

**TOWN OF SUPERIOR  
MINUTES  
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, November 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Superior Town Hall Auditorium, 199 N. Lobb Ave., Superior, Pinal County, Arizona. The Council Chambers was open to the public 30 minutes prior to the start of the Council Meeting and seating was available at the public meetings for “reasonably anticipated attendance.”

This Meeting will be live-streamed on the Town’s youtube channel.

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

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Besich called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:

Mayor Mila Besich  
Council Member Bruce Armitage  
Council Member Gilbert Aguilar  
Council Member Amy Byrd  
Council Member Olga Lopez  
Council Member Vanessa Navarrette

ABSENT:

Vice-Mayor Michael Alonzo

STAFF:

Todd Pryor, Town Manager  
Stephen Cooper, Town Attorney  
Ruby Cervantes, Town Clerk – ABSENT

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Besich led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance

4. **INVOCATION**

Council Member Armitage gave the Invocation.

5. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

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- A. Presentation of the Superior Optimist Community Champion Proclamation, recognizing the VFW Auxiliary Post 3584 as the 2023 Spirit of Optimism Community Champions.

Mayor Besich read the Superior Optimist Community Champion Proclamation. VFW members came forward and were recognized. The Community Champions are the Grand Marshalls for the annual Light Parade. Jessica Castillo, Optimist President was also present.

VFW also announced they were giving \$1,000. to Food Bank, \$1000 Superior Schools and \$1000 to Kearny schools.

- B. Oath of Office for Police Chief Tim Chavez .

Mayor Besich gave Chief Tim Chavez the Oath of Office. He was pinned by his mother. Other family members were also present.

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

Mayor Besich – had a very busy weekend. Had the Christian Motorcycle Association host their event. Made a donation to Food Bank. Had free concert, movie and community engagement. Gave the town a plaque. Have the helicopter rodeo at the airport. Staff been busy with grants and programs. Getting closer to welding classes getting started. Chamber hosted Rep Ruben Gallegos for a round table .

Town Manager Pryor – on Monday they are going to be replacing guardrail on Stone Dip. Using a contractor. Street could be closed up to two days.

Mayor Besich reminded everyone about downloading the Town of Superior app. Has a lot of information. Congratulations to Arboretum for kicking off their 100 year celebration.

**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 Town Council Meeting on October 12, 2023.
2. Approval of Town of Superior Alcohol Beverage Permit for Olga Lopez/Social Club for a Horseshoe/Cornhole Tournament for Mary Helen Velasquez on Saturday, November 11, 2023 located at the US 60 Park from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM.
3. Approval of Town of Superior Alcohol Beverage Permit for Angelina Serrano for a Birthday Party located at the Magma Club on Saturday, November 18, 2023 from 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

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4. Approval of Agreement with BHP Minerals Services for a \$25,000 donation to the Town of Superior Tourism and Marketing program.
5. Approval of Agreement with Resolution Copper Mining for a \$11,952 donation to the Coleman Alley Rainwater Capture Garden Project.
6. Approval of Employment Contract with Police Chief Tim Chavez.
7. Approval of Department Reports:
  - Fire
  - Police
  - Public Works
  - Library
  - Senior Center
  - Sanitation
  - Town Engineer

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Council Member Aguilar, second by Council Member Lopez, Motion Carries.

AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.

NOES - 0

ABSTINATION - 0

ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval Ordinance 2023-180, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING A REZONE FROM URBAN RESIDENTIAL (R1-5) TO PA OVERLAY ZONE DISTRICT (R1-5PA) FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER(S) 106-12-041 & 106-12-040A, ALSO DESCRIBED AS 277 N. KELLNER AVE.  
TCSR Item No. 2023-180

Pam Rabago handed out maps. She described the lot sizes.

Mayor Besich opened Public Hearing at 7:22 PM. Hearing no further comments, she closed the Public Hearing at 7:22 PM.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-180, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING A REZONE FROM URBAN RESIDENTIAL (R1-5) TO PA OVERLAY ZONE DISTRICT (R1-5PA) FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER(S) 106-12-041 & 106-12-040A, ALSO DESCRIBED AS 277 N. KELLNER AVE made by Council Member Navarrette, second by Council Member Aguilar, Motion Carries.

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AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.

NOES - 0

ABSTINATION - 0

ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

- B. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval Ordinance 2023-182, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING A REZONE FROM URBAN RESIDENTIAL (R1-5) TO PA OVERLAY ZONE DISTRICT (R1-5PA) FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 105-04-0800, ALSO DESCRIBED AS 434 W. TERRACE DR.

TCSR Item No. 2023-182

Sue Anderson gave her presentation. She is trying to split a lot on Terrace Drive. There are two homes on that lot. She wants to keep one house and sell one.

Mayor Besich opened the Public Hearing at 7:25 PM. Asked if there was anyone wishing to address this issue.

Council Member Aguilar asked if these were the apartments. They are not. Those are further up the street.

Mr. Pryor stated that these houses were on our dilapidated list for 15 years.

Mayor Besich closed the Public Hearing at 7:26 PM.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-182, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING A REZONE FROM URBAN RESIDENTIAL (R1-5) TO PA OVERLAY ZONE DISTRICT (R1-5PA) FOR ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER 105-04-0800, ALSO DESCRIBED AS 434 W. TERRACE DR. made by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Byrd, Motion Carries.

AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.

NOES - 0

ABSTINATION - 0

ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

- C. Discussion/ Possible Approval of Resolution No. 2023-671, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND POSTED ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE ENTITLED "DESIGN PLANS DEVELOPMENT SITE LOCATED AT 741-743 W. MAIN ST., SUPERIOR ARIZONA."

