



MINUTES
TOWN OF MIAMI
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2020 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gonzales calls the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Mayor Gonzales led the pledge of allegiance and Councilmember Medina gave the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Heatherly, Finance Director Samantha Steele, Community Services Director Christine Duarte, Engineer Tech Joshua Derhammer, Public Works Director Tom Moreno and Town Clerk Norris.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of the May 11, 2020 Regular Meeting and May 18, 2020 Budget Work Session.
- B. Consideration and possible action to approve the Town Payroll for May 3 and May 17 2020.
- C. Consideration and possible action to approve Gila County Library District Library Services Agreement for fiscal year 2020/2021.

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

5. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for May 8, 2020 to May 21, 2020.

Councilmember Black moved to approve the general demands for May 8, 2020 to May 21, 2020. Seconded by Councilmember Medina. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales –

yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Heatherly comments regarding the first reported Coronavirus case in the Town of Miami. Wants to make it known to Council that it is not actually in the Town of Miami, it is in lower Miami but it is classified by zip code which reports show it as Miami. Brief update on when the DOC workers will be coming back to work, hoping it will be around June 1st. Gives a brief update on meeting with Sue Pontel, Librarian, regarding starting curbside service for library services. Reports that staff is continuing to work on updating the Personnel Manual. Reports on the new transit van at the Public Works yard, hopes to start using that van next week.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Councilmember Medina states he hopes that everyone had a peaceful and patriotic Memorial Day. Comments on putting up the larger American, Arizona and POW/MIA flags at Bullion Plaza and lowered them to half-staff on Thursday, as required by the President and Governor, in honor of all those that suffered the Coronavirus. On Memorial Day the flags were raised to full staff after noon. Went back to the smaller traditional flags today. Comments on the increased traffic in our area. Commented on the 4th of July parade and future parades. Comments on Census 2020.

Councilmember Bringurst announces that Canyonlands is having a free Coronavirus testing day this Saturday; you can just drive up and have it done, no need to even get out of your car.

Mayor Gonzales thanks Councilmember Medina for putting up and lowering the flags for the Town. The big flags at Bullion looked great. Gives thanks to Finance Director, Samantha Steele for doing a great job with following up and being prompt with information. Announces that the Census will have the foot soldiers out soon so our numbers should be going up. Reports briefly on the Board of Supervisors meeting he attended; comments on the Summer Youth Work Program.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Information, discussion and possible action: To appoint citizen to complete the term of Council Member Darryl Dalley.

Mayor Gonzales states that 2 people have submitted their names to be considered for the vacant Council seat; Mr. Mike Sosh and Mr. Randal Prosser. Councilmember Black moved to appoint Mr. Mike Sosh to the vacant Council seat. Seconded by Councilmember Medina. Councilmember Reiman asks if anyone knows anything about Mr. Prosser. Open discussion regarding if either of the interested parties submitted anything stating why they would like to be appointed to the vacant seat. Councilmember Bringhurst states that she does not know either of them so it will be hard for her to make a decision on this item. Council comments regarding their personal knowledge of each of the

interested parties. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringhurst – abstain, Councilmember Medina – yea and Councilmember Reiman – abstain. MOTION PASSED.

B. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve Amendment No. 1 to Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Gila County and the Town of Miami which provides for consolidated administration and operation of Limited Jurisdiction Courts.

Town Manager Heatherly presents this amendment to Council explaining that this amendment is to extend our current agreement with Gila County and 2 small clarifications on how the Town will pay for the ACAP equipment and the audits. Councilmember Medina moved to approve Amendment No. 1 to Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Gila County and the Town of Miami which provides for consolidated administration and operation of Limited Jurisdiction Courts. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

C. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve closure of Sullivan Street on Saturday, May 30, 2020 4:30 pm to 6:30 p.m. for a community parade to recognize the Class of 2020 Miami and Globe High School graduates; with the Town to provide traffic control and barricades as deemed necessary by the Miami Police Department.

Community Services Director, Christine Duarte, presents this request to Council. She was approached by some parents requesting the Town to do something for the kids who are graduating since they are unable to have a graduation ceremony. Mrs. Duarte explains their basic plan and how they are proposing to keep the parade within CDC guidelines. Open discussion and comments regarding the details of the proposed parade. Mayor Gonzales states that he really likes this idea and offers to help with the event. Councilmember Black is in support of the event but questions the staging of the event and traffic control. Mrs. Duarte explains that they are still in the planning process but have some ideas of how they want the staging and parade procession to go. Vice Mayor Moat is in support of this event and states his granddaughter is graduating this year. Councilmember Bringhurst states that she would love to be apart of the event and drive through and wish all the graduates well. More discussion and comments on the preliminary details of the parade. Councilmember Medina moved to approve closure of Sullivan Street on Saturday, May 30, 2020 4:30 pm to 6:30 p.m. for a community parade to recognize the Class of 2020 Miami and Globe High School graduates; with the Town to provide traffic control and barricades as deemed necessary by the Miami Police Department. Seconded by Councilmember Black. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

D. Information, discussion and possible action: Review existing trash collection process and possible approval of proposed enhancements.

