



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF YOUNGTOWN, AZ
THURSDAY, October 2, 2014, TOWN CLUBHOUSE SQUARE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE

1. Call to Order: Mayor LeVault at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Councilmembers present: Mayor Michael LeVault, Vice Mayor Jacob Duran, Councilmembers Margaret Chittenden, Shirley Gustafson, and Judy Johnson. Present by telephone – Councilmember June Miller.
Staff present: Town Manager Jeanne Blackman, Town Attorneys' Kelly Schwab and Trish Stuhan, Town Engineer Grant Anderson, Economic Development Manager Gayle Cooper, Community Development Coordinator Gregory Arrington, Public Safety Manager Mike Kessler, and Town Clerk Diane Cordova.
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation: Councilmember Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Vice Mayor Duran offered the Invocation.

Motion made to suspend Work Session and go into the Regular Council Meeting – Councilmember Johnson
Second – Vice Mayor Duran

7. Business

- A. Discussion and/or Action Re: Approval of Resolution 14-18 in support of the Sun City Fire District (SCFD) application for a Certificate of Necessity to provide emergency ambulance transport services.

Chief Thompson, SCFD

- I would like to introduce Rob Schmidt, he's our Labor representative.
- The Community Paramedic Program assists on getting more ambulances on the road. They expand the role of EMS personnel. Through training, first responders are better equipped to serve communities.
- Due to the Affordable Care Act, we have to begin to adjust to an ever-changing health care environment. We are here tonight to ask for your support on obtaining a Certificate of Necessity (CON) in order for SCFD to obtain their own ambulatory services.

Rob Schmidt, SCFD

- The majority of the Certificates of Necessity (CON) is held by Southwest Ambulance and Rural Metro, a for-profit company.
- Ambulatory services will provide a higher standard of medical response treatment. And, because we are in the community, this will allow us to better serve the needs of this community.

Mayor LeVault

- About 90% of calls are medical calls.
- This is an enhancement of services.

Councilmember Miller

- I had to call for emergency services last night. I was giving the ambulance driver instruction on which hospital to take me to and he didn't know which hospital I was talking about.

Chief Thompson

- Yes, having our own ambulance, we will have control of training; area familiarization/maps.
- When I came on board, my board of directors asked me to aggressively look into applying for a Certificate of Necessity to allow SCFD to respond to 911 ambulance calls. The Department of Health and Human Services is taking another look at how these certificates have been issued. We are told that if we are going to apply for a CON, now is the time. The State was prompted to re-examine the certificates of necessity after AMR, American Medical Response Ambulance, applied for a certificate to serve the entire county.
- SCFD does not own an ambulance, but would, if granted a certificate. We would like the three fire stations to each have an ambulance.

Councilmember Chittenden

- How do you know whether to send out a fire truck or an ambulance or both?

Chief Thompson

- Having a CON will not put an existing provider out of business. We will be utilizing others as back-ups, as many other cities already do.
- I actually shut down some calls. The calls come in from dispatch, and when we receive the call at SCFD, the call is then set up based on criteria.

Councilmember Chittenden

- What about the contract with Rural Metro? I pay for that service and several of my friends do to.

Councilmember Gustafson

- I pay for ambulance insurance.

Chief Thompson

- No one should be paying into Rural Metro. If it is ambulance insurance then I understand that.

Councilmember Johnson

- I think this is a wonderful thing. Youngtown and the Sun City are in great need.

Motion to approval Resolution 14-18 in support of the Sun City Fire District (SCFD) application for a Certificate of Necessity to provide emergency ambulance transport services. – Councilmember Miller

Second – Councilmember Gustafson

Motion passes on a roll call vote 7-0

Vice Mayor Duran dismissed himself at 7:30 p.m.

B. Approval of an agreement with Tierra Right of Way Services, Ltd. related to land acquisition services for the 115th Ave. Peoria Avenue Realignment.

Grant Anderson, Town Engineer

- This is related to land acquisition services for the 115th Avenue Peoria Avenue Realignment and Bike/Pedestrian Path project. It is a federal guideline to use an approved right-of-way specialist to insure that the Federal process is being followed. An approval of Tierra Right of Way Services would review the appraisals and title reports. Tierra will also negotiate with the property owner for the acquisition of their properties or easements that are necessary for this project. The appraisals and title reports have been completed. Staff is requesting approval of Tierra Right of Way Services, in the amount of \$57,325.

Councilmember Chittenden

- How many homes and/or property will the Town be asking for?

Grant Anderson, Town Engineer

- There is one property that has a house, the others are not occupied, and those are on the LifeStream Senior Living property line.

Councilmember Mello

- Are you talking about the previous property, which was known as Baptist Village now LifeStream? The land that once was Youngtowns? Are we buying back what used to be our land?

Grant Anderson, Town Engineer

- A private entity has current ownership.

Mayor LeVault

- On a historical prospective, LifeStreams built an administrative building on Town property which was built by accident. The ingress, entrance and the egress, exit of that T-intersection should have never been allowed to have been built. A ladder truck cannot even make it through there; they have to go all the way down to Olive to get around to the Agua Fria Ranch subdivision. There is a present problem and we need to eliminate that T-intersection; it needs to be fixed and it has to be done correctly.

