

FREDONIA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

February 7, 2023

25 N. Main St., Fredonia, AZ

7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.01, notice is hereby given to members of the Fredonia Town Council and the Public that a Regular Meeting will be held on February 7, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. If indicated in the agenda, Council may enter into an executive session for legal advice under ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) for any item listed on the agenda. **Mayor Riddle, Councilor Johnson, Vice Mayor Johnson Councilor Ballard, Traci Goodall, Conciliar Banks excused.**

Regular Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: **7:05**

Roll Call: **Mayor Riddle**

Invocation: **Councilor Johnson**

Pledge of Allegiance **All in attendance:**

Public Comment *(The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless the matters are properly noticed)*

Marry and Dave Gusser wanted to show their appreciation to officer Peterson. They appreciate knowing that he is here and he waves to them when he sees them in the community.

Mark at Utah Southern News asked the council to speak up and more clearly so that he can hear the conversations better.

Dave Kimball- Has been in the community for 39 years and has cleaned the office building for years. Would like to have codes to enter the town office without having to make a scheduled time to clean. Will work this week and next and be done if he can't have codes. He wants to clean when it is convenient for him.

A. Consent Items: (The following items may be approved by a single motion, unless a member of the Town Council requests that any item be considered separately and acted upon accordingly. Each item considered separately may be approved by motion of the Council as though originally listed as an action item.)

1. Agenda for February 7, 2023 **Motion Councilor Ballard 2nd Councilor Johnson all in favor**
2. Minutes from January 24, 2023 regular meeting and January 26, 2023 special meeting **Motion to table 01/24/2023 minutes and approve 01/26/2023 by Vice Mayor Johnson 2nd councilor Johnson. Counselor Banks abstained and was not present- in all in favor.**
3. Payment Register-**Motion Councilor Ballard 2nd Vice Mayor Johnson all in favor.**

B. Reports *(The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless*

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1. Mayor
 - a. Meeting with Coral Evans from Senator Mark Kelly's office
 - b. Meeting with Carolyn Hamblin from Mohave Community College
 - c. Met with Chris at Coconino County has a lot of good resources to share. Provided information about Brownfield (A grant program provided by the county to help property owners detect and clean up properties that have environmental ground impact.)
2. Town Clerk-Meeting with the new accountant assistant went well, moving forward with unfinished reconciliations from 2021. Page Steel is picking up scrap and all is going well. Waiting on quotes for security cameras etc. The Historical society should be able to move in soon. Mayor Riddle and Clerk are going to meet once a week to discuss town issues. All credit card statements since August of 2022 have been reviewed and put on an excel sheet to identify all charges by cardholders.
3. Town Manager- Report same as item 2.

C. Action Items:

1. Discussion and possible action- Land Combination for parcel # 60012039V and #60012039T; Allen Dunan Council received clarification for plan for the above mentioned parcels- **Motion to approve combination for parcels# 60012039V�T by Mayor Riddle 2nd by Councilor Ballard all in favor.**
2. Discussion and possible action- Regarding demands from resigned employee. Council may enter into an executive session under ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice or (A)(4) for a contested claim. **"Motion to go into Executive Session by Mayor Riddle at 7:34pm 2nd by Councilor Johnson All in favor.. Council resumed back to regular session at 8:05 Mayor Riddle stated staff and legal counsel are directed to proceed as directed in executive session.**
3. Discussion and possible action regarding scope of authority of Interim Town Manager- Council may enter into an executive session under ARS §38-431.03(A)(3)-(A)(4) for legal advice- **Councilor Ballard would like to see clerk/town manager and open to hiring a project manager and grant writer. Mayor Riddle disagrees, does not want our limit our options. Vice Mayor Johnson does not want to do something different. Councilor Johnson stated where we are now is good. Direction for the next meeting the current clerk/ interim town manager is to see how we would proceed with the town manager-town clerk would be done, How to hire a part time project manager and get clarity for training. Have the payroll budget available to see the money set aside for council. Have A-3 in two weeks and get more information on how to merge the position.**

4. Discussion and possible action regarding estimated time frame for the new web page to be up and running - **We are still at the design stage- The old website is not functioning in the direction the town wanted to move. Mayor Riddle and clerk Goodall will look at this week and try to finish.**

5. Discussion and possible action regarding the Mission statement and Vision for the Town- **Councilor Ballard stated we need to highlight ourselves as a self-sustaining community that is business and work friendly and cater to the families that live here. Vice Mayor Johnson stated we need tourism and welcome those who welcome businesses. It was discussed on ways that the community could be involved with the discussion of what the community would like to see in the towns Mission Statement.**

6. Discussion regarding future agenda items:

- a. Completion date for FY 2021 Audit
- b. Credit card transactions by card holder without receipts
- c. Form for land combination/split/lot line adjustment
- d. Reevaluate Interim Town Manager
- e. Evaluation of Magistrate's wage
- f. Street light project change order request
- g. Town committees and department; council representation
- h. Sawmill Estate Subdivision progress
- i. New signature cards for the bank accounts
- j. Roofing bid for Fire Station
- k. Bid for gutter on the Police and Care and Share Building

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 9:03 Mayor Riddle 2nd Conciliar Johnson all in favor

Review and sign Demands

Approved

Attest