

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 181 NORTH 9TH STREET, SHOW LOW, NAVAJO COUNTY, ARIZONA

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Seymore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Seymore, Vice Mayor Allsop, Councilman Clark, Councilwoman Kakavas, Councilman Kelley, and Councilman Leech.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilman Hatch.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Ed Muder, City Manager; F. Morgan Brown, City Attorney; Justin Johnson, Deputy City Manager; Bill Kopp, Public Works Director; Jay Brimhall, Community Services Director; Rick Austin, Public Works Operations Manager; Joe Shelley, Police Chief; Rachael Hall, Deputy City Clerk; and Tamra Reidhead, City Clerk.

GUESTS: Sherri and Steve Beardsley, Councilwoman-Elect Dawn Wilson, Arron Leach, and Councilman-Elect Jon Adams.

3. Invocation.

Vice Mayor Allsop gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Kakavas led the Council and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

5. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Any citizen desiring to speak on a matter that **IS NOT** scheduled on this agenda may do so at this time. Comments may be limited to three minutes per person and shall be addressed to the City Council as a whole, and not to any individual member. Issues raised shall be limited to those within the jurisdiction of the City Council. Pursuant to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, the City Council cannot discuss or act on items presented at this time. At the conclusion of the call to the public, individual City Council members may (1) respond to criticism made by those who have spoken, (2) ask staff to review a matter, and (3) ask that a matter be put on a future agenda.

Aaron Leach, 121 North 9th Street, invited citizens to the Magic on the Mountain synchronized Christmas light show that honored the nation's heroes. The light show would be each night beginning November 27 through January 2, 2021, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. next to City Hall.

6. **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

- A. Presentation Regarding Show Low Senior Center and Meals on Wheels Program.

Steve Beardsley, White Mountain Meals on Wheels Board Chairman, said the Senior Center was open and observing all safety protocols. The facility was available for small groups to use for meetings. They would begin to offer a monthly family movie night. They were serving lunch four days a week and reservations were suggested.

Mr. Beardsley said Meals on Wheels continued to serve senior residents and was on track to serve 14,000 meals this year. Seniors were given meals five days a week and staff delivered dog and cat food monthly to clients with pets. He thanked the dedicated staff and volunteers for their service to their clients.

Mr. Beardsley said the seniors were provided a Halloween treat this year and Meals on Wheels would provide a Thanksgiving meal. The White Mountains Women's Club would provide a wrapped Christmas gift for seniors that were homebound.

Mr. Beardsley thanked the Council for the expansion of the kitchen at the Senior Center, which helped serve the residents more efficiently.

Vice Mayor Allsop thanked Mr. Beardsley and the Board for their service to the residents.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. Consideration of Approval to Upgrade Dispatch Consoles. (Joe Shelley)
- B. Consideration of Resolution No. R2020-27 Approving Intergovernmental Agreement with Phoenix Police Department, Accepting Grant Funds, and Authorizing Associated Budget Transfers. (Joe Shelley)
- C. Consideration of Approval of Declaration of Surplus Property for November 2020 Auction. (Rick Austin)
- D. Consideration of Acceptance of Senior Center Kitchen Expansion, City of Show Low Project No. CS-1220B. (Bill Kopp)

- E. Consideration of Authorization of Funding from Council Contingency to Show Low Community Fast of Compassion for Show Low Residents in Need. (Ed Muder)
- F. Consideration of Minutes of Show Low City Council meetings:
 - (1) Joint Study Session of October 20, 2020.
 - (2) Regular Meeting of October 20, 2020.

Mr. Muder asked for Item 7-D (consideration of acceptance of Senior Center Kitchen Expansion, City of Show Low Project No. CS-1220B) to be pulled from the Consent Calendar. He said it would be presented to the Council at an upcoming meeting.

Councilman Leech asked for Item 7-E (consideration of authorization of funding from Council Contingency to Show Low Community Fast of Compassion for Show Low residents in need) to be pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

COUNCILMAN CLARK MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED EXCEPT FOR ITEM 7-D (CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF SENIOR CENTER KITCHEN EXPANSION, CITY OF SHOW LOW PROJECT NO. CS-1220B) AND ITEM 7-E (CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZATION OF FUNDING FROM COUNCIL CONTINGENCY TO SHOW LOW COMMUNITY FAST OF COMPASSION FOR SHOW LOW RESIDENTS IN NEED); SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN KAKAVAS; PASSED 6 TO 0 WITH MAYOR SEYMORE, VICE MAYOR ALLSOP, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CLARK, KAKAVAS, KELLEY, AND LEECH VOTING IN FAVOR.