Councilmember Chittenden

- We brought this project before through CDAC Community Development Advisory Committee because of safety concerns.

Councilmember Mello

- I travel that road on a daily basis and it is a dangerous road. I'm surprised there hasn't been an accident or road rage.

Councilmember Miller

- The stop sign needs to be out further onto Peoria Avenue; you can't see to your right with the stop sign being so far back.

Grant Anderson, Town Engineer

- The LifeStream Driveway will be relocated.

Motion to approve an agreement with Tierra Right of Way Services, Ltd. related to land acquisition services for the 115th Ave. Peoria Avenue Realignment – Councilmember Mello

Second – Councilmember Chittenden

Motion passed unanimously on a voice call 6-0

6. Consent

A. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2014.

Motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 18, 2014 – Councilmember Gustafson

Second – Councilmember Johnson

Motion passed unanimously on a voice call.

Motion to Recess and go into Work Session – Councilmember Johnson –

Second – Councilmember Mello

4. Communications: Comments, Commendations and Presentations by Mayor, Council Members, staff or members of the public. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02.

A. Communications from Council

Mayor LeVault

- Attended the State of the Americas hosted by the City of Peoria. It was an engaging economic discussion with political business and community leaders. The former President Vincente Fox of Mexico was one a keynote speaker. One of MAG's - Maricopa Association of Government mission is to increase trade with Mexico.
- Just returned from Salt Lake City, Utah , where I attended a Western Region alliance.
- Held our Mayor's Breakfast where 30 businesses attended.
- A grand opening will be held Saturday for Guitars & Moore, Saturday, October 4, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Councilmember Mello

- We had a good meeting with Carl Morgan regarding CDBG – Community Development Block Grant. We will be submitting two grant applications, one for street lighting and another for a Community Garden.

Councilmember Chittenden

- There will be a Dog Park Committee Meeting this Saturday, October 4, 2014.

B. Communications from Staff

Town Manager Blackman

- I would like to say that I appreciate and honor Council.
- Library Manager Heidi Speed is out tonight. I will give her report: money for fines/fees is up from last fiscal year; computer usage has also increased as well as new cards issued; volunteer hours have decreased by 24 hours. Wi-Fi user per month averages 28 users per month and in June there were 40, the number is increasing as more individuals become aware of the service.
- Public Works Manager Marty Mosbrucker is off as well tonight. He worked on Saturday checking all of our facilities after the big rain storm.
- Also want to acknowledge Public Works Tech. Charlie Janson for all of his time, talent and equipment to paint the bus stops.
- Want to thank Citizen Services Specialist, Stacey Anderson for working side-by-side with me preparing all the preliminary audit documentation, along with Consultant Pat Walker, Colby and Powell, and Grant Anderson for answering questions from the Auditors regarding the Peoria Straighten Project.

Town Attorney Schwab

- Extremely proud to announce that Susan Goodwin was given an award and recognized as one of the Best Lawyers in America.

Community Development Coordinator Arrington

- I also would like to announce that I am the President of CELA – Code Enforcement League of Arizona.

Public Safety Manager Kessler

- Our Code Enforcement Officers are doing well.

Town Clerk Cordova

- Business License report: Total of \$3,465.00 received for new and renewal of business licenses.
- General Election is November 4, 2014; the Town will have a measure on the ballot, proposition 482 approval of the Youngtown General Plan 2025. October 6, 2014 is the last day to register to vote; October 9, 2014 Early ballot voting begins. Copies of the General Plan 2025 are available for review on the Town's website, Town Hall and the Town Library. I have copies of what the ballot will look like. The proposition is at the end of the ballot.
- Our health provider AzMT will be providing flu shots on campus, October 16th, starting at 9:45 am – 10:45 am here on campus, no appointment is necessary. Also a healthy heart blood draw for glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure will be available on the same day and time. An appointment is necessary for the blood draw.

5. Citizens Comments/Apearances from the floor:
None

8. Call for Executive Session
None

9. Future Agenda & Meetings:

A. There may be discussion of whether to place an item on a future agenda and the date, but not the merits of the item.

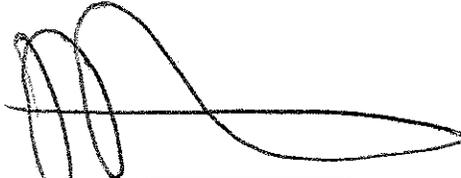
Councilmember Mello

- Would like to have a work session on a community garden.

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Mello

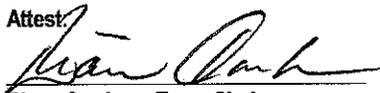
Second – Councilmember Johnson

Meeting Adjourned 9:15 p.m.

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Michael LeVault, Mayor

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diane Cordova".

Diane Cordova, Town Clerk

Minutes approved at November 20th, 2014 regular meeting.