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

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

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Robinson, Town Attorney Enrique Gonzales Jr. via Zoom Meeting

PUBLIC PRESENT: Debbie Robinson and via Zoom Meeting Carolyn Shafer, Aisha Lurry, Denise Bowden, Robert Gay and German Quiroga

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—Mayor Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. CORRECTION AND OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM:

A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM MEETING WITH PARTIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PERSON AND

A STUDY SESSION WITH THE FLOOD AND FLOW COMMITTEE HELD MARCH 2, 2022, AT 6:00P.M. VIA ZOOM MEETING WITH PARTIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PERSON.

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to approve the minutes of A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2022, AT 6:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM MEETING WITH PARTIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PERSON AND

A STUDY SESSION WITH THE FLOOD AND FLOW COMMITTEE HELD MARCH 2, 2022, AT 6:00P.M. VIA ZOOM MEETING WITH PARTIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN PERSON.

**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

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. No report

7. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND COMMITTEES ON ONGOING ACTIVITIES. In books

**NEW BUSINESS**

8. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE EXPENDITURE LIMITATION-HOME RULE OPTION. Mayor Wood called the Public Hearing to order at 6:03. Town Manager Robinson gave a presentation on Home Rule and the importance of this proposition to the continued operation of the Town. Council discussed and suggested that the education of the public as to what the numbers mean was most important. Some ideas were to place an article in the PRT and have pamphlets made in both English and Spanish. The Council suggested the Town’s polling place be where the County’s is so more voters would participate. The Public Hearing closed at 6:07

**MOTION:** Mayor Wood moved to close the PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE EXPENDITURE LIMITATION-HOME RULE OPTION.

**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

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A SUPPORT LETTER FOR THE US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION GRANT TO FUND DEVELOPMENT OF A SONOITA CREEK WATERSHED ALLIANCE OF STAKEHOLDER’S. REQUEST BY THE FLOOD AND FLOW COMMITTEE.

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to approve A SUPPORT LETTER FOR THE US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION GRANT TO FUND DEVELOPMENT OF A SONOITA CREEK

WATERSHED ALLIANCE OF STAKEHOLDER’S. REQUEST BY THE FLOOD AND FLOW COMMITTEE.

**SECOND:** Council Member Finch

**DISCUSSION:** Carolyn Shafer gave a brief overview.

**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. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PATAGONIA MUSEUM’S USE OF CENTRAL PARK AT THE GAZEBO FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH 11 & 12 FOR A POTTERY DEMONSTRATION AND SALE.

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to approve PATAGONIA MUSEUM’S USE OF CENTRAL PARK AT THE GAZEBO FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH 11 & 12 FOR A POTTERY DEMONSTRATION AND SALE.

**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, Council Members Reibslager, Finch, & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PATAGONIA FLOWER FARMS “ARTISAN AND FARMERS MARKET” EVENT TO BE HELD THE LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 12:00 P.M. TILL 5:00 P.M. AT THE GAZEBO IN CENTRAL PARK SIMILAR TO THE VALENTINE’S DAY MARKET THEY SPONSORED. THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE

TO VENDORS.

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to APPROVE PATAGONIA FLOWER FARMS “ARTISAN AND FARMERS MARKET” EVENT TO BE HELD THE LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 12:00 P.M. TILL 5:00 P.M. AT THE GAZEBO IN CENTRAL PARK SIMILAR TO THE VALENTINE’S DAY MARKET THEY SPONSORED. THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE

TO VENDORS.

**SECOND:** Mayor Wood

**DISCUSSION:** Aisha Lurry gave an overview of her plans and asked about having food trucks. She wanted confirmation from the Council that they should not be included and that the local restaurants would be enough. Mayor Wood and the Council agreed. Council Member Reibslager asked Ms. Lurry if she was in charge of the Artisan and Farmers Market? She affirmed she was, and Council Member Reibslager asked her to make sure all participants have a Town Business License.

**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 ACCEPT LAURA WENZEL’S LETTER OF RESIGNATION DATED 3-1-2022. LAURA HAS BEEN AN EXCEPTIONAL EMPLOYEE AND HAS SHOWN HER STRENGTH OF CHARACTER TRAVERSING THE CHALLENGES OF COVID-19 FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS OPERATING OUR PUBLIC LIBRARY. THANK YOU, LAURA!

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to ACCEPT LAURA WENZEL’S LETTER OF RESIGNATION DATED 3-1-2022. LAURA HAS BEEN AN EXCEPTIONAL EMPLOYEE AND HAS SHOWN HER STRENGTH OF CHARACTER TRAVERSING THE CHALLENGES OF COVID-19 FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS OPERATING OUR PUBLIC LIBRARY. THANK YOU, LAURA!

**SECOND:** Mayor Wood

**DISCUSSION:** Council Member Reibslager asked if we had a plan in place for Laura’s replacement. Mayor Wood said Town Manager Robinson is working on a plan.

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

**MOTION:** Council Member Reibslager moved to APPROVE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

**SECOND:** Council Member Finch

**DISCUSSION:** Town Manager Robinson asked the Council if there were any questions on the accounts payable. No one responded so the Town Manager said he misspoke about an invoice at the February 23 Council Meeting. Mayor Wood had asked if the Court

payment was a lease, or a purchase and the Manager said a purchase. That was incorrect. It was the annual lease payment on the AOC equipment provided to the Court. The Court purchase was in the January 27 payables for the court citation payments. Mayor Wood asked what Sonoita Septic used so much water for. Manager Robinson guessed it was for flushing the septic’s but would ask.

**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

14. POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (1) TO CONSULT WITH THEIR ATTORNEY FOR LEGAL ADVICE.

*IF AUTHORIZED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL, THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE VOTE AND WILL NOT BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.*

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved at 6:19 P.M. to ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (1) TO CONSULT WITH THEIR ATTORNEY FOR LEGAL ADVICE.

**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

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 6:45 P.M.

15. **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). Town Manager Robinson mentioned that an agenda item from the summer had been tabled and it was the sale of a Town right of way to Coronado Development. The Council wants an update from the Manager on Coronado’s progress and asked that it be on an upcoming agenda.

16. **ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Mayor Wood moved to adjourn

**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

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:48 P.M.

I hereby confirm the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate copy of the minutes of a Regular Council Meeting and Public Hearing held March 9, 2022, 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 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022

APPROVED:

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Andrea Wood, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ron Robinson, Town Clerk