

TOWN OF PATAGONIA)
SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2014
6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER Mayor Isakson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Isakson, Vice-Mayor Wood, Council Members Coleman and Gilbert

ABSENT: Council member Quiroga

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Teel, Deputy Clerk Van Nest , Town Attorney Masee. Public Works Foreman Valenzuela

Public present included: Shafer, Cervantes, Montoy, Seibert.

Mayor Isakson announced that Item 5 would be taken first.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RECOMMENDING TO STAFF MIKE MASSEE'S DRAFT CONCERNING PREFERENCE FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES.

Mr. Masee explained the legal situation with no clear legislative authorization and only one case defining legislation which was not constitutional. There was discussion concerning use of a 10% versus 20% allowance for local businesses. After discussion it was agreed to place the draft, as presented, on the agenda for consideration and possible adoption at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Masse left the meeting.

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RECOMMENDING TO STAFF CONCERNING THE PROPOSAL FOR A STUDY OF THE AQUIFER CONFIGURATION AND CHARACTERISTICS.

There was discussion of the kind of detail the study would provide, the source of funding and other information which should be obtained. It was agreed to defer action until Council had also heard about possible sources of water from the Town's property in the San Jose de Sonoita land grant. Mr. Teel was instructed to contact the water rights attorney Steven Weatherspoon and ask that he come to a work session, tentatively October 15th to discuss the Town's rights. It was agreed to defer action on the aquifer study until after that meeting.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RECOMMENDING TO STAFF CEMETERY LOTS, AVAILABILITY AND SITUATION.

There was discussion concerning the study done by the University of Arizona and the present regulations concerning who could buy plots.

Mayor Isakson left the meeting.

It was agreed after discussion that the rules would not be changed and Mr. Obrecht would not be able to bury his mother in the Patagonia Cemetery. It was also agreed that long term plans for expansion, including the parcel by the Gatlin cemetery should be considered at some time in future.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RECOMMENDING TO STAFF
AMENDMENT OF BOWMAN ENGINEERING CONTRACT.

This will be placed on the agenda after USDA concurrence has been received.

6. OTHER OPEN ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS. NONE

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: AT THIS TIME THE COUNCIL MAY BRING FORTH TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS, AND IF PREVIOUSLY REJECTED BY THE MAYOR, THE COUNCIL MAY VOTE ON CODE WHETHER TO PLACE THAT ITEM ON A FUTURE AGENDA PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-5-5 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA, ARIZONA. THE COUNCIL MAY NOT DISCUSS, DELIBERATE OR TAKE ANY ACTION ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE TOPICS OTHER THAN TO VOTE TO INCLUDE THEM ON A FUTURE AGENDA. A.R.S. §38- 431.02(H).

No items other than the October 15 meeting on water rights were put forward.

8. ADJOURN.

MOTION: Council member Gilbert moved to ADJOURN

SECOND: Council Member Coleman

VOTE: The Motion passed by a vote of 3-0 with Council Members voting as follows:

AYES: Vice-Mayor Wood, Council Members Gilbert and Coleman

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Isakson, Council member Quiroga

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

I hereby confirm the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate copy of the minutes of a Special Council Workshop Meeting held October 1, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ Day of _____, 2014.

APPROVED: _____

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Manager