

**TOWN OF SUPERIOR  
MINUTES  
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
TOWN OF SUPERIOR TOWN COUNCIL**

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the Superior Town Council and to the public, that a Regular Meeting of the Superior Town Council was held on Thursday, November 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Superior Town Hall Auditorium, 199 N. Lobb Ave., Superior, Pinal County, Arizona.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Mayor Besich announced Youth Council would give their Presentation which would have been under the Mayor's Report. Nathan Taylor, President of the Youth Council and Danika Bryant, Treasurer of the Youth Council gave a Power Point Presentation for their quarterly report. The following activities were presented:

- Involved with Fourth of July Activities which included a Pool Party, DJ, Games, and Food.
- The Superior Back to School Pool Bash on August 3, 2018.
- The Youth Council represented the Town of Superior at the Arizona League of Cities and Towns Conference in August 2018.
- Volunteered at the Prickly Pear Festival Breakfast.
- The Superior Trunk or Treat held on October 28, 2018. Were involved with Parade and Costume Contest.

Mayor Besich asked if they had any plans for 2019? Nathan Taylor responded that their next activity involvement would be with the Miracle on Main Street in December. Also, that they are working with the Mayor and Resolution on getting new playground equipment. They went to several parks in the valley looking at future options.

Council Member Armitage commented that the Presentation was very informative and the pictures were good.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Besich called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M. after Council member Lopez connected telephonically.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor	Mila Besich
Vice Mayor	Michal Alonzo – Excused
Council Member	Vanessa Navarrette
Council Member	Stephen Estatico - Excused
Council Member	Olga Lopez - ATTENDED TELEPHONICALLY
Council Member	Gilbert Aguilar – Excused
Council Member	Bruce Armitage

**STAFF PRESENT**

Town Manager	Todd Pryor
Town Attorney	Stephen Cooper
Town Clerk	Ruby Cervantes

Admin Aide  
Fire Captain

Arlene Diaz-Gonzalez  
Richard Drennan

**PUBLIC PRESENT**

Bill Porter  
Nathan Taylor  
Valerie Garcia  
Millie Hardina  
Danika Bryant.

Barbara Armitage  
Jim Schenck  
Mary Jo Fales  
Suzanne Ross

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Besich led Council and those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Chaplain Van Gorp gave the Invocation.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

A. Presentation of Superior Optimist Community Champion Proclamation recognizing Sue Anderson as the 2018 Spirit of Optimism Community Champion will be done on December 13, 2018. She is out of state.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Mayor Besich -- Had meeting to review a draft of the Hotel Feasibility Study that was originally funded with a Community Grant from Resolution Copper and then we turned around and gave work to Rebuild Superior to conduct and manage the RFP on that. (Favorable news coming back that it does justify the development of a hotel and some conference space.

This afternoon Mayor received an invitation from Tonto National Forest. They are having what they call a Recreation Round-Up. People within the Forest Service all the way from the lowest level to highest level of those that manage Recreation Development and they have picked Superior as one of their field trips while they are here in Scottsdale on their Conference. They will be in Superior on December 5<sup>th</sup> to specifically talk about partnerships. A few of us will go out hiking with them in Arnett Canyon and they are very excited to see the progress out there.

Manager - Requested that the Town Attorney give us a primer. We are now going to be recording these Town Council Meeting videos, putting them on the Face Book Page and the Town Web Page. Asked Town Attorney, Mr. Cooper, to tell us the actions that could be negative or positive on that. Town Attorney Mr. Cooper - Superior has now reached the technological age. The Council Meetings are being recorded. They are going to be on You Tube. With that comes new challenges. Microphones are sensitive although comments may be made as part of the Business Meeting. Comments made by the microphone, one council member speaking to another council member, comments made by the Public may be picked up by the video. Word to wise once it leaves your tongue, you are not going to be able to pull it back. Also, side comments would be able to be picked up as well. When you go into a public building or public meeting, there's no such thing as a dead mike. Mayor Besich thanked Mr. Cooper. Council not to talk to neighbor or pass notes.

**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.

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on October 11, 2018.
2. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting on October 16, 2018.
3. Approval of Alcohol Permit for Andrea Robles on November 17, 2018 at the Magma Club for a Birthday Dinner.
4. Approval of ADEQ Contract #ADEQ19-BF1906. The purpose of this agreement is to provide, through the ADEQ Brownfields State Response Grant, funding up to the amount of \$46,411.00 on behalf of the Town of Superior for an asbestos abatement of the vacant building. This site is improved property, located at 679 W. Main St, Superior, Az 85173
5. Approval of ADEQ Contract #ADEQ19-BF1907. The purpose of this Agreement is to provide, through the ADEQ Brownfields State Response Grant, up to the amount of \$66,000, funding on behalf of the Town of Superior for an asbestos abatement of the Belmont Hotel. The site is improved property, located at 271 Main Street, Superior, AZ 85173. This funding will include the purchase of new vinyl windows and re-caulking of the front windows.
6. Approval of Resolution Copper Mining Agreement for Fire and Police Department Christmas Toy Drive Grant in the amount of \$1,000.0
7. Department Reports
  - Fire
  - Police
  - Public Works
  - Library
  - Senior Center
  - Sanitation
  - Town Engineer

**Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Council Member Navarrette, second by Council Member Lopez, motion carries.**

