

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 20TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Bob Irvin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL - City Clerk Virginia A. 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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Irvin

CALL TO THE PUBLIC – Alan Baker invited Council and staff to the Verizon Grand Opening to be held on Thursday at 4:00 pm.

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Councilmember Cronberg made a motion to adopt the agenda.

SECONDED: Councilmember Johnson

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 21, 2013.

MOTION: Councilmember Cronberg made a motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED: Councilmember Goolsby

MOTION CARRIED

**ORDINANCE NS317 - AMENDING THE CITY CODE, TITLE 3, CHAPTER 2, "CITY TAX CODE",
SECTION 3-2-1, "CODE ADOPTED" AND TITLE 3, CHAPTER 3, "TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX"**

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway made a motion to approve Ordinance NS 317 as presented.

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Lindsey asked what Transient Occupancy Tax is. Ms. Graham explained it is a tax on rentals of less than 30 days.

MOTION CARRIED

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY APPOINTMENT

City Manager Ted Soltis announced his appointment of Glenn Childers to the permanent position of Director of Public Safety. City Manager Soltis gave a brief review of Mr. Childers' history working for the City's police department. He began in 1993 as a dispatcher and has worked his way up to the position of Director of Public Safety. He noted that Mr. Childers has been doing a wonderful job as Interim Director of Public Safety and he has received many compliments from his staff, directors and the public.

Mr. Childers announced he would accept his appointment and thanked everyone. He stated that it is tradition when an officer receives his badge that they choose who presents it to them. It is usually someone who means a great deal to them. He chose Mrs. Childers to present the badge.

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CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- He attended the Arizona City County Management Association (ACMA) 2014 Winter Conference in Sedona.
- He stated the Veteran's Memorial has been upgraded; two benches have been added. He thanked staff for doing a great job, Connie Dunham for writing the grant, and the Railroad for providing funds.
- He gave an update on the City Code Book recodification.
- He had Mr. Bowen give a brief update on Phase IV of the Community Center renovations.
- He attended a SEAGO meeting.
- He and staff are working on the budget. He noted that although revenues are down he was confident that the budget would be balanced.

COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Goolsby congratulated Mr. Childers and is very proud of him.

Councilwoman Cronberg congratulated Mr. Childers for taking on this position.

She allowed the FFA to use her time to comment. Ms. Kristin a FFA officer gave a brief rundown on the events that are happening during FFA Week, and thanked Council for their support.

Vice Mayor Holloway noted the work being done on the budget and mentioned that revenues are down, meaning we will have to do more with less. He announced his house is for sale, and that he may purchase another house in town.

Councilman Nigh congratulated Mr. Childers and noted the City needs someone of his quality.

Councilman Johnson gave a brief story about Chief Childers and congratulated him.

Councilman Lindsey also shared a brief story about Chief Childers and noted he is happy to have him on board.

Mayor Irvin congratulated Chief Childers.

ADJOURN Being no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 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 20TH day of February 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 20th day of February 2014

Virginia A. Mefford
Virginia A. Mefford, City Clerk

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of March 2014.

Robert A. Irvin
MAYOR ROBERT A IRVIN

ATTEST:

Date signed: 04-02-2014

Virginia A. Mefford
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford