

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

**MINUTES OF MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
THATCHER TOWN COUNCIL
January 18, 2016**

Present: Mayor Bob Rivera, Vice Mayor Aaron Allen, Councilmember's Wayne Griffin, Ken Larson, Joy Martin, Ryan Rapier

Staff: Terry Hinton Manager, Heath Brown, Engineer, Police Chief Shaffen Woods, Michelle Mortensen

Absent: Councilman Donald Innes, Town Attorney Matt Clifford, Fire Chief Mike Payne

Visitors: David Sowders

AGENDA

Welcome and Call Meeting to Order. Mayor Rivera called to order at 7:00 p.m. stating there was a quorum. Mayor Rivera said God bless our troops, especially those from the Gila Valley and their families, God bless our first responders, and bless the United States of America.

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Michelle Mortensen.

Roll Call.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Action Item

- A. Approve minutes of the December 21, 2015 Regular Council Meeting.
- B. Planning and Zoning Monthly Report.
- C. Police Monthly Report.
- D. Approval of Invoices.
- E. Financial Reports.

Vice Mayor Aaron Allen made motion to approve consent agenda. Councilman Griffin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion, consideration, and possible action.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion, consideration, and possible action.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. Town Manager's Report:

Finished up sidewalk on College and will have to stripe the roads. We'll be back to the concession stands until it's finished. CKC has a contractor putting in loop detectors for the lights and they were out doing that today. Stadium was done today and they still have Reay Ln. left to do. CKC is at 8th St. and Ballpark & Reay Ln. that we are going to pave

due to overlays and also a driveway to help keep walking path clean. Still working on 1st Ave. reflectors on canal and working on relocating pole at that intersection, there's a lot of work to be done. Driver ran thru the fence at the splash park and we found him from the camera, so we should get our money back from his insurance. Skate park plans at 80 percent have been received this weekend. Councilman Griffin asked about skate park, we will start that after the concession stand. Councilwoman Martin asked if we are doing the work, Terry stated that yes we will do it ourselves, less expensive that way.

B. Fire Department Report - None

C. Police Department Report.

It's been kind of a slow month. Yearend report for 2015, we ended up with 2083 calls for service last year, with 5699 incidents that we handled total. Other than that we have our annual shooting coming up. Training reports - None

Informational Items. City of Safford is looking at proposing this list of plants and trees at its next council meeting. If it's passed then we will look at putting that into our planning and zoning code and bringing it back to you. Mayor Rivera asked Heath if he thought it was good enough, answer was yes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Safe House - None

B. Chamber of Commerce

Terry stated that we gave them \$5000 donation and \$2000 donation for bed tax. Some of you may have heard that we may have to pay more bed tax but that is not true. We are under the limit and don't fall into that category.

C. SEAGO - None

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Martin made motion to adjourn with a second vote by Councilman Rapier, meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Michelle Mortensen, Admin Secretary

Robert Rivera, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular/special meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Thatcher held on this 18th day of January 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Michelle Mortensen, Admin Secretary

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