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MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, August 17, 2021 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Please silence or mute your electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Bonds called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Bonds, Vice Mayor Hooper, Council Member Shontz, Council Member Heartless, Council Member Savino, Council Member Lucas, Council Member De Leon.

Other staff present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Putnam, Senior Center Director Lee Ann Anderson, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Public Works Director Steve Ziegler, Library Manager Tracy McConnell, Community Development Director Nora Yackley, Payroll Clerk Jennifer Alcaida

Others Present: Melissa Newton, Deloris Ferris, Vivian Hartless, Yoli Holt, Mike Kelly

INVOCATION: Given by Council Member Savino

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Given by all in attendance

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: There was no call the public presented to the clerk

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CONSENT AGENDA:

All items in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Council, and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. If requested, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

Approve the following:

No items submitted for approval

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

- 1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Curb/Gutter/Sidewalk Repairs
Steve Ziegler, Director of Public Works

Public Works director Steve Zeigler requests the mayor and Council to authorize hiring of Cim Con LLC to perform sidewalk, curb and gutter repairs for \$15,000. Steve goes over the bids that he received and goes over the scope of the project. Vice Mayor Hooper asks what "MAG" stands for, Steve notes that this is the standard that they follow MAG stands for the Maricopa Association of Governments. He offers a copy to Vice Mayor Hooper. Vice Mayor Hooper says he doesn't feel that the sidewalks are in that bad of a condition and that we could just do the curbs. Council Member Hartless asks if the MAG standards apply to the sidewalks as well or just the curbs, Steve notes that he uses MAG standards for all concrete work. Council Member Hartless asks if we have staff on hand that can do that work, Steve says no. Council Member De Leon asks if this is a training issue or a licensing issue, Steve says he isn't aware of any licensing issues at this time and the skillsets of staff is the issue. Council Member Shontz asks about the Sunland proposal and the dump fees and other fees Steve notes that Sunland comes from out of town and that comes with an extra cost as for the dump fees all of the concrete that is removed has to be taken to the dump and there's a fee for that Steve does not know what that cost will be he does note however that Public Works will be doing the demo in order to save that money. Discussion continues regarding MAG standards. There are no other questions

MOTION: Move to Approve Curb/Gutter/Sidewalk Repairs
BY: CM Hartless
SECOND: CM Lucas
VOTE: with Vice Mayor Hooper and Council Member Savino voting no and
all others in favor, the motion passed;

- 1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny City Park Lease Termination
Steve Ziegler, Director of Public Works

Public Works Director Steve Zeigler respectfully requests the mayor and Council to authorize staff to terminate the lease agreement CR-34031742 with the Colorado River Indian tribes for the municipal Ball Park lease. Steve provides an overview of the costs associated with running the park. It costs the Town approximately \$70,000 a year to run the park. He notes there are many renovations needed and the park is continually vandalized. He estimates it would cost

approximately one million dollars to refurbish the park. He feels we should be putting money into Western Park. Mayor Bonds opens the floor for discussion. Several items are discussed, local sports organizations, repairs. Chief Bailey speaks to the vandalism. Steve notes he is currently waiting on more bids for fixing the restrooms, it will be around \$8,000. Council Member Lucas notes we need a contingency plan to accommodate the local sports organizations. We will not have enough space for everyone to play. Discussion continues about costs and accommodating sports for the kids. It is noted this is the second time that we have discussed this issue.

MOTION: Move to Table City Park Lease Termination
BY: VM Hooper
SECOND: CM De Leon
VOTE: All others in favor, the motion passed;

2. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny School Resource Officer IGA
Michael Bailey, Chief of Police

Parker Police Department is seeking to renew the inter-governmental agreement with Parker Unified School District for the school resource officer. Chief Bailey notes this agreement has been in existence for several years and has been exceedingly beneficial to both parties. The agreement allows an officer to be present on school grounds and has demonstrated to be effective in the deterrent of criminal activity and is allowed for a quick response by law enforcement problems that occur on school grounds. The school resource officer also acts as a mentor for students, addressing quality-of-life issues other than criminal nature. The school resource officer is also responsible for the development of the police Explorer program. This agreement calls for the school district in the town of Parker to equally divide the officer salary of \$59,000. There are no questions on this item

MOTION: Move to Approve the School Resource Officer IGA
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Lucas
VOTE: All others in favor, the motion passed;

3. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Resolution 12-2021 IBC Valuation
Nora Yackley, Community Development

Community Development Director Nora Yackley respectfully requests Mayor and Council to approve resolution 12-2021 updating the international building code valuation. She gives a brief description of why this is needed and how it will benefit the town. She notes that we are using the 2006 valuation table. There are no questions or comments on this item.