TCSR Item No. 2023-183

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Maria Salcido is representing the Project. She passed out flyers. This project is located on Main Street, next to Arnold's . Was bought about 5 years ago. Workforce house development. Went through Planning and Zoning and they did approve 24 units on this property. Three different designs. Studies have already done.

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2023-671, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND POSTED ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE ENTITLED "DESIGN PLANS DEVELOPMENT SITE LOCATED AT 741-743 W. MAIN ST., SUPERIOR ARIZONA." Made by Council Member Aguilar, second by Council Member Navarrette, Motion Carries.

AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.  
NOES - 0  
ABSTINATION - 0  
ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

- D. Public Hearing/Discussion/Possible Approval Ordinance 2023-183, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVES THE DESIGN PLANS FOR THE NEW DEVELOPMENT SITE.

TCSR Item No. 2023-183

Mayor Besich opened Public Hearing at 7:32 PM.

Mr. Schenck understands market rates. They are rental properties. What 600 or 800 sq ft would be.

Ms Salcido - \$780 on the low end. Is assistance needed willing to help.

Mayor Besich closed Public Hearing at 7:33 PM.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-183, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVES THE DESIGN PLANS FOR THE NEW DEVELOPMENT SITE made by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Armitage, Motion Carries.

AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.  
NOES - 0  
ABSTINATION - 0  
ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

- E. Discussion/ Possible Approval of Resolution No. 2023-672, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, ARIZONA APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL

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AGREEMENT (IGA) BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR AND THE STATE OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, COLLECTION, AUDIT, AND LICENSING OF TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAXES, USE TAXES, SEVERANCE TAXES, JET FUEL EXCISE AND USE TAXES AND RENTAL OCCUPANCY TAXES IMPOSED BY THE STATE, CITIES OR TOWNS.

Action Item No. 1

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2023-672, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR, ARIZONA APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SUPERIOR AND THE STATE OF ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, COLLECTION, AUDIT, AND LICENSING OF TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAXES, USE TAXES, SEVERANCE TAXES, JET FUEL EXCISE AND USE TAXES AND RENTAL OCCUPANCY TAXES IMPOSED BY THE STATE, CITIES OR TOWNS made by Council Member Aguilar, second by Council Member Byrd, Motion Carries.

AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.

NOES - 0

ABSTINATION - 0

ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

- F. Discussion/ Possible Approval of Economic Development Agreement between the Town of Superior and Resolution Copper Mining Company to supply \$700,000 for three years for Community Services Programming, Business and Workforce programs, Tourism/Visitor Marketing and Promotion, Economic Development Capacity Development and Diversification.

Action Item No. 2

Mayor Besich - in 2019 we had our first 5 year agreement with Resolution Copper for the Superior Enterprise Center and the Multi Gen Center projects. Those Agreements all expired in February 2022. We are ahead of schedule approving this in November.

Bryan Seppala - we have come along way since we signed the first Agreement in 2019. And now we are seeing the Superior Enterprise Center taking shape. We have the welding program that should be starting in January. Excited we are ready to renew the new multi year agreement for the years 2024 to 2026. \$700,000 per year for 3 years totaling 2.1 million.

Motion to approve Economic Development Agreement between the Town of Superior and Resolution Copper Mining Company made by Council Member Byrd, second by Council Member Aguilar, Motion Carries.

AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez, Navarrette.

NOES - 0

ABSTINATION - 0

ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Schenck – For LOST, he hasn't seen it yet, but we now have a kiosk at the Queen Creek Trail Head.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION- NONE**

**SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

A. Council Members:

Navarrette – Wish everyone Happy Holidays. Fill a Bown on November 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Mike Mckee Car Show coming up.

Aguilar – None

Byrd – Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year. Continue Christmas side by side ride December 9 and 16. Also will be in the Miracle on Main Street.

Armitage – Thanked Bryan for support for the Town of Superior. Congratulate our new Chief Chavez. Try to land in 2024 with your feet up.

Lopez – Happy Holidays. Stay safe and healthy. Support basketball team.

- B. Mayor Besich – Congratulations Chief Chavez. Got a lot of media love about our missing plaques. Our staff is working to get them replaced quickly. Our goal is to get them replaced by the Home Tour and have a dedication ceremony. Thanks to staff. Monumental year. Couldn't do it without non-profits, Resolution. Enjoy the nice weather. Have nice and safe holidays.

C. Town Manager- None

**SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

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

<b>Emergency Services Committee</b>	<b>11/16/2023</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Community Development Committee</b>	<b>NO MEETING</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Planning &amp; Zoning Committee</b>	<b>01/04/2024</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b>Town Council Meeting</b>	<b>01/11/2024</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>

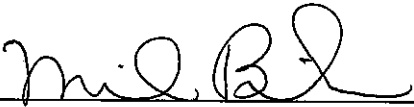
**ADJOURNMENT**

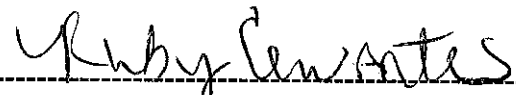
Motion to adjourn the Meeting of the Town Council made by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Navarrette, Motion Carries. Meeting adjourns at 7:42 PM.

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AYES - 6 Mayor Besich, Council Members: Aguilar, Armitage, Byrd, Lopez,  
Navarrette.  
NOES - 0  
ABSTINATION - 0  
ABSENT - 1 Vice Mayor Michael Alonzo

ATTEST:

  
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Mila Besich, Mayor

  
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Ruby Cervantes, Town Clerk