

# TOWN OF WELLTON

## Minutes of the July 20, 2021 Regular Meeting

Mayor Cecilia McCollough called the regular meeting to order at 7:00PM on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. Councilmember Davidson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Mayor McCollough gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

**Councilmembers Present:** Mayor Cecilia McCollough, Mayor Pro Tem Kenneth Baughman, Councilmembers Scott Blitz, Sylvia Davidson, and Michelle Jones.

**Councilmembers Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Larry Killman, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Finance Director Marisol Hernandez, Police Chief David Rodriguez, Public Information Officer David Williams, and Attorney Andrew McGuire (telephonically).

**Guests Present:** Jim Sampson, David Williams, Douglas Wilke, Martin Hernandez, and Shirley Reynolds.

### Call to the Public

**David Williams (11634 Baja Street)** – Opinion that the path of the Town is very positive. Does not agree about the discussion of outsourcing an Enterprise Fund that is in the positive historically. Very positive discussion about the current Town Manager, his leadership, and his large part in moving the Town in a positive direction. Feels that the Town is moving towards a betterment of the community.

**Douglas Wilke (29173 San Jose Avenue)** – Expressed his concern about the disrepair of the sidewalks around Town.

### Discussion and Action Items

#### 1. Approval of Minutes:

##### a. For the Meeting of July 6, 2021 (Regular Meeting).

Motion made by Councilmember Blitz, seconded by Councilmember Jones, to approve the Minutes for the Meeting of July 6, 2021 (Regular Meeting). Voice vote:

Baughman: Yay  
Jones: Yay  
McCollough: Yay  
Davidson: Yay  
Blitz: Yay

Motion carried.

#### 2. Discussion and possible direction regarding scheduling a Council Work Session relating to service provider options for solid waste collection.

Town Manager Killman stated this item was placed on the agenda at a councilmember's request. Whether or not the discussion is regarding Commercial, Residential, or both is to be determined. Should we choose to move forward with a Request for Proposals? An RFP is necessary to move

forward with outsourcing, as it will be comparing like to like. The purchase of a Commercial Sanitation Truck is currently in process with the USDA Grant/Loan combo.

Motion made by Councilmember Blitz, seconded by Councilmember Jones, to table discussion regarding outsourcing sanitation, the RFP process, service provider options for solid waste collection until a later date. Voice vote:

Baughman: Yay  
Jones: Yay  
McCollough: Yay  
Davidson: Yay  
Blitz: Yay

Motion carried.

### Future Agenda Items

- USDA loan documents could potentially be forthcoming.
- The purchase of the SKE lot requires a Resolution to close. It will be on the August 3, 2021 Agenda.
  - The land transition at Coyote Wash Golf Course with the Links at Coyote Wash Utilities will also require a Resolution at a future council meeting.

### Town Manager Report

- The DOC contract has been signed for the inmate crews. Pricing is to remain the same. There were numerous regulation additions due to COVID. There has not yet been a start date released.
- The installation of the insulation at the Fire Department is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, July 27.
- Coyote Wash will be utilizing Potassium Permanganate in the Front 9 irrigation system to treat the algae build-up in the system today. This will cause a "purple rain" during the initial treatment. The system will be flushed tomorrow and this will result in a dark residue as the cleared algae runs out.
- Staff has repaired the valve into the second pond on the Front 9. This will help to maintain the one foot of freeboard that is required by ADEQ.
- Staff is gearing up to begin next week on the repair/extension of the putting green west of the cart barn at Coyote Wash Golf Course. The plan is to remove the existing hill, remove 8 palm trees, repair the irrigation system, and expand the green to cover 18,000 sq feet. This will add a much-needed practice area for the golf course. We have been lacking this amenity as compared to other courses in the area.
- Staff has received the quote for the new clarifier at the Water Plant. It came in at \$315,000 plus installation. This will be the first step in the needed expansion of production at the Water Plant.
  - Staff will also be attending an ADEQ Funding Seminar to look for funding for this project.
  - The American Relief Act monies may be able to be utilized for this project.

- The Fire Department has received a request from Martinez Lake Fire Department to donate the old response truck and old fire engine. Staff is researching the details and requirements as to how to handle the process.
- National Guard – 3-4 engineers originally slated to work in Wellton have been rerouted to the flooding in Flagstaff. This has delayed our plans for road repairs.
- Water Plant filter media has been scheduled for replacement. This is to help alleviate the smell in the water that we tend to get during the summer months.
- Broadband Committee have issued the Request for Proposals and the tentative date of award is September 20, 2021.

### Council's Report

- Mayor McCollough attended the Arizona Community Foundation Grant Opportunities. Ambulance Service seems to have been the focus.

### Executive Session

An Executive Session may be called during the public meeting on any item on this agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) for the purpose of receiving legal advice.

- A. The Town Council will hold an Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) regarding Town Manger position with the current Town Manager, Larry Killman.

Motion made by Councilmember Blitz, seconded by Councilmember Davidson, to enter Executive Session at 7:23PM. Voice vote:

Baughman: Yay  
 Jones: Yay  
 McCollough: Yay  
 Davidson: Yay  
 Blitz: Yay

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Blitz, to exit Executive Session at 8:16PM. Voice vote:

Baughman: Yay  
 Jones: Yay  
 McCollough: Yay  
 Davidson: Yay  
 Blitz: Yay

Motion carried.

### 3. Discussion and possible action regarding Executive Session.

Motion made by Mayor McCollough, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Baughman, to give Town Manager Killman a 5% raise (retroactive to July 1, 2021) and he is to remain to train his replacement up to December 31, 2021. Voice vote:

Baughman: Yay  
 Jones: Nay

McCollough: Yay  
Davidson: Yay  
Blitz: Nay  
Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Baughman, seconded by Councilmember Davidson to adjourn.

Baughman: Yay  
Jones: Yay  
McCollough: Yay  
Davidson: Yay  
Blitz: Yay

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22PM.

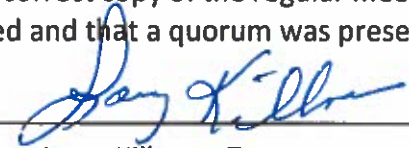
  
Cecilia McCollough, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Larry Killman, Town Manager

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held July 20, 2021 and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

  
Larry Killman, Town Manager