MINUTES



TOWN OF MIAMI

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Mayor Medina led the pledge of allegiance and Mr. Phil Stewart gave the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

EXCUSED: Councilmember Black and Councilmember Gonzales.

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

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- **A.** Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of August 26, 2024 Regular Meeting.
- **B.** Consideration and possible action to approve Town of Miami Payroll for August 18, 2024.
- C. Consideration and possible action to approve request from Miami High School to close Sullivan Street to traffic, starting at Miami Avenue and ending at Bullion Plaza, and to use Town electricity and restrooms at the Miami Veterans Memorial Park, all for the Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 4, 2024; 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., with the Town to provide traffic control and barricades as deemed necessary by the Miami Police Department.
- **D.** Consideration and possible action to approve Funding Agreement with Resolution Copper Mining LLC for the Town of Miami Skate Path.
- E. Consideration and possible action to approve National Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation.
- **F.** Consideration and possible action to approve Pitt Hopkins Syndrome Awareness Day-September 18, 2024 Proclamation.

Mayor Medina reads aloud both proclamations. Councilmember Reiman moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Madrid. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – excused, Councilmember Madrid – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh – aye. MOTION PASSED.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GENERAL DEMANDS:

A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for August 16, 2024 to August 29, 2024.

Councilmember Reiman moved to approve the demands for August 16, 2024 to August 29, 2024. Motion seconded by Councilmember Madrid. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – excused, Councilmember Madrid – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh – aye. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Rivera gives thanks to Mayor, Council and staff for the first annual pool party; it was a lot of hard work to get the pool open and he would like to continue this every year. Town Manager Rivera comments on upcoming projects in the works; sewers and roads. Requests prayers for Councilmember Gonzales, he is still in the hospital. Reports that we are working aggressively to obtain funding for infrastructure upgrades/repairs. This upcoming Wednesday, there will be some repairs and cleanup on Adonis Road. September 21st will be the skatepark inauguration from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Town Manager Rivera states he has provided Council with the ADW Wastewater Engineering report for the wastewater treatment plant. He will be meeting with the United States Secretary of Agriculture next Thursday and will be learning how to apply for future project funding.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Vice Mayor Moat thanks Ana Vargas of Resolution Copper for providing a great lunch at the League Conference. Vandal Bash was a success.

Mayor Medina comments briefly on the Annual League Conference; it was a great learning experience. Councilmember Black received his 16 Years of Service award.

Councilmember Madrid agrees with Mayor Medina regarding the League Conference. Comments on a conversation he had with Mr. Thomas Lopez, Aquavida, regarding the pool filters.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Fred Barcon, Miami resident, states Council cannot lose site regarding safety when the contractors are working on the new apartments (Inspiration Project); specifically with parking. Mr. Barcon comments regarding the Tri-City Wastewater Project; the Board makes it seem like it is all ready to happen, but a lot more must be done. Mr. Barcon comments on the Tri-City Wastewater Project.

Mr. Lobb Instagon, Miami Arts Commission, announced they have begun planning the 2025 Miami Art Loco Event for the 3rd week in April.

Miss Nevaeh Figueroa, Miami High School Student Body President and Esperanza Zazueta, Senior Class President, state they are here to give thanks to Town of Miami and Resolution Copper for the opportunity to attend the 2024 League Conference, Youth Program.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Public Hearing, discussion and possible action: To conduct hearing and consider approval of a Series 013 (farm winery) Liquor License Application for Christa Michelle Lindblad, Meading of the Minds LLC, located at 413 W. Sullivan Street, Miami, AZ:
 - 1. Open Public Hearing Mayor Medina. 7:10 p.m.
 - 2. Open discussion and public comments.

Ms. Chrisa Linblad, business owner, is present and gives a brief overview of their business. Mr. Phil Stewart, local business owner, comments in favor of the business and approval of the license. Mr. Lobb Instagon, Miami resident, speaks in favor of the business. Mrs. Carol Broeder, Miami resident/business owner, speaks in favor of the business.

- 3. Close Public Hearing Mayor Medina. 7:19 p.m.
- 4. Council discussion, motion and action.

Councilmember Reiman moved to recommend approval of a Series 013 (farm winery) Liquor License Application for Christa Michelle Lindblad, Meading of the Minds LLC, located at 413 W. Sullivan Street, Miami, AZ. Motion seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Medina calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Medina – aye, Vice Mayor Moat – aye, Councilmember Black – excused, Councilmember Gonzales – excused, Councilmember Madrid – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye and Councilmember Sosh – aye. MOTION PASSED.

10. CALL TO THE COUNCIL/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilmember Madrid comments on the Inspiration Project and requests a work session and the formation of a task force committee for this project.

Councilmember Reiman reminds everyone of Fiesta this weekend and invites everyone to attend.

Mayor Medina suggests a progress report regarding the Inspiration Project. Reports that Veterans Day seems to be evolving into a big event and comments on some of the possible plans.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 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 **9**th day of **September**, 2024.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present. DATED this **23rd** day of **September** 2024.

Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Jose "Angel" Medina Sr., Mayor