Mr. Muder said in 2013, a number of faith-based and other organizations approached City staff with a plan to help local families in need, and subsequently, the Community Fast of Compassion for Those in Need was created. Every year during the second week of November, citizens are urged to set aside one day during the week to fast and donate the cost of one or two meals (or more if possible) from the fast to this worthy cause.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this year, it was felt that additional assistance was needed to help local families. If the Council wished to donate to the Community Fast then staff would transfer the funds into the Community Fast program.

Councilman Leech asked what the final donation amount was that the Council had discussed. Mr. Muder said that it was discussed that \$5,000.00 would be donated. Councilman Leech suggested the donation

be doubled to an amount of \$10,000.00 to the program to help residents during the pandemic.

Vice Mayor Allsop and Councilman Kelley agreed that the Council should donate \$10,000.00.

Mayor Seymore said due to the pandemic the celebration would be a video tribute that would be available on the Community Fast's website.

COUCNILMAN LEECH MOVED TO AUTHORIZE \$10,000.00 FROM COUNCIL CONTINGENCY TO THE SHOW LOW COMMUNITY FAST OF COMPASSION TO ASSIST IN PROVIDING FUNDS AND SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NEED IN THE SHOW LOW AREA; SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KELLEY; PASSED 6 TO 0 WITH MAYOR SEYMORE, VICE MAYOR ALLSOP, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CLARK, KAKAVAS, KELLEY, AND LEECH VOTING IN FAVOR.

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Consideration of Resolution No. R2020-28 Supporting Improvement and Expansion of White Mountain Trail System in south Show Low. (Jay Brimhall)

Mr. Brimhall said earlier this year, local trails enthusiasts from the Save the Buena Vista Foundation (SBVF) and representatives from the White Mountains TRACKS Trail System approached City staff to solicit support for their efforts to improve the trail system, provide connective routes, realign the trail system south of Show Low to conform with the ongoing land exchange, and develop any additional trails that were not within the area of the land exchange.

Mr. Brimhall said the trail development plan proposed by TRACKS and SBVF to the US Forest Service would substantially improve and expand the existing White Mountains Trail System by designating 11 miles of existing "social trails" and would create approximately 18 miles of new trail within the Buena Vista Trail area and existing Chihuahua Pines Trail Corridor, which provided connectivity to the Buena Vista and Los Caballos Trails.

Mr. Brimhall said the high-quality non-motorized trails had positive impacts on economic development through the creation of new tourism and would help local business and families while providing additional recreational opportunities for local residents.

Councilman Leech asked where the trail system was located. Mr. Brimhall said the Buena Vista Trail was located near the Summer Pines subdivision.

Councilwoman Kakavas asked if the trails would have proper signs for ease of navigating through the trails. Mr. Brimhall said yes, TRACKS would install signs for the trails.

Councilwoman Kakavas thanked the TRACKS organization for their impact in the local area. Mr. Brimhall said TRACKS was a great organization that worked well with the City and other surrounding communities to create an inter-connective trail system.

COUNCILWOMAN KAKAVAS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. R2020-28 SUPPORTING THE IMPROVEMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN TRAIL SYSTEM, WHICH INCLUDES THE BUENA VISTA TRAIL IN SOUTH SHOW LOW; SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LEECH; PASSED 6 TO 0 WITH MAYOR SEYMORE, VICE MAYOR ALLSOP, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CLARK, KAKAVAS, KELLEY, AND LEECH VOTING IN FAVOR.

9 **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS:**

A. Council Members

Vice Mayor Allsop thanked the Council, City staff, and Show Low High School students for their support for the upcoming Thanksgiving dinner event. He said Meals on Wheels would be providing 300 ready-made meals compared to 150 meals last year, and 500 turkeys would be handed out to residents in need this year.

