

**TOWN OF SUPERIOR  
SUPERIOR TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES  
MARCH 8, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER-** Mayor Besich -- Lira call meeting to order at 7:08 pm

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor	Mila Besich-Lira
Vice Mayor	Michael Alonzo
Councilmember	Bruce Armitage
Councilmember	Stephen Estatico
Councilmember	Olga Lopez
Councilmember	Vanessa Navarrette
Councilmember	Gilbert Aguilar-Absent

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** Miss Hing led everyone in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

**INVOCATION-** Chaplain Van Gorp gave the invocation

**STAFF PRESENT**

Town Manager	Todd Pryor
Town Attorney	Stephen Cooper
Deputy Town Clerk	Nora Miramon
Finance Clerk	Ruby Cervantes
Public Works	Anthony Huerta

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

Jesse Sarcee  
Debra Massey  
Linda Stewart  
Anna Petty  
Jim Schenck  
Jeff Rabenda

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS-**

- A. ULI Tap Presentation-there gave a presentation stating they are aware of all that is going on in the Town of Superior and they would like to be involved. They are excited to see things moving and this town has a lot of potential for growth. Their presentation was about 15 minutes.
- B. Presentation of new K-9 vehicle. This is a beautiful Ford Explore that is to be able to take the K-9 anywhere he needs to go. Council dismissed meeting for a few minutes to be able to view the new vehicle. It has a alarm system that when you leave the car with the dog inside and the temperature climes up the alarm will go off to get someone's attention that the dog might be at risk.

**STAFF REPORTS-**

Mayor- not going to take long, the town has been working hard on a huge number of issues, and in the midst of all this effort, it is easy to lose sight of the progress we have made. This period has seen significant changes in just about every town department.

The future looks bright, as we move away from crisis resolution and toward planned improvements, but the workloads will continue to be heavy and to strain our capacity, we will need to build this capacity to take advantage of the numerous opportunities that continue to come at us rapidly. They also have a list of 51 projects the Town has already finished, so this shows that the town has been working hard.

**CONSENT AGENDA,**

1. Minutes of Regular Meeting on February 8, 2018
2. Approval of Amended Membership Agreement for Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool.
3. Approval of Renewal Proposal for the Senior Center with Pinal Gila Council for Senior Citizens. This process is repeated every four years.
4. Approval of Application for Drilling and Geophysical Study by BHP in accordance with Town Code 12-6-3. This is to fill in data collected under the previously approved permit Approval of the 2018 State Homeland Security Grant Application by the Superior Police Department in the amount of \$133,115 for Radio Equipment. There is no match listed, but this is a re-imbursement grant. There are sufficient reserves to administer this grant.
5. Approval the 2019 Assistance to Firefighters Grant application by the Superior Fire Department for \$114,885 for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus. There is a 5% match on this grant, which will be covered by RCM ESA funding.
6. Approval of Inmate Work Contract between the Town of Superior and the Arizona Department of Corrections.
7. Approval of the 2018 Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety Grant Application by the Superior Police Department in the amount of \$40,250 for a driving simulator. There is no match listed, but this is a re-imbursement grant. There are sufficient reserves to administer this grant.
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9. Department Reports
  - Fire
  - Police
  - Public Works
  - Library
  - Senior Center
  - Magistrate Court
  - Sanitation
  - Town Engineer

**Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilmember Armitage, second by Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.**

## NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval of Bed Tax Ordinance 18-144. An Ordinance of the Town of Superior, Arizona. Relating to the privilege licensee tax: Amending the Tax code by increasing the tile general rate of taxation to four percent (4%)for section 1-477: providing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for severability designating and making provision for existing contracts.

The revenue from this tax would be very small at the beginning, but as more hotels open it may become more lucrative. This will allow for the collection of revenue from current and future hotels. The posting requirements for this have been met.

Mr. Schneck- stated he is in favor of this Bed Tax Ordinance. The town really needs this money to be able to do what needs to get done. It would only be on bed tax and would Pam Rabago- She also is in favor of this bed tax. It would only affect the visitors that spend the night in town and she would also like to see some of that money go to the Chamber since they have work hard for the Town. Mayor closed public hearing and asked for a motion.

