

**THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLCOX, COCHISE COUNTY, AZ
HELD ON THIS 11TH DAY OF MAY 2009**

CALL TO ORDER-Mayor Gerald W. Lindsey called the special meeting to order on Monday, May 11, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

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 Clerk Cristina G. Whelan, CMC
Public Safety Director Jake Weaver

OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Irvin Joan Dawson Don Ulses
Delcie Schultz Dennis Williams

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG-Mayor Lindsey.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC-There was no response from the public present.

DECLARATION ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST- Councilman Norris stated that John Oberreuter did his books. Mayor Lindsey said so long as it is not current he does not have a problem with that. Legal counsel is not present and he does not see a problem with that.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Vice Mayor Schultz moved to adopt the agenda as presented.

SECONDED: Councilwoman Cronberg seconded the motion. **CARRIED.**

DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSURE FROM SULFUR SPRINGS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO CLOSE RAILROAD AVENUE FROM STEWART STREET TO MALEY STREET ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009 FOR ANTIQUE TRACTOR AND ENGINE DISPLAY

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to approve the request for street closure from SSSHS to close Railroad Avenue from Stewart Street to Maley Street on Saturday, May 16, 2009 for Antique Tractor and Engine Display.

SECONDED: Councilman Donahue seconded the motion. **DISCUSSION:** Mayor Lindsey's question was his understanding was Bo Downing needed 14 spaces reserved for the gunfights on Saturday afternoon and asked if that would interfere with the Tractor Show. Mr. Don Ulses replied he has discussed this with Mr. Downing and there is no problem with spaces down to Museum. **CARRIED.**

DISCUSSION/DECISION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR LICENSE BY WILLCOXONE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES ON MAY 16 & 17, 2009 AT QUAIL DRIVE SPORTS PARK

Mayor Lindsey asked Ms. Joan Dawson to address the Council. Ms. Dawson stated this is her first time doing this and is learning as she goes. The group wants to know if they can get the license. Councilman Johnson said the application does not state her birthday and she stated it before City Manager McCourt explain that it has been removed from the copies and the original does include it. It was removed from the copy to protect Ms. Dawson from identify theft. Councilman Johnson asked about her phone number and she stated 384-4179 and Councilman said that is different from the application. Mayor Lindsey stated this application has a lot of changes that has been made and brought up a lot of questions on what is taking place. The Mayor has some questions and understands this is now a Charitable Corporation and Councilman Johnson asked when filed and Ms. Dawson replied week before they filed. Councilman Johnson said the copy is dated April 21, 2009 which is day after the last City Council meeting and since that meeting terms changed. Mr. Dennis Williams explained he did not understand they could not have liquor License unless Charitable Organization which forced them to form that. That is the reason it was done. Councilman Johnson stated he did get a chance to look at incorporation papers and asked specific details how they want to take the money and funnel it in and its vision. Mr. Williams replied money would go to Quail Drive Sports Park primarily the rodeo and after talking with Dave Bonner (Public Services & Works Director) suggested for example vendor parking. As far as their charitable goal it is to put the money back into the Park. Councilman Johnson asked if that is the only charitable proceeds. Mr. Williams replied at this point it is especially when they found out from the State Liquor Department needed to be charitable to get

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license. Their Articles of Incorporation allows them to put proceeds somewhere else. Councilman Johnson read that the application states application needed 10 days for consideration and Mr. Williams said if it is approved tonight Ms. Dawson is leaving for Phoenix in the morning. This process is what the Liquor Department recommended they do and to put someone else's name on it. Officer Westpoole at State told them if signed by Mayor and Council they will process it in the next couple days. Councilwoman Cronberg clarified that the application does state 1-7 days and if walk it through it can be accelerated. Councilman Johnson said the License is still 7:00 p .m. on Sunday and stated he does not have a problem with that. Ms. Dawson said that is for clean up too. Councilman Johnson asked if alcohol purchased through distributor and they replied in the affirmative. Mayor Lindsey asked if there is a copy of minutes and Ms. Dawson said she has not had time to type them although there are handwritten notes. Ms. Dawson is the President and Mr. Williams is a board member and John Oberreuter is the "main character." Vice Mayor Schultz said John Oberreuter is the Statutory Agent of the corporation and Ms. Dawson nodded her head. The Vice Mayor stated make sure license is posted before they start selling the alcohol and Ms. Dawson replied she will have it up there. Ms. Dawson stated she is new at this at going at it one at a time. Councilwoman Cronberg agreed this is a learning process and learning by doing. The Councilwoman asked to correct telephone number and Ms. Dawson added that all mail comes to the Post Office address. Ms. Dawson said 384-4179 is her number. Councilwoman Cronberg stated if she understands correctly, basically everything else has not changed and Ms. Dawson is now the applicant on this corporation. Mayor Lindsey thanked her and asked the Council members for any further discussion.

MOTION: Councilman Norris moved to approve the request for a Special Events Liquor License by Willcoxone Charitable Activities on May 16-17-2009 at Quail Drive Sports Park with the change to the phone number.

SECONDED: Councilwoman Cronberg seconded the motion. **DISCUSSION:** Delcie Schultz asked if Police Officer off duty would be paid and Mayor Lindsey replied there will be a paid off duty Willcox Police Officer present. Dennis Williams stated he talked with Sgt. Childers and said there would be other duty officers in the area and should have plenty of security. Mayor Lindsey stated agreement is for one paid officer. Chief Weaver explained there will be one (1) paid police officer for the purpose of this event and others on duty per regular duty. Patrol officer will be present along with five (5) Arizona Rangers for security there. **CARRIED.** Ms. Dawson and Mr. Williams thanked the Mayor and Council.

ADJOURN-5:16 p.m.

There being no further business before the Mayor and Council, Mayor Lindsey adjourned the meeting at 5:16 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Willcox held on the 11th day of May 2009. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 13th day of May 2009

City Clerk Cristina G. Whelan, CMC

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2009.

MAYOR GERALD W. LINDSEY

ATTEST:

City Clerk Cristina G. Whelan, CMC