



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF YOUNGTOWN, AZ**  
**THURSDAY, March 1, 2012, TOWN CLUBHOUSE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE**

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor LeVault called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.
2. **Roll Call** Council present: Mayor Michael LeVault, Councilmembers Dorena Mello, Shirley Gustafson Susan MacKay, Judy Johnson and Margaret Chittenden. Absent: Vice Mayor Jack Duran  
Staff present: Town Manager Lloyce Robinson, Town Attorney Michelle Swann, Finance Officer Jackie Hoffman, Economic Develop Consultant Gayle Cooper, Programs Projects Grants Manager Mark Hannah, Public Works Manager/Building Official Jim Fox, Public Safety Manager Mike Kessler and Deputy Town Clerk Diane Cordova.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:** Pledge led by Councilmember Chittenden. Invocation offered by Pastor Charles Ring.

4. **Communications:**

A. **Communications from Council**

**Mayor LeVault**

- I have a letter for Council to sign in support of Luke F-35 flight mission.
- There was an article in the Daily News Sun stating that the Sun City Home Owners Association has joined the list of foes against the mining operation proposed for land between Youngtown and El Mirage. Coyote Lakes has a mining operation near it. El Mirage plans to annex and rezone the property. There is a letter that I have written to State Senators Burges and Murphy and State representative Gray, Harper and Lesko expressing our concerns. We need your signature for support.
- I held a Town Hall Mayor's Meeting this past Saturday, February 25, 2012 with 15-20 attending.
- I attended a Small Cities Coalition Meeting with 8 – 9 other small Towns and Cities. We had our first meeting in Youngtown six months ago. Youngtown to take the lead role. We are looking at using this as a platform to compete with the larger cities. Coming together with greater representation, allows for resources, grants, MAG funds, CMAQ Funds to assist in improvements with PM-10 regulations.

**Councilmember Mello**

- We had another CTAC – Citizen Tax Advisory Committee meeting this past Tuesday, February 21, 2012. The Model City Tax Code was presented.
- We were participants in the IMS Marathon. We provided a water station. I want thank QuikTrip for the 250 cup donation when we ran out for the runners.

**Councilmember Chittenden**

- There will be a Dog Park Committee Meeting, Saturday, March 3, 2012. A checking account has been opened for donations.
- I would like to introduce my friend John Houser. He is from Seattle and visiting me for my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**Councilmember Johnson**

- The cleanup event was a success.

**Councilmember Gustafson**

- I attended the Mayor's Town Hall Meeting. It's shame that not many attended.

B. **Communications from Staff: Town's Report; MCSO Police Report (Report Attached)**

**Town Manager Robinson**

- On February 24, 2012 we held a staff meeting on the General Plan Update with Consultants Blanton and Cooper.
- The Public Visioning Workshop on the General Plan Update will be held March 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. A great opportunity for businesses and residents to get involved. We will be using the land use map for discussion.
- The MCSO VIN Etching this past Tuesday, February 28, 2012 was a success with 53 vehicles.
- Englewood Development, Nick Surak, delivered the application on Aurora Village this week.
- Surprise Chamber of Commerce will be hosting our own Jim and Arlene Schuh as Chamber Citizens of the Year.

- MCSO will be hosting a Community Day on Saturday, March 10, 2012.
- I will be bringing to Council on March 15, 2012 an amendment to the MCSO Contract. This is in regards to the 2010 police vehicles, which is awaiting the approval of the Board of Supervisors on March 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Finance Officer Jackie Hoffman and I spent the entire day working on the budget. We won't know our state shared revenue until mid-March. It is proving to be a tougher process this year.
- Town Clerk/Treasurer Letty Goldberg will be returning Monday, March 5, 2012.
- I am very impressed with our Code Enforcement Department Inspectors. Public Works Manager Jim Fox and Public Safety Manager Mike Kessler were also present. Code turned a possible code violation into a cooperative agreement with the business owner. The present vacant lot will possibly have a building on it.

**PPG Manager Hannah**

- Attended a legislative meeting with State Rep. Williams regarding HURF funds. We are fighting the sweeping of funds. HURF has had a \$182 million hit already. The Joint Legislative Budget Committee is stating that there is a surplus of four hundred million for fiscal year 2013 to be used for capital improvement. They are projecting the money to go to MVD and DPS for personnel cost.

