

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 4TH DAY OF MAY 2017**

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

ROLL CALL - City Clerk Crystal Hadfield called the roll.

PRESENT

Mayor Michael J. Laws
Vice Mayor Terry Rowden
Councilman Gerald "Sam" Lindsey
Councilman Robert A. Irvin
Councilman Elwood A. Johnson
Councilman Timothy A. Bowlby
Councilwoman Rachel D. Garza

STAFF

City Manager Ted Soltis
City Attorney Ann Roberts
Finance Director/City Clerk Crystal Hadfield

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - Led by Mayor Laws

CALL TO THE PUBLIC - None

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

SECONDED: Vice Mayor Rowden seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE THE APRIL 20, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Councilmember Irvin made a motion to approve the April 20, 2017 Council meeting minutes.

SECONDED: Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED

**PUBLIC HEARING – APPROVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR WILLCOX CHEVRON INC. DBA WILLCOX CHEVRON
LOCATED AT 1190 W REX ALLEN DRIVE**

MOTION: Councilmember Bowlby made a motion to approve the liquor license for Willcox Chevron Inc. DBA Willcox Chevron.

SECONDED: Councilmember Johnson seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: The Public Hearing was opened at 6:33 and closed at 6:34. Councilmember Lindsey asked why Alan Crockett is listed as the agent, while Krishan Kewal is listed throughout the application as the owner. Councilmember Johnson explained that Crockett is the financial advisor. Councilmember Garza asked if Willcox Chevron is opening the front and the back of the store. It was explained that they are selling on the premises and there will not be consumption based on the series of the license.

MOTION CARRIED

3RD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT – CRYSTAL HADFIELD

Crystal Hadfield gave a report of the funds at third quarter and answered Council's questions.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- The waste water treatment plant's pre construction meeting was held and mobilization began yesterday. The City will have groundbreaking ceremony at a later date.
- City crews have finished the street's chip seal project. City Manager Soltis gave a brief overview of streets that were completed.
- The City is going to be installing a "Welcome to Willcox" sign on Haskell Ave. Recently a grant was written to fix the trail at Keiller Park. The City made it through the first round of eliminations.
- There is currently a vacant Planning and Zoning position.
- The next meeting will be a budget work session on May 18th at 6:00 p.m.
- City Manager Soltis has been appointed for another year as Administrative Chairman for SEAGO.
- SEAGO is doing a transportation survey in the Willcox area. A presentation regarding the transportation update is forthcoming.

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COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Johnson thanked firefighters as it is National Firefighter Day. He gave kudos to Crystal for her efforts as Finance Director. Johnson said that he will not be here for the May 18th budget work session.

Councilmember Bowlby said the Friends of WASA banquet was a success. They raised about \$7,000. They are currently planning a golf tournament in June for WASA. Today Bowlby met the new owner of Lifestyles who mentioned that he was excited about the cleanup taking place in Willcox. The Lifestyles owner has great plans for the building.

Councilmember Garza stated that she and Mayor Laws attended Law Day on Tuesday. Garza stated that we will miss the Memorial Day goal for Keiller Park playground equipment installation; we should have it installed by the middle of June. Garza gave kudos to the City Manager and staff for the work on the streets.

Vice Mayor Rowden also complimented staff on the condition of the streets. Rowden attended the Chamber Luncheon where Scott Curtis was the speaker and he gave a presentation on Wine Country. Rod Keeling asked Rowden to share a cookbook with each of the Council members. Rowden mentioned that West Fest is this coming weekend and the FFA banquet is next Thursday. Rowden said that she would like better signage for Willcox. There were two signs and one was on someone's property. The sign that was found matches the other one and will be placed on the other end of Haskell Ave. FFA will help with the welding work. She is contacting SSVEC about solar lighting to shine on the signs.

Mayor Laws discussed the recent pursuit and thanked the police department. Laws discussed the Law Day that he and Councilmember Garza recently attended. Laws said that he saw the contractors moving in equipment for work on the waste water treatment plant.

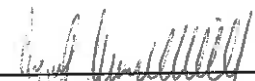
ADJOURN

With no further business before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07p.m. by Mayor Laws.

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 4th day of May 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of May 2017




City Clerk Crystal L. Hadfield

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of June 2017.



Mayor Michael J. Laws

ATTEST:



City Clerk Crystal Hadfield