

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2014**

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Irvin

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Councilmember Johnson declared a conflict of interest on item #16.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

SECONDED: Councilmember Johnson

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2014.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway made a motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED: Councilmember Goolsby

MOTION CARRIED

WORKERS' COMPENSATION PRESENTATION - GILBERT INSURANCE GROUP MOTION:

Mr. Aaron Strauss President of Gilbert Insurance Group and Mr. Al Thunberg gave a presentation on Worker's Compensation. Mr. Strauss gave a brief background of the company and Mr. Thunberg gave out handouts on premium comparison and proposal. Mr. Strauss spoke of resetting the EMod and explained how EMod is driven by claims. He explained techniques that would be used to control the loss ratio. He thanked the Council Members for their time. Several Councilmember's asked a variety of question that was answered by Mr. Strauss and Mr. Thunberg.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION PRESENTATION - AMRRP

Mr. Ed Bental gave a Powerpoint Worker's Compensation Presentation and explained what was driving up the EMod. He showed that Willcox is a founding member of AMRRP and Workman' Compensation. Your EMod is based on your claim history and not everyone else in the pool. He gave a breakdown on the City's claims history. EMod is not based on claims it is based on Payroll size. I have heard about the return to work and manage claims, but what I like to do is figure out is how to prevent the claim in the first place. I would hate to see Willcox leave AMRRP but that is your decision. He explained if you leave AMRRP it would be a hard sale for me to take Willcox back if the claims loss was higher than what is showing on the screen; it would be a hard sale. We have gotten quite aggressive with your employees and I hope this is why it reflects in your claim loss this past year. He stated he has never heard of flipping an EMod.

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PUBLIC HEARING - TORTILLERIA LA UNICA LIQUOR LICENSE MODIFICATION

Open: 7:25 p.m. Closed: 7:26 p.m.

APPROVE TORTILLERIA LA UNICA LIQUOR LICENSE MODIFICATION

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Tortilleria La Unica Liquor License Modification

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg

MOTION CARRIED

WILLCOX WINE COUNTRY FESTIVAL REQUEST FOR LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION APPROVAL FOR WINE VENDORS AT WINE FESTIVAL MAY 17-18, 2014

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Willcox Wine Country Festival request for Liquor License Application for Wine Vendors at Wine Festival May 17-18, 2014

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg

MOTION CARRIED

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MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Willcox Wine Country Festival request for Liquor License Application for Wine Vendors at Wine Festival May 17-18, 2014

SECONDED: Vice Mayor Holloway

DISCUSSION: Vice Mayor Holloway asked if the event was getting bigger. Mr. Keeling stated it is a bigger event. We have 22 vineyards participating and 20 vendors we had 1450 patrons at the fall event. We are optimistic to have about 2000 to 3000 patrons at this event as we have advertised quite a bit in Tucson and I just received the draft commercial and will be on KVOA channel 4 news. Mr. Dan Pearce who is here with me tonight is opening up another tasting room called Bodega Pearce. We turned away about 20 plus vendors the last two years.

MOTION CARRIED

FEE WAIVER REQUEST FROM REX ALLEN DAYS INC. FOR USE OF QUAIL PARK RODEO GROUNDS FOR THE "SOUTHERN ARIZONA FREE RIDE" TO BE HELD JUNE 14, 2014

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway made a motion to approve the fee waiver request from Rex Allen Days Inc. for use of Quail Park Rodeo grounds for the "Southern Arizona Free Ride" to be held June 14, 2014

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg

DISCUSSION: Councilman Johnson asked if RAD had a liability insurance carrier. I don't see any of the backup of the coverage. Vice Mayor Holloway wanted to know if they would like to amend the motion to say on contingency of the liability insurance this item would be approved. Mr. Goolsby asked to table the item instead to give them time to secure the insurance and bring it back.

MOTION: Councilman Goolsby rescinds previous motion and moved to table this item.

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE WESTERN EMULSIONS, INC. CHIP SEAL PROJECT BID

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Western Emulsions, Inc. Chip Seal Project Bid

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg

DISCUSSION: Mr. Adams stated we only received one bid it was advertised in the paper and on the web.

MOTION CARRIED

PURCHASE APPROVAL FOR A POLICE VEHICLE

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway made a motion to approve the purchase of a police vehicle from Midway Chevrolet bid.

SECONDED: Councilmember Goolsby

MOTION FAILED: 3 AYES Mayor Irvin, Vice Mayor Holloway, Councilman Lindsey **3 NAYS-** Councilmember's Cronberg, Goolsby, and Nigh

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DISCUSSION: Councilmember Cronberg asked about the sales tax and the impact this shows to our buying locally if we have a vehicle to buy here verses Tucson and even further Phoenix. Chief Childers explained the purchase of the vehicle and the police package and the per parchment code to go with the lowest bid. On the original quote from Midway Chevrolet had included the police package and we did not realize this and the price of the police package was add to the original bid which made the original bid more than the other bids.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Holloway made a motion to purchase vehicle form Kempton Chevrolet.

SECOND: Councilman Goolsby

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES: Councilmember's: Lindsey, Cronberg, and Goolsby and Nigh **2-Nay:** Mayor Irvin and Vice Mayor Holloway.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

He announced Carl's Jr opening

He gave an update on the Community Garden

He gave an update on public Works Director Hire.

He stated well have financial update coming soon.

He gave an update on ADOT Street signs will be installed July/August timeframe.

He announced Willcox Public Safety is considering not participating in the Stonegarden Grant this coming year. The main concerns is we have several people retiring soon from PD and although this grant does pay for the overtime the City is responsible for the payroll and the impact overtime has on the retirement and the scheduling of the officers.

COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Lindsey thanked City for looking into the conflict regarding the Circus and the Rodeo.

ADJOURN Being no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 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 17th day of April 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 17th day of April 2014

Virginia A. Mefford
Virginia A. Mefford, City Clerk

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of May 2014.

Robert A. Irvin
MAYOR ROBERT A IRVIN

ATTEST:

Date signed: 05/07/2014

Virginia A. Mefford
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford