

FREDONIA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

October 15, 2024

25 N. Main St, Fredonia AZ, 86022

7:00 pm

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.01, notice is hereby given to members of the Fredonia Town Council and the Public that a Public Meeting will be held on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: *Vice Mayor Scott called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm*

Roll Call: *Vice Mayor Scott*

Councilor Johnson

Councilor Banks

Councilor Ballard

Invocation: *Councilor Johnson*

Pledge of Allegiance: *All in Attendance*

Public comment (*The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless the matters are properly noticed.*) *No Public Comment*

A. Consent Items: (The following items may be approved by a single motion, unless a member of the Town Council requests that any item be considered separately and acted upon accordingly. Each item considered separately may be approved by motion of the Council as though originally listed as an action item)

1. Agenda for October 15, 2024

2. Minutes from October 1, 2024 Regular Meeting

3. Payment Approval Reports for October 15, 2024

Councilor Ballard made a motion to approve the three consent items, Councilor Banks seconded the motion and all were in favor.

B. Reports: (*The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless the matters are properly noticed*)

1. Mayor:

2. Councilor Members:

3. Department Heads:

a. Skyler with Public Works will report: *Skyler reported that the road base will be going on the levee soon, Also the sewer project is underway with the first of the pipe put in on the 15th of the month. The new street lights are up. They will be turned off for 48 hours for the batteries to fully charge. This will make them last longer. He reported that he is working with a grant writer from the state to try to get a grant for new wells. We already have the permits to use the land and the power is already there. Skyler reported that the sidewalks on Kaibab Dr. is being put in. As soon*

as that is done the streets will be paved. He also reported that the burn pit at the limb is completed. Skyler then thanked the City Council for everything they have done.

- b. *Police Department will report for September: Chief Peterson reported that they took the 45 MPH signs down and replaced them with 35MPH signs in hopes to slow people down. ADOT may add two more crosswalks in town. Chief also reported that Joshua Harris has been at the academy for 4 weeks and is doing good.*
- c. *Fredonia Courts Report from Serena Cutchen: Judge Serena Cutchen reported on the September Citations and the processed fines. There were 169 new citations with 2 criminal traffic stops. The fines processed in the month of September were in the amount of \$41,030.84 with 18,362.84 coming directly back to the general fund. Year to date the courts took in \$466,803.58 with \$198,232.03 coming back to the town. Judge Cutchen reported that they posted a new position for part time clerk.*

4. Town Office Updates:

- a. *Hiring of the new Librarian. And a big thank you to Tonya Johnson: Town Clerk Tracy Stumpf reported that they hired Sheena Cram to be the new librarian. Sheena has been working with Sonya Kimball at the Sr. Center. Sonya will miss her, but knows that Sheena will do well at the library. Tonya Johnson is retiring at the first of November.*
- b. *Letter from land owner and former resident: Deputy Clerk Brittany Jackson read a letter written by former resident and land owner, Charlene Hellstrom. She is concerned about the school building more duplexes on the land across from her property. She is also concerned about the future of the town and the school. Councilor Ballard suggested that the item be tabled and put on the agenda.*

C. Action Items:

- 1. *Discussion and possible action regarding: ADOT, Drivers License Division in Fredonia, Report from Colleen Kohler: Colleen is a resident that works for ADOT and is in hopes that we can get people to start writing letters to try and get a Kiosks machine for the driver's license division. She said that it could be very helpful. Councilor Ballard reported that about 11 people flew up on a Learjet and told council that they had no money for anything. Councilor Ballard said it was a slap in the face. Colleen suggested that someone speak with SGT Mark Cooper. Councilor Ballard said he would stop by and get a phone number for him.*
- 2. *Discussion and possible action regarding: Appointing the Chief Fiscal Officer: Vice Mayor Scott reported that the town needs to appoint a Chief Fiscal Officer, that is usually the town clerk. That needs to be each year for the audit and budget. Councilor Ballard asked Clerk Tracy Stumpf if is would do it. She said yes. Ballard made the motion to make Tracy Stumpf the new Chief Fiscal Officer for*

- the year, Councilor Banks seconded it and all were in favor.*
3. Discussion and possible action regarding: May go into Executive Session A1 and A2 regarding police department personnel and job performance: *During the meeting Councilor Ballard left the room the answer a phone call from Mayor Johnson. He had truck problems and was not going to make it back for the executive meeting. Councilor Ballard made a motion to postpone the meeting until next time. Councilor Ballard seconded it and all in favor.*

Councilor Ballard requested that the letter from Charlene Hellstrom be put on the agenda for a future item. Let's make people aware of what needs to be done. Vice Mayor Scott said that we need to keep in touch with Coconino County Supervisor Lena Fowler.

D. Discussion

1. Future Agenda Items:

- a. New form for land combination/split/lot line adjustment
- b. Town Committees and departments; council representation
- c. Sawmill Estate Subdivision progress
- d. General Plan
- e. 911 Readdressing the streets
- f. Emergency preparedness-backup generators, get quotes
- g. Secure water supply
- h. Utility Board
- i. Model City tax code
- j. Equipment and vehicle policy
- k. Purchasing policy
- l. Purchasing electrical structure on the old Kaibab land
- m. New form and prices for records request

Adjourn: *Vice Mayor Adjourned the meeting at 7:43 pm*

Approved

Attest

Don Johnson, Mayor

Tracy Stumpf, Town Clerk

Certification- I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held.

Tracy Stumpf, Town Clerk