

**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 AUGUST, 2015**

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 Elwood A. Johnson
Councilman Gerald W. Lindsey
Councilman William "Bill" Nigh
Councilman Timothy A. Bowlby
Councilman Michael J. Laws

STAFF

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

ABSENT

Councilman Michael J. Laws

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Irvin

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Jeff Willey spoke to Council concerning the red paint on the curbs next to his restaurant, Big Tex. He would like an explanation why so many feet of curbing was painted taking away vital parking for his patrons. Councilmember Bowlby asked City Manager and staff to look into this matter.

Cindy Traylor gave an update on the Young Birders' club.

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

SECONDED: Councilmember Bowlby seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 16, 2015

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

SECONDED: Councilmember Bowlby seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

WILLCOX FLYER BIKE RIDE STREET CLOSURE REQUEST FOR RAILROAD AVE. FROM STEWART ST. TO MALEY ST. FOR SEPTEMBER 5, 2015 FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve the Willcox Flyer Bike Ride street closure request for Railroad Ave. from Stewart St. to Maley St. for September 5, 2015 from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

SECONDED: Councilmember Bowlby seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

ORDINANCE 322 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, ARIZONA, LEVYING A PRIMARY AND SECONDARY PROPERTY TAX UPON THE ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY SUBJECT TO TAXATION, A SUM CERTAIN EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF ASSESSED VALUATION SUFFICIENT TO RAISE THE AMOUNT ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET, LESS THE AMOUNT ESTIMATED TO BE RECEIVED FROM OTHER SOURCES OF REVENUE, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016

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MOTION: Councilmember Bowlby made a motion to approve Ordinance 322.

SECONDED: Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Johnson asked how much it would go up for a \$100,000 home. City Manager Soltis stated approximately \$10 a year.

MOTION CARRIED (5-1) Ayes - Mayor Irvin, Vice Mayor Goolsby, and Councilmembers Lindsey, Nigh, Bowlby;
Nays – Councilmember Johnson.

RESOLUTION 2015-21 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-21.

SECONDED: Councilmember Bowlby seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2015-22 - A RESOLUTION OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY STATE-SHARED REVENUE PROGRAM FUNDS AND ACCEPTING SUCH GRANT FUNDS FOR A FIRE DEPARTMENT TOWER MOUNTED RADIO REPEATER

MOTION: Councilmember Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-22.

SECONDED: Councilmember Bowlby seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Chief Rios explained what area this booster would reach. Councilmember Bowlby asked if it is under a state contract. Chief Rios stated it is under state contract.

MOTION CARRIED

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for Slum and Blight mitigation was submitted. The next step is the environmental review.
- He attended the Arizona City Manager Association (ACMA) conference and learned about what other communities are doing.
- Paperwork for the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) will come before Council at the next meeting.
- Stotz will have a grand opening tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- He announced that the August 20th Council meeting is canceled due to the Arizona of Cities and Towns Annual League Conference.

COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Councilmember Johnson stated he voted no on the property tax measure because he feels we need to shop local to bring in more tax revenue. He met with Jeff Willey a couple of times and noticed the trees were trimmed more than other areas, and the red curbing seemed to be painted longer in this area.

ADJOURN

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 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 August, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 6th day of August 2015

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

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of September, 2015.

/s/ Robert A. Irvin
Mayor Robert A. Irvin

ATTEST:

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