**Motion to approve Bed Tax Ordinance 18-144. An Ordinance of the Town of Superior, Arizona. Relating to the privilege licensee tax: Amending the Tax code by increasing the tile general rate if taxation to four percent for section 1-477: providing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for severability designating and making provision for existing contracts were made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Vice Mayor Alonzo, motion carries.** Since they have work hard for the Town. Mayor closed public hearing and asked for a motion.  
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- B. Discussion/Possible Approval of Resolution NO. 18-592 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR AUTHORIZING THE SETTING OF FEES FOR WASTE WATER SERVICES AND BILLING POLICY. Staff recommends approving this resolution. This would adopt the fees from the rate study for sewer connections USDA will require this for the grant application.  
**Motion to approve Resolution No. 18-592 a Resolution of the Mayor and the Town Council of the Town of Superior authorizing the setting of fees for waste water services and billing policy made by Vice Mayor Alonzo, second by Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.**
- C. Discussion/Possible Approval of Safe Haven Program by the FCCLA and the Early Childhood Program/Child Development class. Matthew Perez, Augustine Hing also Heather Burner. Ms. Burner spoke on how this program began. On behalf of FCCLA and our Early Childhood Program/Child Development class we are excited and proud to be advocates for the Safe Haven Law and Foundation.  
**Motion to approve Safe Haven Program by the FCCLA and the Early Childhood Program/Child Development Class was made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Armitage motion carries.**

- D. Discussion/Possible Approval of Communication Site Easement with APS will release their easement for the old substation on the US 60 park. This would allow APS to Put a radio pole next to the communications office on corner of the fire station property.  
**Motion to approve Communication Site Easement with APS will release their easement for the old substation on the US 60 Park was made by Vice Mayor Alonzo and Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.**
- E. Discussion/Possible Approval of Request for Proposal for the sale of town owned Main Street properties, including the Belmont building and the old police department. This RFP would require a business plan that requires a revenue producing business within two years or the town would get the building back. Brief discussion was held between council and town manager  
**Motion to approve request for proposal for the sale of town owed Main Street properties, including the Belmont building and the old police department was made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.**
- F. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval of Ordinance 18-145. AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR POLICE DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT FINGERPRINTS TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR A CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK OF CURRENT OR PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY. There was some discussion with Fire Captain-Pinal County Sherriff Officer Drennan. Mr. Drennan has areas and questions that he needs to find out more information. There were no further questions from council nor the public, so the Mayor closed the public hearing.  
**Motion to approve the Ordinance 18-145 was made by Councilmember Navarrette, second by Vice Mayor Alonzo, motion carries.**
- G. Discussion/Possible Approval of Termination of employment contract with Town Chief of Police.  
**Motion to approve the termination of employment contract with Town Chief of Police was made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Vice Mayor Alonzo motion carries.**
- H. Discussion/Possible Approval of Appointment of Interim Chief of Police and setting salary for position. Town Manager would like to nominate Sargent Ensley for Chief of Police and was recommended by his fellow employees. He has been very help thru this time and taken his own initiation. Sargent Ensley stated they have been talking with the Town Manager and we agree it is time to make a change.  
**Motion to approve the appointment of Sargent Ensley as Interim Chief of Police and at the same rate of pay and as an exempt employee made by Councilmember Estatico second by Councilmember Armitage, motion carries.**

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mrs. Massey, police would like to for us to move our RV. They have been given different reasons as to why we must move our RV. We cannot afford to pay for someone else to put it up and take

Schneck, we have two organizations that are here help get Superior cleaned up. The Lost and Rebuild Superior. Please share this information with friends and family and maybe talk about getting together and cleaning Superior.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion to move into executive session with the Town Attorney, Town Manager, Mayor and Council members for up to one hour made by Councilmember Estatico, second by Councilmember Armitage motion carries at 9:20 pm**

**Motion to return from Executive Session at 10:03 pm from Councilmember Lopez, second from Councilmember Lopez, motion carries.**

**Motion to approve contract for the Town Manager was made Councilmember Navarrette, second by Councilmember Armitage motion carries.**

**Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Councilman Estatico second by Councilmember Lopez motion carries, meeting adjourned at 10:04 pm.**

  
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Mila Besich-Lira, Mayor

  
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Todd Pryor, Town Manager