

**TOWN OF KEARNY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KEARNY, ARIZONA, AT
THE KEARNY TOWN HALL LOCATED AT 912-C TILBURY DRIVE ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021, AT 6:30 P.M.**

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	Jamie Ramsey
Vice Mayor	Daniel Radcliffe
Councilmember	Nancy Hinojos
Councilmember	Rudy Flores
Councilmember	Samantha Misita (6:33 Telephonically)

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT

Councilmember	David Herrera
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TOWN STAFF PRESENT

Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk	Martina Burnam
Town Attorney	Stephen Cooper (Telephonically)
Payables Clerk	Amanda Kenney

VISITORS PRESENT

Preston Pollock	Rhonda Mason
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CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jamie Ramsey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jamie Ramsey requested Interim Town Manager/Town Clerk, Martina Burnam, to call the roll. Quorum was present.

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE AMBULANCE SERVICE CONTINUITY AGREEMENT AND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF KEARNY AND COBRE VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Agreements between the Town Kearny and Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center (CVRMC). The first one is the Ambulance Service Continuity Agreement and the second one is the Lease Agreement.

The Town of Kearny can no longer afford to fund the Ambulance Service. With the Ambulance Service Continuity Agreement, this will allow CVRMC to assume ownership of the Service.

There are some statutes the Town must follow. In order to smoothly transition the Ambulance Service, the Town must lease the equipment that is owned by the town to CVRMC. This alleviates having to go out to bid on the owned equipment. The Town will just remain the owners of all the equipment

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Town Attorney Cooper stated that the agreement has been reviewed, revised and updated according to the Risk Pool Insurance Attorneys. Cobre Valley will be informing the council about the insurance they are getting to cover the Town of Kearny as well. The leased equipment will be returned to the town in working order. The equipment will always be maintained as it is required by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

In house legal counsel for Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center (CVRMC), Preston Pollock, wanted to express their appreciation to the attorneys Mr. Cooper, Mr. Yavitz and Mr. Simms for the tremendous job of working this agreement out. CVRMC will be providing the Town of Kearny with a certificate of insurance by March 1, 2021.

Vice Mayor Radcliffe if the Town's Attorney reviewed and recommended the agreement, then the Town Council should be in good shape to accept it.

Motion by Councilmember Misita, **second** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe to Approve the Ambulance Service Continuity Agreement and Lease Agreement between the Town of Kearny and Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center. **Vote** –Mayor Jamie Ramsey, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers David Herrera, Nancy Hinojos, Rudy Flores and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 21-02 THE ELIMINATION OF THE POSITIONS OF AMBULANCE SUPERVISOR, PARAMEDIC AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN AS OF MARCH 1ST, 2021

Resolution 21-02, A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kearny, Arizona, that Authorizes a Reduction in Force at its Town Ambulance Service.

With the approval of the Ambulance Service Continuity Agreement between the Town of Kearny and Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center, the Town of Kearny will no longer be able to continue afford to employ for the Ambulance Service.

This resolution eliminates the positions of Paramedic and Emergency Medical Technician from the Town of Kearny.

It was recommended to approve Resolution 21-02, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Kearny, Arizona, that authorizes a reduction in force at its Town Ambulance Service.

Motion by Councilmember Hinojos, **second** by Councilmember Flores to Approve of a Declaration of Surplus on four (4) vehicles located in a salvage yard in Apache Junction and advertise an invitation for bids for two (2) weeks. **Vote** –Mayor Jamie Ramsey, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers David Herrera, Nancy Hinojos, Rudy Flores and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Statement from Councilmember Misita, stated that she is thankful to our former Town Manager Flores and former Mayor Sommers, the new current staff who worked hard to make this happen. Because this has been a really long process and I just wanted to thank everyone who helped make it happen. So that we can still have an Ambulance in our area.

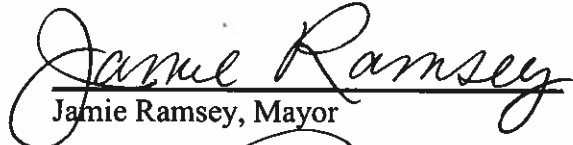
Vice Mayor Radcliff stated he would also like to add his thanks to Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center for helping us out. It is greatly appreciated.

ADJOURNMENT

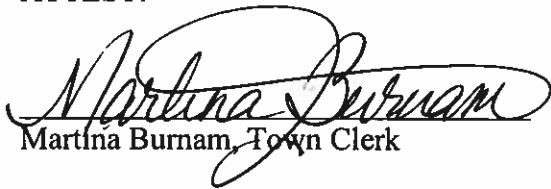
Motion by Vice Mayor Radcliffe **second** by Councilmember Flores to adjourn the Special Meeting. **Vote** – Mayor Jamie Ramsey, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Nancy Hinojos, Rudy Flores, Samantha Misita and David Herrera all voted in favor of the motion.

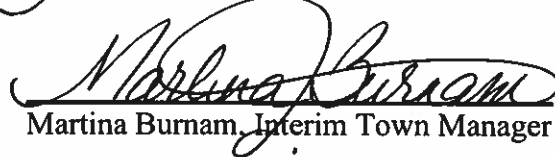
MOTION PASSED.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.


Jamie Ramsey, Mayor

ATTEST:


Martina Burnam, Town Clerk


Martina Burnam, Interim Town Manager