

**MINUTES OF JOINT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF SNOWFLAKE AND TOWN OF TAYLOR
HELD 2017/11/14**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Present: From Snowflake: Mayor Lynn Johnson, Kerry Ballard, Allison Perkins, Hunter Lewis, Byron Lewis, Cory Johnson, Terril Kay; From Taylor: Mayor Dave Smith, Kyle Peck, Fay Hatch, Shawn Palmer, Lynn DeWitt, excused Carl Cosper and Jason Brubaker; Staff: Brian Richards, Bob Hall, Katie Melser

Mayor Johnson recognized Snowflake 10th Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Webelos Scouts working on their "building a better world" merit badge

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation – Mayor Smith/Mayor Johnson

3. Discussion of Navajo County Justice Court Lease Agreement:

Mayor Johnson brought the Taylor Council up to speed with what the Snowflake Council discussed at their last work session.

Mayor Smith added that these negotiations have come from the county wanting rent free for the Justice Court in order for them to agree to keep the Justice Court here. They also asked at the same time for free rent for probation, WIC, and the Sheriff's Office.

Court costs would be shared with Taylor, at a loss of \$29,000 per year of revenue (for Snowflake).

Lynn DeWitt- The County has a lack of accountability for their money, and them asking for this is frustrating, we need to keep the Justice Court though.

Discussion about pros and cons of keeping the Justice Court.

We are in a unique situation, there is no other Justice Court that pays rent for their building.

The lost revenue is way below market value, the County is getting a great deal.

Terril discussed splitting the costs at 50-50 instead of the same IGA percentages that we always use; Mayor Johnson discussed the fact that we may need to revisit the formula used for the shared services percentages at a different meeting

Is the building available for purchase by the county?

Brian's opinion is that we should approve the IGA with the county as it is now.

Hunter's point for 50-50 split with Taylor is that a municipal court is a requirement

4. Adjournment 7:40 PM