MINUTES
TOWN OF MIAMI
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gonzales calls the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

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

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Mayor Gonzales, Vice Mayor Moat, Councilmember Licano, Councilmember Medina, Councilmember Reiman and Councilmember Sosh.

EXCUSED: Councilmember Black.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Attorney Estes, Town Manager Gaudet, Finance Director Lopez, Town Clerk Norris, Police Chief Thompson and Public Works Director Derhammer.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes March 8, 2021 Regular Meeting.
B. Consideration and possible action to approve the Town Payroll for March 7, 2021.
C. Consideration and possible action to approve National Library Week Proclamation.
D. Consideration and possible action to approve National Child Abuse Prevention Month –April 2021 Proclamation.

5. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:

A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for February 26, 2021 to March 11, 2021.


6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Gaudet gives a brief report on the pool renovation project; it is slotted for a 2022 completion date. Reports on the electrical and water issue that took place at townhall. Reports on the server going down. Announces that the Town will be moving from the cableone.net email addresses to miamiaz.gov email addresses, if Councilmembers would like a miamiaz.gov email address please let him know. On April 21st he will be meeting with the Southern Gila County Economic Development Corporation, at the Miami High School, to gather and provide grant information to local (Miami/Globe) businesses. This will provide business with grant information through the American Recovery Plan Act/Rescue Plan Act. On April 20th he will be attending a Floodplain Discovery Zoom meeting with FEMA; will send that information to Council if they would like to attend. Will be out of the office Wednesday or Thursday afternoon.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Councilmember Medina reports the flags are at half-staff in honor of the victims of the tragedy in Atlanta. Comments on the month of March being referred to as “March Madness” for several reasons: Women’s History Month, March Madness in sports, Town of Miami’s 103rd birthday, Lent and St. Patrick’s day to name a few. Comments on Payson, AZ becoming a Second Amendment Sanctuary city. Announces that he and Louisa are ready to donate to any event that the Town has scheduled in celebration of Easter.

Councilmember Licano announces this Saturday there will be COVID vaccinations for anyone 16 years of age and up at the San Carlos High School.

Vice Mayor Moat comments regarding receiving a flyer in the mail informing residents of a new sex offender in town. This is a positive thing that residents have been notified.

Mayor Gonzales comments on the pool renovation and timeline. Council is invited to the dedication of the Cathy Canez Book Library just constructed in the Miami Veterans Memorial Park; it is this Friday at 10:00 a.m. Thanks Public Works Department for getting the parking
spaces on Sullivan Street marked. Thanks Town Manager Guadet for the weekly reports and comments that they are very thorough.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve Ordinance No. 377, amending the Code of Miami, Title 2 Administration and Personnel, by repealing Chapter 2.28, Planning and Zoning Commission.

Town Attorney Joe Estes presents this Ordinance to Council and explains that it is basically cleaning up the Town Code where the Planning and Zoning Commission was provided for in Title 17 and Title 2. This will remove Chapter 2.28 Planning and Zoning Commission from Title 2 of the Town Code. Councilmember Medina moved to approve Ordinance No. 377, amending the Code of Miami, Title 2 Administration and Personnel, by repealing Chapter 2.28, Planning and Zoning Commission. Seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – nay and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

B. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of proposed updates/changes to Town of Miami assigned employee credit card users.

Town Manager Guadet presents this item to Council explaining that he is cleaning up which employees have town credit cards and closing out the credit cards of employees who are no longer employed with the town. This plan will tighten up and control the spending. Brief discussion regarding the procurement limits. Councilmember Reiman comments that he feels this may be restricting the use of credit cards when certain staff members are not available. Councilmember Medina moved to approve the proposed updates/changes to Town of Miami assigned employee credit card users. Seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

C. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of proposed job description for the Town of Miami "Mechanic" job position.

Town Manager Guadet presents the proposed Mechanic job description to Council explaining that this is not an additional position being added it is included in our personnel budget. Open discussion and comments regarding if the mechanic position would help to decrease the vehicle repair costs; not necessarily. Discussion regarding the possible days the mechanic would be working; would like to see something like Tuesday through Saturday to be able to work on transit vans when they are not running routes. Councilmember Sosh suggests having ADOT do the maintenance and repairs to the transit vans. Town Manager Gaudet states he
will look into that possibility. Councilmember Reiman comments on the Town having mechanics in the past and it hasn’t worked and explains his opposition to this position. Brief discussion regarding the Town having the tools and equipment necessary to have a mechanic on staff. Open discussion and comments on the experience requirements for the position. Brief discussion with Police Chief Thompson on his experience with having a mechanic on staff as opposed to outsourcing. Discussion regarding requiring ASE certification for the position. Councilmember Medina moved to approve the proposed job description for the Town of Miami "Mechanic" job description. Seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Discussion again regarding including the ASE certification requirement in the job description. Councilmember Medina amended his motion to include the "ASE certification" in the job description. Amendment seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – nay and Councilmember Sosh – yea. MOTION PASSED.

D. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of Ordinance No. 378, amending the Code of Miami, Title 17 Zoning, Section17.44.070 (A) Abandoned or Junk Vehicles; and providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances and providing for severability.

Councilmember Sosh moved to approve Ordinance No. 378, amending the Code of Miami, Title 17 Zoning, Section17.44.070 (A) Abandoned or Junk Vehicles; and providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances and providing for severability. Seconded by Councilmember Medina. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

E. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of Amendment No. 2 to Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) No. 012219 between Gila County and Town of Miami for consolidated administration and operation of Limited Jurisdiction Courts

Councilmember Medina moved to approve Amendment No. 2 to Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) No. 012219 between Gila County and Town of Miami for consolidated administration and operation of Limited Jurisdiction Courts. Seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Councilmember Reiman comments that in the IGA it states “the Town shall pay $1,524.75 per month per the terms of the original IGA” but in the description of costs which is $36,594.01. The $1,524.75 x 12 months is $18,297; he is concerned with the discrepancy. Open discussion and comments regarding the costs as stated in the proposed IGA. Town Attorney Estes states it appears they are showing the allocatable costs. Councilmember Reiman asks if Council would consider tabling this item until the costs are clarified. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.
9. CALL TO THE COUNCIL:

Councilmember Medina comments on the traffic out there; it is unreal. Everyone please be careful out on the highway.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 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 22nd day of March, 2021.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present. DATED this 12th day of April, 2021.

Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Sammy Gonzales, Mayor