Engineering Tech, Josh Derhammer, gives a presentation to Council regarding some of the current issues they are experiencing with trash collection. Issues Mr. Derhammer commented on are time consuming routes due to limited restriction on preparation of garbage for residents, blight issues due

to unsightly garbage being placed out on the streets and not contained, health hazards, potential increase for workplace injuries, insufficient and unbalanced trash collection schedule, garbage truck run time, commercial trash pickup issues, limited ability to monitor active accounts on the trash route and aging garbage truck and maintenance of the truck. Mr. Derhammer comments on portions of the Town Ordinance that pertain to the garbage pickup and points out some things Council may want to consider making changes to. Open discussion and comments regarding garbage bags just being thrown out on the street for pickup and not being placed in containers and not being double bagged. Discussion and comments on the proposed change to the garbage route. Open discussion and comments regarding the proposed ordinance alternatives. Discussion and comments regarding people throwing out excessive amounts of trash on a weekly basis. Discussion regarding this being an occasional thing or a habitual thing. Public Works Director, Tom Moreno, explain that people sometimes do throw out excessive amounts of trash but there are identified repeat offenders who do this on a regular basis. Open discussion and comments regarding staff and inmates not putting the lids back on the cans after they dump the trash. Discussion regarding the trash pickup schedule. Brief discussion regarding looking into an outside company to perform the trash pickup service. Open discussion and comments on the commercial garbage pickup service and the issues the Town is encountering with the commercial service. Discussion regarding taking a good look at these issues and find a way to maintain the highest level of service we can, be efficient without making it too restrictive on the residents. Council agrees that they would like to see the citizens continue to get what they pay for and take care of the abusers on an individual basis. Open discussion and comments regarding helping the Town to save money and improve how we do it. Brief discussion and comments regarding the number of trips the trash truck takes to the dump. Mayor Gonzales asks staff what they are looking for from Council right now. Mr. Derhammer states they are just looking for Council feedback on the proposals presented tonight. Open discussion and comments regarding the number of garbage cans per customer we currently pick up. Council consensus is that they like the proposed alternative number 2. Discussion regarding the trash truck route and pickup days.

E. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Town of Miami, in the amount of \$13,862.39 for sewer project related expenses.

Councilmember Black moved to approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Town of Miami, in the amount of \$13,862.39 for sewer project related expenses. Seconded by Councilmember Medina. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

F. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Hilgart Wilson, in the amount of \$33,922.50 for sewer project related expenses.

Councilmember Reiman moved to approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for Hilgart Wilson, in the amount of \$33,922.50 for sewer project related expenses. Seconded by Councilmember Bringhurst. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringhurst – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

G. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for KE&G, in the amount of \$361,863.07 for sewer project related expenses.

Councilmember Black moved to approve, subject to funding agency concurrence, payment application for KE&G, in the amount of \$361,863.07 for sewer project related expenses on Canyon Avenue. Seconded by Councilmember Bringham. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Bringham – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, and Councilmember Reiman – yea. MOTION PASSED.

H. Information and discussion only: Review and discussion regarding the Operating and Financial report for the month of April 2020.

Town Manager Heatherly presents the financial report for the month of April. To date we have not seen any reductions in the state shared revenues but that does not mean we won't see it in the next few months or so. Revenue is still above plan due to the additional money from HURF. Reports that revenues are running in the mid 60's and expenditures are running in the 70's. Town Manager Heatherly gives a brief report on the issue with the swimming pool, still trying to figure out a way to get it fixed. Town Manager Heatherly explains that overall the Town is doing a heck of a job. Staff from Public Works and the Library need to be commended for all they have done, they have really stepped it up and helped through this pandemic issue. Town Manager Heatherly comments briefly on the IRS debt, we have everything ready for them and are trying to get this behind us. Comments on the census and how important it is to the Town. Brief comment on the DMA with Tri City Sanitation. Brief comment on the operating statistics by each department.

I. Information and discussion only: Update report on capital projects and grant projects:

- CDBG Grant.
- Sullivan Street Fire
- Sewer Replacement Project
- Other Miscellaneous Projects

Town Manager Heatherly gives a brief update on the CDBG grant project. The streets have been videoed and the Town has received that initial report. Will be meeting with Dale Miller and Rick Powers tomorrow to discuss the report and determine when will be the best time to bring this to Council and start laying out some guidelines on a street by street basis. Brief update on the Sullivan Street Fire Cleanup Project. The initial results report is done, the Town has not received that report yet. This will be on a future agenda for Council discussion. Brief update on the Sewer Replacement Project

9. CALL TO THE COUNCIL:

Mayor Gonzales gives a reminder of the Grads Parade this Saturday. Lineup starts at 4:30 p.m. and the parade starts at 6:00 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 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 26th day of May, 2020.

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

DATED this 8th day of June 2020.



Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:



Sammy Gonzales, Mayor