



## MINUTES

### TOWN OF MIAMI

#### REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019 AT 6:30 PM

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Dalley calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:**

Mayor Dalley led the pledge of allegiance. Councilmember Medina led the invocation.

**3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dalley, Vice Mayor Gonzales, Councilmember Bringhurst, Councilmember Medina, Councilmember Moat and Councilmember Reiman.

**EXCUSED:** Councilmember Black.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Town Manager Heatherly, Town Attorney Goodwin, Town Clerk Norris and Accountant Steele.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of the September 9 2019 Regular Meeting.
- B. Consideration and possible action to approve the Town Payroll for September 8, 2019.

Councilmember Reiman moved to approve consent agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Medina. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**5. APPRVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:**

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for September 6, 2019 to September 19, 2019.

Councilmember Bringhurst moved to approve the general demands for September 6, 2019 to September 19, 2019. Seconded by Councilmember Medina. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote.

Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringham – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:**

**A. Town Manager Reports.**

Town Manager Heatherly comments briefly on the fire in downtown Miami this past Thursday morning. There were some reports of a fireman that was injured, he only had minor bruising, no major injuries. Announces that the Town will be having a haunted house down by the pool area on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>; the local artists will be putting it together. It will not be in the pool but the main pool building and basketball area. Announces that we got notification last week that we got a grant from ADOT for \$377,000 to replace some of the transit vehicles.

Mayor Dalley recognizes that Globe City Councilmember Freddy Rios is present.

**B. Mayor/Council Reports.**

Councilmember Medina states that he should have some information regarding Boomtown Spree at the next Council meeting. Thanks staff for moving the snack table to the back corner of the room.

Councilmember Moat comments on the road improvements; we have a long way to go but the improvements are great.

Councilmember Bringham comments briefly regarding meeting with Tri City Fire last week regarding annexing their services to cover Miami. Gives thanks to all the entities that came to help with fire Thursday morning and thanks Town Manager Heatherly for helping to get the electric back on for the businesses and being present and answering citizens questions.

Mayor Dalley thanks Vice Mayor Gonzales for being the first Town Official on scene Thursday morning. Mayor Dalley thanks all the entities, business owners and citizens who came out to assist Thursday morning. Reports briefly on meeting with Tri City Sanitary District regarding DMA boundaries, it will be coming before Council very soon for their approval. Mayor Dalley comments that we have a lot rain coming in and advises everyone to stay out of the low line areas and be safe.

**7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Mr. Chuck Broeder, Miami resident, expresses his thanks to all involved with fighting the fire and how well it was handled. Mr. Broeder comments on the saying “Miami/Globe/San Carlos Strong” and he thinks that was demonstrated with the fire. Mr. Broeder thinks there is a continued opportunity to continue that within the Miami Fiesta Parade this Saturday. Encourages all who assisted with the fire to come and be in the parade and give us a chance to recognize and give thanks for all they have done.

Miami Police Chief Thompson gives thanks to all the entities that came out to help with the fire. The coordinated effort was awesome. Chief Thompson indicates that the investigators will be here this Wednesday to start working on the origin of the fire.

Mr. Tray Jensen, Queen Creek resident, Mr. Jensen explains that he is working on an Eagle Scout Project up here. He is working to clean up the Memorial Breeze Gardens Cemetery. He posted the project on the Growing Up in Globe Facebook page and has had many positive comments and lots of support. He is doing the project September 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The project is to show his leadership skills and provide community service as well. Mr. Jensen thanks DJ Company for providing the portable restrooms for his project.

Mrs. Shelly Perry, Miami resident, is requesting Council to consider a future agenda item to discuss animal control issues within the Town of Miami. Mrs. Perry states that a group of citizens are forming an animal alliance group and has reached out to the Globe pound and High Desert Humane Society for their support as well. Would like Council to help explore ways to shelter animals until they are claimed by owners or adopted out.

Mr. Freddy Rios, Division Manager of Arizona Water Company, offers his sincere regards to the Town of Miami and property owners for the loss of part of downtown Miami in the fire. Mr. Rios reports on the experience Arizona Water had in this incident and the water used to fight the fires. Mr. Rios comments on the coordinated efforts of the fire team and other supporting members of the community. Mr. Rios states that Arizona Water Company remains committed to the fire departments in these events and incidents.

