MINUTES



TOWN OF MIAMI

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2020 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Dalley calls the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Mayor Dalley led the pledge of allegiance and Councilmember Moat led the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Mayor Dalley, Vice Mayor Gonzales, Councilmember Bringhurst, Councilmember Moat, and Councilmember Reiman.

EXCUSED: Councilmember Black and Councilmember Medina.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Heatherly, Town Attorney Goodwin, Finance Director Steele and Town Clerk Norris.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of the February 24, 2020 Regular meeting.
- **B.** Consideration and possible action to approve the Town Payroll for February 23, 2020.

Councilmember Reiman moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

5. APPRVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:

A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for February 21, 2020 to March 5, 2020.

Councilmember Bringhurst moved to approve the general demands for February 21, 2020 to March 5, 2020. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused,

Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Heatherly reports on the sewer repair project; working on Michaels Way and then will begin paving Canyon Avenue. Staff is continuing to work on the 20/21 budget and should have a draft for Council review next month. Announces that APS will have a completion ceremony tomorrow at the Public Works Yard at 9:00 a.m.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Councilmember Moat thanks the Town for coming up and checking on the sewer problem at his house; it is now fixed.

Mayor Dalley reports on the Resolution Copper Mine briefing he and Councilmember Reiman attended last Tuesday. Comments on some future plans the Town Manager has listed for the Town and comments that some of the plans include purchase of equipment for the Public Works Department.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Tim Gonzales, Claypool resident, states that he is here on behalf of the Homeless Coalition of Cobre Valley. Mr. Gonzales states that Mr. Nathan Updyke from Care First came to them to see if they would be interested in participating in a resource fair. The event is to help people find local resources. The event will take place at Lee Kornegay School on May 1st, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. They are trying to get as many under-resourced and/or homeless people to attend at possible so they can find any assistance they may need.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Information, discussion and possible action: Presentation and request Council support of the Cobre Valley Regional Aquatic Center.

Mrs. Evelyn Vargas gives a PowerPoint presentation regarding the funding prospects for the regional aquatic center. Mrs. Vargas gives a brief history and legislative update regarding funding for the regional aquatic center. Briefly reviews the proposed business plan for the project. Mrs. Vargas gives a summary detailing the operations and maintenance of the facility. Brief discussion regarding using solar energy at the center and if there have been any studies on doing that. Discussion and comments regarding private business support of the facility. Discussion regarding the selected location for the facility. Brief discussion and comments on the positive impact this could have on the local community and the number of jobs they anticipate it will create. Open discussion regarding the proposed funding allocation and if the

Town of Miami can afford to pay its proposed portion. Brief discussion regarding the cost of operating the Town of Miami's pool. Mayor Dalley moved that the Town of Miami Council support the concept of the Cobre Valley Regional Aquatic Center. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

B. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve proposed rates for services of Town Attorney, Gust Rosenfeld, to become effective July 1, 2020.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this item to Council explaining the he feels the proposed rates are not out of line. Also, they have not requested a rate increase in over 10 years, he recommends approval of this item. Brief discussion regarding the average monthly hours and cost the Town pays on a monthly basis. Town Manager Heatherly states it is about 4 grand a month on the general fund side. Councilmember Bringhurst states that while we are in the middle of litigation for the sewer issue she does not feel this is the time to ask for a raise. Vice Mayor Gonzales moved to approve the proposed rates for services of Town attorney, Gust Rosenfeld, to become effective July 1, 2020. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – opposed, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

C. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve Resolution No. 1232 pertaining to the submission of projects for consideration in Arizona's 2021 Highway Safety Plan.

Police Chief, Keith Thompson presents this resolution to Council explaining that he wants to apply for 2 grants. One grant for a police vehicle and another for overtime pay for officers that work special details. Councilmember Reiman moved to approve Resolution No. 1232 pertaining to the submission of projects for consideration in Arizona's 2021 Highway Safety Plan. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

D. Information, discussion and possible action: To award the engineering contract for the Street Improvement Project, CDBG Grant No. 135-20, bid and authorize signing of such contract or reject all bids and direct staff to rebid the project.

