

**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, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019, AT 7:00 P.M.**

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	Debra Sommers
Vice Mayor	Daniel Radcliffe
Councilmember	Rose Bradford
Councilmember	Nancy Hinojos
Councilmember	Rudy Flores
Councilmember	Samantha Misita (Telephonically)
Councilmember	Sheila Stephenson

TOWN STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager	Anna Flores
Town Clerk	Martina Burnam
Town Attorney	Stephen Cooper

VISITORS PRESENT

Doug Kubik
Pastor Jimmy Nelson
Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce President Ginger Bentley

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Sommers called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Pastor Jimmy Nelson of the Church of the Good Shepherd

ROLL CALL

Mayor Debra Sommers requested Town Clerk, Martina Burnam, to call the roll. Quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

Regular Meeting July 15, 2019

Motion by Councilmember Bradford, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to approve the Minutes for Regular Meeting July 15, 2019. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

PETITIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Call to the Public. -NONE BROUGHT FORTH

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE COPPER BASIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUESTING FOR A NEW STREET NAME OF "ART & ROSALIND PADILLA WAY" BETWEEN PIONEER PARK AND THE BALL FIELDS

A letter from the Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce was sent requesting a new street name for the street between Pioneer Park and the ball fields to be named "Art & Rosalind Padilla Way."

Art and Rosalind have been active members of the Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce and the community. Their sense of community and their willingness to volunteer made a difference for the Town of Kearny.

Copper Basin Chamber of Commerce Ginger Bentley is present for questions. Ginger stated that the Chamber thought we should honor Art and Rosalind Padilla for all that they did throughout the years here in our community. Councilmember Rose Bradford stated she thinks it is a great idea because Pioneers Days wouldn't have been the same without Art and Rosalind.

Motion by Councilmember Bradford, **second** by Councilmember Flores to name the street between Pioneer Park and the Ball Fields "Art & Rosalind Padilla Way" **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO DECLARE AS SURPLUS THE 2002 AMBULANCE.

The 1999 ambulance the Town owns is no longer needed. With Council approval, the ambulance may be sold in a public auction or publish an auction notice in the paper.

It is recommended the Council authorize the sale of the 1999 ambulance.

Councilmember Bradford stated to not sell through town. Town Manager Flores said we are using Sierra Auction for the ambulance. Vice Mayor Radcliffe stated where we bought it from, may help us to sell it. Councilmember Bradford asked if this is the oldest ambulance we have? Town Manager affirmed with yes. Councilmember Bradford asked if there was some interest in the other ambulance we have for back-up as being used? Town Manager Flores she is meeting with other communities for back-up. Councilmember Misita asked does the money go to the ambulance fund from the sale? Town Manager Flores Yes, the money is an enterprise fund and will be deposited into the ambulance fund.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to approve to declare as surplus the 2002 Ambulance. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF IGA FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT DISPATCH SERVICES BETWEEN THE SAN MANUEL FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE TOWN OF KEARNY.

The Intergovernmental Agreement for the purpose of providing fire department dispatching services for the San Manuel Fire Department agrees to follow protocols currently in place by Kearny dispatch and adapt to changes as necessary.

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This agreement shall become effective after it has been executed by both parties upon approval. This agreement may be terminated by either giving the other party 60 days written notice of its intent to terminate. All fees must be paid within 30 days of termination.

For each year of each term of the agreement, San Manuel shall pay Kearny for the services, in four equal quarterly installments on or before October 20th, January 20th, April 20th and July 20th of each year of each term, in the amount of \$1,875 for a total of \$7,500 per year.

Town Manager Flores spoke with the San Manuel Fire Department and they are very happy with the services they are receiving. Also, they have made timely payments, so this IGA between the San Manuel Fire Department and the Town of Kearny is recommended.

Councilmember Bradford asked where does the money go? Town Manager Flores stated it goes into the General Fund. Councilmember Misita asked what is the term for this agreement? Town Manager Flores stated every year it must be readdressed. Councilmember Misita asked if the agreement rates are the same as previous years. Town Manager Flores stated yes, it is the same as the previous year and town council can reevaluate next year for possible increases. Mayor Sommers stated we can reach out to the Town of San Manuel prior to them completing a budget, for instance, in February or March for the increase.

Motion by Vice Mayor Radcliffe, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to approve the Renewal of IGA for Fire Department Dispatch Services between San Manuel Fire Department and the Town of Kearny. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

RESOLUTION OF NO. 19-6 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN KEARNY OF PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA TO AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION FOR A DRINKING WATER REVOLVING FUND LOAN FROM THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA

Resolution No. 19-6 is a resolution no. regarding a WIFA loan the Town is applying for to re-finance the existing USDA bond in the amount of \$600,000 for a lower interest rate. The revenue will come from the utilities fund after the new meters are installed and a possible rate increase, the utilities fund should be able to fund the project.

Councilmember Bradford asked what the interest was on the loan? Town Manager Flores stated it was 5.125% with the State and 3% to 4% with WIFA. Councilmember Misita asked why there was a difference of \$600,000 and \$700,00. Town Manager Flores explained that \$85,000 is a grant and will reduce the loan amount.

Councilmember Misita asked if this was a loan from 1998 and it increases by 5.125% each year? Town Manager Flores stated yes, it was an original loan for \$950,000 this new loan will be for a lower percentage and will reduce our monthly payment.

