

**THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ  
HELD ON THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2018**

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

**ROLL CALL** - City Manager Soltis called the roll.

**PRESENT**

Mayor Michael J. Laws  
Vice Mayor Terry Rowden  
Councilman Gerald "Sam" Lindsey  
Councilman Robert A. Irvin  
Councilman Elwood "Woody" 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~~  
Public Safety Director Jose Rios

**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.

**DISCUSSION:** None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVE THE DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Irvin made a motion to approve the December 21, 2017 Council meeting minutes.

**SECONDED:** Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (SSVEC) CAPITAL CREDITS CHECK PRESENTATION:  
WAYNE CRANE**

Wayne Crane introduced his replacement Eric Petemann; Eric then introduced himself. Curtis Nolan gave a brief history of the capital credits program and presented a check for \$2,549.39 to the Mayor.

**ARIZONA MUNICIPAL RISK RETENTION POOL (AMRRP) RENEWAL: ED BANTEL**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Lindsey made a motion to approve the Property and Casualty Insurance renewal.

**SECONDED:** Councilmember Irvin seconded the motion.

**DISCUSSION:** None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**WILLCOX HISTORIC THEATER UPDATE: GAYLE BERRY**

Gayle Berry gave a brief overview of the theater's history and introduced some of the new activities.

**PROCLAMATION: WILLCOX HISTORIC THEATER**

Vice Mayor Rowden and Mayor Laws read the proclamation. Mayor Laws then presented it to Gayle Berry.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

- He noted that a new maintenance system has been implemented for crosswalk stripping. Prior to the start of the school year, the crosswalks are painted. This is a change from annually power washing the crosswalks.
- The police department has upped speed coverage of school zones. He also noted that the new speed trailer will be put into use next week at the schools.
- New signage has been installed: "No Parking" signs along Bisbee Avenue as well as new crosswalk signs.
- The police department is also working with the school district to get training for the cross walk workers.

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- He reminded Council that Wilson Engineers will be here at the next meeting to provide a wastewater treatment plant update.
- The new lighting at the police department should be completed next week.
- A new hot water heater was installed at the animal shelter. The renovation work will take more time as it was discovered that the ventilation system needs to be replaced.
- The basketball pad renovation work has been completed at Gonzales Park. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be scheduled for next week.

**COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

All the councilmembers and the Mayor wished everyone a happy and prosperous new year. Mayor Laws noted that rare birds were sighted at Cochise Lake. He also noted that 80 citations were made by the police department for speeders in the school zone in the month of December. He recited several insightful and instructive quotes.

**ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Bowlby made a motion to adjourn the meeting with no further business at 7:06 p.m.

**SECONDED:** Councilmember Irvin seconded the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**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 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018

  
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City Manager Soltis

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018.

  
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Mayor Michael J. Laws

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk Crystal L. Hadfield