

**CITY OF WILLCOX
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA – Statement of Legal Actions
Monday, February 2, 2009**

7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers

**NOTE NEW LOCATION: 300 W. Rex Allen Drive
Willcox, AZ**

(Mayor or Designee will read only **BOLD** print of each agenda item,
except for Public Hearings, Petitions and Communications.)

**Resolution No. 2009-10
Ordinance NS291**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**-Mayor Gerald W. Lindsey called the regular meeting to order on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The Mayor welcomed all for attending the Ribbon Cutting and Open House and participating in the tours of both buildings. If citizens were not able to do the tours they are welcomed to come back.
2. **ROLL CALL**-The Mayor announced all council members are present.

PRESENT

Mayor Gerald W. Lindsey
Vice Mayor Larry Schultz
Councilman Elwood A. Johnson
Councilman Jimmy L. Norris
Councilwoman Monika Cronberg
Councilman Stephen Klump
Councilman Christopher Donahue

STAFF

City Manager Pat McCourt
City Attorney Hector M. Figueroa
City Clerk Cristina G. Whelan, CMC
Library Director Tom Miner
Public Services & Works Director Dave Bonner
HR Generalist Sherry Van Allen
Building Inspector Jeff Stoddard
Streets Supervisor Arnold Arvizu

OTHERS PRESENT

Paul Sheats Mike Bell

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**-Mayor Lindsey.
4. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**-
Mr. Paul Sheats thanked the Mayor and Council for letting them come to see the new buildings and would like to continue to come as a citizen for over 13 years and as a pastor of our community. Tonight he offered a prayer for the Mayor and Council, staff in City Government and especially to those people that make decisions and change our lives and do things for us.

Mr. Mike Bell is here tonight asking for some help from the City. WPRA (Women's Pro Rodeo Association) has planned two (2) barrel racing events on May 30-31 and September 26-27, 2009. They are trying to help City out by raising money for the entire town. The request is use of the arena and water truck. He has purchased his own tractor. Other events they are trying to get lined up for City are talking with Arizona High School Rodeo to consider coming here for their 3-day State finals. Mayor Lindsey thanked him for coming and staff will review request and get back in touch with him.
5. **DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST**-Councilwoman Cronberg reclude herself from agenda #7 relating to the Soccer Field proposal by the Willcox Unified School District. There was no further response from the Mayor, Council members or staff.

6. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**-It was moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. **CARRIED.**

7. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE WILLCOX UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #13 SOCCER FIELD CONSTRUCTION PROPOSAL BY SUPERINTENDENT RICHARD RUNDHAUGH, Ph.D.,** **Tab 1**

This item was for discussion only and the Mayor and Council and staff concerned the following:

- Basic question is the City interested in providing space for the Community. This proposal is the most efficient for our tax payers of our community.
- Staff recommends moving forward.
- Some urgency is Cochise College is planning on starting their new building construction in the next couple of months. That will reduce green space used by the school.
- To move forward and partner with the school we will need indication at the next meeting in February.
- City's commitment questions to this project: estimate cost on manpower; equipment; initial grading of the fields; cost for the City to provide the water for their field in exchange fields available for the general public to use when the school is not using them for practice or games.
- Concerns: City street workers doing all the work for 3-weeks; will it get done before its time to do our street projects; street projects will have to be moved back or delayed;
- Street workers initially and then the Parks workers will be needed later for the sprinkler systems.
- Discussion needed so that community recognizes what contribution we have to put in in order to get recreational space and hold off on streets projects.
- Concerns are the financial worries coming down the road, if things get tight i.e. cut off water and is school willing to pick that up. The City is prohibited in giving our water per loan agreement. In order for City "to give water away" we have to receive something of equal or greater value in return. Our ability to utilized recreational facility is more than offset of the water.
- Field would be available to the public whenever the School does not have anything scheduled. The School would do the reservations of the field.

Staff was directed to go ahead and put together some proposals and present them to the Mayor and Council.

Consideration given to short term and long term emphasis is on short term so that the Mayor and Council do not bind future council's. A financial work session was suggested before the next meeting to review the budget on where we are at, what projects are out there, completed or not completed. The City and the School are trying to stretch our resources to satisfy the needs of the community. If it is approved recommendation is a review of projects on a quarterly basis on what the water usage is and the amount of usage of the fields.

8. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING THE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2009** **Tab 2**
It was moved and seconded to adopt the special meeting minutes of January 20, 2009. **CARRIED.**

9. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING APPROVAL OF FY 2007-08 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS; FY 2007-08 SINGLE AUDIT REPORT** **Tab 3**
It was moved and seconded to approve FY 2007-08 Audited Financial Statements; FY 2007-08 Single Audit Report. **CARRIED.**

10. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING RESOLUTION NO. 2009-09 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT FORM SP 142 TO CONTINUE ELIGIBILITY RECERTIFICATION WITH THE STATE OF ARIZONA SURPLUS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT OFFICE, DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED SIGNERS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THIS RESOLUTION, FORM SP 142 "AUTHORIZATION AND UPDATE FORM" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST** **Tab 4**
It was moved and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2009- 09, as stated, relating to the State of Arizona Surplus Property Management Office and authorized signers. **CARRIED.**

11. **DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE AIRPORT AD HOC COMMITTEE** **Tab 5**
It was moved and seconded to approve the appointment of all those that applied to the Airport Ad Hoc Committee.
DISCUSSION: Resolution NO. 2008-83 included wording "or as may be approved by the Mayor and Council pursuant to specific directives" which allows then to add as many as they want to. Staff directed to place the additional appointments to the Airport Ad Hoc Committee on the next agenda. **CARRIED.**

12. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING STREET CLOSURE REQUEST BY MIKE BUSH, TUCSON CORVETTE CLUB FOR A POKER RALLYE ON SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2009 Tab 6

It was moved and seconded to approve the street closure request by Mr. Bush, Tucson Corvette Club for a Poker Rallye on Saturday, March 21, 2009. **CARRIED.**

13. DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING CRACK SEALING ON FT. GRANT ROAD Tab 7

It was moved and seconded to approve the crack sealing on Ft. Grant Road in the amount of \$20,715.00. **CARRIED.**

14. REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER PAT McCOURT Tab 8

Consideration, discussion and/or decision regarding the following topics by the City Manager:

- **Report on the ADEQ Notice of Violations Meeting-** operations of our Wastewater Treatment Plant and disposal of effluent. When he was interviewed for the job given tour and notified. Now he hears the findings are more than minor. Meet with ADEQ informally and discussed situation. We do not want to pollute environment, we want to operate a clean plant and it will be difficult. We have started to work on that and brought expertise with Engineer. It will take some time and it will be expensive. Hopes to keep our processes as simple and low cost operations and incorporate this into our Bird Watching and Reuse of Effluent and continued reuse and maintenance of the Golf Course. Initial analysis is available in his office and this is more problem than initially anticipated.
- **Report on vacancies:** Willcox Historic Preservation Advisory Committee-there is two (2) vacancies on that Committee. This is a 5-member Committee to assist the City Council. The 2-vacancies were advertised and no one has volunteered to serve. We do have a quorum and these terms will expire in December of 2009. We will continue to solicit for interested parties to serve.
- **Report on Cochise College Progress-**building new structures in this community. Jeff Stoddard, Building Inspector, meet with Cochise College Architect and Engineer and plan to bring him the plans this month. They anticipate starting breaking ground in March and completed by August 2010. It will be an asset to our community.
- **Planning & Zoning Commission Work Session Meeting on the General Plan with Larry Harmer-**Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., 300 W. Rex Allen Drive. This is last stop before coming to Mayor and Council for consideration.
- **Mayor's/Manager's Luncheon-**Ft. Huachuca, Wednesday, February 18, 2009 need RSVP's to City Manager.

Mayor Lindsey asked on Historic Committee if he could appoint members in opposed to having letters presented. Mr. McCourt said he can appoint members and hopes we find interested parties which makes it better. Mr. Phil Stratton stated he has served on it a number of years ago and will submit his letter of interest.

15. COMMENTS NOT FOR DISCUSSION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.

Councilman Klump stated it is nice to see this building completed. Hopes still in process of getting façade and signage. He thanked Public Works for getting it completed.

Councilman Norris thanked Public Services & Works Director Dave Bonner and his crew for the number of hours and anticipate hours they worked and said it is a very beautiful building. The Councilman said he is looking forward to seeing the outside when completed. Great job!

Vice Mayor Schultz echoed same thing and knows how much time was spent. Thanked staff with help on the Blacksmith Competition held last weekend. This was the Nationals and Travis Koons was California won. They are interested in coming back. He thanked Finance Director Ruth Graham and Connie Bonner for a good looking audit. Also thanked Kathy Smith, Willcox Chamber of Commerce Director, for her number of hours she helped during the blacksmithing. Councilman Johnson stated it has taken 4-years 7-months to complete this building and he thanked the citizens for approving the Bond, he thanked past City Managers, past Council's and he thinks we did the right thing and appreciates staff that did it. It came in under budget or close to it. Good to be here and good to see the people here. Echoed Blacksmith it was a lot of fun and it is part of our Western Heritage. Housing Open House held last Thursday 75 people attended and it was a success. Plans are doing that again in another 30 days.

Councilwoman Cronberg said ditto, ditto and ditto all and echoed all. Commends extra efforts and these buildings are truly remarkable for our community. It is very nice to be meeting here and thanked everyone.

Councilman Donahue thanked crews for a good job. To the Library Director Tom Miner he stated we are moving out of your way and time for the Library to move forward. Thanks.

Mayor Lindsey stated he appreciates comments and echoed everything that has been said. This is a tremendous facility and such an improvement for the City not as much for Council but for our Public Safety Department. Where they were working at needs to be made a parking lot.

16. ADJOURN 8:37 p.m.

Misc. Tab: 9

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