

February 21, 2023

Town of Chandler Council Meeting Minutes

The Chandler Town Council meeting was called to order February 21, 2023, at the Chandler Town Hall, 401 E. Lincoln Ave. at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call: Present - Sandy Elder, Tonya Wester, Ron Whitledge

Absent – Cheryl Amos, Kim Burnett

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: Minutes for the February 6, 2023 regular meeting were presented to the council. Motion was made by Sandy Elder to approve the minutes, second by Ron Whitledge. **Roll call:** Sandy Elder yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Town Attorney: Josh presented Culligan's CF-1 form for their tax abatement. Josh noted that although the assessed value came in lower than expected, salaries are much higher. Motion was made by Ron Whitledge to approve the Culligan's CF-1 statement, second by Sandy Elder. **Roll call:** Sandy Elder yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Josh informed the council that Michael will explain his BZA recommendations.

Josh also informed the council that we getting ready to issue bonds for the Water Transmission Main Project and rates will likely come in lower than expected.

Michael told the council that Mark Worstell left the BZA and some positions will need to be shifted to fill the vacancies. Michael recommended the council president appoint Donna Williams to replace Mark's position on the BZA and the council to appoint Paul Malone to replace Doug Cook's position on the APC, and Tim Mosbey to replace Doug Cook's position on the BZA. Michael added that Tonya will also need to appoint Donna to replace the position held by Mark to allow Donna to hold a position on both boards. Tonya agreed and appointed Donna Williams to replace Mark and Tim Mosbey to replace Doug on the BZA. Motion was made by Ron Whitledge to appoint Paul Malone to replace Doug on the APC, second by Sandy Elder. **Roll call:** Sandy Elder yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Police Chief: Report emailed. Kirk attended in Bob's place. Tonya announced that Bob ~~has~~ will be retiring and his last day is planned to be March 28. He recommended appointing Tevault as the interim chief until the council decides his permanent replacement. Motion was made by Tonya Wester to appoint Kirk as the interim chief effective March 29, second by Sandy Elder. **Roll call:** Sandy Elder yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief: Report emailed. Spencer gave the council a few updates. The new truck is in full service. The sirens will no longer be aired for fire runs. There was a malfunction that caused one to run for 17

minutes, so they decided to make do without. Spencer asked about buying 3 AED's for \$7,200 so they'll have enough for every truck and to replace an outdated AED model. Tonya asked how much opioid money is left and Brian said we have at least \$10,000 left. Misty said we have 3 AED's that will need new batteries soon. Ron suggested going ahead if we have the money. Ron also asked if the siren's will still be used for weather alerts and Spencer said it will be and the regular test on Saturdays will still take place. Spencer also informed the council that the extracator tools will come in this week.

Director of Public Services: Report emailed.

Utility Administrator: Report emailed. Misty mentioned the audit is going smooth. Tonya added that they are on a brisk schedule and are working hard to finish for our bond issuance.

Environmental Manager: Report emailed. Michael informed the council that we will be hosting a Stormwater workshop again at the Community Center on March 21. He also let the council know he received a message from Brittney Daugherty who is asking the town to support a community garden and asked the council how to respond. Tonya recalls the community garden was actually on the property of the nearby Methodist church. Misty said there's been some discussion on Facebook supporting a community garden at the Community Center. Ron suggested allowing it since we can always change it back to grass. Tonya asked Michael to have them present their idea at a council meeting with a maintenance plan.

Clerk Treasurer: Report emailed. Brian informed the council that the auditors seemed to be satisfied with our capital asset ledger. Tonya thanked Brian and Misty for their work on it.

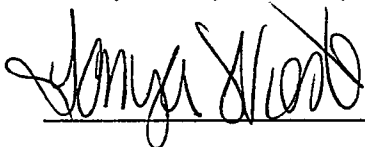
Parks and Rec: Misty let the council know she'll get an update on Phase III of the bike park.

New Business: Spencer asked permission to use the old townhall for k-9 training, they will block off areas with decorations to avoid damage. The council agreed.

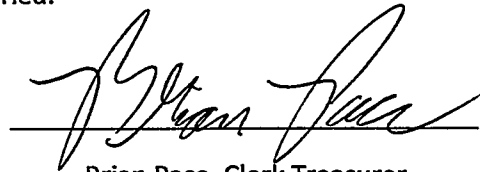
Old Business: Ron recommended at least 5 new pole decorations and double the garland. Tonya mentioned we'll need to allocate funds to secure discounts by the end of February or March. Ron said there'll be about \$100 in material cost for each new pole decoration installation but he's not sure of the total cost. Misty added that Steve might be willing to volunteer again, but he doesn't have a bucket truck to use. Tonya asked Brian if there's funds available and Brian mentioned we have \$20,000 budget in the CCD fund, but he would have to look to see if anything can be spared from the general fund. Tonya suggested keeping our purchase to around \$2,000-3,000 so there'll be funds leftover to run electricity.

Claims: Ron Whitledge made a motion to approve claims as presented in the amount of \$745,982.43, second by Sandy Elder. **Roll call:** Sandy Elder yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Tonya Wester to recess the meeting, second by Ron Whitledge. **Roll call:** Sandy Elder yes, Tonya Wester yes, Ron Whitledge yes. Motion carried.



Tonya Wester, Council President



Brian Pace, Clerk Treasurer