

**SUPERIOR TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
JULY 13, 2017
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Mayor, Mila Besich-Lira.

ROLL CALL

Mayor	Mila Besich-Lira
Vice-Mayor	Michael Alonzo
Councilmember	Gilbert Aguilar
Councilmember	Bruce Armitage
Councilmember	Stephen Estatico
Councilmember	Olga Lopez
Councilmember	Vanessa Navarrette

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Pastor Van Gorp read from Psalm 31, and led everyone in prayer.

STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager	Todd Pryor
Town Attorney	Stephen Cooper
Chief of Police	David Neuss
Commander	Anthony Doran
Officer	Christian Ensley
Officer	John Britton
Fire Chief	John Perez
Public Works	Anthony Huerta
Deputy Town Clerk	Nora Miramon

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Eric Duthie
Jacob Duthie
Melissa Rabago
Sue Anderson
Freddie Miramon

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Special Presentation and Update by Resolution Copper Company's Vicki Peacey

The planned amendment was planned to incorporate the special land management area went out to Public Notice on July 1 thru July 31, 2017. In addition, the actual land management itself is out for public comment from July 1 thru July 31, 2017. Ms. Peacey went on with her presentation giving everyone an update on the happenings of the projects from the environmental department. They are still continuing with the reclamation part of the project on the west side site. Shaft #9 is starting rehabilitation with the work of cementation to shaft #9. Resolution Copper has placed orders for large mechanical items which should be coming into the plant in the very near future. Some

rehabilitation has started. The bulk of the work will be towards the end of the year. There will be hiring, around 60 positions will be filled hopefully from this area.
Question from Councilmember Aguilar about the jobs and comments from Mayor thanking Ms. Peacey for her presentation and the update on Resolution Copper Mining.

B. Special Presentation by Chief Neuss for Officer Ensley

Chief Neuss, brought two officers to present them with an award for outstanding work. Officer Britton went out of his way with no word from anyone and helped out a resident with groceries that did not have any money for groceries.
Officer Ensley, was given a gun that was found. After doing some research he found that this gun belonged to an officer that had been stolen and was never recovered until now. He took the gun and returned it to the owner's family since the officer had since retired and was now deceased. These two officers have shown that their job is not just 8-5 and they are not here just to arrest people but to assist in any way they can and going on and beyond their duties.

STAFF REPORTS

Mayor- CAG they are back looking at the options they have. They had chosen a location in Apache Junction/Mesa that was going to save them about \$800. They were told to go back and look at their options, so there is still a chance they may be moving to Superior. If not we will have some new offices that we can make available to some other businesses to come do business here in town. Thank the staff for all of their hard work during this venture. Also the 4th of July festivities were a big success, thank you to all that participated.

Manager- The cemetery has been getting some renovations done to it. There is an agreement on the agenda, Oddenette, they were the most affordable, so they have started the work. Public works has done an excellent job along with his crew in getting the police moved they are on track. They seem to be on track with the renovations for what might be CAG new offices.
Right now, we are looking at the 25th of July. Street improvement continues. They are working on Stone and Valentine.

CONSENT AGENDA

Pursuant to Section 2-4-6 (D), matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. Prior to consideration of the Consent Agenda, the Mayor will ask whether any members of the Council request any item be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

There was no objection or changes to the consent agenda. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Lopez, second by Councilmember Aguilar, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval of Ordinance NO. 17-141 An Ordinance of the Town Council Adopting a Property Tax Levy sufficient to raise the sum of \$584,705 for the 30th day of June 2017.**

Public Hearing was opened to the public at 7:15. *Mrs. Arnold* asked about the new rate and difference between the old rate. *Manager*, it depends what was adopted and it will all even out at the end. *Sue Anderson*, do we have to share the money we get from the Circle

K with others in our area? *Manager*, no we do not. There was a brief discussion with the public and council. Public Hearing closed 7:35.

Motion to approve Ordinance 17-141 of the Town Council Adopting a Property Tax Levy sufficient to raise the sum of \$584,705 for the 30th of June 2017 was made by Councilmember Aguilar, second Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.

B. Discussion/Possible Approval of Lease Option Agreement with the Superior Unified School District for the future development of a Community Center.

This allows for the use for the property directly behind the fire department for the future development of a Community Center. The parcel is 47.5 acres. The agreement grants the School District the use of up to 500,000 gallons of water per month, with 350,000 free and \$100 for every 100,000 thereafter.

Motion to approve a Lease Option Agreement with the Superior Unified School District for the Future development of a Community Center was made by Councilmember Aguilar, second by Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.

C. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution NO. 17-582 A Resolution of the Town Council Adopting new rates, fees, and charges for wastewater utility services as public records and setting an effective date of 30 days after adoption of the proposed new rates, fees and charges.