Town Manager Heatherly explains that we will not be signing any contract at this time. The Town, and CAG, have reviewed the bids that were submitted. At this point, if recommended firm is approved by Council the Town will then negotiate a contract for an acceptable price and the contract will come back to Council for approval. Staff is recommending to negotiate a contract with Rick Engineering. Vice Mayor Gonzales asks for an explanation of the point system or scoring guide used to determine the recommended firm. Town Manager Heatherly

explains that they were scored on a scale of 1 to 15 for strengths and weaknesses of each specific item. Vice Mayor Gonzales asks how is it determined if someone gets, for example, a 10 and someone gets a 12. Town Manager Heatherly explains that the scoring is done by each person's own personal evaluation. Open discussion and comments on the scoring process. Councilmember Reiman moved to approve the negotiation of a contract with Rick Engineering for the Street Improvement Project. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

E. Information, discussion and possible action: To recess to Board of Adjustment

Vice Mayor Gonzales moved to recess to the Board of Adjustment public hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED. 7:41 pm

a) Staff report

Engineering Tech, Josh Derhammer presents this item to Council and explains the reason for this request for approval for a variance. The variance is requested by Habitat for Humanity for the property located at 195 Nash Avenue to allow for setbacks and minimum lot requirements between the two buildings and lot size. Discussion and comments regarding the purpose of the setbacks and this lot being zoned for single family homes.

- b) Open public hearing Mayor Dalley opens the public hearing at 7:41 p.m.
- c) Public comments

Mr. Tom Foster comments regarding the Town of Miami being short on housing and are years behind from where we need to be, as far as housing goes. This is an unusable area and the variance will allow Habitat for Humanity to move forward and develop something innovative here.

- d) Close public hearing Mayor Dalley closes the public hearing at 7:50 p.m.
- e) Discussion and possible action to approve zoning variance requested by Habitat for Humanity for property located at 195 Nash Avenue to permit variances for setback and minimum lot area requirements in order to meet the conditions of the Zoning Code.

Councilmember Bringhurst moved to approve zoning variance requested by Habitat for Humanity for property located at 195 Nash Avenue to permit variances for setback and minimum lot area requirements in order to meet the conditions of the Zoning Code. Seconded by Mayor Dalley. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

Reconvene Public Meeting 7:50 p.m.

F. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve purchase of John Deer Gator XUV825M S4 for the amount of \$17,608.70.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this item to Council explaining that this is just the preapproval for the purchase. If approved they will send the contract and financing paperwork for final approval. Councilmember Moat states that these are used at the mines and are pretty industrial vehicles. Vice Mayor Gonzales asks where will the funds come from to pay for this. Town Manager Heatherly states will try to use some HURF funds as well as General funds and he may try to get USDA to pay a portion of it. Councilmember Reiman moved to approve purchase of John Deer Gator XUV825M S4 in the amount of \$17,608.70. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

G. Information, discussion and possible action: Award Vehicle Fleet Maintenance Contract for Town of Miami vehicle fleet maintenance services.

Transit Manager, Katie Dwonzik presents this item to Council. Ms. Dwonzik explains that this includes all of the Town vehicles, not just transit vehicles. Ms. Dwonzik briefly reviews the bids received. Brief discussion and comments regarding the various services that bids were submitted for. Ms. Dwonzik states staff is recommending awarding the bid to Big O/Shell Lube. Ms. Dwonzik explains that the Town has used Big O/Shell Lube for various services and have been very happy with their work and turn around time. Discussion regarding bidding out this type of service as opposed to the Town having a mechanic on staff. Ms. Dwonzik adds that Big O/Shell Lube is open on Saturdays which is very good when trying to get the transit buses in for service; they don't have to pull a van/bus off a service route if it needs maintenance or work. Councilmember Bringhurst moved to award Vehicle Fleet Maintenance Contract for the Town of Miami vehicle fleet maintenance services to Big O/Shell Lube. Seconded by Vice Mayor Gonzales. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

H. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of KE&G Change Order No. 64 in the amount of \$476,109.50 to do work on Canyon and Michaels Way.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this change order to Council and explains that this was approved by Mike Leuker last week. This is a combined time and material change order and a fixed price change order. Mayor Dalley moved to approve of KE&G Change Order No. 64 in the amount of \$476,109.50 to do work on Canyon and Michaels Way. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

I. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve staff recommendation for representation on the Gila County Broadband Project.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this item to Council explaining that this is a follow-up on the broadband presentation by Gila County. Staff would like to recommend Roy Placencia and Josh Derhammer as Town representatives on the broadband project. Councilmember Bringhurst moved to approve the appointment of Roy Placencia and Josh Derhammer as Town of Miami representative on the Gila County Broadband Project. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

J. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval to rename Cobre Valley Community Transit.

Transit Manager, Katie Dwonzik, presents this item to Council for approval. Ms. Dwonzik explains that the Transit Advisory Committee (TAC) had suggested that transit change their name. Ms. Dwonzik explains that many people confuse Cobre Valley Community Transit with Cobre Valley Hospital and think that it is just for hospital patients and rides to and from the hospital. Ms. Dwonzik explains because of that we would like to change the name so that people of the community know that we service the whole Miami/Globe community and not just the hospital. Hopes that this will help get ridership up as well. Ms. Dwonzik explains that the Town had invited the Globe and Miami schools to participate in helping decide on a new name for the service. Town of Miami staff also participated in voting for the new name. The proposed name is Copper Mountain Transit. They have picked copper and teal for the transit van colors. Councilmember Reiman comments that staff has polled everyone except the Council on what they think the new name should be. Councilmember Reiman also comments that he would hope that the Town has a pretty good reason to want to change the name since we do have a substantial investment with the name on the current vehicles, directory listings and such. Town Manager Heatherly explains that we just ordered a new bus and a van and in about a month we will be ordering 2 more buses and another van so this is the time to do this. The buses we have now will be out of service in the next 10 to 11 months. Brief discussion regarding allowing for advertising on the buses. Councilmember Bringhurst moved to approve to rename Cobre Valley Community Transit to Copper Mountain Transit. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote - Mayor Dalley - yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman - abstain. MOTION PASSED.

- K. Information, discussion and possible action: To hold a Public Hearing on Resolution No. 1231, a resolution of the Common Council of the Town of Miami proposing an alternative expenditure limitation (Home Rule option) and submitting the proposal to the qualified voters of the Town of Miami at the August 4, 2020 Primary Election. NOTE this is the first of two required public hearings on this matter. No decision will be made by the Town Council until after the second public hearing to be held on March 23, 2020:
 - a) Open Public Hearing Mayor Dalley opens the public hear at 8:41 p.m.

b) Public comments and open discussion regarding proposing an alternative expenditure limitation (home rule) and submitting the issue to the qualified voters of the Town of Miami.

Town Manager Heatherly explains the how the State sets the expenditure limit and how the Town would not be able to operate on the state imposed expenditure limit. The Town can send it to the voters to approve increasing the expenditure limit. Town Attorney Goodwin states the limit Town Manager Heatherly is referring to is the State's expenditure limitation imposed upon the Town by the Constitution. Every four years the voters can approve the alternative. This is not authorizing the expenditures, it is just setting a different limitation on revenues that the Town would be receiving.

- c) Close Public Hearing Mayor Dalley closes the public hearing at 8:45 p.m.
- CALL TO THE COUNCIL: None.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Reiman moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – excused, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Miami, AZ held on the **9th** day of **March**, 2020.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present. DATED this **23rd** day of **March** 2020.

Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Darry Dalley Mayor