



**MINUTES OF WORK SESSION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF YOUNGTOWN, AZ  
THURSDAY, March 17, 2011, TOWN CLUBHOUSE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE**

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor LeVault called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Council present: Mayor Michael LeVault, Vice Mayor Jacob Duran, Councilmembers Margaret Chittenden, Dorena Mello, and Susan MacKay. Council absent: Councilmembers Judy Johnson and Shirley Oglesby.  
Staff present: Town Manager Lloyce Robinson, Town Attorney Michelle Swann, Town Engineer Grant Anderson, Police Chief Terry McDonald, Police Officer Sean Hennessy, Police Management Assistant Linda "Candi" Nilles Public Works Manager Mark Hannah, Finance Officer Jackie Hoffman, Deputy Town Clerk Diane Cordova, and Town Clerk/Treasurer Letty Goldberg.
3. **Business**
  - A. **Presentation/Discussion Re:** Representatives of Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post #2502 would like to promote the program for young women and men, ages 14-20, to learn aspects of what it means to be a Law Enforcement Officer. (HENNESSY)  
**Office Hennessy**
    - I am here to introduce the Maricopa County Sheriff Office (MCSO) Explorers Program. This program is a program for youth ages 14-20 years interested in a career in law enforcement. I know of 4 to 5 youth in Youngtown that are interested. The intent is to foster a relationship between the Town of Youngtown and the members of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office. The post goal is to aid the Town of Youngtown in helping to build a stronger and better community through volunteerism while being a positive influence on local young men and women. They show discipline and do community events. The MCSO Explorers participated in the Youngtown burn victim Joey Fernandez car wash benefit.**MCSO Explorer Program Advisor**
    - The MCSO Explorers Program wants to make a greater presence in all surrounding areas, including Youngtown by promoting positive activities. Our explorers do traffic supervision, parking details, trainings and participate in competitions. The Explorer Program is a nonprofit program. We are basically looking for support. We want to be known. There is no cost to Youngtown, we do not charge for our services, it is completely volunteerism. They just want to be of service and make a difference to a community.
    - Any support is helpful; be it financial, donating used equipment or by just having a place to hold meetings. We are trying to set up various fund raisers to raise money so that our explorers can attend competitions.
    - Presently we don't have any youths from Youngtown participating in the Explorers Program. We would like to change that. The post that is present here tonight represents the west side.
    - We meet at the Support Center downtown Phoenix on Durango Street.
    - We have a website [mcsoexplorers.com](http://mcsoexplorers.com) and also a facebook page.
    - This is not a troubled youth program. It's for responsible young men and women that want a career in law enforcement. We have a few explorers that have been involved with the program for several years.**Councilmember Mello**
    - I think it's a great program. It's awesome to see that you want to bring this program to Youngtown. We need programs for our youth. What can we do to help promote this program? I believe we need to embrace it and encourage it and help you in any way we can. I will donate banners for your car wash fundraisers.**Councilmember Chittenden**
    - I appreciated you all coming tonight. None of this was available as I was growing up with an interest in law enforcement. I did become a police officer and I would of started earlier if a program like this was available.

- You said we have five youths from Youngtown that are interested?
- Where do you meet at the present time? You do not have a meeting location out here, perhaps that's what we can offer, a meeting location.

Mayor LeVault

- Certainly a worthwhile program. We are here to help in any area that we can. We are always looking for ways to promote a positive influence in young lives. You are doing a great work and we will help you in any way we can.

Explorers and Advisors

- Presented Chief McDonald of the Youngtown Police Department with a Youth Assistance Foundation (YAF) coin and Certificate of Appreciation. Chief McDonald and his department have been extremely helpful and generous by donating equipment to our explorers. This very equipment was used to outfit and equip our 2011 Scottsdale Law Enforcement Competitors who will be competing on March 26, 2011 alongside many other explorers throughout the valley and state.

B. **Discussion and/or Action Re:** Participation in surplus property disposal through use of on-line auction services provided by Public Surplus, LLC under the City of Tucson cooperative purchasing agreement. (NILLES)

Management Assistant Nilles

- The surplus property we have in the police department as well as within the other departments have been taken up space for years. I reached out to The City of Surprise, Town of Camp Verde and the City of Apache Junction and found that they were all utilizing a service called public surplus which is an "On-line Auction." This directed me to the City of Tucson Department of Procurement. This is a no cost program. The company will help design the website. We will manage all the property on the website. We would list the product and can even watch the auction like on Ebay. The company will collect the money. They will make sure that buyers are legitimate. Every city and town that utilizes this on-line auction stated that they make more money this way than by having a town, city yard sale.
- The program started in 1999 by a school district needing to get rid of school surplus property. Individuals came together and developed a program in 2000. Mayor LeVault
- If this is a no cost program, how is the program financed?

Management Assistant Nilles

- A percentage is taken off the top, not to exceed 10% which is written in the Tucson contract.

Mayor LeVault

- Consensus of Council to return topic for council approval.

**Regular Council Meeting:** Thursday, March 17, 2011 immediately following Work Session.

**Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn – Vice Mayor Duran

Second – Councilmember Mello

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Michael LeVault, Mayor

Attest:



Diane Cordova, Deputy Town Clerk

Minutes approved at the April 7, 2011 Regular Meeting.