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 via zoom, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie present.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Robinson

PUBLIC PRESENT: Debbie Robinson, Tim Reagan, Bruce Bracker, Jesus Valdez, Cornelia O’Conner, Carolyn Shafer, Bob Proctor, Robert Gay, Robert Brandt and via zoom, Mary Tolena, Melanie Lawson.

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

4. CORRECTION AND OR APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM:

A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING HELD JUNE 28, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM.

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to approve the minutes fromA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING HELD JUNE 28, 2023, AT 6:00 P.M. IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM.

**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 zoom, 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. Cornelia O’Conner and Bob Proctor both spoke to Agenda Item 12 for Supervisor Bracker to respond to their concerns of the Train Track Trail continuing through the Cross Creek Connector being built on County property to have continuous access to the Arizona Trail. Cornelia pointed out that many of the hikers come into Patagonia to rest from the trail and conduct business here. Bob pointed out that the Mountain Empire Trail Association (META) wants to connect to Sonoita continuing the train track trail up to there.

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. Mayor Wood said that she and Mr. Finch went to the bank today and put the monies (1.5 million) received from ADOT for the McKeown Road project in a 4.64% 7-month CD accruing interest daily. The monies were not included in this year’s fiscal budget so they will be spent in next year’s budget.

7. REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND COMMITTEES ON ONGOING ACTIVITIES.

FIRE AND RESCUE WILL GIVE A MONTHLY REPORT AND UPDATE. OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE IN THE BOOKS. Tim Reagan of PVFR gave the monthly Fire and Rescue Report. Council

Member Reibslager asked how many active Firefighters are on your roster? Tim said about 18 respond to most of the calls.

**OLD BUSINESS**

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE SALE PRICE OF.63 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR 3000 (100’X30’) SQUARE FEET OF ROTHROCK ALLEY RIGHT-OF-WAY ADJACENT TO LOTS 3 & 5 IN BLOCK H OF THE EASTSIDE ADDITION. DAVID GOGGS IS THE SOLE BIDDER WITH A TOTAL PRICE OF $1,890.00. ALL CLOSING COSTS AND SURVEY WILL BE AT THE EXPENSE OF MR. GOGGS.

**THE NOTICE WAS POSTED 5-26-2023 IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.R.S. §28-7204.**

**MOTION:** Council Member Claverie moved to ACCEPT THE SALE PRICE OF.63 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR 3000 (100’X30’) SQUARE FEET OF ROTHROCK ALLEY RIGHT-OF-WAY ADJACENT TO LOTS 3 & 5 IN BLOCK H OF THE EASTSIDE ADDITION. DAVID GOGGS IS THE SOLE BIDDER WITH A TOTAL PRICE OF $1,890.00. ALL CLOSING COSTS AND SURVEY WILL BE AT THE EXPENSE OF MR. GOGGS. **THE NOTICE WAS POSTED 5-26-2023 IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.R.S. §28-7204.**

**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 zoom, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**NEW BUSINESS**

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-10, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA ARIZONA MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL, DESIGNATING THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER (RON ROBINSON) FOR OFFICIALLY SUBMITTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT TO THE ARIZONA AUDITOR GENERAL.

**MOTION:** Council Member Finch moved to ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-10, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA ARIZONA MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL, DESIGNATING THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER (RON ROBINSON) FOR OFFICIALLY SUBMITTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT TO THE ARIZONA AUDITOR GENERAL.

**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 via zoom, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO ENGAGE JOY HERR-CARDILLO AS PRO BONO COUNSEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING AN AMICUS BRIEF ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN IN THE PENDING LITIGATION FILED BY PATAGONIA AREA RESOURCE ALLIANCE, AS PERMITTED BY THE COURT, AND ALSO TO MAKE A FILING IN SUPPORT OF PARA’S REQUEST TO MAINTAIN THE STATUS QUO PENDING A FINAL RULING ON THE MERITS.

**MOTION:** Mayor Wood moved to direct staff to ENGAGE JOY HERR-CARDILLO AS PRO BONO COUNSEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREPARING AN AMICUS BRIEF ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN IN THE PENDING LITIGATION FILED BY PATAGONIA AREA RESOURCE ALLIANCE, AS PERMITTED BY THE COURT, AND ALSO TO MAKE A FILING IN SUPPORT OF PARA’S REQUEST TO MAINTAIN THE STATUS QUO PENDING A FINAL RULING ON THE MERITS.

**SECOND:** Council Member Claverie

**DISCUSSION:** Council Member Finch asked for clarification that the Attorney was Pro Bono no cost to the Town. Mayor Wood responded that the Town has no cost and the Town agrees because of the water concern.

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

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

11. 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 via zoom, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

12. COUNTY SUPERVISOR BRACKER WILL GIVE AN UPDATE ON COUNTY WIDE ACTIVITIES. Supervisor Brackers notes are attached to these minutes. Various questions were asked by Council Members and Supervisor Bracker responded. At the end of the questions, the Town Manager

asked if he could introduce our incoming County Manager, so Manager Robinson introduced Jesus Valdez and mentioned he was a professional engineer who was the Public Works Director for the County and has help the Town of Patagonia on numerous occasions. After the introduction, the Town Manager said that towards the middle of August, Hunter Contracting will start hauling dirt from SR82 and the Cross Creek Entrance down First Avenue to the Town’s Landfill. There will be approximately 220 trucks hauling 12-16 yards and the Town is charging $50.00 per load to put in the landfill. We need cover because we want to use the landfill for our own purposes. We asked Hunter to notify the School and the residents along the way.

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). No items.

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 zoom, Council Members Reibslager, Finch & Claverie

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAINERS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 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 July 12, 2023, at 6:00 pm. 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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ATTEST: Andrea Wood, Mayor

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Ron Robinson, Town Clerk