



## MINUTES

### TOWN OF MIAMI

#### WORK SESSION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022 AT 5:30 PM

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Gonzales calls the meeting to order at 5:27 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 Licano, Councilmember Medina, Councilmember Reiman and Councilmember Sosh.

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

**4. BUSINESS:**

**A. Information and discussion only:** Discussion only regarding the past and future expenditures, cost and continued operation of the Hostetler pool.

Town Manager Gaudet presents this item to Council explaining that Council has had a few discussions regarding this in recent past meetings. He has run some numbers to show the projected operational costs of the pool. He also used the inflation calendar to help reflect the true operating costs. Discussion and comments regarding hiring a pool manager and if the Town could operate the pool without a pool manager. Mayor Gonzales states in his opinion we will need to have a pool manager. Brief discussion regarding the APS and water costs as projected. Councilmember Reiman comments that he does not see any revenues in this report. It is known that the revenues are quite small but to have a true assessment of the costs, the revenues should be included in the projected costs. Town Manager Gaudet comments on some suggested budget cuts that could be helpful in opening up money to go towards the operation of the pool. The Town also has the option of raising the property tax rates to increase revenues that could be used for pool maintenance and operations. Current discussions are regarding the operation of the pool and does not include the costs to repair the pool in order for it to operational. Discussion regarding repairs needed to get the pool open. Brief discussion regarding the pool will also need to be brought up to code. Discussion and comments regarding raising money for the pool repairs; this should not be a problem. The

concern is with spending that much money to repair the pool but not being able to afford the operational costs. Is it worth it to repair the pool and to possibly have to shut it down after a few years because the Town cannot afford to keep it open? It is suggested to approach the mines to see if they would commit to a 5-year funding plan to help with the pool's operational costs. Discussion regarding not rushing into anything on this; do the research before moving forward. No need to rush it. Brief discussion regarding the money donated by the private donor. Mayor Gonzales comments on some major issues with the pool such as the water leak and the possible damage it has caused under the pool and the diving board being out of code. Many things need to be checked out before moving forward; wants the pool to be safe. Council agrees that the Town needs to take its time and do this right. Discussion regarding possibly doing a community survey to see how they feel about moving forward with the pool project. Informing the public of the costs and how it may affect residents financially.

**5. ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION:**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Work Session of the Town Council of the Town of Miami, AZ held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

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

DATED this 23rd day of May 2022.



Karen Norris, Town Clerk

**APPROVED:**

  
Sammy Gonzales, Mayor