**Public Works Manager Fox**

- The Youngtown Cleanup Event joint effort with Public Safety/Code was a success. Public Works staffed on Wednesday and Code Officers staffed it on Saturday. We rolled off nine (9) 40 yard roll off dumpsters. We did check for Youngtown resident I.D.'s.
- The Circle K project is coming out real nice. They have requested a permit for remodeling the interior.
- Maricopa Lake was treated. It really makes a difference. We will be treating it twice a year.

**Public Safety Manager Mike Kessler**

- The cleanup event was a success. We saw 78 residents on Wednesday and 46 on Saturday. Only 2 were refused, they were from El Mirage.

**MCSO Police Report Ken Booker (Report Attached)**

- Present tonight are members of the Sheriff's Crime Action Team (SCAT) that will be working in a County island on a special detail. Sgt. Robert Folker and the members of SCAT each introduced themselves (11 in attendance).
- Average response time for February was 5:02 minutes; there were 237 calls for service; 370 traffic stops for a total of 609. We want to be viewed as proactive law enforcement and not just reactionary.
- As mentioned, MCSO will be hosting a Community Day on March 10, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon here at Greer Park. There will be a K-9 demonstration. If possible an explosive disposable demo and we will also have our SWAT team with their equipment.

**Councilmember Gustafson**

- There were two sheriff vehicles in front of my house. They were detaining someone on a mountain bike. Do you know if they were drug dealers?
- While attending the Sing-a-long Club I notice someone looking thru the town car window.

**MCSO LT. Ken Booker**

- I don't have the details on that action, but will investigate and get the information to Town Manager Loyce Robinson so she can get that to you.

**5. Consent Agenda:**

- A. Consideration and Action on Meeting Minutes:** Minutes of February 16, 2012 Work Session and Regular Meeting. Minutes of Special Session Meeting February 21, 2012.

**Motion to approve Consent Agenda – Councilmember Johnson**

**Second – Councilmember Gustafson**

**Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.**

**6. Business**

- A. Presentation to Pat Sherman, President of 4 Paws, honoring her dedication to the Town of Youngtown community and its furry creatures.**

**Town Manager Robinson**

- I would like to present Pat Sherman with a small token of appreciation for her dedication, she is retiring as President of 4 Paws. She has been very helpful to the Town regarding a stray at Ventana Winds and

also with our Library cat, Dewey. She has also been a member of the Youngtown Provisional Chamber, a sub-chapter of the Surprise Regional Chamber to create and support Youngtown businesses.

4 Paws President Pat Sherman

- It's been a great pleasure serving Youngtown. I am glad 4 Paws is in partnership with the Surprise Chamber of Commerce.

B. Discussion and Action Re: Approval to participate in the Regional Employee Benefit Pooling Feasibility Study, Employee/Council Medical Insurance Pool.

Finance Officer Hoffman

- There was a works session presentation on the feasibility of a medical insurance pool. Staff has come back for approval to accept membership to the feasibility medical insurance pool by approving Resolution 12-08. Youngtown along with four other cities is joining. Another town with 250 employees is requesting to join and that is Maricopa. The City of El Mirage initiated this pool. This will be a greater benefit financially for the town and a better benefit packet for employees.

Councilmember Mello

- Thank you Jackie for your due diligence and patience on sticking in there for Youngtown.

Mayor LeVault

- You're doing a great job.

Councilmember Johnson

- Yes, everything is done in a timely fashion.

Town Manager Robinson

- She spent countless hours on conference calls, providing information and taking a tenacious attitude for the Town's benefit.

Motion to approve Resolution 12-08 to participate in the Regional Employee Benefit Pooling Feasibility Study, Employee/Council Medical Insurance Pool. – Councilmember Johnson

Second – Councilmember Mello

Motion passed roll call vote. 6 -0

7. Call for Executive Session

Executive Session: None needed

8. Citizens Comments/Appearances from the floor:

Ed Johnson, Resident of Youngtown

- If I may make a suggestion, I agree with the 6:30 p.m. starting time on work session.

9. Future Agenda & Meetings:

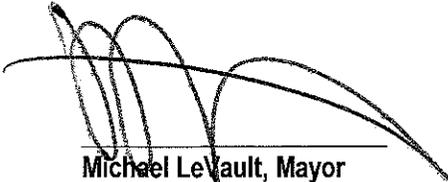
Announcement of next Regular Meeting: Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn – Councilmember Chittenden

Second – Councilmember Mello

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.



Michael LeVault, Mayor

Attest:



Diane Cordova, Deputy Town Clerk