1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL/THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM MEETING. Mayor Wood present, Vice-Mayor Stabile present, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie present.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Robinson, Municipal Court Judge Bracamonte

PUBLIC PRESENT: Debbie Robinson, Carolyn Shafer, Robert Gay, Brad Boschetto, Mary Tolena, David Sosna, John Diliou, Barb Saulsbury, Melanie Lawson, Denise Bowdon, David Krest, Ralph Schmitt, Joe Haas, Jax Haas, Cara Haas, Marion Vendituli, Frank Vendituli, Mike Massee, Mrs. Massee and via zoom Jay Babcock, Nancy Heiser, Philip Brister, Judy Brown, Georgette Laurouy, Robert Brant.

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

4. THE SWEARING IN OF NEW TOWN ATTORNEY/PROSECUTOR MIKE MASSEE. Judge Bracamonte swore in Mike Massee as our new Town Attorney/Prosecutor.

5. CORRECTION AND OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM:

A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING MAY 10, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. AND A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MAY 17, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. HELD IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM.

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to approve the minutes from A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING MAY 10, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. AND A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MAY 17, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. HELD IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM.

**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

6. 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. Three people spoke regarding item 10. Robert Gay addressed roads & dewatering issues and had maps for illustration. His concerns were saving species that would be affected by

road construction and concerning the dewatering, which terrifies him, stated that this is worthy of a closer look. Carolyn Shafer emphasized our priority to protect this biologically diverse region critical to species survival and that the diverse ecosystem must be protected. The Health and prosperity of our region are tied deeply to the well-being of the Patagonia Mountains and the Sonoita Creek Watershed which are the source of our drinking water, clean air, and the biological wealth that drives our regional nature-based restorative economy. She called for sufficient oversight of the 21st century industrial mining activity as well as mining company accountability to the community in order to avoid short-sighted destruction of natural resources in pursuit of corporate profits. Ms. Shafer also addressed FAST-41. She cited Professor Pleune’s research that shows most of the delays in federal permitting are due to agencies being understaffed and underfunded. Ms. Shafer is hopeful the FAST-41 process will result in the Coronado National Forest being fully staffed, to include a hydrologist, to be able to address the critical issues of concern. David Krest spoke of his experience fasting to become sensitive to his surroundings, specifically the Patagonia Mountains. He considers the Earth to be a living entity and South32 is harmful.

7. 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 one spoke.

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

9. IN A REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 22, 2023, AT 6:00 PM, ITEM #11 APPROVED THE SALE OF 1021 SQUARE FEET OF SANTA RITA AVENUE TO KATE TIRION FOR .63 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT. THE PROPOSED SALE OF THE TOWN RIGHT OF WAY WAS POSTED FOR 60 DAYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.R.S. §28-7204, THEREFORE THE TOWN COUNCIL NEEDS TO DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON ACCEPTING KATE TIRIONS BID OF .63 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT, FOR A TOTAL PRICE OF $643.23.

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to accept Kate Tirion’s bid of .63 cents per square foot of Santa Rita Avenue right of way (1021 sq. ft.) for a total price of $643.23.

**SECOND:** Mayor Wood

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Wood verified with the Town Manager that the house was from the 40’s and the block wall has been in the Town’s right of way since then and this clears up the issue.

**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

**NEW BUSINESS**

10. MELANIE LAWSON WITH SOUTH32/HERMOSA WILL GIVE A PROJECT UPDATE. Melanie presented a PowerPoint presentation talking about Manganese Development, Fast-41 permitting process, Site Activities, Roads, and Workforce Development. For more information go to www.south32hermosa.com

11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE VOICES FROM THE BORDER TO USE CADY HALL FOR A FUND RAISER EVENT AND SERVE ALCOHOL ON SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023, FROM 4:00 PM TILL 10:00 PM.

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to approve VOICES FROM THE BORDER TO USE CADY HALL FOR A FUND RAISER EVENT AND SERVE ALCOHOL ON SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023, FROM 4:00 PM TILL 10:00 PM.

**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

12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND CONTROL A SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR LICENSE BE ISSUED TO INDIA AUBRY OF VOICES FROM THE BORDER P.O. BOX 1192 PATAGONIA AZ 85624 FOR A FUND RAISER TO BE HELD AT CADY HALL 346 DUQUESNE AVENUE PATAGONIA AZ 85624 ON SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023, FROM 4:00 PM TILL 10:00 PM.

**MOTION:** Mayor Wood moved to recommend TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND CONTROL A SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR LICENSE BE ISSUED TO INDIA AUBRY OF VOICES FROM THE BORDER P.O. BOX 1192 PATAGONIA AZ 85624 FOR A FUND RAISER TO BE HELD AT CADY HALL 346 DUQUESNE AVENUE PATAGONIA AZ 85624 ON SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023, FROM 4:00 PM TILL 10:00 PM.

**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. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SALE OF A PORTION OF ROTHROCK ALLEY (3000 SQUARE FEET) SOUTH OF LOTS 3 & 5 IN BLOCK H OF THE EASTSIDE ADDITION AT .63 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT TO DAVE GOGGS. THE SALE WOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.R.S. §28-7204.

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to approve THE SALE OF A PORTION OF ROTHROCK ALLEY (3000 SQUARE FEET) SOUTH OF LOTS 3 & 5 IN BLOCK H OF THE EASTSIDE ADDITION AT .63 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT TO DAVE GOGGS. THE SALE WOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.R.S. §28-7204.

**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

14.DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND CONTROL, A SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE PATAGONIA VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE STEAK FRY TO BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2023, FROM 3:00 PM TILL 10:00 PM IN CENTRAL PARK ON NAUGLE AVENUE AT THE GAZEBO.

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to RECOMMEND TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND CONTROL, A SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE PATAGONIA VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE STEAK FRY TO BE HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2023, FROM 3:00 PM TILL 10:00 PM IN CENTRAL PARK ON NAUGLE AVENUE AT THE GAZEBO.

**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

15. 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

**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

16. **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). No Items.

17. **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

**TIME:** 6:37 p.m.

I hereby confirm the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate copy of the minutes of a Regular Council Meeting held May 24, 2023, 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 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

APPROVED:

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Andrea Wood, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Ron Robinson, Town Clerk