1. CALL TO ORDER—Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL/THIS MEETING WILL BE REMOTE VIA ZOOM MEETING, WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING ALSO VIA ZOOM MEETING. Mayor Wood present, Vice-Mayor Stabile present, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie present

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Robinson, Marshal Patterson

PUBLIC PRESENT: Robert Gay, Philip Brister, Melanie Lawson, Denise Bowdon, Pat Risner and Carolyn Shafer

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led in the 6:00 meeting

4. CORRECTION AND OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM:

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. HELD VIA ZOOM MEETING WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM MEETING

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to approve the Minutes from: REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. HELD VIA ZOOM MEETING WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM MEETING

**SECOND:** Council Member Claverie

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

**AYES:** Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC A. R. S. §38-431-01(H): AT THIS TIME, THE PUBLIC WILL ONLY BE RECOGNIZED TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS LISTED FOR PUBLIC INPUT PURSUANT TO TOWN CODE SECTION 2-5-6. ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IS ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE TOWN COUNCIL, SUBJECT TO A REASONABLE TIME SET BY THE COUNCIL 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. No one spoke.

6. 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. None

7. STAFF REPORTS ON ONGOING ACTIVITIES WITH POSSIBLE DIRECTION BY COUNCIL:

1. FINANCIAL REPORT: In books
2. POLICE REPORT—Marshal Patterson is preparing to send off to AZPOST all training records for audit. ACO Hilliard is on deployment to FEMA and there is ongoing training.
3. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT—Town Manager Robinson spoke on behalf of Chairperson Budd and said the Committee is continuing to work on economic development with tourism as their focus. All citizens are invited to their meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M.

**NEW BUSINESS**

8. SOUTH32 WILL PROVIDE PROJECT UPDATE AND SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ADEQ PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE AZPDES PERMIT. Pat Risner, President of the South32 Hermosa Project, presented a power point outlining their progress talking about drill rigs in field, core processing and water treatment operations in the remediation pit they built, their pre-feasibility study that will be finished in June of 2021, then continue on with a feasibility study focusing on the items identified by the PFS for approximately 12 months, onsite operations, the joint water study with the Town using Clear Creek Associates due end of April 2021, their AZPDES permit modification public comment period, regulating the quality of water related to quantity from their new Water Treatment Plant into Harshaw Creek at a rate of 10 c.f.s. (4500 g.p.m.). He mentioned that since starting back operations again, they have had no on site COVID-19 transmissions.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO EXTEND THE COMMUNITY POOL IGA WITH PUHS 20 AND PESD 6 THROUGH THE MONTH OF MARCH. THIS EXTRA TIME WILL ALLOW FOPP THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THE OWNERS THE POOL ASSESSMENT. FOPP WILL PAY THEIR PORTION OF THE MONTHLY COSTS FOR MARCH.

**MOTION:** Mayor Wood made a motion to amend Item 9 to reflect a three month IGA Extension with PUHS 20 and PESD 6 through the month of May.

**SECOND:** Council Member Claverie

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Wood said the extension would allow FOPP time to give the full assessment to the owners. Mr. Reibslager asked why we were continuing this because of the operational deficit. Mayor Wood said this extension also gives FOPP time to find

a financial partner. FOPP will continue to fund their portion of the monthly costs at $531.25. Mayor Wood asked Town Manager to share the Pool Assessment with the rest of the Council Members and Town Manager Robinson acknowledged.

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

**AYES:** Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

10. DISSCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO THE NEW PERSONNEL POLICY. ONE, EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, TWO, COMPENSATION PRACTICES AND THREE, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS.

**MOTION:** Mayor Wood Moved TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO THE NEW PERSONNEL POLICY. ONE, EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, TWO, COMPENSATION PRACTICES AND THREE, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS.

**SECOND:** Council Member Reibslager

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Wood asked Town Manager Robinson to explain. Town Manager Robinson said that these areas were to clarify employee misunderstandings and fairly settle any issues in the new adopted policy.

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

**AYES:** Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 21-03, **A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TABLE OF CONTENTS, CHAPTER TWO - EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, CHAPTER THREE - COMPENSATION PRACTICES, AND CHAPTER FOUR - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA PERSONNEL POLICY GUIDELINES**

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to approve RESOLUTION NO. 21-03, **A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TABLE OF CONTENTS, CHAPTER TWO - EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, CHAPTER THREE - COMPENSATION PRACTICES, AND CHAPTER FOUR - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA PERSONNEL POLICY GUIDELINES**

**SECOND:** Mayor Wood

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

**AYES:** Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

**MOTION:** Council Member Reibsalger moved to approve accounts payable.

**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, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**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). Mayor Wood asked for a Study Session to be scheduled on March 17, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. to further study the assessment information provided by FOPP. All agreed.

14. **ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to adjourn.

**SECOND:** Mayor Wood

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

**AYES:** Mayor Wood, Vice-Mayor Stabile, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

13. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

I hereby confirm that the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate copy of the minutes of a Regular Meeting held by the Town Council on February 24, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. via zoom meeting. I further certify that the meeting was called, held and that a quorum was present.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021

APPROVED:

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Mayor Andrea Wood

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk/Manager Ron Robinson