

**TOWN OF KEARNY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KEARNY,  
ARIZONA, AT THE KEARNY TOWN HALL LOCATED AT 912-C TILBURY DRIVE ON  
MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017, AT 7:30 P.M.**

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor	Debra Sommers
Vice Mayor	Daniel Radcliffe
Councilmember	Rose Bradford
Councilmember	Nancy Hinojos
Councilmember	Samantha Misita
Councilmember	Sheila Stephenson

**TOWN STAFF PRESENT**

Town Manager	Anna Flores
Town Clerk	Cathy Woolery
Town Attorney	Steve Cooper

**VISITORS PRESENT**

Edna Lawrence	Ron Buckley
Curt Cook	Keith Kenyon
Carol Lewis	Haily Mabuce
David Galka	Gwen Dinwiddie
James Ruiz	Ameec Kenyon
Julie Meza	Billy Meza
Destiny Gonzales	Jesie Gonzales
Danielle Hinojos	Janae Ruiz
Myra Warren	Myranda Figueroa
Erna Alvarado	Tara Larona
Danni Montano	Gabbi Montano

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Sommers called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Father George Kunnel, Infant Jesus of Prague Catholic Church, delivered the invocation.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Sommers requested Town Clerk, Cathy Woolery, to call the roll. Quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** by Councilmember Bradford, **second** by Councilmember Stephenson to approve minutes from the April 17, 2017 Regular Meeting and April 18, 2017 Work Session. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Sommers announced call to the public. No persons addressed the Council.

**PROCLAMATION FOR THE 2017 RAY HIGH SCHOOL BEARCATS GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM, PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF**

Mayor Sommers read and adopted the proclamation for the 2017 Ray High School Bearcats Girls Softball Team and extended congratulations to the players, coaches, and staff and extended congratulations. Each player was presented with a proclamation. Coaches and staff were thanked for their work by the Council.

**COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 17-03 AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$260,000 TO THE TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE AMBULANCE**

Town Manager Anna Flores explained that staff is proposing submittal of a grant application to the Tohono O'odham Nation in the amount of \$260,000 for the purchase of an ambulance. It is recommended the Council adopt Resolution No. 17-03 for authorization of the Town submitting the grant.

**Motion** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe, **second** by Councilmember Misita to approve Resolution No. 17-03 authorizing the town to submit the grant to the Tohono O'Odham Nation for the purchase of the ambulance. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR DIAMONDBACKS GRANT TO RENOVATE THE TOWN'S SOFTBALL FIELD**

Town Manager Anna Flores explained the background for this item. The Town is seeking approval to apply for an Arizona Diamondbacks Grant from the "D-back Give Back" – Youth Baseball Fund for renovation of the Town's softball field. The deadline for the submittal is July 31, 2017 and grant will be awarded prior to December 1<sup>st</sup> of the same year to one organization. It is recommended for Council approval to apply for the Arizona Diamondbacks Grant.

**Motion** by Councilmember Misita, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to approve the grant application for the Arizona Diamondbacks Grant. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

**COUNCIL ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 17-04 ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT ROUTES FOR SAFETY AND MOBILITY UPDATE**

Town Manager Anna Flores presented Resolution No. 17-04 which endorses and supports the regionally significant routes for safety and mobility update. This is necessary for Pinal County transportation system to ensure quality of life for continued growth. It is recommended the approval of Resolution No. 17-04. Councilmember Misita asked if this map has already been established. Town Manager Anna Flores explained that Kathy Borquez was here and explained the plan, and now they need a resolution to support it.

**Motion** by Councilmember Stephenson **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to approve the grant Resolution No. 17-04. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF PUBLIC SALE OF THE TWO GARBAGE TRUCKS**

Town Manager Anna Flores explained the Town would like to put the two garbage trucks in a public auction with Sierra Auction Management. The trucks are no longer needed and value will decrease if the trucks do not sell soon. Sierra Auction is used by other agencies such as the Attorney General, DPS, Counter Narcotics Alliance, City of Phoenix, City of Mesa, and other governmental/police agencies statewide. It is recommended for approval of the sale of both garbage trucks by Sierra Auction Management. Councilmember Hinojos asked if the trucks have to be auctioned off. Town Manager Anna Flores explained they do because of public monies. Councilmember Bradford asked if a minimum can be set. Town Manager Anna Flores said the auction will set the minimum based on the trucks mileage, condition, etc. Councilmember Hinojos asked if we know how much, more or less, they will auction for. Town Manager Anna Flores stated no. Councilmember Bradford asked the year of the trucks and do we think we will ever need a truck here again for anything. Town Manager said they are 1998 and 2007, and the dilemma is if the trucks sit then they will deteriorate. Councilmember Bradford expressed concern over having a two to three-year contract with RAD and what if they decide it is not working and do not renew; then we will not even have a 2007 truck. Councilmember Stephenson said the 2007 truck is costing us monthly for repairs. Town Manager Anna Flores said it is costing us \$5 - \$6K per month. Councilmember Bradford asked if we know how much it would cost to repair the 2007 this time. Town Manager Anna Flores said it is the arm that picks up the cans and does not know the cost. Councilmember Hinojos asked if the Town can purchase a dump truck with the money from the auction as she thinks we need something just in case. Councilmember Misita said we will have to get someone else to do trash if RAD pulls out, and we need to get out of the trash business. Vice Mayor Radcliffe said if the trucks just sit here they will deteriorate even worse. Councilmember Stephenson said we are putting between \$6K - \$8K per month for repairs which is expensive for a year, and we are better off auctioning it. Mayor Sommers said it hasn't even been paying for itself. The money from the auction would go into the sanitation fund and putting that back in there may help us get back where we need to be rather than at a loss.

**Motion** by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Misita to authorize the sale of both garbage trucks by Sierra Auction Management. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Town Manager Anna Flores stated everyone is invited to attend the Ray High School Boat Challenge on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Kearny Pool. Students will be riding in the boats which are from Mr. Rubacalba's science class. The Kearny Pool will open on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. for free swim. Town Manager Anna Flores explained that season passes are \$55 to \$95 depending on number of people. Town Manager Anna Flores expressed this is about a \$40 savings rather than buying each individual day pass. Councilmember Bradford asked if it was \$65 per two kids. Councilmember Misita asked if we are going to do an opening ceremony with the watermelon and giveaways. Town Manager Anna Flores said not this year. Councilmember Misita asked about the free pool passes they had in the past which was donated by different people in the community. Councilmember Bradford asked if there would still be a silent auction for the pool. Councilmember Misita said they ran out of time. Councilmember Stephenson announced she had written a grant for \$1000 or \$1250 for the pool through the Elks which would pay

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some of the salaries of the lifeguards for swim lessons. Councilmember Bradford announced the Hand Me Up Shop is donating \$2000 to the pool as the Board agreed to donate at the last meeting they had because they want to make sure it stays open for the kids. Councilmember Misita requested Town Manager Anna Flores do the free pool passes on the opening day. Councilmember Bradford asked if we just go around and ask people to donate. Town Manager Anna Flores explained \$800 was donated from individuals last year by people calling in and saying they want to donate. Councilmember Bradford asked how they let people know about donating to the pool. Councilmember Misita said she is sure the same people will do it again as they have done it for a few years. Councilmember Bradford expressed thanks to the anonymous men who planted the trees up along the main street up town. She saw the anonymous men planting the trees and thinks it is a great addition to our town. Councilmember Stephenson suggested a thank you note be sent. Mayor Sommers expressed thanks to public works for getting the sidewalk section put in.

**REPORTS**

Mayor Sommers asked if there was any discussion on the reports. No discussion.


**Motion** by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to accept the reports.

**Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** by Councilmember Misita, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to adjourn. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.** Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

  
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Debra Sommers, Mayor

  
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Anna Flores, Town Manager

ATTEST:

  
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Cathy Woolery, Town Clerk