



MINUTES

TOWN OF MIAMI

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

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

Mayor Gonzales apologizes for not having this meeting available on livestream. The Town hopes to have it back livestreaming for the next Council meeting.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

EXCUSED: Councilmember Reiman and Councilmember Sosh.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Attorney Estes, Town Clerk Norris and Finance Director Lopez.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of June 24 and 25, 2022 Special Meeting and Minutes of June 27, 2022 Regular Meeting.
- B. Consideration and possible action to approve Town of Miami Payroll for June 26, 2022.
- C. Consideration and possible action to approve Child Support Awareness Month Proclamation.
- D. Consideration and possible action to approve Gila County Library District Library Service Agreement.

Mayor Gonzales reads aloud the Child Support Awareness Month Proclamation. Councilmember Black moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Moat. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

5. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:

- A.** Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands June 17, 2022 to June 30, 2022.

Councilmember Black moved to approve the demands for June 17, 2022 to June 30, 2022. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Moat. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

- A.** Town Manager Reports.

No report for Council at this time.

- B.** Mayor/Council Reports.

Councilmember Medina comments that the 4th of July event was a success and thanks all those who helped with the event and those who attended. Comments on the poor showing by the Chief of Police, with a period of suspense with no police present to lead the parade until minutes before the scheduled starting time.

Vice Mayor Moat announces the Little League girls' softball team will be playing in Sierra Vista this weekend. Announces that Doctor Andrade won the 50/50 raffle. The Little League Majors' team played last weekend in Cottonwood.

Mayor Gonzales comments on the 4th of July event and parade and thanks the Centennial Committee for organizing the event. Attended the Senior Center for lunch last week and comments on how busy the staff is. Mayor Gonzales thanks Mr. Frank Ordorica and Mrs. Cindy Grainger for volunteering at the Center, it is very much appreciated.

- 7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** No response.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Information, discussion and possible action:** To approve Bullion Plaza Museum to sell scrap metal from iron heaters and proceeds from the sale be donated back to Bullion Plaza Museum.

Mayor Gonzales presents this item to Council. Councilmember Black questions if the Town can actually donate the funds back to the museum. Town Attorney Estes explains that there are instances when the Town can donate funds and this particularly would be a community benefit.

The Town owns the museum, and it would be reinvesting the funds into the museum. Mr. Tom Foster, Executive Director of Bullion Plaza Museum, comments briefly on the iron heaters and they are not mainly interested in getting funds from the sell of the heaters as scrap but getting the weight of them of the 2nd floor of the museum. Councilmember Black moved to approve Bullion Plaza Museum to sell scrap metal from iron heaters and proceeds from the sale be donated back to Bullion Plaza Museum. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

B. PUBLIC HEARING: To hold a Truth in Taxation Public Hearing on the proposed primary Property Tax increase. To raise its Primary Property Taxes over last year's level; Miami is proposing an increase in Primary Property taxes of \$2,010.00 or 4.4991%:

- 1) Open Public Hearing ~ Mayor Gonzales. 6:56 p.m.
- 2) Open discussion and public comments regarding the proposed Primary Property Tax increase.

Mr. Alexis Rivera, Globe resident, comments briefly on the Town pursuing acquiring and clearing certain properties that can become an asset to the Town.

- 3) Close Public Hearing ~ Mayor Gonzales. 6:58 p.m.

C. PUBLIC HEARING: To hold a public hearing on the final budget for the Town of Miami for fiscal year 2022/2023, and approving an alternative expenditure limitation to govern the Town of Miami budget for fiscal year 2022/2023 in an amount equal to the total amount of budgeted expenditures/expenses as it appears on the annual budget:

- 1) Open Public Hearing ~ Mayor Gonzales. 6:59 p.m.
- 2) Open discussion and public comments regarding adoption of the tentative budget as the final budget for fiscal year 2022/2023.

Mr. Check Broeder, Miami resident, asks about the Use Tax, how much Use Tax has the Town received. Finance Director, Maria Lopez explains that she does not have that exact number with her. Mrs. Lopez will get that exact dollar amount and Mayor Gonzales will report on it at the next Council meeting. Brief discussion on the Use Tax and various other taxes.

- 3) Close Public Hearing ~ Mayor Gonzales. 7:08 p.m.

Councilmember Black moved to recess the regular meeting and convene into the special meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

SPECIAL MEETING:

1. Council discussion, motion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 1274 adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2022/2023 and setting an expenditure limitation to govern the Town of Miami budget for fiscal year 2022/2023.

Councilmember Black moved to approve Resolution No. 1274 adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2022/2023 and setting an expenditure limitation to govern the Town of Miami budget for fiscal year 2022/2023. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

Councilmember Black moved to adjourn special meeting and reconvene in the regular session. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

REGULAR MEETING:

D. Information, discussion and possible action: To recess the public meeting and hold an executive session as follows:

- a) An executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) and (A)(4) for discussion, consideration and finalization of employment contract for town manager. The following candidate will be discussed: Mr. Alexis Rivera.

Councilmember Black moved to recess into executive session. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED. 7:11 p.m.

Councilmember Black moved to return to regular session. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED. 7:32 p.m.

E. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve Employment Agreement with Alexis Rivera for Town Manager.

Councilmember Black moved to approve Employment Agreement with Alexis Rivera for Town Manager. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

10. CALL TO THE COUNCIL:

Mayor Gonzales states that if any of the residents have any questions or would like to speak with Mr. Rivera, he is present tonight; encourages everyone to get to know him.

Councilmember Medina appreciates the public turnout and thanks the public for being present at the meeting.

Mayor Gonzales announces the Pinal Mountain Little League All Stars will be playing in Sierra Vista this weekend; everyone wish them luck. Announces Music in the Park this coming weekend, hopes to see everyone there; Paloma Latin Sounds will be playing.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Black moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Councilmember Medina. 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 – excused and Councilmember Sosh - excused. MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 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 11th day of July, 2022.


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

DATED this 25th day of July, 2022.



Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:


Sammy Gonzales, Mayor