

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 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 Earl Goolsby
Councilman Gerald W. Lindsey
Councilman Elwood A. Johnson
Councilwoman Monika Cronberg
Councilman William "Bill" Nigh
Councilman Tim Bowlby

STAFF

City Manager Ted Soltis
City Clerk Virginia Mefford
~~City Attorney Ann P. Roberts~~
Finance Director Crystal Hadfield
Police Chief Glenn Childers
Public Works Director Kevin Hagerich
Library Director Tom Miner
~~Development Services Jeff Stoddard~~

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Irvin

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Rob Jones - In light of the recent election, he encouraged Council to continue working together for the betterment of the community. He also thanked Councilwoman Cronberg for her service on the City Council.

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None declared

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

SECONDED: Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 16, 2014

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

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

HEAR REQUEST TO WAIVE THE COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL FEES FOR THE ANN BOYD FINE ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW TO BE HELD ON MAY 15TH THROUGH MAY 17TH

MOTION: Councilmember Cronberg made a motion to approve waiving the Community Center rental fees for the Ann Boyd Fine Art and Photography Show to be held May 15th through May 17th.

SECONDED: Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: A lengthy discussion on fees took place. It was noted that there has been a long tradition of Council support for the arts going back many years. Although concern was expressed over the need to cover Community Center operation costs, it was agreed to continue to waive the fees due to the importance of promoting art in the community.

MOTION CARRIED: 6 Ayes - Mayor Irvin, Vice Mayor Goolsby, and Councilmembers Lindsey, Johnson, Cronberg and Bowlby; **1 Nay** - Councilmember Nigh.

STREET CLOSURE APPROVAL REQUEST FOR VETERANS DAY PARADE TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 11TH FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 11:30 P.M.

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the street closure request for the Veterans Day Parade to be held on November 11, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg seconded the motion.

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DISCUSSION: Connie Dunham explained that the reason they changed the route was to increase the length of the parade and hopefully participation. She also noted that with help from Mr. Hagerich, a permit was obtained from ADOT for crossing Haskell Ave.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2014-20 - A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE INMATE WORK LABOR CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-20.

SECONDED: Vice Mayor Goolsby seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Lindsey asked several questions related to costs. Mr. Hagerich provided answers.

MOTION CARRIED

APPOINT TWO CITY REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON THE [SENIOR CENTER] COMMUNITY INPUT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MOTION: Councilmember Bowlby made a motion to approve appointment of Tom Minor and Councilmember Lindsey, as City representatives, to serve on the [Senior Center] Community Input Advisory Committee.

SECONDED: Councilmember Cronberg seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Cronberg provided details on the Advisory Committee and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

MOTION CARRIED

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

He attended a Rate Review Advisory Board (RRAB) meeting and announced that Solid Waste Director Marty Haverty is retiring; the new Solid Waste Director is Dave Home. There was a discussion on ways to cut the cost of solid waste.

He attended the last work session for the Airport Master Plan update.

He and his family attended the Border Patrol open house. He noted that it was a great opportunity and it is nice we have this facility in our community.

He announced the auditors completed the audit.

He attended the SEAGO meeting and announced there is an opening on the Area Agency on Aging Committee.

COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Bowlby would like to get the fee schedule publicized more and encourage nonprofits to seek ways to having the fees donated to cover the cost of renting City facilities. He noted that the City can't keep giving things away.

Councilmember Nigh announced winter is here and he had to turn on the heater at his home.

Councilmember Johnson would like to have a shindig for the newly elected Councilmembers and a farewell to outgoing Councilmember Cronberg for the service she has provided the City. He would like to see the issue of the Mayor being elected by the voters be presented to the Council again.

Councilmember Lindsey asked that the lights on the west end of the Community Center be checked. City Manager Soltis stated he would have Public Works look into this.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 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 6th day of November, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

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Dated this 6th day of November 2014

Virginia A. Mefford
City Clerk Virginia Mefford

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of November, 2014.

Robert A. Irvin
Mayor Robert A. Irvin

ATTEST:

Virginia A. Mefford
City Clerk Virginia A. Mefford