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, OCTOBER 17, 2016, AT 7:30 P.M.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

Vice Mayor	Daniel Radcliffe Sr.
Councilmember	Rudy Flores
Councilmember	David Herrera
Councilmember	Nancy Hinojos
Councilmember	Sheila Stephenson

TOWN STAFF PRESENT

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

VISITORS PRESENT

Mike Dinwiddie	Gwen Dinwiddie
Diana Herrick	Larna Warren
Tino Flores	Rose Bradford
Ron Buckley	Carol Lewis
Samantha Misita	Diana Palmer
Bob Fox	Phil Rosato
James Hosea	Joyce Rosato
Carlene Denton Roache	Martina Berman
Captain Leos	

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Vice Mayor Radcliffe called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION
Pastor Roger Pike delivered the invocation.

ROLL CALL
Vice Mayor Radcliffe requested Town Clerk, Cathy Woolery, to call the roll. Quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Herrera to approve minutes from the September 19, 2016 Regular Meeting. **Vote -** All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

CALL TO THE PUBLIC
Vice Mayor Radcliffe announced call to the public. Town Manager Anna Flores introduced

Captain Leos from Pinal County who is currently serving as our Interim Police Chief. Carol Lewis requested more information on the police coalition process and Chief of Police status. Also, she expressed officers are complaining of low wages and believes this is a result of having interim chiefs and no permanent Chief to address the matter. She is asking that the Town of Kearny restore our police department and let other surrounding communities such as Hayden, Mammoth, and Winkelman take care of their own departments. Town Manager Anna Flores stated the police coalition was put on hold because we were getting an Interim Chief. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated there has been no movement on the coalition. Carlene Denton asked if they are hiring a police chief tonight. Gwen Dinwiddie explained the agenda item is an IGA with Hayden. Town Attorney Steve Cooper stated the Town of Hayden approved the hiring of a Chief of Police whether or not the coalition is moving forward or not. Mike Dinwiddie asked if they have completed a background check on the chief, and why are they offering Blue a job when he has sexual harassment charges filed on him the first time he was here. Attorney Steve Cooper stated he cannot comment on that and can only tell us what happened with the Town of Hayden, and this is call to the public. This is not an action item and he cannot comment on a personnel matter. Carlene Denton approached the Council and feels she does not have enough information about the coalition so at this point would not support it; wants to know how it will benefit Kearny; how much it will cost; will we be able to pay our officers more; upgrading equipment and if so who has to pay for that. She is requesting information on the financial and liability impact to Kearny. Vice Mayor Radcliffe expressed there is lack of information and that is why the coalition is on hold. Councilmember Stephenson stated the Council does not know any more news about the coalition. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated the Council will not do any more on the coalition until they see more information, facts, and numbers. Councilmember Stephenson stated she was never informed about candidates withdrawing from the Chief of Police position, and she read it on Facebook. Mike Dinwiddie suggested the Council getting together and do away with the coalition, do background checks, and do a budget for the Town. He will work with Council on the budget to have a Sergeant and a Chief. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated the Council can look into this further and see where they want to go. Gwen Dinwiddie asked if they have a timeline at all. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated they were waiting on information from Hayden, and there is nothing going on with the coalition.

COPPER BASIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUEST

Town Manager Anna Flores provided background for this item explaining the Chamber of Commerce has the Great Pumpkin and the Trunk or Treat scheduled for Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. They are requesting permission for road closures from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Herrera, second by Councilmember Hinojos to approve the road closures at Alden road from the crosswalk at Copper Area Realty to the end of the county building. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

REQUEST OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR FALL FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW STREET CLOSURES

Town Manager Anna Flores presented background information explaining the Chamber of Commerce is hosting the annual Fall Festival and Car show on Saturday, November 5, 2016.

They are requesting road closures on Saturday morning at 5:00 a.m. to block the parking area between drugstore and ARC, Alden Rd from old Bank of the West crosswalk to the ARC crosswalk until midnight. Councilmember Herrera asked about the number of cars expected. Martina stated about 120 cars out of 200 estimated to attend. Councilmember Stephenson asked what time does the car show end. Martina said the car show usually ends about 3 or 4 p.m. Councilmember Herrera asked if there is a car club that is the leader. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated that NAPA sponsors it and several car clubs attend. Councilmember Herrera asked about food vendors and fee for that. Martina stated she does not know exact amount of fee. Vice Mayor Radcliffe mentioned there are several events such as pie eating contest. Martina stated there are kid's games, poker run, eagle run, and NAPA is in charge of those.