The Town is commissioned this study to determine the appropriate rates for the Superior Wastewater Treatment Plant. This is an enterprise fund. A rate increase is necessary to pay the debt service for these upgrades, and to provide sufficient revenue to maintain it. It also required in order to apply for funding through USDA, as our current rates are far below market standards. Mr. Duthie introduced himself and gave us a little bit about his background. He went on with his power point presentation took questions from the public. Freddie Miramon asked about the possibility of publishing those names that have an outstanding balance. They did that in the past and stated that that was a big success, is that possible? They are looking into that possibility. Ms. Arnold, what is the actual debt, you listed at 90,000 so now is it over 100,000 now? Todd answered those questions and explained what and why we are in this position and how to correct it. Once he finished his presentation the public hearing was opened at 8:05 pm and closed at 8:35 pm after lengthy discussion a motion was made.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 17-582 as amended, accepting option #3, Residential, Commercial, Late payment, Return Check and Extensions, by the Town Council Adopting new rates, fees, and charges for wastewater utility services as public records and setting an effective date of 30 days after adoption of the proposed new rates, fees and charges. Motion made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Navarrette, motion carries.

D. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution NO. 17-583 A Resolution of the Town Council approve the Public Art Proposal by the Superior Chamber of Commerce

Sue Anderson, this would allow the Chamber of Commerce to paint a mural on the side of the Senior Center. Discussion took place, Mr. Estatico thought the painting needed to be

updated. The mural looks like it is from 1960's we are now in 2017. Others had no opinion regarding the mural.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 17-583, a resolution of the Town Council approve the public art proposal by the Superior Chamber of Commerce made by Councilmember Navarrette, Second by Vice-Mayor Alonzo, motion carries unanimously/ 6 yes votes, 1 no vote

- E. Discussion/Possible Approval of Motion Establishing a Community Development Committee.** The Committee shall work to maintain inter-board relationships to effectively address emergent issues with other communities from a business perspective through the appointment of liaisons to other regulatory and advisory committees. This committee will consist of seven members; one council member, one School District Appointed Member, one Chamber of Commerce Appointed Member, one Boyce Thompson Arboretum Appointed Member, One Student Government Representative, and at least two Council Appointed Member from the public. Each term is 2 years and expires on December 31st of each year. **Motion to approve of Motion Establishing a Community Development Committee made by Councilmember Estatico, Second Vice-Mayor Alonzo, motion carries.**

- F. Discussion/Possible Approval of Motion to Disband the Annexation and Economic Development Committee.** This duty of this committee has been assigned to the Community Development Committee. **Motion to approve the motion to disband the annexation and economic development committee was made by Vice-Mayor Alonzo, second Councilmember Lopez, motion carries. 6 yes votes, 1 no vote.**

- G. Discussion/Possible Direction to Staff Concerning the open/close procedure for the cemetery gate.** Chief Neuss, the police department is requesting direction from the council on this issue. Continue the current policy, discontinue the locking schedule completely, or discontinuing the schedule and installing infrared security cameras near the entrance. This process has led to regular problems, as PD is often on other traffic closure time is usually inconsistent. On occasion, someone will get locked in. If someone want to vandalize there are other ways to get into the cemetery, the fence is falling in some areas, gaps in the fence. **Direction was given from the Council, to leave the gates unlocked.**

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Jim Schenck, most of you know that he is working with regrow Superior. They have begun to interview some business's and nonprofits so far, he has done 23. One thing he is hearing from everybody is the excitement about this town. Let the new business in town that if they haven't seen me yet, they will.

Freddie Miramon, first he wants to thank Mr. Armitage for taking the time to listen to his concerns. An invitation was given to the Oddonetto Company and introduce himself to the board and the community and let everyone know what are their plans. He has noticed a lot more traffic, more machinery, larger machinery and he is wondering how large is this operation going to be. Albo had a small sand and gravel operation. His concern is, is he going to have crusher setup how large is his setup is going to be. Will it interfere with the activities of the school buses and kids who walk to school. How many big trucks are going to be coming in and out of that facility. He wants new business but we just need to know what their

plan is. Just want those questions to be asked and inquire of the environment. Mayor, thanked Mr. Miramon for bring all his concerns to them and Oddonetto will be present at our next meeting in September.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Councilmember Lopez, little league girls softball team went to the finals they fought hard to win but came in 2nd. We love them and continue to support them.

Councilmember Navarrette, junior league is still playing, Monday they will be at Paradise Valley. Another thing is the high school baseball team is having a fundraiser to raise money for their Championship rings. This will be held at Los Hermanos at 5-9.

Councilmember Estatico, school begins August 2nd. There is a meet and great the teacher on Sunday, July 30, 2017

Vice-Mayor Alonzo, well we have wrapped up our physical year and he want to thank staff for doing a great job. We have completed a lot of our projects and we will be going forward with new ones. It has been a great year. Ready for the summer break.

Mayor, she agrees with Vice-Mayor Alonzo, this has been a great year. Starting this new physically year with a great council. Second Friday tomorrow come out and enjoy yourselves. Fish Tacos are back.

SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Emergency Services Committee Meeting, July 20, 2017, 6 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting, August 3, 2017, 6 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting, September 14, 2017, 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting was done by Councilmember Lopez, second by Councilmember Armitage, motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm



Mayor, Mila Besich-Lira

Town Manager, Todd Pryor