MOTION: Move to Approve the Resolution 12-2021 IBC Valuation
BY: CM Savino
SECOND: VM Hooper
VOTE: All others in favor, the motion passed;

4. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Recommendation for Posting of New Fee Schedule

Amy Putnam, Town Clerk

Town Clerk Amy Putnam, respectfully requests the mayor and Council to approve the recommendations in the proposed fee schedule and set the time for public hearing. Amy notes she's been working with various departments over the last several months and has been compiling a comprehensive fee schedule for our various departments. Presently there's no such document that exists for our town. The creation of this centralized document will hopefully give staff a readily available list of what fees are charged and will provide consistency between departments. The attached schedule and study was completed in order to give Council a clear understanding of all of our fees and how we compared to other municipalities in the surrounding areas. She notes that most of our fees have not been updated since 2008 with the exception of the library fees which were approved in August of 2020. This new comprehensive schedule in the future we'll solve any conflicting information and adhere to all standards set by Arizona revised statutes for adoption of new fees. Additionally, this document will be easily updated in the future. Amy notes that this must be posted publicly for 60 days and we need to hold a public hearing and will post. 15 days prior to the meeting. Council Member Hartless asks about a non resident library fee, we have changed it to a deposit instead of a fee for a card. Amy notes that she spoke to the town attorney regarding this and her suggestion was to have transients make a deposit and once their account is successfully closed They will receive their deposit back. We cannot charge a non-resident a fee that we don't charge a resident. There are no other questions.

MOTION: Move to Approve Recommendation for Posting of New Fee Schedule
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Savino
VOTE: All others in favor, the motion passed;

5. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Resolution 11-2021 Pension Funding Policy

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Town Manager Wedemeyer requests approval for resolution 11-2021 for the pension funding policy. She notes that this is an annual resolution we adopt. Currently we are \$1,500,000.00 in unfunded liability. She notes that we approved using prop 207 funds to fund our liability. She notes that we should be able to pay approximately \$50,000.00 to the unfunded liability this year. There are no questions on this item.

MOTION: Move to Approve Resolution 11-2021 Pension Funding Policy
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: CM Hartless
VOTE: All others in favor, the motion passed;

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- *Chamber of Commerce-CM Savino + Manager Wedemeyer*
- * Tourism-CM Hartless * Joint Venture-VM Hooper + CM Savino* PAACE-CM Lucas*
- *Tribal Committee -Mayor Bonds + CM Savino *
- *Parks & Recreation- CM Lucas + VM Hooper* Senior Center-CM De Leon+ CM Savino *
- *Streets & Traffic -VM Hooper + CM Savino*
- *Library Board-CM Shontz* La Paz County Fair Board-Mayor Bonds*
- * WACOG-CM De Leon + CM Savino*
- *WAEDD- CM Hartless*

Council Member Shontz attended the Library Advisory Board and notes the library is working on a 9-11 event. There are no other reports.

**~ Financial Update~
4th Quarter FY 2020/2021
Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager**

Town Manager Wedemeyer provides Council with an update of the 4th quarter finances. She notes we have saved \$76,000 our fund balance is approximately \$1,500,000.00 19/20 are audited numbers 20/21 are not audited. Mayor Bonds asks about the pool balance, it's about \$245,000.00. She notes it's not on the report because it's a separate account. Bed tax doing well, fund balance is approx \$200,000.00. Green River is discussed. HURF doing well. Senior Center is discussed, it is noted due to changes WACOG is approximately 4 months behind on payments. Water fund is doing well. Last year we were in the hole \$150,000 now it's down to \$48,000 but expect that to rise again. There are no other questions

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday	August 18, 2021	Joint Venture Board	10:00 AM
Thursday	August 19, 2021	Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Monthly Business Mixer	5:30 PM @ VFW Post 7061
Saturday	August 21, 2021	Life Jacket Exchange	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM @ La Paz County Boating Safety Building
Thursday	August 26, 2021	WACOG/WAEDD Board	9:00AM

Monday	August 30, 2021	Streets and Traffic Committee Meeting	5:15 PM
Monday	September 6, 2021	Labor Day	All Town Offices Closed
Tuesday	September 7, 2021	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00 PM

Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11th Street.

ADJOURN: Mayor Bonds adjourned the meeting at 7:13 PM

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The council may vote to recess into an executive session which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice regarding any of the agenda items, pursuant to a.r.s. §38-431.03(a)(3).

Approve

Karen Bonds, Mayor

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