

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 4th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Bob Irvin called the Regular Meeting to order on Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance

ROLL CALL - City Clerk Virginia Mefford called the roll:

PRESENT

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

STAFF

City Manager Ted Soltis
City Clerk Virginia Mefford
City Attorney Ann P. Roberts
Finance Director Ruth Graham
Interim Police Chief Glenn Childers
Public Services & Works Director John Bowen
Library Director Tom Miner
Development Services Jeff Stoddard

ABSENT

Councilwoman Monika Cronberg -Excused

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Irvin.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC - Rob Jones told Council the WASA program is up and going well. He noted that Trunk for Treats went over well. The Baptist Church also sponsored a similar program for the kids. He wanted to let Council know things are happening around the city.

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None declared by Council or Staff.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway moved to approve the adoption of the agenda with a switch in order of business, item #10 to item #11.

SECONDED: Councilmember Lindsey **CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2013

MOTION: Councilmember Lindsey moved to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 21, 2013.

SECONDED: Councilmember Goolsby **CARRIED**

**THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS REQUESTING A STREET CLOSURE FOR LIGHTED
CHRISTMAS PARADE FROM, RAILROAD AND HASKELL TO RAILROAD AND MALEY ON
DECEMBER 7, 2013 FROM 4:30 P.M. TO 9:00 PM**

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson moved to approve the request. **SECONDED:** Councilmember Lindsey

DISUCSSION: Councilmember Lindsey asked if Maley would also be closed. Mr. Baker stated no. **CARRIED**

**THE ARIZONA STATE FORESTRY DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTING A FEE WAIVER FOR THE USE OF
THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway moved to approve the Arizona State Forestry Department request. **SECONDED:** Councilmember Lindsey **CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-70 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE "AGREEMENT TERMINATING THE
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TWIN LAKES GOLF COURSE" BETWEEN THE CITY OF
WILLCOX, "LESSOR", JASON JONES AND CARRIE JONES, D.B.A. JNC VENTURES, L.L.C., LESSEE
AND JOHN PETERSON AND BETTY PETERSON, D.B.A. ENCORE CATERING UNLIMITED, L.L.C.,
"SECURED PARTY"**

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MOTION: Councilmember Goolsby moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-70. **SECONDED:** Vice Mayor Holloway
DISCUSSION: Councilmember Johnson asked several questions: Who is going to run the golf course? Mr. Bowen stated Gary Adams would be overseeing the golf course; he has run the golf course before. He is the City's best asset to run the golf course. Councilmember Johnson asked about the hours of operation. Mr. Bowen stated it would be open dusk to dawn. Councilmember Johnson asked about the liquor license, who will do the inventory, and take of it. Mr. Bowen stated Mr. Adams knows how to do this as he has done this in the past and is more than capable of doing it. Mr. Adams knows the history, has the knowledge, and knows how to make this work. Councilmember Johnson asked about insurance. Mr. Bowen stated we have gained a bit on this; Mr. Jones was paying \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year, but the City will pay about \$600 or \$700. Councilmember Johnson stated the City is inheriting 40 golf carts, 11 that don't run and two that don't work at all. Mr. Bowen stated the previous owners didn't have the money to maintain these golf carts. The cost of parts is all the City will pay as City employees will do the repair work. Mr. Bowen stated the City would not make a profit, but the cost will be kept at a minimum. Mr. Bowen stated the City will reevaluate it in a year or whatever time frame; if the Council feels it is not working, the City can determine what needs to be done at that point.

Mrs. Peterson stated the golf course will not make a lot of money, but it doesn't take a lot of money to run it. Equipment upkeep requires someone who knows what it takes to fix it. She found, from past experience, that when equipment broke down it did not require a large expenditure of money. As for the golf carts, all they needed were batteries, a few tires, and some minor equipment repair. They were always replacing batteries. The only time they needed all of the carts was for tournaments. She added that the golf course provides a great opportunity for charities, such as the hospital, to raise funds. Councilmember Johnson stated the bottom line is this takes the taxpayer money to run. Councilmember Lindsey spoke on the value of the equipment. He didn't think the City could buy replacement equipment for this price. He stated he initially had reservations on this golf course, but he now realizes it is an asset to our community. He stated he had spoken to a lot of people who would like to see this work. **AYE:** Mayor Irvin, Councilmember's Lindsey, Goolsby and Nigh. **NAYS:** Vice Mayor Holloway and Councilmember Johnson **CARRIED 4 to 2**

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-71 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILLCOX, "CITY" AND THE WILLCOX UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #13, "SCHOOL", FOR THE PURPOSE OF SCHOOL PROVIDING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO CITY.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-71. **SECONDED:** Councilmember Lindsey
DISCUSSION: City Manager Soltis updated the Council on the VTC services and thanked them for the service they have provided the City. The School District has been looking to expand their tech services and the City had discussions with their tech support to see what they could offer the City. They gave the City a fee reduction and unlimited services.

Tim Bowlby updated the Council on the services their tech department could offer. Councilmember Lindsey asked if this was for unlimited hours. City Manager Soltis stated yes. He added that the contract provided for an annual review. **CARRIED**

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

He was happy to see John Cropper is back. John is a valuable member of our team.

He thanked the LDS church for cleaning up the Historical Cemetery on "Make a Difference Day."

He thanked Sylvia Stewart and Anita Gulick for helping with the successful book giveaway at McDonalds.

He thanked Apple Annie's for the great job they did for the harvest festivities. He and his family had a good time.

On October 25 Public Works held a Meet the City Manager breakfast.

He gave a Cochise County Airport Master Plan update. They held their first meeting on October 23. The schedule was placed in the packet. He asked if council agreed with holding a public hearing in conjunction with a Council meeting. Council was in agreement.

He attended the 60% Waste Water Plant meeting. He was very impressed with their presentation. Mr. Bowen provided additional information on the meeting.

COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Johnson thanked Mr. Jones for all the hard work he had put into maintaining the golf course.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Mayor and Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm by Mayor Irvin.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Willcox held on the 4th day of November, 2013. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of November 2013

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

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

/s/ Robert A. Irvin
MAYOR ROBERT A IRVIN
Date signed: 11-20-2013

ATTEST:

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