Motion by Councilmember Herrera, **second** by Councilmember Stephenson to accept the request for the Chamber to use and have the road closures for Alden road. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE TOWN OF KEARNY LAKE CAMPGROUND FEES

Town Manager Anna Flores explained there are 12 campground sites with no charge at this time. It is proposed to charge $10 nightly fee plus tax. One additional site with electrical and water can be rented for $25 nightly. A sign would be posted to advertise the fees with customer paying at Town Hall Monday-Thursday, or at police station 24/7, or they can pay on-line. Public works employee will maintain the area and restrooms. Councilmember Stephenson asked about what fees were before. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated he thinks about the same. Also, fees would have to be on an honor system. If we put a drop-box out there then the drop-box would be vandalized. On-line payments need to be researched to see if that can be an option to set up for campground fees. Mike Dinwiddie said system he has seen is you put a tag to hang on your rearview mirror, and payment is by credit card being charged until you turn in the tag. Councilmember Herrera reminded that we are a small town and will do things a bit differently like stick people, and will give more consideration later to the details. Samantha Misita stated they could pay online and would have a receipt that way. Details are to be worked out for the methods of processing fees.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Herrera to accept fees of $10 for sites and $25 for site with electrical with a 15 day limit within a 30 day period. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN PINAL COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF KEARNY FOR SHARING OF THE REGIONAL MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Town Manager Anna Flores explained the Intergovernmental Agreement between Pinal County and Town of Kearny for the access and use of the Everbridge Mass Notification System at no cost to the Town. The County will assist in set up and training for the system. She recommends the approval of the IGA. Vice Mayor Radcliffe asked if all the towns in the County are doing the same thing. Town Manager Anna Flores stated yes. Councilmember Herrera explained that the County is trying to get all towns on the mass system, so if for instance, there is a fire, then it allows us to see the geographical area and alert people in a massive method. He thinks it is a

good system with certain people having access and being notified with a no fail system. Vice Mayor Radcliffe and Councilmember Stephenson think it is also a good system.

Motion by Councilmember Herrera, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to approve the IGA between Pinal County and the Town of Kearny for the sharing of the regional mass notification system. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Town Manager Anna Flores stated Mayor Hosler had back surgery. His wife informed her is doing fine, and we will keep him in our prayers. Starting in November we will have the elementary school students nominate the yard of the month. This will help to keep the younger students in hopefully keeping Kearny cleaner. Tom Herbts is meeting with high school students to form a volunteer group to help him clean yards for the elderly. He has a weed eater and a new lawn mower. He volunteers his time keeping yards clean and mowed, just as Carol and Diane volunteer to clean the park. We hope that getting students involved will create ownership and help to keep Kearny cleaner. The car show will be held on November 5th as well as the golf tournament, and the Rotary Steak Dinner which raises money for scholarships. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated we should make sure the car show people know about the steak dinner so they may stick around and go to the dinner. Mike Dinwiddie asked about the return of the VIPS program for events like these to help reduce expenses for our police department. Town Manager Anna Flores stated they will look into it, but it was on hold because of the interim chief process. Vice Mayor Radcliffe suggested asking the Interim Chief about this.

REPORTS

Vice Mayor Radcliffe asked if there were any comments on reports or for a motion.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to accept the reports as submitted. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated the Council will go into Executive Session for 20 minutes.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Herrera to adjourn into Executive Session. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.** Meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at 8:08 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

Vice Mayor Radcliffe reconvened Regular Session at 8:25 p.m.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A WIFA DRINKING WATER PROJECT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT PRIORITY LIST APPLICATION

Town Manager Anna Flores provided background information explaining the Town is looking to repair Well #3 or Well #8 and needs approval to authorize the application for a drinking water project loan from WIFA – Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona. The Town needs to obtain debt authorization and WIFA will then send out a project finance application that helps prepare due diligence and analysis to the WIFA board for project approval. WIFA holds board

meetings every two months and project application is due eight weeks prior to attending a Board meeting.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Herrera to approve Resolution No. 16-732 authorizing the application for a drinking water project loan from the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

Motion by Councilmember Herrera, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to approve Resolution No. 16-733 authorizing the execution of a loan agreement with the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona; and authorizing and directing the Mayor, the Manager, the Clerk and the Town Attorney to execute all documents and perform all such tasks as required to satisfy the terms of the loan agreements. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to adjourn. **Vote** – All members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.** Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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Sam Hosler, Mayor

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Anna Flores, Town Manager

ATTEST:

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Cathy Woolery, Town Clerk