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MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF GUADALUPE COUNCIL

A public meeting of the Town of Guadalupe Council was held on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2017, at 6:00 P.M., at 9241 South Avenida del Yaqui, Guadalupe, Arizona, in the Council Chambers.

- A. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Molina.
- B. **ROLL CALL:** All members of the council were present. Councilmember Valenzuela arrived at 6:15pm.
- C. **INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The invocation was offered by Councilmember Gloria Cota.
- D. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None
- E. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC.** An opportunity is provided to the public to address the Council on items that are not on the agenda or included on the consent agenda. A total of 3 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Council requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on agenda items posted for action will be provided the opportunity at the time the item is heard. No comments were received from the public.
- F. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:**
1. The Guadalupe Mayor and Town Council were given copies of the Annual Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report for the fiscal year ending June 30 2016 and Annual Expenditure Limitation Report and Independent Accountant's Report as of June 30, 2016 – Matt Bingham, CPA for Colby & Powel, PLC presented the reports. Councilmember Anita Cota made a motion seconded by Councilmember Ricardo Vital that the financial reports be accepted as presented. Motion carried
 2. The Mayor and Council reviewed Resolution 2017-05, which provides for the appointment of a Judicial Advisory Board. Councilmember Ricardo Vital made a motion seconded by Councilmember Elvira Osuna that Resolution 2017-5 be approved. Motion carried. Bob Thaxton was asked to begin advertising for the position of Town Magistrate.
 3. Kyle Mitchell representing the American Indian Outreach Department of South Mountain Community College presented a plan to hold a Youth Technology Camp and requested funding for this project. The amount requested by the College is \$7,000 and would provide funding for forty students. Councilmember Vital made a motion seconded by Councilmember Elvira Osuna that the Council approve funding for the SMCC Summer Youth Technology Camp in the amount of \$7,000.
 4. Frank Fletez from Dibble Engineering provided an update on the flood mitigation plan for the Town.
 5. Stuart Rice, PhD candidate at Arizona State University, discussed his research project as he works on his PhD. It would include recording memories of learning and the expectations of schooling from residents of the community. The Council offered assistance to Mr. Rice with his project.
 6. The Mayor and Town Council discussed plans for Dia de Guadalupe. Vice

Mayor Anita Cota made a motion seconded by Ricardo Vital to appoint Councilmembers Osuna and Cota as co-chair of the Dia de Guadalupe Committee. Motion carried.

7. The Mayor and Town Council reviewed a proposal that would provide a rental incentive program for new tenants at the Mercado which is intended to increase occupancy. A part of the plan is to provide three months free rent but will pay utilities and GPLET (if applicable) if the business enters into a one year lease and can evidence good credit. Vice Mayor Anita Cota made a motion seconded by Councilmember Elvira Osuna to approve the lease incentive program for the Mercado. Motion carried.
8. The Mayor and Council reviewed the proposal to enter into an agreement with the City of Phoenix to purchase a 15 passenger van for use by the Town of Guadalupe Senior Center. Cost to the Town not to exceed \$12,500. The cost of the van will be reduced from a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant that will be received by the City of Phoenix. Upon approval the City of Phoenix will prepare an updated Intergovernmental Agreement for signature for the purchase of the van for the Guadalupe Senior Center. It was reported that the IGA with the City of Phoenix is being prepared. Councilmember Sanchez made a motion seconded by Councilmember Osuna that the Town proceed with the purchase of the van for the senior center at a cost not to exceed \$12,500. Motion carried.
9. The Mayor and Council discussed the request of the American Legion Post 124 to lease the GUAD building. Dave Ledyard, Town Attorney, presented a memorandum which he prepared relative to the possible lease of the GUAD building. The Mayor and Council voiced support for proceeding with this possible lease and that Councilmembers Sanchez and Vital represent the Town in these negotiations and report back periodically to the Council.
10. The Mayor and Council determined to table the review of the current Town signage code.
11. Resolution 2017-06, A Resolution of the Town of Guadalupe, Maricopa County, Arizona Mayor and Common Town Council authorizing an application for a grant from the Gila River Indian Community for Public Safety Purposes was reviewed. Councilmember Vital made a motion seconded by Councilmember Osuna that the town approve Resolution 2017-06. Motion carried.

G. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

Bob Thaxton indicated that it is time again to provide garbage roll off containers to the citizens of the community to assist in lot clean up. Mayor Molina suggested fencing around the containers and asked that a cost for this fencing be determined.

The council discussed the cars that park inside the Mercado. It was recommended that a lock on the poles be installed to prevent entry into the court yard. Those needing to gain access to the court yard can do so with appropriate notice to the town. It was noted that some doors on the suites are in need of repair.

H. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:

Vice Mayor Cota announced that the Community Resource Fair will be held March 2nd from 6 to 7:30 pm. Mayor Molina asked that Deputy Beck have his officers enforce the speed limit in town. Relative to parking for the Easter Celebration, the Yaqui Cultural Organization should take action to enforce their parking standards.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Vital made a motion seconded by Councilmember Osuna that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.