

**MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF SNOWFLAKE
HELD 04/25/2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL at 7:00 pm

Mayor Lynn Johnson, Vice Mayor Kerry Ballard, Terril Kay, Cory Johnson, Byron Lewis, Hunter Lewis, Allison Perkins Staff: Brian Richards, Bob Hall, Katie Melser, Barbara Flake, Chief Scarber, Terry Cooper

2. PRAYER/PLEDGE Lewis H/Perkins

3. PROCLAMATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

Proclamation "Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness Month"- read by Kay

Proclamation "Fair Housing Month"- read by Johnson C

Proclamation "Arbor Day"- read by Lewis B

Recognition of Snowflake as a "Tree City USA"

4. CALL TO PUBLIC:

Chris Wall: NACOG RFP grant will be announced and they should know if they got it by Friday. She gave stats about the food bank and the good it has done for feeding the community. They have received less food in general.

Jeffery Wall: been following the STPD's acquisition of firearms and believe they must be properly trained in handling them. Buy 1500 rounds of training ammunition per police officer. Could cost 5-6 thousand dollars, though cheaper than litigation. Mayor Johnson asked Chief Scarber to follow up on the issue.

Justin Sminksi and Brendon Johnson working on Citizenship in the Community for scouting.

5. CONSENT AGENDA: All items listed below are considered routine. Consent agenda is considered a single item and may be approved by a single motion. Any single item removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of the Council may be considered as a separate item.

A. Approve Council minutes dated March 21, 2017 and April 11, 2017

B. Approve Accounts Payable dated March 2017

Motion made by Ballard, 2 nd by Johnson C to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed; unanimous

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Consideration and Possible Approval of Resolution 2017-04 GOHS Grant Submission (Chief Larry Scarber)

A prerequisite is to pass a resolution to apply. They have provided many monies in the community. We are asking for monies for various training and equipment needs, \$49,684 total.

Motion made by Lewis B, 2nd by Ballard to approve Resolution 2017-04 Governor's Office of Highway Safety Grant Submission. Motion passed; unanimous

B. Consideration and Possible Approval of Contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. for Body Worn Cameras (Chief)

current contract expires in June and they have settled on this company after evaluating and testing several. A little more than \$2k a year than they have been paying, but is better for the department, including backups, maintenance, etc. The company replaces equipment after 2.5 years if there have been

technological updates, another reason for going with this company. It is compatible with the Spillman equipment.

Motion made by Johnson L, 2nd by Kay to approve the Contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. Motion passed; unanimous

C. Consideration and Possible Approval Request for Waiver of Town Nepotism Policy (Chief)
Officers Crunk and Toth petitioned for waiver request. Both Officers have been invested in very heavily and are valuable to the department. We are big enough to keep them on separate squads through the organization of the department. Neither will be supervising the other.

Motion made by Ballard, 2nd by Perkins to approve the Request for Waiver of Town Nepotism Policy. Motion passed; unanimous

D. Consideration and Possible Approval of Rain Deck sales order for Splash Pad at Pioneer Park (Brian Richards)

Rain Deck has been in the business for years, will provide expertise and give advice for the construction of the splashpad. To keep sand out of the splash there are many options that are being looked at. The splash pad will probably increase liability. It is an aggressive schedule to try and get it done by Pioneer Days this year. There are not any current donations for this project. The water will be recirculated. Maintenance may be minimal, only open 3-4 months with winterization, backflow, and sand trap. Kay has reservations about spending \$125k for a splash pad. Surplus of funds this year will cover the costs.

Motion made by Ballard, 2nd by Johnson C to approve the Rain Deck Sales order for Splash Pad at Pioneer Park. Motion passed 6-1 with Kay casting a dissenting vote.

E. Consideration and Possible Approval for 2nd to 4th West Flood Control Design (Brian)

Unique situation this year, \$3m for state assistance to take care of emergency situations like this. Needs to be shovel ready and completed within the year. FEMA mitigation grants would also be able to cover it if we don't get these emergency state funds. Mayor met with County and Superintendent Merrell about solutions for this. Supervisor Whiting is an advocate for us, to help get this funding. It is an important cause. The county/schools are willing to partner with us on this to be able to get the funds needed. Oracle Engineering has an official bid not to exceed \$27,000. Happy with them over the last 3 flood control projects; we work well together. Rob Toy has been instrumental in getting grants and funds and he works closely with Oracle. The goal is to get the water westerly towards Cottonwood Wash, by School Bus Ln. Several studies have been done, but there is still a problem. The current drainage system isn't sufficient for the amount of water that occurs.

Motion made by Kay, 2nd by Johnson C to approve the 2nd to 4th West Flood Control Design. Motion passed; unanimous

F. Consideration and Possible Approval of Purchase of Property for Northern Solution Flood Control Project (Brian)

90% of Industrial park in flood plain. Obtained 2 grants to help with mitigation of flooding. Southern Solution completed last year; northern solution is needed to mitigate this problem. In doing this, most of the industrial park will be removed from the flood plain. All transaction are perfectly legal, with Copperstate donating, the agreement as its drafted at this point is bare bones, directed at solving the flood problem. The property can only be used for flood control under this agreement. this gives all parties an immediate solution so that the flood plain issue can be resolved. It doesn't resolve the entire flow, but it is dramatic in reduction. With engineering help, legal help, and partners (FEMA, State, County) this complex problem is being solved.

Motion made by Lewis H, 2nd by Lewis B to approve Purchase of Property for Northern Solution Flood Control Project. Motion passed; unanimous

G. Consideration and Possible Approval of Budget Adjustments for FY2017 General Fund Budget (Brian)

Spoke with Auditor General about overages, and it is okay because we are under an alternative expenditure limit, no penalties. Approximately \$163,000 over budget, but it will be reported to the State and there won't be any penalties.

Motion made by Ballard, 2nd by Perkins to approve Budget Adjustments for FY2017 General Fund Budget. Motion passed; unanimous

H. Consideration and Possible formation of Golf Course Committee (Brian)

Gene Hall was part of a temporary committee for the golf course, they still have a lot of ideas, would like to serve on this committee. Larry Brewer would also like to be considered for the committee. Shane Hall would also like to be considered for his CPA experience.

Terry Cooper introduced some men's club members that see the course on a regular basis, Tom Black, and Glen Gordon, and other members that would be interested. There are almost 40 in the club.

An informal committee is not a public meeting, doesn't have to be posted or take minutes. A formal committee would have to have open meetings and follow open meeting law, limit of 3 council members. Even if we kept the committee small (7 or less), the public could attend and provide input for a good discussion.

Motion made by Johnson C, 2nd by Lewis B to approve the Formation of an Official Golf Course Committee. Motion passed; unanimous

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO ARS 38-431.03A1:

a. Town Manager Contract

Motion made by Ballard, 2nd by Kay to Move into Executive Session. Motion passed; unanimous

Motion made by Ballard, 2nd by Johnson C to Move into Regular Session. Motion passed; unanimous

J. Possible Approval of Town Manager Contract

Motion made by Lewis B, 2nd by Lewis H to Allow the Mayor to Negotiate and Conduct the Business of the Contract and Sign it. Motion passed; unanimous

7. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS—

Mayor- have pool committee provide some services for the pool, Marie Caldwell is willing to do the groundwork to see what the pool committee would be able and willing to provide. Council work session budget surpluses were discussed. After speaking with the town manager it would be a good idea to have a fund like that, which will be brought to the council at a future date. Spoke with Hollis Merrell about traffic mitigation at the Jr. High. Had meeting with water adjudication that went fairly well but it is confidential.

Ballard- fruit trees by Eva's scratching cars, Brian had it taken care of. Went to Mayor and Council association meeting and talked about geocache, but split the cost with Taylor this year. League of Cities

hand out will be root beer. St. John's has a new town hall used to be a car dealership, it is really nice. St. John's has a water problem; they have to pipe water 14 miles to the community, we're lucky to live here. If anyone needs an Eagle Scout project, the recreation department has one available. Kenadi Stuart got 7th in the nation for hoop shoot.

Perkins- Easter dinner was well attended. Thanks to all the volunteers, especially Cindy and her husband, they go all out. Helped with the food boxes when Feed America comes. The Chamber has another lunch and learn tomorrow; Step into the Light is the speaker.

Lewis H- The town ripped out the concrete at the Academy Building and some arborvitae, scout project to put in sprinkler system.

Lewis B- at the Mayor's association meeting Tom O'Halloran addressed the broadband issue. The County got funds to conduct a study about where the dark fiber ends. Spoke more about the broadband issue, the broadband coalition is making some strides. Sits on a board for First Things First, it is making some impact in the community. Thanked many people for their service in the community.

Johnson C- driving behind Alvarez and thought that more streetlights by Alvarez area would be nice.

Kay- Good job to Brian. Happy Birthday to Chris and Cindy. Homeowner complained about yard, and Chief Scarber followed up on the complaint; his leadership makes the difference in the community. Golf course reputation is improving, thanks to Terry for his work there. Met with the Dairy Queen owner, would like to keep it here. Ask Terril for his number.

8. MANAGER REPORT- Good council, work well together. Thanks to staff, they make the town and council look good and making the community work. Spoken with Taylor about having a joint meeting on May 9th at the Taylor Fire Station, for the county update and maybe some of the IGA's between the towns. Schedule 2 regular joint meetings a year. Met with a possible new tenant at the industrial park. Copperstate farms tour was impressive, you should check it out.

9. ADJOURNMENT 9:00 pm

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Town of Snowflake Council meeting held April 25, 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Barbara Flake, Town Clerk