AYES – 4 Mayor Besich, Council Members – Navarrette, Lopez, Armitage

NOES - 0

ABSENT 3 – Vice-Mayor Alonzo, Council Members – Estatico, Aguilar

ABSTINATIONS - 0

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution No. 18-602. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE WORK OF THE DESERT SOUTHWEST CHAPTER OF THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION AND IMPORTANT WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Abigail Polito Hawkins from the Desert Southwest Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association gave presentation with information with facts specific to Arizona. It is a fatal disease. It is the 5<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in Arizona and it is probably higher. With Alzheimer's disease it is not just those with the disease that suffer, it is also their caregivers, a job that usually falls on family and friends. She left material and book marks with the 10 early signs of Alzheimer's disease . Early detection matters. They offer a variety of free programs, services and support groups. Council Member Armitage asked if there was any significant breakthroughs in treatment . Ms. Hawkins responded that there is no cure or treatment. There are drugs to relieve the symptoms. Through research, one finding is that Blood Pressure and Alzheimers disease have a connection. Again, early detection is important. Council Member Armitage appreciates her enthusiasm

**Motion to approve Resolution No. 18-602, a Resolution of the Town of Superior expressing support for the work of the Dessert South West Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association and important work of the Association made by Council Member Armitage, second by Council Member Navarrette, Motion Carries.**

AYES – 4 Mayor Besich, Council Members – Navarrette, Lopez, Armitage

NOES - 0

ABSENT 3 – Vice-Mayor Alonzo, Council Members – Estatico, Aguilar

ABSTINATIONS - 0

**B. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution 18-603, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR APPROVING FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 GENERAL FUND BUDGET TRANSFERS PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Resolution is to approve the 17-18 Fiscal Year General Budget Transfers. The transfer of Refuse to the Public Works budget was due to the clean-up at the Transfer Station, which should be a Public Works expense, not an Enterprise expense. The transfer from the Parks to the Pool was due to the minimum wage increase that was not properly accounted for but will be taken into consideration next year. The transfer from Administration to the Manager Budget was due to the Town Manager's contract changing paying for dependent coverage. We do this to balance the budget for audit purposes. It has no fiscal effect and is done to regulate yearly operation to balance funds.

**Motion to approve Resolution 18-603, A Resolution of the Town of Superior approving Fiscal Year 2017-2018 General Fund Budget Transfers providing for an effective date by Council Member Navarrette, second by Council Member Lopez, Motion Carries.**

AYES – 4 Mayor Besich, Council Members – Navarrette, Lopez, Armitage

NOES - 0

ABSENT 3 – Vice-Mayor Alonzo, Council Members – Estatico, Aguilar

ABSTINATIONS - 0

**C. Discussion/Possible Approval –Intent of trip to London for Mayor Besich**

Possible Approval for Mayor Besich to travel to London this winter in February 2019 to be inducted into the Linnean Society. The Linnean Society is the world's oldest biological society

and being a part of this organization will serve as a potential “ready-made” group of influential individuals who could help to support the Boyce Thompson Arboretum. It will be an Economic Toward Tourism trip. We are working with Arizona Commerce Authority and Arizona Office of Tourism to set up various meetings, especially to build on our summer tourists and travelers. Mayor Besich needs Council approval before she can advance on any itinerary planning on this particular trip. Mayor hopes to be able to visit with our Economic Development Partners Rio Tinto, since they are based in London. This is really to expand our network, promote tourism and other types of business adventures in our community. Mayor Besich does need Council approval to further book her itinerary.

Council Member Navarrette asked about the expense estimate in the packet. What would be the total?

Town Manager Mr. Pryor responded approximately \$5,000.00.

Mayor Besich stated that we actually have this in our Council Travel Budget.

Council Member Navarrette asked about the probability of meeting with Rio Tinto.

Mayor Besich responded that this invitation came through Arboretum, not Rio Tinto. Can't schedule dates and times until we have approval that they are willing to meet with us.

**Motion to Approve trip for Mayor Besich to London not to exceed \$5,500.00 made by Council Member Armitage, second by Council Member Navarrette, Motion Carries.**

AYES – 4 Mayor Besich, Council Members – Navarrette, Lopez, Armitage

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 3 Vice- Mayor Alonzo, Council Members – Estatico, Aguilar

ABSTINATIONS - 0

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

- A. Bill Porter came to get some information on what the Town of Superior is going to do about the streets in Town. He has talked to Town Manager Pryor about his street. It was for a matter of record that he came to Town Council Meeting and to have it in the Minutes. He knows the situation with money and the budget. He doesn't have money in his budget to repair his car every time he falls in a canyon in the street. Mr. Pryor stated his street is one of the worst streets in town and will make sure Anthony Huerta, PW Director, puts it on his priority list.

### **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

- A. Council Member Armitage – Happy Thanksgiving. Drive safely. Don't eat or drink too much. Be careful.
- B. Mayor Besich – Go Panthers! State Football Championship game Saturday. 1954 last time Superior won State Championship. They play Hayden. Second Friday in December will also be the Miracle on Main Street Celebration.
- C. Town Manager- We will have a Special Town Council Meeting in December to seat our Elected Council Members. We must seat them 6 to 20 days after county canvasses the General Election votes. Then we will have our Regular Town Council Meeting on December 13, 2018. All other Committees will have a break in the month of December.

**SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**Regular Town Council Meeting- December 13, 2018 – 7 PM**

**All other Committees meet in January 2019.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the Town Council Meeting made by Council Member Navarrette, second by Council Member Olga Lopez, Motion Carries. Meeting adjourns at 7:41 PM.

**ATTEST**

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**MILA BESICH, MAYOR**

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**RUBY CERVANTES, TOWN CLERK**