

**MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF SNOWFLAKE
HELD 10/14/2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL at 7:03 p.m.

Mayor Kelly Willis, Vice Mayor Jason Whiting, Kerry Ballard—excused, Lynn Johnson, Stuart Hensley, Tom Poscharsky, Bev Kay STAFF: Paul Watson, Bob Hall, Barbara Flake, Pat Hancock, Jerry Van Winkle, Dale Call

2. PRAYER/PLEDGE Kay/Whiting

3. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Willis recognized Boy Scouts from Troop 702 in attendance. He also recognized Council Candidates Byron Lewis and Terril Kay in attendance.

Proclamation "2014 Arizona Cities and Towns Week"

Mayor Willis read the Proclamation declaring October 19-25 as "2014 Arizona Cities and Towns Week". He thanked the Town staff for providing the services for our town and he also thanked all the volunteers.

4. CALL TO PUBLIC

Cindy Schreiber from the Senior Center said that the Senior Center will be serving Thanksgiving Dinner on November 29th starting at 11:30 a.m. with appetizers and non-alcoholic drinks to be followed by dinner. She invited Council to come and help serve the dinner. She said the Senior Center also needs helping hands decorating trees in the dining room on November 24, 25, and 26. The phone number of the Senior Center is 536-2222.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Council Meeting minutes dated 9/23/2014.

Motion by Poscharsky, 2nd by Whiting, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed; unanimous

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Consideration & Possible Approval of 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 14-07 Rezone General Commercial (GC) and Residential 2 acre (R2A) to Residential 1 acre (R1A). Location is 1195 and 1265 South Main Street, Snowflake, Arizona. Owners are Senius Eilertsen and Mark Eilertsen. (Dale Call)

Call stated that the owners of property would like to rezone because of the difficulty in obtaining a residential loan on commercial property and they desire to split the property into 2 parcels zoned R1A. Call said the Town engineer reviewed this request and recommended a right-of-way be established for emergency vehicles because the split would cause an increase in density. Call presented Council with the correct legal description for establishing the right-of-way. Call said the P & Z Commission found the rezone request to be appropriate for the area and unanimously voted to recommend approval of the request.

Motion by Poscharsky, 2nd by Kay, to approve 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 14-07 Rezone 2 properties from GC and R2A to R1A. Owners: Senius Eilertsen, Mark Eilertsen. Motion passed; unanimous

Poscharsky read Ordinance No. 14-07 by title only.

B. Presentation regarding the Snowflake-Taylor Rx Drug Take Back Program. (Jerry Van Winkle)

Van Winkle said there is an epidemic in prescription misuse and abuse. He said that Chuck Dutcher, former member of the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy and longtime Pharmacist in the White Mountains, provided information and recommended applying for a grant for a Prescription Drug Take-Back Box which has been received and is now installed in the lobby of the Snowflake-Taylor Police Department. He said the Take-Back Box is available and under 24-hour surveillance for security purposes. He said the prescription drugs are collected and packaged for destruction on a regular basis taking them off the streets. He said that in cooperation with the Navajo County Sheriff's Office, the drugs are disposed of properly.

Dutcher recommended that people not tell others that they have pain medication in their homes. He said there is not one person that is not affected by drug abuse. He said the Take-Back Program is to take the drugs out of medicine cabinets and drawers and dispose of them safely. He said that medications should not be dropped in toilets or down the sink and should not be thrown in the landfill. He said all of these actions cause problems. He said the drugs that are collected are incinerated by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). Dutcher stated that pet medications and vitamins can be disposed of at the Take-Back Box but not inhalers, sharps, and rubbing alcohol. Dutcher said prescription pain medications are an epidemic created in the medical community and now that community is trying to clean up the problem. He said there is a means in place now to track prescriptions and the Take-Back Box is also part of the clean-up.

Van Winkle said that Chuck Dutcher serves on the project "Prescription Misuse and Abuse Initiative" and also serves on a prescription monitoring board in Phoenix working with the DEA to change prescription writing practices. Van Winkle presented the strategies of the "Initiative":

- Reduce illicit acquisition and diversion of prescription drugs
- Promote responsible prescribing and dispensing policies and practices
- Enhance prescription drug practice and policies in law enforcement
- Increase public awareness and patient education about prescription drug misuse
- Enhance assessment and referral to treatment

Van Winkle thanked Dutcher for his efforts in helping our community and state in addressing this epidemic. Mayor Willis thanked Dutcher on behalf of the Council and staff.

C. Consideration & Possible Approval to purchase Radar Speed Display Trailer. (Jerry Van Winkle)

Van Winkle said the Police Department received a grant award from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for the purchase of a Radar Speed Trailer to assist with our traffic safety program in Snowflake and Taylor in the amount of \$27,525. He said staff has selected to purchase a trailer from RU2Systems in Mesa, Arizona, at a cost of

\$26,120.93. He said the remainder of funds will pay for markings for the trailer and training of personnel on the use of the trailer. He said this new trailer will be more mobile than the current one and can be used as a message board for the Town. He said the manufacturing company is in Arizona and the price is in line with other companies. He said the company is local and will be convenient for maintenance.

Motion by Hensley, 2nd by Johnson, to approve purchase of a Radar Speed Display Trailer from RU2 Systems. Motion passed; unanimous

D. Consideration and Possible Approval to purchase 2 new patrol vehicles for the Snowflake/Taylor Police Department. (Jerry Van Winkle)

Van Winkle said the Capital Improvement Plan approved in the budget call for \$60,000 for police vehicles and staff researched vehicles and recommends Council approve the purchase of 2 new police vehicles from Hatch Motors in Snowflake. Van Winkle said staff received three quotes that were very similar. He said that because Hatch Motors is local the maintenance and warranty work would be more convenient. The quotes received were as follows:

- Winslow Ford: 2015 Ford Taurus Police Interceptor (AWD)--\$27,473.49
- Show Low Ford: 2015 Ford Taurus Police Interceptor (AWD)--\$26,596.72
- Hatch Motors Snowflake: 2015 Dodge Charger Police Vehicle (RWD)--\$26,888.31

He said the total purchase price is \$53,776.62 and the remainder of \$6,223.38 would be used towards emergency equipment for the vehicles. Additional costs of the emergency equipment would be paid for with other funds in the Police Department.

Hensley said the \$300 difference by staying local would be made up just in maintenance. Whiting said it would also be made up in taxes staying local. Whiting asked if Hatch's could offer AWD. Van Winkle said the cost would be over \$60,000 not including emergency equipment and 90% of the time RWD is adequate. Johnson asked if there are safety issues and Van Winkled responded no.

Motion by Willis, 2nd by Poscharsky, to approve purchase of 2 police vehicles from Hatch Motors in Snowflake. Motion passed; unanimous

Poscharsky asked if Van Winkle checked with other departments or consumer reports regarding this vehicle. Van Winkle said he networked with other chiefs learning that some like it and some prefer fords.

7. COUNCIL MEMBER'S SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Hensley said the Snowflake Academy has new doors on the front of the building.

Poscharsky said the Senior Center parking lot is paved and parking spaces striped. He said the Meet and Greet for Candidate Night tomorrow starts at 6 p.m. at the Catholic Church Social Hall. He said the newspaper is providing free cookies and the church will be providing water. He said Andy Tobin will be there and all the candidates in the Senate race will also be there. He said he is going to the Transit System meeting on October 23rd and will ask for one of their unused buses for the Senior Center.

Whiting announced that he will be appointed as a member of the Navajo County Board of Supervisors and will be resigning from Council as Vice Mayor and withdrawing from the election for Mayor. He said he hopes to continue to serve at another level.

Kay said the Chamber of Commerce has a new website designed by Stacey Wittig who is asking for pictures to be submitted to include on the website. The address of the website is visitsnowflaketaylor.com.

8. MANAGER'S SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS AND REPORT

Watson reviewed the calendar:

- Wednesday—Meet the Candidates Night, 6 p.m., Catholic Church
- Friday—Employee Appreciation Golf Tournament; Putting Contest, Lawn Games, Lunch
- Saturday—Free flu shots at the Snowflake Fire Station, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- October 22—NPC Community Outreach, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Silver Creek Learning Center
- November 20—Senior Center Thanksgiving Dinner

He thanked Council and Staff for the flowers given by the Town for his brother's passing.

9. ADJOURNMENT at 8:02 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Town of Snowflake Council meeting held October 14, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Barbara Flake, Town Clerk