

**TOWN OF KEARNY**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**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  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2015, AT 6:00 P.M.**

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor	Sam Hosler
Vice Mayor	Dan Radcliffe
Councilmember	Lana Dalton (Telephonically)
Councilmember	Rudy Flores
Councilmember	Nancy Hinojos
Councilmember	Sheila Stephenson

**TOWN STAFF PRESENT**

Town Manager	Anna Flores
Town Clerk	Cathy Woolery
Interim Chief of Police	Dave Blue

**VISITORS PRESENT**

Joe Weller	Tino Flores
Box Fox	Phil Rosato
Mary King	Gwen Dinwiddie
Mike Dinwiddie	Diana Herrick
Debra Sommers	John Hernandez
Dawn Rienbold	Lana Warren
Carol Lewis	Barbara Carroll
James Hosea	

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Hosler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**A. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
AGREEMENT FOR INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE WITH ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY**

**B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
AGREEMENT FOR REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES**

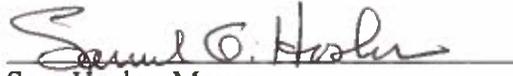
**C. DIRECT STAFF TO CONTINUE FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES**

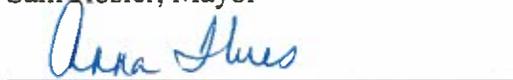
Town Manager Anna Flores introduced Interim Chief Dave Blue to summarize the option of forming a law enforcement coalition which would combine law enforcement needs and resources of Kearny, Hayden, Winkelman, and Mammoth. Interim Chief Blue summarized the police services would be that of a coalition, and the role of Arizona Department of Public Safety would be to provide resources to build the infrastructure. This would not be an immediate cost savings measure but will result in long-term savings because the communities will pool resources and share the cost of a chief. The options available for police services to Kearny currently are 1) remain the same, 2) contract with Sheriff's department, 3) un-incorporate with Sherriff's department taking over, and 4) law enforcement coalition. The coalition will be overseen by a merit board with every Town having their input. Also, preservation of each community is important with each community having their own officers, specific to that community, working within that community. Promotional opportunities may be available to officers and also the possibility of having administrative job opportunities. Arizona Department of Public Safety's role would be to come in and build the infrastructure and turn it over to the coalition. The intent is to help out the corridor because there is something wrong that has not worked for many years with all the turn-over and lawsuits each community has had. Mayor Hosler stated there are 3 specific Items to discuss. Town Manager Anna Flores explained this is an action Item if Council would like an extension of the IGA. It was written in the initial IGA that if there was an extension then the Town of Kearny would start paying the chiefs salary which is Item A. Vice Mayor Radcliffe expressed he thought the agreement should be extended but we need more fact finding and more concrete information about costs, liability issues on Item B before the intergovernmental agreement for regional police services could be approved. Mayor Hosler clarified that there is no intergovernmental agreement for regional services before the Council, and that the option is for further discussion with the towns and possible moving toward approval regarding an intergovernmental agreement for regional police services. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated that Item B and Item C are almost the same thing. Town Manager Anna Flores explained if Item A is approved the IGA for Interim Chief Blue ends on October 9, and the town would have to pick up the cost of the salary for Interim Chief. Town Manager Anna Flores explained that Item C is to direct staff to move forward to get more information regarding regional police services and there would be no charge to the Town to enter into another IGA to move forward and would still have Interim Chief Blue. Interim Chief Blue stated that while the infrastructure is being built Arizona Department of Public Services would provide a chief for North and South of the corridor during the time the infrastructure is developed. Mayor Hosler asked if we do not approve Item A then they could enter into Item C. Mayor Hosler reminded Council there is a motion to reconsider action on a previous motion, and if the Council makes a decision that they do not like, then a reconsideration of a motion can be done. Vice Mayor Radcliffe clarified that if we take the Item C then all we are doing is extending what we have in place right now, and not agreeing to an Intergovernmental agreement and still on a fact finding mission. **Motion** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe made a motion, **second** by Councilmember Stephenson to approve Item C. **Vote** – all members voted in favor. **MOTION PASSED.**

Mayor Hosler explained that Item A and Item B are mute because Item C has been passed. Town Manager Anna Flores explained Item A was if the Council wanted to continue having Interim Chief Blue in place without moving forward for more information with regional police services. Item C is that we proceed with moving forward with getting information with the regional police services with DPS and keeping the Interim Chief here. Mayor Hosler asked if we did say to other towns that we would like to work with you in developing a possible IGA. Town Manager Anna Flores stated that is what Item C is, and it was passed. Vice Mayor Radcliffe asked if Item A needed to be approved. Town Manager Anna Flores stated no and Mayor Hosler asked if Item A would be specific to extend the Interim Chief. Town Manager Anna Flores stated Item C would take care of both and at no cost to the Town. Interim Chief Blue suggested to the Council to continue to look into fact finding and gathering information, but in the meantime two to three months down the road if it does not move forward, then have a backup plan in place to have a systematic process to have a chief to move forward with by completing background checks. Mayor Hosler stated that the Council has passed Item C and he is declaring Item A and Item B mute, and asked if anyone wants to appeal the judgement of the Chair. There was none. Item A and Item B are mute with Item C passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe, **second** by Councilmember Herrera to adjourn. **Vote** - all members voted unanimously. **MOTION PASSED.** Regular Session adjourned at 6:22 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