

**TOWN OF SUPERIOR**  
**MINUTES**  
**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE**  
**TOWN OF SUPERIOR TOWN COUNCIL**

Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the Superior Town Council and to the public, that a Regular Meeting of the Superior Town Council was held on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Superior Town Hall Auditorium, 199 N. Lobb Ave., Superior, Pinal County, Arizona. The agenda for this meeting is as follows:

**Due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, which have prompted declarations of a public health emergency at both the state and federal levels, this meeting will be conducted using measures to protect public health. Members of the public are encouraged NOT TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON but instead to attend and listen to the meeting remotely by telephone.**

**To participate in the meeting telephonically follow the instructions below:**

Tele-Conference Participant:

1. At the specified time, dial the Access Number **712-451-0644**.
2. When prompted, enter your Participant Code followed by #.
3. Your Participant Code is **127483 #**.

Participant Star Commands:

- \*4-Volume - Pressing \*4 will increase/decrease the volume.
- \*6-Mute - Participants can mute/unmute their own lines by pressing \*6.

**We will also be live-streamed on the Town's youtube channel.**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd2f5D2dfTkaazjwNyhAXRA> .

**Public access to the Mayor and Council Chambers will be restricted in order to prevent a large or close gathering of the members of the public and to promote social distancing. Additionally, some items on the agenda may be shortened, continued to a future meeting or taken out of order. These steps are part of the effort to limit the number of people who must be physically present, or who might desire to be physically present, at the meeting, and to limit the time of the public meeting.**

**This meeting was held remotely through technological means, as permitted under Arizona law.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**  
Mayor Besich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present:  
Mayor Besich

Present Telephonically:  
Vice Mayor Alonzo  
Council Member Gilbert Aguilar  
Council Member Olga Lopez  
Council Member Bruce Armitage  
Council Member Stephen Estatico

ABSENT:  
Council Member Vanessa Navarrette – Excused

Staff Present:  
Todd Pryor, Town Manager  
Ruby Cervantes, Town Clerk  
Stephen Cooper, Town Attorney – TELEPHONICALLY

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Besich led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. INVOCATION**

Council Member Armitage gave the Invocation. There was a moment of silence for those who have died in our community: Pete Guzman, Kim Byrd, Mr. Olmos, Mr. Munoz.

**5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

NONE

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

Mayor- There was a birthday parade for Nacho Villaverde's birthday which was nice. Last night's CWG meeting was really a nice meeting as it went over the work that we've been working on in collaboration with Resolution Copper on coming to agreements on our social economic funding as well as some work that some of their planners and organizers and contracted people are doing. It's really nice to see some of our work coming together.

Manager – We are looking at our Audit prep which has been keeping staff busy for the last week or so. We're working on a bunch of small projects; the multi gen center; completing our street projects; drain issue on highway; finishing the down town park. Staff is doing fairly well. We have our Fire Dept & Police Dept at full strength with returning members from COVID.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Pursuant to Section 2-4-6 (D), matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. Prior to consideration of the Consent

Agenda, the Mayor will ask whether any members of the Council request any item be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting on June 11, 2020.
2. Approval of Pinal-Gila Council for Sr. Citizens to Contract Amendment No. 019-6655, Amendment No.2 for the contract year FY 19-20 for service provided by the Town of Superior for Congregate, Home Delivered Meals and Transportation Services. This contract amendment reflects the following: Funding Increases – Family First Coronavirus Response Act Allocations. Congregate Meals- increasing the contract reimbursement ceiling to \$37,264.00. Home Delivered Meals – increasing the contract reimbursement ceiling to \$49,317.00.
3. Approval of Consulting Agreement between the Town of Superior and Wentzel Consulting Services. During Consultant’s engagement by the Town, Consultant shall render services, advice and recommendation to Town as Town may reasonably request with respect to the assistance for Non-Profit Community and Social Service Assistance Programs for the residents of the Town of Superior and such other matters as Town and Consultant shall from time to time agree.
4. Approval of Special Use Permit between the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service and the Town of Superior. This permit is issued for the purpose of: Operating and maintaining an irrigation water transmission pipeline, less than 12” diameter.
5. Approval of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Wayfinding Signage Master Plan. The Town of Superior is requesting proposals for professional services in the development of a wayfinding signage master plan for the Town of Superior. This signage program includes vehicle and pedestrian wayfinding signs across the Town of Superior directing visitors and residents to key destinations.
6. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town of Superior and Chris C. Spidle. Mr. Spidle is a private individual wishing to assist the Town of Superior in the express purpose of addressing the Superior Town Airport, fostering community and economic development and supporting, promoting, and advocating for a strong local civic airport improvement.
7. Department Reports:
  - Fire
  - Police
  - Public Works
  - Library
  - Senior Center
  - Sanitation
  - Town Engineer

**Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Aguilar, Motion Carries.**

AYES – 6 Mayor Besich, Vice-Mayor Alonzo; Council Members: Estatico, Lopez, Armitage, Aguilar.

NOES – 0

ABSENT – 1 Council Member Navarrette

ABSTINATIONS: 0

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion/ Possible Approval of Extension.of Emergency Declaration 2020-03.

Mayor read the possible options from a letter to the Council which was in the Agenda Packet.

1. Leave the declaration in place for another 90 days for review by the Council for extension or end at our October Council meeting.
2. Leave the declaration in place and allow the Mayor and staff to determine an end date
3. End the declaration and allow the business community and individuals to decide for themselves if they choose to wear a mask

Vice-Mayor Alonzo stated on possible options, if we come up with another alternative. Maybe at next meeting we can review. Another 30 days instead of 90 and see where we stand with the current pandemic.

Mayor Besich stated that maybe 60 days would be better. But we could do 30 days. It's up to Council. If no further questions or suggestions from council, she would open it up to the Public Line.

Sue Anderson – I want to applaud the Mayor and Council to keep the masks in place. This is the only thing to reduce the Pandemic. This is the only thing we have going for us. I would like to see the mask mandate stay in place. Thank you.

**Motion to approve the Extend the Mask Mandate to 60 days made by Council Member Estatico, second by Council Member Aguilar, Motion Carries.**

AYES – 6 Mayor Besich, Vice-Mayor Alonzo; Council Members: Estatico, Lopez, Armitage, Aguilar.

NOES – 0

ABSENT – 1 Council Member Navarrette

ABSTINATIONS: 0

**During the Council Comments, Council Member Bruce Armitage stated that his mic was muted during the voting of Item A under New Business. His vote was no.**

**Town Attorney Mr. Cooper stated we would have to go back to item A and have a roll call vote.**

**Mayor Besich went back to this item and did a roll call vote on this item.**

**Motion to approve the Extend the Mask Mandate to 60 days made by Council Member Estatico, second by Council Member Aguilar, Motion Carries.**

**Council Member Estatico – Aye**

**Council Member Armitage – NO**

**Council Member Lopez – Aye**

**Council Member Aguilar – Aye**

**Vice Mayor Alonzo – Aye**

**Mayor Besich – Aye**

**Motion to approve the Mask Mandate for 60 days carries.**

**AYES – 5 Mayor Besich, Vice-Mayor Alonzo; Council Members: Estatico, Lopez, Aguilar.**

**NOES – 1 Council Member Armitage**

**ABSENT – 1 Council Member Navarrette**

**ABSTINATIONS: 0**

- B. Public Hearing/ Discussion/Possible Approval of Ordinance 2020-165. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL ADOPTING A PROPERTY TAX LEVY SUFFICIENT TO RAISE THE SUM OF \$623,443.00 FOR THE 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020.**

**Mayor Besich opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM for anyone wanting to address the property tax levy.**

**Sue Anderson- asked Mr. Pryor if this is equal to last year?**

**Mr. Pryor – The Town has taken the same approach for the last 5-6 years. Lower rate so the tax rate stays the same. Won't see dollar to dollar increase except for new construction.**

**Mr. Jim Schenck – We need to approve this tax levy.**

**Mayor Besich closed the Public Hearing at 7:17 PM.**

**Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-165, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL ADOPTING A PROPERTY TAX LEVY SUFFICIENT TO RAISE THE SUM OF \$623,443.00 FOR THE 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020 made by Council Member Estatico, second by Vice Mayor Alonzo, Motion Carries.**

AYES – 6 Mayor Besich, Vice-Mayor Alonzo; Council Members: Estatico, Lopez, Armitage, Aguilar.  
NOES – 0  
ABSENT – 1 Council Member Navarrette  
ABSTINATIONS: 0

C. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution 2020-625, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, ARIZONA DESIGNATING THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER FOR OFFICIALLY SUBMITTING THE FISCAL YEAR EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT TO THE ARIZONA AUDITOR GENERAL.

As required by Arizona Revised Statutes §41-1279.07(E), annually by July 31 each county, city, town and community college must provide the Auditor General the name of the chief fiscal officer (CFO) the governing body designates to officially submit the current fiscal year’s Annual Expenditure of Limitation Report (AELR) on behalf of the governing body and certify to the accuracy of the report. Todd Pryor is the CFO.

Motion to approve Resolution 2020-625 made by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Aguilar, Motion Carries.

AYES – 6 Mayor Besich, Vice-Mayor Alonzo; Council Members: Estatico, Lopez, Armitage, Aguilar.  
NOES – 0  
ABSENT – 1 Council Member Navarrette  
ABSTINATIONS: 0

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Jim Schenck – Thanked the staff for putting together the Superior grant program. Thank you Town of Superior. Thank you for the grant program the Town of Superior instituted

Sue Anderson – Thank you. She has gotten many calls from business owners who are very grateful. Thank you.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE**

**SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

A. Council Members:

Mr. Estatico – SUSD has on the website the re-opening plan, guidelines, calendar. If you need information you can go to the web or facebook page. Stay safe.

Mr. Armitage – stated he voted no on item A. His mic was muted.

**Per Mr. Cooper, Mayor Besich would have to go back to item A in New Business and do a roll call vote.**

Mr. Armitage continued. He wanted to extend his appreciation to Mr Spidle for offering his service to work with the town in advancing the airport interests and look forward to seeing his interactions.

Mayor Besich – thanked Mr. Armitage for all he does at the airport. He is very much appreciated.

Ms. Lopez – Stay safe and healthy.

Mr. Aguilar – Prayers for those affected. Town stay safe.

Vice-Mayor Alonzo – Thanked Mr. Estatico for the back to school plans. Good communication. We have the executive order for you. Stay safe.

- B. Mayor Besich – Our prayers go out to everyone who has been affected with COVID. We need to protect our community. Want to thank our staff, Police and Fire depts for keeping it all together. TOGETHER WE ARE SUPERIOR!

## **SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**All meetings are held at Town Hall.**

<b>Planning &amp; Zoning</b>	<b>August 6, 2020</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Town Council</b>	<b>August 13, 2020</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Vice-Mayor Alonzo, second by Council Member Lopez, Motion Carries. Meeting Adjourns at 7:27 PM.**

AYES – 6 Mayor Besich, Vice-Mayor Alonzo; Council Members: Estatico, Lopez, Armitage, Aguilar.

NOES – 0

ABSENT – 1 Council Member Navarrette

ABSTINATIONS: 0

ATTEST:

  
**Mila Besich, Mayor**

  
**Ruby Cervantes, Town Clerk**