Vice Mayor Allsop said Show Low Main Street would host the special event “Shop Small Saturday Downtown Merchant Poker Walk” on November 28. Show Low Main Street encouraged local businesses to decorate for the holidays. There would be no contest this year, but Show Low Main Street would donate a string of lights to participants and offered to help with installing lights.

Councilman Clark attended the Show Low High School Show Biz performance. He encouraged citizens to attend the 36th Annual “Feaste of Carols” from December 9 to 12.

B. Mayor

Mayor Seymore said the Community Fast would be November 8 through 14, and encouraged citizens to fast for a meal or two and donate that

money at one of the four banks in Show Low, City Hall, or the Community Fast's website.

C. City Manager

Mr. Muder said a four-year anniversary candlelight vigil would be held on November 8, at the Public Safety Headquarters in honor of fallen Show Low Police Officer Darrin Reed. The public was invited to attend. The downtown lights had been turned blue in remembrance of Officer Reed.

Mr. Muder said on Veterans Day, the Veterans of Foreign Wars White Mountain Area Post 9907 would hold a ceremony at the Veterans' Memorial at City Hall. The event was open to the public. One of the freedoms our armed forces have fought for was the right to vote, and he thanked all those who took the time to vote in today's election. The Show Low Aquatic Center would offer free lap or open swimming on Veterans Day to all veterans who presented a military ID.

Mr. Muder said Show Low TV had produced a new show called "Screen Smart" with host April Whiting, where she discussed important issues, such as social media and smartphone use among students at the Junior High and High School level. In the premier episode, she discussed these topics with local school resource officers. The show could be viewed online on Show Low TV's YouTube page.

Mr. Muder said in public works projects, the old playground equipment at Raeland and Archibeque Parks would be removed this week, with new equipment to be installed next week. Construction had begun on the fence in the Meadow on SR260 near the new pavilion and along White Mountain Road. Benches would be installed in the next few weeks along the Meadow trail. Paving on the West Cooley and North 4th Avenue roadway reconstruction project was complete, with culvert work, drainage, and manhole adjustments taking place this week. Work continued on the East Hall sidewalk and drainage project from 11th Street to White Mountain Road and on the Cub Lake Road waterline replacement project. Work had resumed on the West Cooley Sewer, phase II, project along West Cooley and connecting roadways from 4th to 8th Avenues. He thanked citizens for their patience as crews completed these important projects.

10. **SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS:**

Scheduling of meetings, which may be brought up at this time.

None.

COUNCILMAN LEECH MOVED TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE AGREEMENT FOR ACQUISITION OF A.P. NOS. 210-16-048C, 210-16-048D, AND 210-16-039 AND REVIEW THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 6; SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR ALLSOP; PASSED 6 TO 0 WITH MAYOR SEYMORE, VICE MAYOR ALLSOP, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CLARK, KAKAVAS, KELLEY, AND LEECH VOTING IN FAVOR.

The Show Low City Council recessed in Executive Session at 7:32 p.m.

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

- A. Confidentiality Statement.
- B. Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body or with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale, or lease of real property. Pursuant to A.R.S. Sections 38-431.03(A)(3) and 38-431.03(A)(7).

(1) Agreement for Acquisition of A.P. Nos. 210-16-048C, 210-16-048D, and 210-16-039.

- C. Discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law. Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(2).

(1) Executive Session Minutes of October 6, 2020.

12. **POST EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

Consideration of any item on the Executive Session portion of this agenda, which the Council may wish to take action upon in Open Session.

The Show Low City Council reconvened into Open Session at 7:58 p.m.

- A. Consideration of Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Show Low City Council Held on October 6, 2020.

VICE MAYOR ALLSOP MOVED TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 6, 2020; SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN KAKAVAS; PASSED 6 TO 0 WITH MAYOR SEYMORE, VICE MAYOR ALLSOP, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CLARK, KAKAVAS, KELLEY, AND LEECH VOTING IN FAVOR.

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business to be brought before the Council, **MAYOR SEYMORE ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL OF NOVEMBER 3, 2020 AT 7:58 P.M.**

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Tamra Reidhead, City Clerk

Daryl Seymore, Mayor

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of Show Low held on November 3, 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

(SEAL)

Tamra Reidhead, City Clerk