

TOWN OF PATAGONIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **MINUTES**
7:00 P.M. - SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

1. **CALL TO ORDER**--Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
PRESENT: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager
STAFF: Town Manager Robinson & Marshal Patterson
PUBLIC PRESENT: See attached sign in sheet
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**--Mayor Wood led the pledge of Allegiance
Council Member Reibslager spoke of our tremendous loss of life during the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, and asked for a moment of silence.
3. **CORRECTION AND/OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM:**
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, AUGUST 28, 2019 @ 7:00 P.M.
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 @ 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 @ 6:00 P.M.
MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FINCH MOVED TO APPROVE ALL THE ABOVE MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS.
SECOND: COUNCIL MEMBER REIBSLAGER
VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:
AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager
NAYS: None
ABSTAINERS: None
ABSENT: None
PLEASE NOTE: THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MAY ELECT TO TAKE ITEM(S) OUT OF ORDER.
4. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC A. R. S. §38-431-01(H):** AT THIS TIME, ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IS ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE TOWN COUNCIL, SUBJECT TO REASONABLE TIME AND MANNER RESTRICTIONS. PURSUANT TO THE ARIZONA OPEN MEETING LAW, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CALL TO THE PUBLIC, INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL MAY RESPOND TO CRITICISM MADE BY THOSE WHO HAVE ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL, MAY ASK STAFF TO REVIEW THE MATTER, OR, MAY ASK THE MATTER BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA. HOWEVER, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC BODY SHALL NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE LEGAL ACTION ON MATTERS RAISED DURING AN OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS, THE MATTERS ARE PROPERLY NOTICED FOR DISCUSSION AND LEGAL ACTION.

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Mayor Wood opened the floor for the public to speak: Philip Brister spoke on behalf of the Board of The Senior Citizen Center, requesting Improvements with the cooling system at the Senior Center and adding a generator to the Senior Center so food won't be lost as a result of power failures. Mayor Wood directed Mr. Brister to the Town Manager for further discussion.

Shelby Scheer requested her agenda item be moved up because she would be traveling back to Tucson. Mayor Wood moved the number 11 agenda item up on her behalf. Ms. Scheer represents SAACA, the organization running the Patagonia Fall Festival. Ms. Scheer updated the Council on progress of the festival and the changes in parking and who will be responsible for it. The East parking at PUHS, will be operated by the school and provide shuttle service. The helicopter pad will be operated by the Montessori School and the West parking area will be operated by PUHS. All parking will be charged \$3.00 and will go to the schools. Ms. Scheer is hoping we have a lot of community volunteers to help. Ms. Scheer has talked with the Town Manager and the Marshal about hard and soft road closures, similar to what was done last year.

Ms. Scheer also said, they were 90% full on vendor spaces. She mentioned that they had 150,000 views on their web [age for the fall festival and 70,000 interested. Ms. Scheer said the interested numbers could mean a larger probability of visitors. The average number of visitors annually is 15,000. They have over 5,000 followers on their Patagonia Fall Festival website. SAACA is interested in helping Patagonia with economic development. After Ms. Scheer was through with her presentation, she had with her handouts to promote the Festival for businesses to have.

Mayor Wood asked Marshal Patterson if he and his deputies were prepared for active shooters. Marshal Patterson stated they are always prepared for any type of assault. He also mentioned they use Quiroga Lane as a command center and he brings his RV down to stay in for the entire weekend. The Marshal will also get in contact with The Arizona Rangers to provide security.

OLD BUSINESS

5. MAYOR'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS. AT THIS TIME THE MAYOR MAY WISH TO CALL UPON THE COUNCIL OR STAFF FOR CURRENT EVENTS OR MONTHLY REPORTS.
6. STAFF REPORTS ON ONGOING ACTIVITIES WITH POSSIBLE DIRECTION BY COUNCIL.
 - A. FINANCIAL STATEMENT/BUDGET
 - B. POLICE
 - C. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS
Council Member Murrietta who is the Council liaison to the P & D, mentioned the committee was having some issues they were working out.

