

**MUINUTES OF MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
THATCHER TOWN COUNCIL
July 9, 2013**

Present: Mayor Bob Rivera, Councilmembers, Wayne Griffin, Don Innes, Ken Larson, Aaron Allen, Joy Martin

Staff: Terry Hinton Manager, Heath Brown Engineer, Matt Clifford Attorney, Chief Woods Police, Chief Payne Fire Department, Lona Duncan Town Clerk

Absent: Vice Mayor Bill Mulleneaux

Visitors: Tim Curtis, Becky McDonald,

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Call Meeting to Order. Started at 7:00 pm Mayor welcomed everyone stating there was a quorum. Mayor Rivera stated God Bless our Troops, God Bless their families, God Bless Thatcher and God Bless the United States of America. Amen
2. Pledge of Allegiance lead by- Bob Rivera
3. Roll Call.
4. **OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Anyone wishing to address the Council on an issue not on the agenda is allowed to speak at this time. Comments are limited to 5 minutes and the Council may only direct staff to study the matter, respond to criticism or schedule the matter for a future meeting.

Becky McArthurday raised in thatcher Atlanta and lot of family activities. Moving away to realize that improvement is a good thing. More opportunity for – pass from safford pool for people to leav- eac libray at my house findto one shelve forchidren. Carl's Jr is the only place toplay. A pool parks a libray or child musem. Thistown needs improvement. Our salaries are attractive to keep employees. We want good families and solid professions. I emailed Mr. Hinton did any of you receive it. How do I as a community person help have more activites for – kline Austin on 1st Street. Chandler we found cristain invailemtn – I applue you. A question I have – the thatcher pool – minutes I see that it had been voted on and maybe budgeted. The authority the money does exist and the workers and well and a need exist. What is stopping it from happening. The ball park – broken glass and metals- setting and watching would trip on the levels of steps at the ball park. Town manager said it looked great and ready to use. It might not look great to families. Can some improvement be made. Our samall town has the ability and the need to work on these rec facilties. Rivera said we are working on that. We are trying to buy property from EAC college close to the school. Terry said the well did come up dry. Rec opporutint then the rest of the valley put together. If the well is dry can we not bring water- why are we not- us. Can we separate ourselves. Ms Austin auguer in 08 the finding was steady water gila riverthe second was the monsoon season. In my

opoin but our water souces are constent. Every farmer were asked to lay out 100 acres. The water 10 & 15 feet – safford wells have dried up- the college has two well dried up. Rivera – Justin Layton – set aside of there farm land 40 thousand acres. Why Safford and Pima. The town has several studies – we have no water source – pima to move this way andthey willnot try into Central- expensive to move water every far. I would like to see the studies that you have had. Innes town of htatcher provided 25000 and drup the hole -. Terry said the splash pad. My memorial day. Aaron the equipment is here the water source is an issue but the bathroom which houses the mechincal room for splash pad. May 27th to have it up and running. If we had a pool safford with not let us fill one even if we had it. We do have swim team. More hours for swim lessons. Austin it is a High shool has an issue because they need to compet. Libray and pook is at 6 million dollars. In a two part thing. Operatuing is 500 thousand dollars in more than police dept. Aaron are you aware of the summer reading program. It was closed. Morenci we can't not be compaired to them. That is the problem. Joy how do you determ where to drill. History and farming. Witching you try. Part of problem is on federal land yes. Safford 18 month to 2 years to get remission to go down the road. Austin why that land. Why are those houses are settling the banks told them because of auserflue. There is clay but no water. 12th street and there are no wells. 97 & 98 to separate our self we could not find water- to far away it makes the rates higher. There has been water limation on the gila river the down stream have water right to what is coming down the river- the bite line within the river 1927. Water in arz fought over – Austin possible of pool isout- it is not just relayed. Why can the progress start? It will start. Innes can they look at the artis drawing. Innes we have talked to school boad build the libray bring it to the new building and we would add to it we would pay for the summer months. Possible eac would be a partner in it. The one row of books is bought by library. Scalling plant or the well we have plans for grass on ball field. Austin is it all or nothing- can it be the library? Innes itwill be phased anyway.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Action Item

- A. Approve minutes of the June 11, 2013 Regular Council Meeting.
- B. Planning and Zoning Monthly Report.
- C. Police Monthly Report.
- D. Approval of Invoices.
- E. Financial Reports.

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Councilman Innes accept and second Martin- all

5. **OLD BUSINESS:** Discussion, consideration and possible action.

6. **NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion, consideration and possible action.

A. Bid award for Garbage Truck.

Terry said we received 3 bids for truck- are less than what we budgeted for. We review and talked to other people the second low bid a mack truck a little heavier- Safford & Graham county cop op is heavier trucks. Vanguard 193, - Martin can you sell them yes we will put in action. They would not give us a trade in value. At least one maybe two of the old trucks. Our newest truck is 8 years . They are 4days a week 8 hours a day. Martin that will be our back up truck. Yes but itif changes we may have to run a second truck. Innes will be one day a week. ADAQ has to agreed. Safford tried it and it didn't work.

