

FREDONIA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

May 30, 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 Public and Regular Meeting will be held on May 30, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.
Councilor Banks, Councilor Ballard, Vice Mayor Johnson, Councilor Johnson, Mayor Riddle, Traci Goodall

Regular Meeting

Call to Order **7:06**

Roll Call- **Mayor Riddle**

Invocation **Vice Mayor 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*) none

- 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 May 30, 2023
 2. Minutes from May 16, 2023 work, public no regular meeting and May 18, 2023 Emergency meeting
 3. Payment Register:

Motion to approve all consent items by Mayor Riddle seconded by Councilor Johnson all in favor.

B. Reports (*The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless the matters are properly noticed*)

1. Mayor
 - a. Supervisor Lena Fowler coming June 7th at 1pm at the Town Office
2. Town Clerk- Interim Town Manager- **Topics discussed Health Insurance and Vehicle usage.**

C. Action Items:

1. Discussion and possible action- Streetlight Project progress and how to move forward. **Councilor Ballard reached out to several companies to get quotes. Ryan with Diamond Mountain Marketing was the only one to show interest. Ryan was present to give a presentation concerning his product and the scope of the project and different options and materials that we would have available. Council discussed the options presented concerning styles bases. Public works director Skyler Palmer**

spoke about his findings and requirements concerning ADOT. Council discussed different options concerning the quote in regards to adding additional materials and how this could affect the current grant in place with NACOG. Mayor Riddle stated that any quote over \$150,000.00 needs to go out to bid not just 3 quotes. Skyler stated that ADOT does still need to review the lighting specs. The discussion was had by council to possibly split the funds and get a quote for additional cobra heads. The presentation that was presented by Ryan stated that his company has been in business for a long time. His products solar lights are located on the top of the heads and offers a superior design. The acrylic models last approx 25 years and the LED chip is designed to last approx 20 years. The batteries have a 5 year warranty and last approx 10 to 12 years. The new products put out more lumens and meet dark sky requirements. Mayor Riddle made a recommendation that Skyler talk to Isabelle at NACOG. Councilior Ballard made a motion to go forward with Diamond Mountain Marketing quote for 15 light decorative arms and bases, pending if ADOT approves. Mayor Riddle made an addition motion to add to Councilior Ballards motion that Skyler talk to Isabelle and ADOT to include specks. Councilior Johnson seconded the motion all approved.

2. Discussion and possible action- On call payout for police chief for the months when he was the only employee of the police department. Council may vote to convene in executive session pursuant to ARS 38-431(A)(1) for personnel matters and/or (A)(3) for legal advice. Documentation and employee request was reviewed. **Mayor Riddle made a motion to approve \$9645.00 to be paid out seconded by councilior Ballard all in favor**
3. Discussion and possible action- Employee insurance benefit payout-**Council discussed and/or reviewed all of the documents that were provided and the impact this would have for employees. Councilior Ballard made a motion to allow a cash out value of 50% of the lowest common denominator, seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson; Vic Mayor Johnson, Councilior Johnson, Councilior Ballard, and Councilior Banks all voted yes and Mayor Riddle voted no.**
4. Discussion and possible action- Policy for town equipment and vehicle use-**Council discussed and/or reviewed all of the documents that were provided and the impact this would have for Public Works and Police employees. Council agreed that we need to have a policy drafted in 30 days that states that all employees in public works and the police department can take their vehicles home.**
5. Discussion and possible action- Applying for a community grant with Coconino County-**Mayor Riddle spoke about a grant with Coconino County for beautification and festivities in the town. It is a no cost share and includes free grant writers. Councilior Ballard made a motion to approve the Coconino County grant with no strings attached. Seconded by Councilior Johnson all approved.**

D. Discussion

1. Town mission statement- **Council liked the new option presented**
2. Town equipment and vehicle policy- **Already discussed in above agenda item**
3. Impact, water, and sewer hook up fees-**The need to review our current rates and what other communities are charging was discussed. Actual numbers are needed, to**

- include the cost of the meters, time, equipment, current rate factors, sewer hook ups. What makes up impact fees was also discussed.**
4. Hydrant metering fees-**Per Mayor Riddle we currently do not have anything in our fee schedule and council all felt that since we have the water spout at the yard to load larger quantities that hydrant metering should not happen.**
 5. Future agenda items:
 - a. New form for land combination/split/lot line adjustment
 - b. Evaluation of Magistrate's wage
 - c. Town committees and department; council representation
 - d. Sawmill Estate Subdivision progress
 - e. General Plan
 - f. 911 Readdressing the streets
 - g. Emergency Preparedness- Backup Generators, Get Quotes
 - h. Secure Water Supply
 - i. Mayor salary
 - j. Utility Board
 - k. Model City Tax code
 - l. Town Fee Schedule
 - m. Building on Easy Street
 - n. Port of Entry- Opening 2 days a week.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Mayor Riddle at 8:49 pm; second by Councilor Ballard all in favor.

Review and sign Demands

Approved



Christy Riddle, Mayor

Attest



Traci Goodall, Town Clerk

Certification- I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held.



Traci Goodall, Town Clerk