

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 200 WEST COOLEY, SHOW LOW, NAVAJO COUNTY, ARIZONA

1. Call to Order.

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

2. Roll Call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Rick Fernau; Vice Mayor Gene Kelley; Council members Daryl Seymore, Gordon Kearl, Gerry Whipple, Virginia Evans, and Anne Staffnik.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Maag, City Manager; K. Kane Graves, City Attorney; Ed Muder, Community Development Director; Kenneth Patterson, Acting Public Works Director; Joel Weeks, Community Services Director; and Liz Callihan, Administrative Assistant.

GUESTS: Sharon Adams, Barbara Bruce, David Petersen, and Jerry Howell.

3. Invocation.

Councilman Whipple gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Seymore led the Council and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

5. **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

- A. Presentation of Quarterly Report by a Representative of the White Mountains Partnership.

The presentation was continued to a future meeting due to the designated representative's inability to be present this evening.

- B. Presentation of Quarterly Report by a Representative of Show Low Main Street.

Sharon Adams, Director, presented highlights of Main Street activities during the past quarter.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. Consideration of Resolution No. R2006-02 Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Navajo County to Provide Assistance in Conducting its Municipal Elections. (Ann Kurasaki)
- B. Consideration of Declaration of Surplus Property and Sale to Navajo County of 300,000-Gallon Water Storage Tank No. 5. (Kenneth Patterson)
- C. Consideration of Minutes of Show Low City Council meetings:
 - (1) Special Meeting of December 20, 2005.
 - (2) Regular Meeting of December 20, 2005.

COUNCILWOMAN STAFFNIK MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED; SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR KELLEY; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Consideration of Resolution No. R2006-01 Designating the City of Show Low as a “Character City.” (Joel Weeks)

Joel Weeks explained the International Association of Character Cities (IACC) program, which helped cities encourage community members and leaders to reach their full potential through implementing community-wide character initiatives. He said that adopting Resolution No. 2006-01 would be the first step in becoming a “Character City,” followed by the organization of a Character Council composed of persons of good character who had proven themselves through community service and had the time to devote to this program.

Mr. Weeks explained that while the Character Council would work with the Mayor and City staff, it would be community-driven. The plan would be to expand the program, which focused on 49 character qualities, into the business and education communities, with a citywide kick-off meeting to introduce the program, followed by monthly meetings to discuss each month’s selected character quality. He said resource materials were available from the IACC at a nominal cost for use in implementing and continuing the program.

Mr. Weeks suggested implementing each month’s character quality at each month’s first Council meeting. The month’s character quality could be focused upon by the Mayor during the monthly broadcast of the “Inside City Hall” program, as well as aired on City 4 Television and featured on

the marquee sign located at the intersection of the Deuce of Clubs and Central Avenue.

Mr. Weeks' presentation concluded with a short video illustrating the importance of punctuality as a trait of character.

David Petersen discussed the success experienced by other communities that had implemented the program. Messrs. Weeks and Petersen then responded to questions regarding estimated costs, whether City administrative staff supported the program's implementation, planning and organizing efforts to date, and costs.

Councilwoman Staffnik asked how long the IACC program had been in existence, and whether there were established methods of monitoring the effectiveness of the program within a given period of time to determine whether the estimated annual cost of \$1,200 as quoted by Mr. Weeks was justified. Mr. Petersen thought that some of the participating school districts might have monitoring tools in place, and he would follow up with other participating cities/communities to obtain concrete data for the Council's information regarding the results of their participation.

Councilwoman Staffnik commented that often purely motivational programs were difficult to monitor because results could be somewhat intangible.

COUNCILMAN SEYMORE MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. R2006-01 DESIGNATING THE CITY OF SHOW LOW AS A "CHARACTER CITY"; SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR KELLEY; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VICE MAYOR KELLEY MOVED THAT THE "CHARACTER CITY" PROGRAM BE FUNDED FROM THE CITY COUNCIL CONTINGENCY FUND; SECONDED BY MAYOR FERNAU; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Barbara Bruce, Chamber of Commerce Director, expressed her strong support for the "Character City" program's implementation in Show Low.

7. **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.

No discussion.

8. **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS:**

A. Council Members

Councilman Seymore, Councilwoman Staffnik, and Vice Mayor Kelley wished everyone a happy new year.

Councilwoman Staffnik expressed her sorrow to hear of the loss of the St. Vincent de Paul building, and her appreciation for the coordinated efforts between emergency response teams.

Councilman Kearn invited the public to attend the second annual Community Forum scheduled for January 12, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the City library.

B. Mayor

Mayor Fernau reminded everyone that the voter registration deadline for the Primary Election was February 13, 2006. Voters desiring to register were encouraged to call or come to the City Clerk's Office to obtain registration forms.

Mayor Fernau announced that the annual blood drive was scheduled for Wednesday, January 15, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Noting the unusually dry weather conditions, Mayor Fernau urged the community to be extremely careful when performing any burning activity.

C. City Manager

Mr. Maag reported that the past week had been relatively uneventful, with many people on vacation or out of town for the holidays. He wished everyone a happy new year.

9. **SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS:**

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

The Council selected Tuesday, January 10, 2006, beginning at 5:30 p.m. to conduct interviews of applicants desiring to fill vacancies on the Aviation Committee and Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mr. Maag reminded the Council of the joint meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission scheduled for January 31, 2006.

The Council selected Friday, February 10, 2006 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a joint discussion with Forest Service representatives regarding healthy forest issues. Mr. Muder said that the Commissioners would also be invited to attend.

Mr. Maag advised the Council that two work sessions would need to be scheduled for February, one regarding legal issues involved with aircraft hangar development and the other regarding revenue issues.

10. Adjournment.

There being no further business to be brought before the Council, **MAYOR FERNAU ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL OF JANUARY 3, 2006 AT 7:45 P.M.**

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Ann Kurasaki, City Clerk

Rick Fernau, 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 January 3, 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2006.

(SEAL)

Ann Kurasaki, City Clerk