Tri City Fire Chief, Nick Renon, states hats off to everyone in the community. Chief Renon gives a brief report of the fire and the coordinated efforts to fight the fire. The collaboration was great and the communities really came together and hats off to all of them.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Information discussion and possible action:** Presentation and possible acceptance of fiscal year 2017/2018 audit report.

Mr. Scott Powell of Colby and Powell, PLC presents the Fiscal Year Audit for 2017/2018. Mr. Powell comments on the Annual Financial Statement. Mr. Powell comments on the Town's systems and the software, both are good and getting better. Mr. Powell comments on the audit of the Town's expenditures. Mr. Powell explains the results of the audit. Mr. Powell explains that the numbers materially reflect the transactions of the town. Mr. Powell discusses the change in net position and explains to Council that you can track those numbers from year to year. Mr. Powell discusses the issues that occurred with PSPRS and how it has had an impact on nearly all municipalities. Mr. Powell comments on the administrative cost allocation plan; there are a couple of areas there that they had made some recommendations. Mr. Powell comments on bank reconciliations and the importance of having those done in time for the

audit. His recommendation is to have bank reconciliations and general ledgers done in a timely manner. Mr. Powell comments on the use of HURF funds. Brief discussion regarding when the next audit is to start; it will be starting in October. Mr. Powell comments on the finding of past audits and this current audit. This audit has just 2 findings and those are measures to show things are getting better. Councilmember Medina moved to accept the fiscal year 2017/2018 audit reports. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**B. Information, discussion and possible action:** To reappoint Mr. Joe Sanchez to the Municipal Property Corporation (MPC) for a 3-year term; term to expire 9-2022.

Councilmember Medina moved to reappoint Mr. Joe Sanchez to the Municipal Property Corporation (MPC) for a 3-year term, term to expire September 2022. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote - Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**C. Information, discussion and possible action:** To appoint Mrs. Lisa Ramos to the Municipal Property Corporation (MPC) for a 3-year term; term to expire 9-2022.

Mayor Dalley points out a correction of Lisa Ramos's name, it is now Lisa Zaragoza. Councilmember Medina moved to appoint Mrs. Lisa Zaragoza to the Municipal Property Corporation (MPC) for a 3-year term; term to expire September 2022. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**D. Information, discussion and possible action:** To give direction to staff to proceed working with Tri City Fire Department to expand their boundaries to include the Town of Miami.

Mr. Nick Renon, Fire Chief, Tri City Fire introduces the Tri City Fire Department Board Members. Chief Renon explains that they have been meeting with Town Manager Heatherly and Mayor Dalley regarding expanding their area to include the Miami area. Chief Renon states he feels it would be beneficial to the residents of Miami. Chief Renon explains that Tri City Fire is currently under contract with the Town of Miami for coverage. Chief Renon explains how they get their operating revenue, which is off of property taxes. Chief Renon comments on the current ISO rating for Tri City Fire and ISO rating for the Town of Miami. Chief Renon explains the ISO rates. They have not been able to locate the Town's ISO rating because he thinks it is a 7 or 8. (1 is the best rate and 9 is the worst rate). Chief Renon states he thinks it would be a significant savings to the people of Miami by lowering their home owners insurance quite a

bit. Chief Renon states the expanded boundaries would give them the possibility to come in to all the public buildings to do fire inspections. Chief Renon comments on other benefits the boundary expansion could have for the Town. Chief Renon states the expansion would have to be approved by the voters through an election. Brief discussion regarding the ISO rating and response time. Vice Mayor Gonzales asks if Tri City Fire would keep a substation in the Town of Miami. Chief Renon states that they would not, the call volume is not that high and their station is less than 3 minutes down the road. They are well within the response template to within the very far end of Miami. Councilmember Medina moved direct staff to proceed working the Tri City Fire Department to expand their boundaries to include the Town of Miami. Seconded by Mayor Dalley. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

- E. Information, discussion and possible action:** To give approval of Town of Miami participating with other municipalities within the Copper Corridor to form a coalition to resolve blight issues utilizing the Brownfields Grant and other available grants.

Town Manager Heatherly explains the Mayor, Kristy Regalado and himself attended a meeting in Winkelman, met with all of the other municipalities within the Copper Corridor to discuss forming a Copper Corridor Coalition to apply for grant funding for blight issues. This is a big issue for all the municipalities within the Copper Corridor. Town Manager Heatherly explains that it is tough to compete with the bigger areas for the grants, so this is to form a coalition with the Copper Corridor municipalities to get grants and work together, and not compete with each other and, if and when we get grants, how to split the grants. Brief discussion regarding the Bullion Plaza Museum; would they be able to still get their own funding since the Town owns the building. Councilmember Medina moved to give approval of Town of Miami participating with other municipalities within the Copper Corridor to form a coalition to resolve blight issues utilizing the Brownfields Grant and other available grants. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

- F. Information and discussion only:** Review and discussion regarding the Operating and Financial report through the month of August 2019.

Town Manager Heatherly comments on the financial report through the month of August 2019, there are no surprises here, but we are only 2 months into the new fiscal year. Town Manager Heatherly explains that we are ahead on the revenue due to the State contributing more on the HURF side. Vice Mayor Gonzales asks why there was such a big increase on the HURF revenue. Town Manager Heatherly states that it was a one-time special allotment this year.

**G. Information and discussion only:** Review and discussion regarding the Miami Wastewater Collection System Improvement Project Phase 2 and Phase 3-5.

Town Manager Heatherly explains that Phases 3-5 have reached substantial completion on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. They have done some road work, fixing potholes and chip sealing and should finish up by Thursday, weather permitting. Town Manager Heatherly explains that Phase 2 will likely end up going to court. Town Manager Heatherly states he doesn't want to talk strategy but feels if the Town starts fixing the issues with Phase 2, it may not go to court because the writing will be on the wall. Will try to meet with USDA to talk to them about a plan we have in place. Open discussion and comments regarding where the funds will come from. Brief discussion regarding when will final completion be for Phases 3-5 and the ability to still get funds from USDA. Town Manager Heatherly explains that funding for Phase 2 repairs will not be an issue but would just prefer not to have to go out to bid for the work.

**H. Information, discussion and possible action:** To approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Town of Miami, in the amount of \$8,625.25 for sewer project related expenses.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this item to Council, it was recommended for approval by the Wastewater Advisory Board. Councilmember Medina moved to approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Town of Miami, in the amount of \$8,625.25 for sewer project related expenses. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**I. Information, discussion and possible action:** To approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for KE&G, in the amount of \$246,294.60 for sewer project work completed.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this item to Council, it was recommended for approval by the Wastewater Advisory Board. Brief discussion regarding how much will still be owed to KE&G after this payment; just over one million dollars. Councilmember Medina moved to approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for KE&G, in the amount of \$246,294.60 for sewer project work completed. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. . Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**J. Information, discussion and possible action:** To approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Hilgart Wilson, in the amount of \$39,236.60 for sewer project related expenses Phases 3-5 expenditures for HilgartWilson.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this item to Council, it was recommended for approval by the Wastewater Advisory Board. This is the second to the last payment to HilgartWilson and it

is a fixed monthly amount. This is for post construction work. Councilmember Medina moved to approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Hilgart Wilson, in the amount of \$39,236.60 for sewer project related expenses Phases 3-5 expenditures for HilgartWilson. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black –excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

**10. CALL TO THE COUNCIL:**

Mayor Dalley announces that there are some Miami football games coming up. There is a home varsity football game this Friday at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Dalley announces Fiesta on Saturday, invites everyone to come down and enjoy the parade and festivities. Announces the CAG meeting in Apache Junction this Wednesday. Announces the Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> and the Arts and Crafts Fair in the park on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Dalley thanks Vice Mayor Gonzales for going beyond the call of duty to assist with the fire.

Councilmember Medina thanks everyone for coming to the meeting.

**11. ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Medina moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Moat. Mayor Dalley calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Dalley – yea, Vice Mayor Gonzales – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Moat – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION:**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Miami, AZ held on the **23rd** day of **September**, 2019.

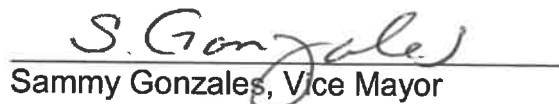
I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

DATED this **14th** day of **October** 2019.



Karen Norris, Town Clerk

**APPROVED:**



Sammy Gonzales, Vice Mayor