it does shut off when it hits the 30 feet level. Councilman Lindsey asked: where Well #3 is located. It is located by the gun range on Saguaro. Mr. Bonner stated: the Regulatory compliance is by ADEQ. We do chlorine residual test in house and once a month we send it to Tuner Laboratory for testing for Coli-form. Mr. Bonner explained the Consumer Confidence report. The City has been required to maintain a back low/cross-connection system. (Ordinance NS 149), this ordinance is on our website; this ordinance explains what is required. Water System Integrity supply lines in the city are comprised of AC Pipe, C900 PVC and Schedule 40 PVC. When leaks occur there are four reasons; ground shrinkage or swelling caused by dry or wet conditions. Meter updates; our current goal is to replace 10% of the meters in a given year, this is a perpetual program. Councilman Lindsey stated: you replaced 50% already how many meters do you get for \$35,000. Mr. Bonner stated: he didn't have that figure. Mr. Bowen apologized, for not having the figure, and we are going to have to change to lead free pipes; which are more expensive. Mr. Bonner stated: we can give you how many meters have been replaced and get those numbers for you. Future Plans- Install a secondary pipeline from the tank to the City and raise the water to be able to supply water in the event of a pipeline break on Joe Hines road. Provide backup, system for well to operate in the event of a significant power outage. - Install a separate line to tank from wells to eliminate water reversal and pressure spikes. Mr. Bonner asked: does the Council want to see a backup system. We did present this idea but we put it on the back burner, we could put it back as a discussion item if you like to revisit it. Councilman Johnson asked: when the last

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time we had a power outage was. Mr. Bonner stated: it was in 2002 or 03. Councilman Lindsey asked: what about the gas engine. Mr. Bonner stated: we can bring this back for discussion. Councilman Nigh asked: if propane gas could be used instead. Mr. Bonner stated: we were looking at natural gas because it is cheaper. City Manager McCourt asked: am I hearing correctly you want to have this subject brought back. Vice Mayor Holloway stated: one of the Councilmen who voted it down last time needs to ask for this to be brought back at an item. Councilman Lindsey stated: he was probably one of the ones that voted it down. Vice Mayor Holloway stated: than you need to have this stated: to be brought back. Mr. Bonner explained the Capital budget that was in the Council packets. City Manager McCourt asked:: is this being discussed as an operating budget? Mr. Bonner stated: that was correct. Mr. Bonner stated: we currently have a 12 inch line but we would like to bring in another 12 inch line and then connect in. City Manager McCourt stated: this would be a second supply line into the City. Mr. Bonner stated: this is up for debate to do any of these items, if you think we have missed anything please let us know. Councilman Lindsey stated: I feel there are better ways of spending our money than to put in secondary line right now. Councilman Johnson stated: we need to prioritize some of these items. Mr. Bonner stated: we will bring back the backup on Well #3 again and prioritize this list. City Manager McCourt stated: we should examine these options and bring it back. Vice Mayor Holloway stated: looking into the future we may have someone who wants to develop that land. City Manager McCourt stated:: we will get you estimated figures next time. Mr. Bonner stated: we will look into the security system and well #3. City Manager McCourt stated: we will have a meeting on December 10th on the sewer system.

ADJOURN

Being no further business before the Mayor and Council Mayor Irvin adjourned at 7: 50 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 26th day of November 2012. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 26th day of November 2012

/s/ Virginia A. Mefford
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of February, 2013.

/s/ Robert A. Irvin
MAYOR ROBERT A IRVIN

Signed 02-20-2013

ATTEST:

/s/ Virginia A. Mefford
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford