

**TOWN OF SUPERIOR
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2016**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUPERIOR TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 AT 7:00 PM IN THE SUPERIOR AUDITORIUM 199 N. LOBB AVENUE,
SUPERIOR, ARIZONA, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA.**

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Mayor Lopez called meeting to order at 7:00 pm

ROLL CALL

Mayor	Jayne Valenzuela, Absent
Vice Mayor	Olga Lopez
Councilmember	Gilbert Aguilar, telephonically
Councilmember	Michael Alonzo
Councilmember	Mila Besich-Lira
Councilmember	Stephen Estatico
Councilmember	John Tameron, Absent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor and Council led everyone in attendance in the salute to the flag.

INVOCATION

Pastor Dennis Van Gorp read Proverbs 14 and gave the invocation.

STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager	Todd Pryor
Town Attorney	Stephen Cooper
Deputy Town Clerk	Nora Miramon
Police Chief	David Neuss
Commander	Anthony Doran
Detective	Brian Lawrence & Ace
Finance Clerk	Ruby Cervantes
Public Works	Anthony Huerta

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Jim Schenck	Hank Gutierrez	Deb Sears	Ana Wedwizk
Nancy Vogler	Tina Gutierrez	Paul Sears	Steve Wedwizk
Bill Vogler	Sue Anderson	Debra Massey	Patricia Brown
Delores Hatfield	Bill Anderson	Shanlynn Rabenda	Nathan Taylor
Tom Spridgen	Tiffany Rowell	Linda Stewart	
Larry Bravo	Bruce Armitage	Myrna Guzman	
Leanne Taylor	Barbara Armitage	Dixie Briegel	
Aja Dezeeuw	Roberta Johnson	Shirley Holmquist	
Josh Dezeeuw	Jerry Barnes	Vanessa Navarrette	
Frank Hughes	Deb McKee	Rick Cartier	
Gloria Martinez	Joy Eveland	Teresa Hopkins	
Carlos Martinez	Angel Preciado	Adrian Amejio	
Jennifer Frank	Ashley Lira	Steve Holmquist	
Mckay Hall	Hilda Cardenas	Jenny Holmquist	

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Police Department introduction of K-9 Officer Ace and MPC units.

Commander Doran did the introduction of K-9 Officer Ace along with Detective Lawrence which we have met prior. The Superior Police Department got a canine named Ace thru a grant program called Animal Farm Foundation which works in conjunction with Universe canine based out of Texas. The dog was purchased thru the grant program and was no cost to the Town. Single purpose is he is a drug dog. He certified and so far, the Police have five successful bust. Ace has a 100% success rate, so far with the police department.

Chief Neuss stated that ABC 15 and Good Morning America have contacted him and we are the 1st working narcotics pit bull in the State of Arizona. They want an interview but we are giving the dog to bound more with his partner. We are trying to make this a totally donated system so if there is anyone out there that would like to donate we would certainly appreciate it.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CANVAS OF VOTES AUGUST 30, 2016 ELECTIONS

- A. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution 16-563, A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AND ADOPTING THE RESULTS OF THE RECALL ELECTION HELD ON AUGUST 30, 2016.
Motion to approve Resolution 16-563, A resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Superior, Pinal County, Arizona, declaring and adopting the results of the recall election held on August 30, 2016 made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Alonzo, motion carries.
- B. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution 16-564, A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AND ADOPTING THE RESULTS OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION HELD ON AUGUST 30, 2016.
Motion to approve Resolution 16-564, A resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Superior, Pinal County, Arizona, declaring and adopting the results of the primary election held on August 30, 2016 made by Councilmember Alonzo, second by Councilmember Estatico, motion carries.
- C. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution 16-565, A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AND ADOPTING THE RESULTS OF THE ALTERNATIVE EXPENDITURE LIMITATION ELECTION HELD ON AUGUST 30, 2016.
Motion to approve Resolution 16-565 a resolution of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Superior, Pinal County, Arizona, declaring and adopting the results of the Alternative Expenditure Limitation Election held on August 30, 2016 made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Alonzo, motion carries.

Swearing in of Mila Besich-Lira as Mayor

At this time Judge Bravo came forth to give Mila Besich-Lira the Oath of Office. Oath was administered and the Oath document was signed by Mayor Besich-Lira.

Mayor Besich-Lira, to our community thank you for all of your support and getting out to vote. We really rocked the ballot box and she heard some statistics this week. We have about 2800 residents and there were 700 voters. Let's keep that momentum going and stay engaged and involved in our community. She went on to thank some people and some colloquies for their support. that if it was not for them she would be here. All of us up here love Superior. She comes from good stock and for those of you that were my teachers Thank You because she really wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the solid education she received here in Superior. We have a lot to do so thank you to all of the support groups and everyone that supported her. We are all Superior and we will get a lot of things done. Thank You.

STAFF REPORTS

Manager- Finance Update, the month end balance has remained flat, with \$970,216.43 in various bank accounts. The property tax will start to come in probably in November/December then that trend will start to reverse and we will build our nest egg again. The audits continue at a furious pace. We have another one tonight and hopefully another one in two months and that will get us completely caught up.

Pavement assessment study, they have a Working Paper draft and they have a good idea where we stand on the streets. So when the audit is done we will have a good size of money.

ADEQ has given us a letter of consent to restart our transfer station. We have a first phase letter that we can start operation the transfer station after the first phase clean up. That can happen as soon as November if Council chooses to approve the first phase clean up tonight.

Councilmember Estatico question, what is the status of the sign project? Response from Town Manager, the sign project is progressing and is in the permit phase. They are looking at some easement issues, blue stake issues, right away issues. They gave the letter back to ADOT Engineers and we could be looking at building on the project with in the next few months.

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.

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Vice Mayor Olga Lopez, second by Councilmember Estatico, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion/Possible Approval of Presentation and Acceptance of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Audit by Hinton and Burdick. Staff recommends accepting this audit. With the acceptance of this audit we will only have the 2014-2015 audit remaining to bring all of our audits current. The key findings of this audit are already being addressed, as we are working toward better accountability for our HURF funds and collecting better information for the vehicle donations.

Hinton Burdick, Mr. Hall gave a power point presentation explaining different areas of the audit. First he gave a report on AELR (Annual Expenditure Limitation Report). Their responsibility is to express an opinion on this report based on our examination. He spoke on findings and recommendations for the year ended June 30, 2014. Internal control over financial reporting. He went on to compliance and other matters. With each different area there were also recommendations.

Councilmember Alonzo commented that everything you presented is like you mentioned and has been brought to our attention. He wants everyone to know that some of you were here at the last meeting. We talked about the HURF and taxation and where we needed to be and the measures to get us there are very similar to the recommendations we have heard tonight. This is the towns priority and Todd is doing a great job trying to get us there.

Motion to accept the presentation and acceptance of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Audit by Hinton and Burdick made by Councilmember Alonzo, second by Councilmember Estatico, 4 yes votes motion carries.

- B. Discussion/Possible Approval of Quote for Asbestos Abatement at the Transfer Station under Arizona State Contract by Native Environmental LLC or Spray Systems. Staff recommends approving the Spray Systems Environmental LLC or Spray Systems Environmental. The rate for the 12 loads under Spray proposal is \$39,528. The Native proposal is \$66,333, also for 12 loads. Brief discussion regarding the cleanup.
Motion to approve the quote for asbestos abatement at the Transfer Station under Arizona State Contract by Native Environmental LLC or Spray Systems Environmental made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Vice Mayor Lopez, motion carries.
- C. Discussion/Possible Approval of DECA Request to Wave the Pool Rental Fee for a fundraiser for DECA activities throughout the year. Staff recommends approving this request. This is a very positive program for the local high school and it supporting this event is in line with the mission of the Superior Pool, providing safe and enriching activities for the youth of Superior. Three of the lifeguards are DECA members and will be donating their time.
Councilmember Alonzo, this also falls into the Intergovernmental Agreement the Town has with the school so in the future we could probably ok this in the Consent Agenda.
Motion to approve DECA request to wave the pool rental fees for a fundraiser for DECA activities throughout the year made by Councilmember Alonzo, second by Vice Mayor Lopez, motion carries.
- D. Discussion/Possible Approval of Contract with Redpoint Contracting for the Waste Water Treatment Plant upgrades under the CDGB 113-16 Grant. This contract will allow us to begin work on the CDBG 113-16. The final contract includes only the two most important parts of the project scope, as all of the bids came in far in excess of the budget. The final contract is being prepared, and should be available by the time of the meeting. This is a fully funded grant. Staff recommends approving this contract. There is a representative from the contractor. There were some questions to the contractor and some discussion.