Griffin 193- seconded by Innes. Van gurard all

B. **RESOLUTION NO. 615-2013:** A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF THATCHER, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND ENTITLED "TOWN OF THATCHER SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE" DATED JUNE 2013.

Terry said this past nov update of planning zongina edn sub division to review changes. We the draft is ready for approval. Last week a couple of miner changes. Will make a public document. Next month the ordiances will be adopted . It will be acfesstd in Setp. The zoning map is part of the zoning ordiances will be not changes.

Councilman Larson accept seconded by Councilman Martin- all

C. **RESOLUTION NO. 616-2013:** A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF THATCHER, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND ENTITLED "TOWN OF THATCHER ZONING ORDINANCE" DATED JUNE 2013 AND INCLUDING THE "OFFICIAL ZONING MAP".

Terry said this is the official zoning map & ordiance – A public record – thank heath council and p&Z cmommities

Innes seconded by Griffin. all

9. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

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A. Town Manager's Report:

Terry said we talked about well- 100 ft no use going deeper- no water and 8 inch hole it will be capped. Concenter and dirt. In middle of paking lot. 3 to 4 thousand dollars. Innes cost of scalling 800 to 900 thousand dollars class A water for human contact. It is not in plan to use for splash pad. It is for watering water. A town lake and maybe stook 60 thousand gallon ofo water. Plant directly accorss from Town Yard. At the corner and reaye land and fry mesa rd. the splack park , cemetery, and ball fields. Sould Miller is working on that- waing for right grant bureau of reclamation. We are payingthis two weeks 12th street ready to go- 4 weeksofwork – 1 weekball park and stadium – the1ststreet overlay to porter to stadium in 6 to 8 weeks. Slpay park and up the hill by spring. Valley View some work. Half paving in 8 weeks then in spring the other half completed. Myers development on 1st- they have submitted plans to ADEQ approve for sewer. At the north end. The tracor supply is suppose to turn over- should open by October. Our rec program- baseball swim teamis close, adult basket this week- tennis camp – in two or three weeks a volleyball camp will be offered. The improvement district 12th 4 weeks before we start. The annexation is farms want out. There is one farm that has to be in it. Most is vacant or in a flood plain. Innes cost savings- just time. Work session dates. The last week in aug is league conference. 13th is council Aug 19th at 5:30pm. Wayne plans for church street they are not every far along stadium 1st and 3rd. they are a ways away. Speedingdown and the bulbs on the road. Along with round a abouts. Right of ways electrical- won't besurupised after appraisal there that won't what it done. Condensation to get it done. Out ot middle of street- federal money we have to have right of way.Heath if we don't see it through we willhave to pay back the money. Cota town home- no activity that we know of. If it goes much longer treaer down. Finanicl company they can set on it. Joy can we make them tear them down. Innes- heath said it would be hard because they are salavable. Maybe a fencet o keep people out. We will try contacting them

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B. Fire Department Report.

Mike said the fire department meeting school in Sept. The room and there classes. Had a fund raised for fire fighter about 2000.00 to send to families and I believe the Town has competed to send some- Rotary club about 500 and Safford 1000.00 – Safford fire fighters are still going around. The 100 club. To dispute it. The 4th of July truck out. We didn't spray water. Swim went ok. We are testing holes once a year. Rivera who call that report that event closed. Once those typos are fixed it would be closed. Rivera add on the memorial in Prescott valley it was an awesome- everyone stood of all fire fighters. This council and citizens for all the work that is done. Chief it is hard to keep volunteers active and

C. Police Department Report.

Woods the 100 club that takes care of police and fire fifth pass away. Grant was 2- from 6 to 7 thousand we have benefited by them. Mulleneaux leadership he is 2nd sergeant. All leadership has been through. We put on a night shoot- 9 attended. Received 7800 for had held from Stone Garden. Pruce 8 new portage breath testing. Ordered a replacement car and for this budget year. do to year change from 13 to 14 and the demand on those car. We will get in August. Participate haven't heard of accidents. All officers have good feedback on the new carpet. The city staff for helping on roofing when rained.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Safe House – Councilwomen nothing new to report not about to go to meeting

B. Chamber of Commerce- some of first report lemon announced as mayor July 6th- there dollar general – stage 2 for fires – control burn on hold. Each internas working. Power being draped through new Mexico. That report is out. FMI- peak at 2000 at now 1700 employees. Jacob and Maxic- end of 2013. Might be March or April- permanent job a gap for 300- Pat Peteres has left. Retail electric. Buy there electric out of the state- so the cop- is trying to get signature. They have want us to sign as a support.

C. SEAGO- nothing- next month Sept.

Terry we had applied DEED- we reserurn engineer students for the summer gps mapping about 4000 dollars.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Innes & Martin. All 8: 16pm

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