

**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 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 21ST, 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 Petermann; 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 4th day of January 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of January 2018

City Manager Soltis

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of January 2018.

Mayor Michael J. Laws

ATTEST:

City Clerk Crystal L. Hadfield