Motion to approve the contract with Redpoint Contracting for the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades under the CDBG 113-16 Grant made by Councilmember Alonzo, second by Vice Mayor Lopez, motion carries.

- E. Discussion/Possible Approval of a Special Event Liquor License Veterans of Foreign Wars Post # 3584 for September 16th through the 18th. This permit allows sales of liquor to patrons who are not members of the VFW. The sales would be limited to the post and a security guard provided. The time coincides with the Fiestas.
Motion to approve of a Special Event Liquor License Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3584 was made by Vice Mayor Lopez, second by Councilmember Estatico, motion carries.
- F. Discussion/Possible Approval of Billing Services Agreement Renewal with Absolute Medical Claims, Inc. for the Provision of Ambulance Billing Service for the Superior Fire Department.
This company has been doing the ambulance billing since 2008 with very consistent results. This will renew the contract for our long-standing relationship with Absolute Medical Billing.
Motion to approve the billing service agreement renewal with Absolute Medical Claims made by Vice Mayor Lopez, second by Councilmember Alonzo, motion carries.
- G. Discussion/Possible Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Renewal with the City of Mesa Relating to Fire Apparatus Maintenance and Repair Services. The fleet is in the best shape it has been for years, and our maintenance program is in compliance with NFPA rules as required in our Emergency Services Contract. This will renew the contract with the City of Mesa for the maintenance of our fire fleet. The rates have increased slightly, but it is still about half what a private sector repair company would charge us.
Motion to approve the IGA with the City of Mesa relating to the Fire Apparatus Maintenance and repair service made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Alonzo, motion carries.
- H. Discussion/Possible Approval of 12D Grant Application to the San Carlos Apache Tribe in the Amount of \$12,700 dollars for the purchase of Police Equipment. This is the first grant written with the assistance of Dr. Bev Browning. This will allow the police department to purchase additional bullet proof vest, side arms and body cameras to increase office safety. There is no match to this grant.
Mayor Besich-Lira wanted to thank Todd, Town Manager and Chief Neuss, she knows it is long process getting all of the information and then giving it to Dr. Browning. Thank you to Resolution Copper for the very generous gesture in making Dr. Browning available to the Town and to several agencies, committees, groups up to four grants per organization. Thank you Resolution Copper.
Motion to approve the 12D Grant Application to the San Carlos Tribe in the amount \$12,700 dollars for purchase of Police Equipment made by Vice Mayor Lopez, second by Councilmember Alonzo, motion carries.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Bill Vogel, just wants to say thank you to all residents of Superior who showed up to vote. It is overwhelming and unbelievable to see. After all of the meetings he has attended and the disasters we have witnessed. Thanked his wife to start the recall process to get rid of our past Mayor, Jayme Valenzuela. The people spoke in overwhelming numbers and it gave him faith in our community again. Makes him very proud to be a member of this community. This is his town, he hasn't lived here long but he lives here it's his home and he loves it. We have elected some people we can trust and that is something we have been missing in a long time.

Mike Montiel, he is the Quarter Master of the VFW here in Town. The organizations here in the community need to start stepping up and that is why he is here. As a member of the VFW we are supposed to be an organization that promotes patriotism and helps the community. He knows that for a long time we were not keeping the promise to this community and to ourselves. He personally is making the promise they are going to start doing that. This Sunday 911 they are having a precession down Main Street honoring those who fell during 911. Following a luncheon to honor Firefighters and Police Officers. This will be happening every year and just to let everyone know this VFW Chapter has been stepping up in other areas. Please join us in honoring our Firefighters and Officers this Sunday at 2 pm.

Sue Anderson, Congratulations Mila and to the Councilmembers on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce we are really looking forward to working with the new Council and the Town Manager. We are excited to see what is happening in this town and as long as we work together we can go as high as we want it to.

Marilee Lache, she wants to talk to you about the art chair program they had during the Prickly Pear Festival. Wild Cow gallery bought and donated 20 chairs. She had her garage as art central and there was local artist one of which was our local Mayor. They raised over \$600 dollars to donate to our local school for after school art programs. Thanks to all of you that participated and painted and all of you that bought chair. Second thing she wants to say is Mila she is so proud of you. She has known Mila for the 12 years she has lived here and she is so impressed by the way she works for this community and her honesty.

Leeann Taylor, she has lived in Superior for 6 years and she met Mila shortly after she moved here. She is so happy she has become mayor. It is just amazing that the town supported her. We realized we all wanted to get rid of the corruption. Her integrity her honesty the way she communicates with others. She believes this is wonderful thing that is going to happen to our Town.

Mayor, thank you all for all of your positive comments but everything that happens in this Council is a direct result of our staff and council working together it is not just one person. If you guys knew all of the back ground research that Councilmember Alonzo, Estatico and Vice Mayor Lopez do to make sure the Town Manager has the staff and the information that they need. We are all one team together so thank you all for your appreciation.

SUMMARY

1. Council Members:

Councilmember Alonzo, congratulation to you on your victory. To the new councilmembers look forward to working with you in December. We have some great things planned for this town and there is a lot that can happen and you will not always agree with the decisions we make or the

popular vote. They will do the best they can and with integrity. Football season is here and it would great to have this kind of turnout at our football games. It would also great if you would continue to come to these meetings.

Councilmember Estatico, we are not going to agree with everyone on everything what you will see is we have a relationship with everyone and even if we might disagree with each other we work thru it and do what is best for the community to things better. I don't look at this as a job it is a privilege.

Vice Mayor Lopez, Congratulations to Mila she comes with a lot of background and knowledge. Also to our new members of council. Thank you all for supporting us and voting and showing up to support us it was great. Like Mr. Alonzo stated you are here today but do not give up on us. Keep coming and supporting the decisions and ask questions let's talk about issues and come together. Also let's support our team, we gone thru softball now we are starting another football season let's try to come out and support our home team. Fiestas are coming up real soon next weekend. It is a two-day event and they are anticipating 300+ at the car show, this will be the 3rd largest in the State of Arizona so come out enjoy the music and food and visit with each other.

Mayor, just want to echo what everyone else has said. We are working toward building good relationships within our community and all around our community. Also do not forget the 911 percussion on Sunday by the VFW. Friday there is a flag ceremony at the school.

Councilmember Aguilar, Congratulations to all.

Manager, Mr. Pryor thanked the Chamber for the ADOT meet and great and then the session on how to file the sales tax forms. October 4, 2016 at 6:00pm we will be circulating flyers for this session.

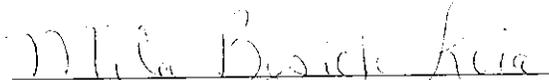
Mr. Armitage, regarding the stones they picked up for Besich Park. Actually it was Mike McKee idea he put in our head and we started the ball rolling.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

- A. Emergency Service Committee Meeting, September 15, 6:00 pm
- B. Planning and Zoning Meeting, October 6, 2016 6:00pm
- C. Regular Council Meeting October 13, 2016, 7:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Vice Mayor Lopez, second by Councilmember Estatico, motion carries. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.



Mayor, Mila Besich-Lira

Town Attorney, Stephen Cooper



Town Manager, Todd Pryor