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7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SEND LETTER TO SOUTH32 REQUESTING A MEETING TO DISCUSS ACCESS ROUTES AND TRUCK ROUTES FOR REGULAR AND HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC THAT WOULD IMPACT ALL CITIZENS IN AND AROUND PATAGONIA.

Mayor Wood said she wrote the letter and wanted approval from the council to send it.

MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FINCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE LETTER TO SOUTH32 REQUESTING A MEETING TO DISCUSS ACCESS ROUTES AND TRUCK ROUTES FOR REGULAR TRUCK AND HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC THAT WOULD IMPACT ALL CITIZENS IN AND AROUND PATAGONIA.

SECOND: COUNCIL MEMBER MURRIETTA

VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:

AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: None

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TOWN MANAGER ROBINSONS PROPOSAL TO REDUCE DEBT PAYMENTS.

Mayor Wood mentioned that Town Manager Robinson had discussed this idea with her, and she agreed with the action of debt reduction. Council Member Reibslager & Murrietta liked the idea, and was thankful Town Hall was being proactive regarding eliminating our debt. Mr. Finch requested information, out of curiosity, where the contingency monies to guarantee the loan came from.

MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER REIBSLAGER MOVED TO APPROVE TOWN MANAGER ROBINSONS PROPOSAL TO REDUCE DEBT PAYMENTS

SECOND: COUNCIL MEMBER MURRIETTA

VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with council members voting as follows:

AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: None

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9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ARIZONA CRAFT BEVERAGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL.

MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FINCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR ARIZONA CRAFT BEVERAGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL.

SECOND: MAYOR WOOD

VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:

AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: None

10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT BOBBY YU TO BE TOWN ATTORNEY/PROSECUTOR

MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FINCH MOVED TO APPOINT BOBBY YU AS TOWN ATTORNEY/PROSECUTOR

SECOND: MAYOR WOOD

VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:

AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: None

11. UPDATE ON FALL FESTIVAL PREPARATIONS BY SAACA REPRESENTATIVE, SHELBY SCHEER.

THIS ITEM WAS MOVED BY MAYOR WOOD AFTER ITEM #4, CALL TO THE PUBLIC.

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12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

MOTION: MAYOR WOOD MOVED TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

SECOND: COUNCIL MEMBER REIBSLAGER

VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:

AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: None

13. **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 WHETHER TO PLACE THOSE ITEMS ON A FUTURE AGENDA PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-5-5 OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA ARIZONA CODE. 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).

COUNCIL MEMBER REIBSLAGER REQUESTED AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH MARSHAL PATTERSON, NEW TOWN ATTORNEY YU AND TOWN MANAGER ROBINSON TO DISCUSS THE TOWN CODE DEFINING HEAVY TRUCKS AND TRUCKS WITH MORE THAN TWO TURNING AXLES. MAYOR WOOD RECOMMENDED A STUDY SESSION TO UNDERSTAND THE DEFINITION OF HEAVY TRUCK IN THE TOWN CODE, AND DISCUSS FUTURE TRUCK ROUTES. MARSHAL PATTERSON MENTIONED THE TOWN ATTORNEY AT THE TIME OF ADOPTING THE HEAVY TRUCK ORDINANCE WAS MICHAEL MASSEE, AND HE WOULD BRING ALL CORRESPONDENCE WITH HIM TO THE STUDY SESSION. THE STUDY SESSION WAS SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.

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14. **ADJOURN**

MOTION: MAYOR WOOD MOVED TO ADJOURN

SECOND: COUNCIL MEMBER FINCH

VOTE: The motion passed by a 5-0 vote, with Council Members voting as follows:

AYES: Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile via teleconference, Council Members Murrietta, Finch & Reibslager

NAYS: None

ABSTAINERS: None

ABSENT: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

I hereby confirm the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate copy of the minutes of a Regular Council Meeting held September 5, 2019 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 _____, 2019

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST: