

**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, NOVEMBER 20, 2017, AT 7:30 P.M.**

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	Debra Sommers
Vice Mayor	Daniel Radcliffe
Councilmember	Rudy Flores
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

Diana Herrick	Father Kunnel
Carol Lewis	Gwen Dinwiddie

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 Kunnel of the 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 Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Misita to approve minutes from the Town Council Work Session October 4, 2017 and the Regular Meeting October 16, 2017. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Sommers announced call to the public. Gwen Dinwiddie asked about the policy in February for the speed bumps and what has been done about that. Mayor Sommers stated we have a policy in place and there is a procedure to go through to get that done. She can contact Town Manager Anna Flores to get that information. Gwen Dinwiddie asked which speed bumps were approved – temporary or permanent. Mayor Sommers answered temporary. Chief Kenney introduced our newest officer – Thomas Rozzi. He lives in Town along with Chief Kenney, and Sgt. Wells. Officer Clubb will also be relocating to Kearny. That will give us four officers living in town. Officer Rozzi has 17 years of experience that he brings with training experience. Between Chief Kenney, Officer Boldin, and Officer Rozzi there will now be a training core here to provide to the officers.

APPROVAL TO REPLACE THE GRINDER AT THE WWTP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,902

Town Manager Anna Flores provided background information for this item. The grinder at the Waste Water Treatment Plant needs replacing due to the blades being loose, dull and having too much play. The grinder is approximately eight years old. Councilmember Misita asked if we got multiple bids. Town Manager Anna Flores stated yes and usually what happens is there is one place in Arizona that manufactures them. That is why we go with the companies in Arizona as it is less cost. Councilmember Stephenson asked if the eight years is a reasonable time for these to last. Town Manager Anna Flores answered yes.

Motion by Councilmember Misita, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to purchase the grinder at the WWTP in the amount of \$10,902. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

APPROVAL OF ROTOR FOR THE WWTP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,578.06

Town Manager Anna Flores provided background information explaining the rotor at the Wastewater Treatment Plant needs replacing. It has excessive wear and tear which has been caused by the high-pressure wash system not providing the correct amount of pressure. A technician inspected the unit recommending the high-pressure system should be connected to a potable water supply which would keep the spray nozzle cleaner and have the pressure necessary to clean the material. Town Manager Anna Flores explained the rotor and the auger are having to work harder because the solids cannot be broken down. Ramon will now be connecting to potable water. Vice Mayor Radcliffe asked if it is going to be changed over now. Anna stated yes because they need more pressure and use of potable water will increase life of the rotor. Councilmember Misita asked if Ramon can do that part and not part of the bid. Anna said yes.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Flores to approve the rotor at the WWTP in the amount of \$11,578.06. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

RESOLUTION RESTRICTING PARKING ON TILBURY AND UPTON ROADS PURSUANT TO THE KEARNY TOWN CODE 11-3-4 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Town Manager Anna Flores provided the background for this item and stated Chief Kenney is here to answer any questions. Councilmember Misita asked why this is needed after all these years. Chief Kenney explained we had an incident on Upton with a truck blocking the roadway across the double yellow lines. An officer responded and individual argued stating there was no sign on Upton nor Tilbury stating "No Parking". Chief Kenney asked him to please move the vehicle over to the curb as traffic has to go over into the other lane and over the double yellow line. Chief Kenney and Town Manager Anna Flores discussed options regarding parking on the main thoroughfares by putting up signage with no parking. Councilmember Misita asked if that is the homeowners street address then why are they not allowed to park there. She is wondering about how that would work for parking in front of their house for the people on Upton, and would a person who owned the house on that street not be allowed to have parking on that street for people they have over to their home. Chief Kenney stated the real issue is the double yellow line especially with people coming down that hill. Councilmember Misita asked how much it

would cost for signage. Town Manager Anna Flores stated the existing poles will be used so it will be approximately \$250 for five signs. Chief Kenney stated there is one sign up at the top of the hill by the GKI and one on Tilbury, but they need more down the hill and on Tilbury on both sides of the streets all the way down. Town Manager Anna Flores said this way it will be clear that there is no parking on Tilbury and Upton all the way down.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to approve Resolution No. 17-09 to restrict parking on Tilbury and Upton Roads and declare an emergency. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RENAMING THE TEEN CENTER TO THE KEARNY LIBRARY ACTIVITY CENTER

Town Manager Anna Flores provided background information for this item. The Town of Kearny Teen Center has been cleaned out and painted inside by ASARCO to be used for library activities. ASARCO purchased a refrigerator and will also install cabinets for storage. Last summer the Council approved the Teen Center to be used for library activities since the school had gone to a four-day school week. Library staff has used it for movies, book sales, and Lego Family Night. They are also raising money to pay for an air conditioning to be able to use the building in summer months. The building needs to be renamed in order for the library staff to be able to apply for grants relating to activities they sponsor. Other entities will be able to use the building, and also the Town would like to rent out the building for other events and teen parties. Councilmember Hinojos asked if it will still be available to be used by other organizations and if they would come to the Town Hall to make arrangements for it. Town Manager Anna Flores stated yes. Councilmember Misita asked if the name change is basically in order to receive the grants. Town Manager Anna Flores answered yes. Also, she expressed it looks really nice and ASARCO will be painting the floor and putting in a nice wall unit for storage of arts and crafts supplies. She said that in the past it has been used as a teen center, with a pool table, foosball, and TV, and we can also rent it out. Councilmember Hinojos asked if someone wanted to volunteer and open the facility in the summer time would it still be an option to be available for the kids during the summer hours. Anna said yes and that Janet also teaches cooking classes, crochet classes, and lots of activities such as master gardening and more. It will be another nice building that we can use and rent. Vice Mayor Radcliffe asked basically the name needs to be changed so it is associated with the library in order to get the grants. Town Manager Anna Flores confirmed yes.

Motion by Councilmember Vice Mayor Radcliffe, **second** by Councilmember Misita to rename the Teen Center to the Kearny Library Activity Center. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

EMPLOYEE HEALTH CONTRACT

Town Manager Anna Flores explained the Town provides health insurance related benefits to its full time permanent employees as part of their total compensation package which includes health, vision, and dental. The proposal from the Town's insurance broker, Nueva Benefits Group, was the current plan of HealthNet \$2,500 (deductible) Open Access HMO Plan. This was based on the results of a competitive renewal analysis. This fiscal year the plan cost is a 5.4% increase in comparison to the 19% from last fiscal year. The Town currently pays 100% of

the single employee cost for the HMO plan, and the Town Council has expressed in the past the importance of keeping the benefits as part of the overall employee compensation. It is recommended the Council approve the HealthNet contract. Councilmember Misita asked if this is the same plan that was presented as the recommendation at the budget session. Town Manager Anna Flores said yes.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to approve the employee health contract for HealthNet. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

REQUEST OF COPPER BASIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR ROAD CLOSURES FOR THE ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE

Town Manager Anna Flores explained the Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce has requested road closures of Alden and Tilbury Roads, and the use of the parking lots at Town Hall, Library, and Teen Center for the Electric Light Parade from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Parade entries will begin at the parking lots and head up Tilbury to Alden Road. They are requesting closures on Alden Road between the Town Police Department and the Pinal County Building for the Winter Festival activities. At this time, they do not have a director and no letter was submitted by the Chamber; so, the letter is being presented based on past letters.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe to grant the request for the road closure for the Electric Light Parade. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM WITH THE TOWN OF KEARNY TO THE EXISTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND PINAL COUNTY TO ENFORCE INSTALLATION STANDARDS

Town Manager Anna Flores presented an addendum to an existing intergovernmental agreement between the Town of Kearny, Arizona Department of Housing, Office of Manufactured Housing, and Pinal County for the purpose of maintaining standards of quality and safety for manufactured homes, factory-built buildings, mobile homes, and the installation of the same. It is recommended the approval of the addendum to the existing intergovernmental agreement between the Town of Kearny, ADOH, and Pinal County. Councilmember Misita asked if this something new. Vice Mayor Radcliffe explained this is something that is done just about every year and every Town is getting the same thing.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Misita to approve the addendum. **Vote** - All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Town Manager Anna Flores expressed thanks for everyone that attended the car show this past weekend. It was really a success with beautiful weather and awesome cars and activities. A good time was had by all. Vice Mayor Radcliffe said the Town did good getting the barricades up there early morning about 6:00. He also stated there were 111 cars, and Rip got a lot of positive comments. Mayor Sommers said everyone seemed like they were having a good time and excited. Town Manager Anna Flores reminded everyone the Electric Light Parade will be

held on Saturday, December 2nd. The Council, Police Department, Ambulance, and Fire trucks will participate in the parade, so we are excited about that. We will be decorating the Council side-by-side at 10 am at Town Hall if anyone wants to volunteer. The Copper Basin Junior Chamber members will be cleaning up along the parade route starting at 9 am which will give us a cleaner route. Also, on behalf of the Town of Kearny we want to wish you a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.


REPORTS


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

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe to accept the reports.
Vote – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

ADJOURNMENT

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



Debra Sommers, Mayor


Anna Flores, Town Manager

ATTEST:



Cathy Woolery, Town Clerk