Minutes of the March 6, 2018 Regular Meeting

Mayor Cecilia McCollough called the regular meeting to order at 7:04PM on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Cecilia McCollough, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Claar, Councilmembers Kenneth Baughman, Lisa Jameson, and Michelle Jones.

Councilmember Absent: None.

Staff Present: Town Manager Larry Killman, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Finance Director Shantel Quinonez, Public Works Director Joe Grant, Police Chief Donald Jones, Town Magistrate Russ Jones, Fire Chief Mark Rivera, and Town Attorney Phyllis Smiley (telephonically).

Guests Present: Ed & Sally Hawley, Larry Kochie, Shirley Reynolds, Dick & Jan Deichart, Richard Nix, and Victor Frankfather.

Call to the Public

None.

Department Head Reports

Police Department

Chief Jones reported on activity for February 2018. Two more vehicles have arrived from the Gila River Grant. The computer has been installed for the BodyCam software. Staff has applied for a GOHS (Governor's Office of Highway Safety) Grant for 3 new radars to equip the new vehicles.

Magistrate and Court Department

Judge Jones reported on activity for February 2018. \$2,580.77 was collected. \$507.49 in FARE.

Fire Department

Chief Rivera reported on activity for February 2018. There were 51 runs for the month. 25 runs were daytime with 18 runs being southside. Total delay was 10 minutes. An average of 6 people responded to each call.

Public Works Department

Public Works Director Grant reported on activity for February 2018. 160 water meters have been replaced. Staff has graded Avenue 25E from County 12th Street to County 13th Street. The Town has bought a used sanitation truck to replace an older vehicle in the fleet. The Park has been undergoing a makeover with the fence, restrooms, ramadas and tables getting painted. The revenues for Butterfield Golf Course have been steadily improving. Pioneer Day was February 24th. Wellton World of Wheels is coming up on March 10th.

Discussion and Action Items

1. Approval of Financial Statement:

a. Through December 31, 2017.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Baughman to approve the Financial Statement through December 31, 2017. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

2. Approval of Cash Disbursements:

a. For the Quarter: October 2017 – December 2017.

Motion made by Councilmember Baughman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Claar to approve the Cash Disbursements for the Quarter: October 2017 – December 2017. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes:

a. For the Meeting of February 6, 2018 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Councilmember Baughman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Claar to approve minutes for the Meeting of February 6, 2018 (Regular Meeting) as amended. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

4. Discussion and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 129 declaring that certain document entitled "Amendments to the Town of Wellton, Arizona Personnel Rules and Regulations, dated March 6, 2018" to be a Public Record; adopting the "Amendments to the Town of Wellton, Arizona Personnel Rules and Regulation, dated March 6, 2018" by reference, amending the Town of Wellton Personnel Rules and Regulations, by deleting Section 11-2 Sick Leave and adopting new Section 11-2 Earned Paid Sick Leave related to conforming the Town's Sick Leave Policy to Arizona State Law and amending Section 11-12 Health and Life Insurance, related to providing Town-paid Basic Life Insurance Benefits to spouses of Full Time Employees; providing for an effective date; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances; and providing for severability.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Jones to adopt Ordinance No. 129 declaring that certain document entitled "Amendments to the Town of Wellton, Arizona Personnel Rules and Regulations, dated March 6, 2018" to be a Public Record; adopting the "Amendments to the Town of Wellton, Arizona Personnel Rules and Regulation, dated March 6, 2018" by reference, amending the Town of Wellton Personnel Rules and Regulations, by deleting Section 11-2 Sick Leave and adopting new Section 11-2 Earned Paid Sick Leave related to conforming the Town's Sick Leave Policy to Arizona State Law and amending Section 11-12 Health and Life Insurance, related to providing Town-paid Basic Life Insurance Benefits to spouses of Full Time Employees; providing for an effective date; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances; and providing for severability. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

5. Discussion and possible direction to Staff regarding the Town of Wellton offering the option of a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) to Town Employees as part of the Health Insurance.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Baughman to approve the Town of Wellton offering the option of a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) to Town Employees as part of the Health Insurance. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

6. Discussion and possible action to direct staff regarding the use of funds received from Cocopah Indian Tribe on February 22, 2018, in the amount of \$4919.00.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Claar, seconded by Councilmember Jones to direct staff to use the funds received from Cocopah Indian Tribe on February 22, 2018, in the amount of \$4919.00 for a Kid's Klub Program this summer. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

7. Discussion regarding the Town of Wellton sponsoring the Tri-Valley Ambulance Service application for a grant from the Gila River Tribes.

Motion made by Councilmember Baughman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Claar to approve the Town of Wellton sponsoring the Tri-Valley Ambulance Service application for a grant from the Gila River Tribes. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried.

Future Agenda Items

- Staff will be bringing the updates for the Planning and Zoning Code and the Planned Area Development Overlays to Council soon.
- Nicholle Harris is to replace Phyllis Smiley as the Town's lead counsel. Andrew McGuire to support. Phyllis is retiring at the end of the month.
- The Audit for FY 2016-217 is complete. Reports will be forthcoming.
- There will be a CDBG Public Hearing on March 20th at 5:30PM to gather public input.
- There is to be a Flood Control Study Meeting (date TBD).
- Staff is working on the RFP for Coyote Wash Golf Course Maintenance and Management.

Town Manager Report

- Union Pacific Grant Update: the 2 lots at Arizona Avenue and Coyote Wash has been obtained (donated) and the environmental study on existing buildings is \$2,500.
- Butterfield Golf Course has shown some gains over last year.

- Wellton World of Wheels to be held on March 10th. Registration is 8 10AM. Show to follow.
- Pioneer Day Parade and Fiesta was on February 24th. There was a very good turnout.
- Staff is in the beginning stages of the budget process.
- EMS Subscriptions are still being offered.
- New meters have been installed as part of the meter replacement program. The water rate increase will be in the billing residents will receive on April 1st.
- WMIDD contributed \$5,000 to the ND & Katie Kline Pool.

Council's Report

None.

Executive Session

None requested.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Claar to adjourn. Voice vote: 5-0-0-0 (yay-nay-abstain-absent). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:51PM.