

# THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ HELD ON THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2013

**CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Bob Irvin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** – Development Services, Jeff Stoddard 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

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

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC** - Rob Jones made several comments. He noticed the "Thank you for visiting Willcox" sign. He passed out an article from the Arizona Daily Star relating to building a better community. He encouraged Council to open meetings with a prayer.

**DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST** - None

## **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilman Johnson made a motion to adopt the agenda.

**SECONDED:** Councilwoman Cronberg

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 4, 2013.**

**MOTION:** Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes.

**SECONDED:** Councilman Lindsey

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **WILLCOX HISTORIC THEATER PRESERVATION INC. UPDATE GIVEN BY GAYLE BERRY.**

Gayle Berry provided an update on the theater.

## **WILLCOX CARES MOTEL DEMOLITION DONATION REQUEST.**

**MOTION:** Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve Willcox Cares' \$45,000 request.

**SECONDED:** Councilwoman Cronberg

**DISCUSSION:** Mike Kauffman introduced himself and Willcox Cares. Willcox Cares began in 2005, as part of the Chamber of Commerce, working to improve Willcox one project at a time. Their first large undertaking is to raise funds to remove the remains of the burned down Desert Inn. Mr. Kauffman requested matching funds for the \$91,000 project.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

He noted that the Veterans Day events went well. He thanked everyone who helped make the day special. He attended a SEAGO (South Eastern Arizona Governments Organization) Administrative Council meeting. He met with A'kos Kovach who is the Economic Development Planner with SEAGO. He also attended a meeting with a group working on building a shooting range within fifteen minutes of Willcox.

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**COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Councilman Lindsey thanked those who assisted with Veterans Day.

Councilman Johnson thanked the Dunhams for assisting with Veterans Day and watering plants. He also mentioned two upcoming events: Toys for Tots Golf Tournament and Toys for Tots Cruise for Kids.

Mayor Irvin expressed his disappointment with a school board decision to remove the Pledge of Allegiance. He hoped Council would never get to this point.

**ADJOURN** - Being no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

**Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013**

/s/ Tedmond J. Soltis  
Tedmond J. Soltis, City Manager

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013.

Robert A. Irvin  
*MAYOR ROBERT A IRVIN*  
Date signed: \_\_12-17-2013\_\_

ATTEST:

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