



MINUTES
TOWN OF MIAMI
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Vice Mayor Moat led the pledge of allegiance and Mayor Medina gave the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

EXCUSED: Councilmember Black and Councilmember Licano.

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

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of September 25, 2023 Regular meeting.
- B. Consideration and possible action to approve Town of Miami Payroll for September 17, 2023.
- C. Consideration and possible approval of Cities and Towns Week Proclamation.

Mayor Medina reads aloud the Cities and Towns Week proclamation. Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Moat. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Licano – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh - aye. MOTION PASSED.

5. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for September 15, 2023 to September 28, 2023.

Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the demands for September 15, 2023 to September 28, 2023. Motion seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Licano – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh - aye. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Rivera reports on Wednesday, October 11th there will be walk through of the 2nd floor of the Town Hall building with University of Arizona to determine the possibility of a partnership to renovate for office space. Have been talking with the company Elite, a non-emergency service, in regards to contracting with the Town's transit system. Reports that he is working on 3 IGA's: San Carlos Apache Tribe, Cobre Valley Hospital and Gila County CAB and will have more information for Council in the near future.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Councilmember Reiman reports on a water break last week in front of the Veterans Park. Arizona Water Company did a good job controlling it and worked late into the night on it and finished up the repairs the next morning.

Mayor Medina comments briefly on the water break by Veterans Park and gives "thanks" to Arizona Water Company for the work they did to get that repaired. Reports as to why the flags were at half-staff. Reports on the repair to the flag pole at the Police Department, it is fixed and the Town can hang flags there again. Recognizes District 3 Supervisor Humphrey is in attendance. Reports on meeting with Freeport on Monday the 2nd in regards to plans to retire the old smelter. Reports Globe-Miami Community Partnership was well attended. Reminds everyone the Miami Car Show is taking place this weekend.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Ray Webb, Miami resident, comments on the issue of a certain property owner who is harassing other property owners and his disappointment with how the Miami Police Department is handling this issue. Informs the public that he has a "letter of invitation" to the affected property owners in regards to an upcoming meeting in which they can discuss their concerns with this issue.

District 3 Supervisor Humphrey comments that he will be attending a County Supervisor Association Conference in Flagstaff. They meet to discuss issues that are important in their counties that they would like to see before legislature next year. Supervisor Humphrey states his concern for discussion is blighted property. Supervisor Humphrey comments on common issues the County and local municipalities are dealing with when trying to enforce blight issues and what he would like to see changed in order to help with enforcement of blighted property. He will be seeking support from other counties.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Information, discussion and possible action:** Possible approval of the fabrication and placement of Spanish American Monument at Bullion Plaza; between the museum and the gym.

Mr. Tom Foster, Bullion Plaza Museum Executive Director, introduces Mr. Avery Frantz, President of the Buckey O'Neill Camp No. 175. Mr. Frantz explains they are a non-profit organization dedicated to perpetuating and preserving the memory of Spanish American War Veterans. They are proposing the establishment of a memorial in the Town of Miami to pay tribute to the Spanish American War Veterans of Gila County and the Woman's Relief Corps. Mr. Foster states there is picture of the proposed monument in the Council packets. Mr. Foster explain that they picked proposed spot for the monument, the breezeway area between the museum and gym, because it is a nice area with trees and benches and it is quiet. Brief discussion regarding design of the monument. Councilmember Gonzales states he feels it is good to honor these citizens. Councilmember Reiman moved to approve the fabrication and placement of the Spanish American Monument at Bullion Plaza; between the museum and the gym. Motion seconded by Councilmember Gonzales. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Licano – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh - aye. MOTION PASSED.

- B. Information, discussion and possible action:** Possible approval to move forward with purchase and installation of air conditioning units for the Police Department and Transit Department buildings.

Town Manager Rivera presents this item to Council and request that they table it so that he can prepare a report showing a cost per unit and warranty information for each estimate. Councilmember Reiman moved to table this item. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Moat. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Licano – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh - aye. MOTION PASSED – ITEM TABLED.

10. CALL TO THE COUNCIL:

Councilmember Sosh announces the Miami Car Show this weekend. Burger Burn on Friday evening and car show on Saturday. Reminds everyone that Sullivan Street will be closed to private parking on Saturday, please make arrangements to park on side streets or Gibson.

Mayor Medina comments on the great job the Car Show group is doing with advertising this event. Mr. Tim Elinski of Pin Drop Trailers brought cheese samples from another event, the

cheese is at the back of room if anyone would like to sample some. Thanks the public for attending tonight's meeting.

Councilmember Gonzales announces Friday night, after the Burger Burn, Mr. Tim Elinski of Pin Drop Trailers will be showing a movie at the park, open to the public, American Graffiti.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 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 9th day of October, 2023.

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

DATED this 23rd day of October, 2023.

Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Jose "Angel" Medina Sr., Mayor