

**Superior Town Council
Town Council Meeting**

**Thursday, November 20, 2008
Superior Senior Center
Superior, Arizona**

M_I_N_U_T_E_S

A. Call to Order

Mayor Hing called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

B. Salute to the Flag

Mayor Hing led the council, staff and audience in the pledge.

C. Opening Prayer

Mayor Hing led the Town Council, Staff and audience in an opening prayer.

D. Roll Call

Members Present: Councilmember Cervantes, Second Vice Mayor Lopez, Mayor Hing, Councilmember Aguilar, Councilmember Heglie

Members Absent: Councilmember Peralta, First Vice-Mayor Valenzuela

A quorum was present and the meeting continued.

E. Consent Agenda

Mayor Hing introduced the items on the consent agenda. The items on the consent agenda for approval were:

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting November 6, 2008

Vice Mayor Lopez made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Heglie seconded the motion.

H. Communication

1. Managers Report

Arboretum Apartments:

Ms. Oliver invited Mr. Joe Anderson to speak to the council regarding the remodeling and other improvements that will be done at the Arboretum Apartments. Mr. Anderson explained that he was there to answer any questions the council may have about the upcoming remodeling and possible relocation of residents during the remodeling process. He explained that they would be paying any relocation costs the residents may incur while they have to vacate their apartment homes for the remodel. He stated that the remodel will make substantial improvements to all the apartments and open areas on their property. He also explained to the council that they have had a change in the local director at the property and informed them that at this time Lisa Almejo will be filling the role as director until a new director can be placed at the Superior Arboretum Apartments.

Animal Rescue:

Ms. Oliver explained that there had been a situation that morning regarding rumors that the towns Animal Control Officer would be doing a mass euthanasia. She reported that at no time was a directive given to do that nor had the Animal Control Officer planned on it. She explained that a Phoenix News station was contacted and they did arrive. She gave the floor to Ms. Carol Dodge who apologized for the confusion.

Ms. Dodge explained that she often times sends out pleas for other animal rescue groups to assist the Superior Animal Rescue group with their needs to rescue she said for some reason her email which was sent that morning created some negative excitement. She apologized for the confusion and negative light that was raised. She also thanked the town for their continued support and also reported that a generous person from the valley had made a \$800 contribution which will help the SAR to spay and neuter all of the cats they currently have rescued at this time.

Ms. Oliver also updated the council on the WiFi project she explained that WiVod has still not

completed the project and they really need to review if there has already been a breach of contract. Ms. Oliver also reported that she is working with SHPO on the Magma Club project and informed the council that SHPO is aware of the situation with the Architect charging the full amount for the project. She also explained that she has opened a conversation with the San Carlos Apache Tribe and has recently met with them. Ms. Oliver also updated the council on the abatement projects and the status of work with Dr. Wilt.

Discussion also was held in regards to the Magma Hotel Lien, Magma Club restorations and inmate workers. Councilmember Aguilar explained that many people have commented on how nice the cemetery is looking. Ms. Oliver thanked Councilmember Cervantes for helping to get the inmates back to Superior.

2. Public Works Report – Ms. Brothers

Ms. Brothers answered questions from her written report regarding the sewer plant and operations of the WWTP. She explained that they have made some upgrades to the Star Road lift station that will help to keep things running smoothly. They also discussed the need to build an additional door at the Star Rd. lift station to meet OSHA requirements.

3. Library Report

Ms. Campos gave an overview of the LSTA grant training and informed the council and the public of the library closure for the countywide inventory. She also explained that overdue notices are now being taken care of by the town manager and no longer being sent to a collections agency.

4. Senior Center Report

Ms. Oliver reported that the center is fully staffed. She explained that they will be working on fixing the laser printer or getting it replaced. Discussion followed on the need for the wellness blood pressure checks and sugar checks. Ms. Oliver explained that the Fire Department is available to do this and they have come to the center several times only to be turned away cause it is bingo day.

5. Finance Report

Ms. DeZeeuw reported that money is very tight, she commended the departments for staying on budget, however she reminded the council that it was important to try and save money because it is expected that over the next two years there will be less State Shared Revenues. She explained that to save money they are not filling any vacant positions and they are cross training other part time staff to assist with some jobs.

I. Business

Possible Discussion and/or action on the following

Discuss/Approve/Reject Call of Election, Resolution No. 489. A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Superior, Arizona, designating the election date and purpose of election; and designating the deadline for voter registration.

Ms. Oliver explained that this resolution creates a call for election which will be March 10, 2009 and that this election will be the primary election for council seats and two additional ballot measures including the Arizona Water Company Franchise agreement and Home Rule Election. Councilmember Heglie made a motion to approve the resolution. Vice Mayor Lopez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Call to the Public

Ms. Hayes and Ms. Lira gave a brief update on the Miracle on Main Street Christmas Event. Both thanked the town for their support and also encouraged everyone to participate in the events on December 6, 2008.

Council Comments

Councilmember Heglie

Wished everyone a happy and save Thanksgiving

Councilmember Cervantes

None

Councilmember Peralta

Absent

Councilmember Aguilar