Motion by Councilmember Bradford, **second** by Councilmember Stephenson to approve Resolution of No.19-6 Resolution of the Town of Kearny of Pinal County, Arizona to Authorize the Application for a Drinking Water Revolving Fund Loan from the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona. **Vote**

– Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF A ROOF REPLACEMENT AND SWAMP COOLER REPLACEMENT AT THE KEARNY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,296.60

It was brought Town Manager Flores' attention by Chief Piggott that the roof and cooler had to be replaced. A quote from Construction Done Right was submitted in the amount of \$10,296.60 to replace the roof and swamp cooler at the Kearny Fire Department.

The roof is in bad shape because of the swamp cooler that is there now.

Councilmember Hinojos asked if any other bids were submitted. Town Manager Flores stated this was the only one. Councilmember Bradford asked if the bid was for the entire roof? Town Manager Flores stated no, just the Fire Department side. Councilmember Bradford asked why we aren't getting more bids? Town Manager Flores stated she believed this to be a maintenance

Motion by Councilmember Bradford, **second** by Councilmember Hinojos to table this until more time can be given to allow for more bids to be submitted. Town Manager Flores is going to reach out for more bids. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN PINAL COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF KEARNY FOR A BUILDING PLAN REVIEW AND INSPECTION SERVICES.

Attached is the First Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Pinal County and the Town of Kearny for building plan review and inspection services.

The parties entered into the IGA on November 12, 2012. The parties desire to amend the Agreement by extending its term until September 30, 2020.

The agreement shall automatically terminate without any further action by either Party effective September 30, 2020. Except as amended, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

It is recommended the agreement between Pinal County and the Town of Kearny for building plan review and inspection services be amended.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to approve the First Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement between Pinal County and the Town of Kearny for a building plan review and inspection services. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF A COMMITMENT LETTER TO BE A MEMBER OF THE COALITION LAEAD BY GILA COUNTY FOR THE FY2020 EPA BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT COALITION GRANT.

A letter of commitment for the Town of Kearny to be a member of the Copper Corridor Coalition that supports the Brownfields Assessment Grant is provided for approval.

A Brownfields Grant provides federal financial assistance authorities for brownfields revitalization, including grants for assessment, cleanup and revolving loan funds. The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) was amended by the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act in 2002.

By allowing the Coalition to identify and assess brownfield sites and plan for their future redevelopment, the EPA Grant will support the long-term economic well-being of our community and encourages reinvestment and economic development opportunities.

The Town of Kearny and the other communities along the Copper Corridor, such as Globe, Miami, Superior, Pinal County, Gila County, Hayden, Winkelman and Mammoth will benefit from this coalition in the future. The grant is very competitive and no single community will be awarded the grant. It has to come from a region and this is the best way to be awarded the grant if all the communities apply as one grant.

The Town of Kearny will not have a project this year, however, in the future, we can assess some of the Town's buildings to see if they qualify for assessment, cleanup and grant funds. Third-party buildings can also be assessed.

It is recommended for approval the commitment letter to be a member of the coalition led by Gila County for FY 2020 EPA Brownfields Assessment Coalition Grant.

Councilmember Bradford asked who will benefit from this grant this year? Town Manager Flores stated she believed Superior is next in line. Councilmember Misita asked for clarification about the "third party" statement. Town Manager gave an example if a business owner like Osselaer was in agreement, then the grant may cover repairs to their building. A lot the buildings were built with asbestos, Brownfields can come in and assess them and possibly grant the money to fix or rebuild them. Councilmember Hinojos asked who writes the grant? Town Manager Flores stated Gila County does. Councilmember Bradford stated asbestos in the Cobre Valley Hospital would fall under the 3rd party term. Councilmember Hinojos asked who do we have representing the Town of Kearny? Town Manager Flores stated Mayor Sommers and herself are the representatives. Councilmember Misita asked do we need to apply every year? Town Manager Flores stated yes. Councilmember Misita asked if this was new? Town Manager Flores stated it is new for Kearny, but it has been around. Councilmember Misita asked who votes for the funds? Town Manager Flores stated the Mayors from the group. Councilmember Hinojos asked if it is the same group that meets with the mayors here? Mayor Sommers answered yes, but it's a new group including Pinal County and Gila County.

Motion by Councilmember Bradford, **second** by Vice Mayor Radcliffe to approve a Commitment Letter to be a member of the Coalition lead by Gila County for the FY2020 EPA Brownfields Assessment

Coalition Grant. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Community Working Group and BLM meeting in regards to Resolution Copper and the Draft EIS at Ray Elementary School Cafeteria Tuesday 9/17/19, 5 PM Open House, 6 PM Presentation.

Kearny Police Department was awarded State Shared Revenue Grants Program \$7,033 grant. Congratulations Chief Kenney and Kearny Police Department!

Vice Mayor Radcliffe asked for an update on the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Town Manager stated the part came in and now they have to install it. Councilmember Bradford asked who installs it? Town Manager Flores stated Filtronics. Councilmember Bradford asked do you know when they might come in and install it? Town Manager Flores stated not yet, she is still waiting to hear back from Public Works Supervisor Camacho and Filtronics representative.

REPORTS

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| a. Town Financial Reports | e. Recreation Department |
| b. Police Department | f. Kearny Airport |
| c. Library | g. Ambulance |
| d. Fire Department | |

NO QUESTIONS ABOUT THE REPORTS AT THIS TIME.

Motion by Councilmember Stephenson, **second** by Councilmember Bradford to Accept the reports given by the town departments. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice Mayor Radcliff, **second** by Councilmember Flores to adjourn. **Vote** – Mayor Debra Sommers, Vice Mayor Daniel Radcliffe, Councilmembers Rudy Flores, Sheila Stephenson, Rose Bradford, Nancy Hinojos and Samantha Misita all voted in favor of the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Debra Sommers, Mayor



Anna Flores, Town Manager

ATTEST:



Martina Burnam, Town Clerk