

**MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF SNOWFLAKE
HELD 06/27/2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL 7:03 Mayor Johnson, Kerry Ballard, Allison Perkins, Hunter Lewis, Terri Kay; Cory Johnson arrived at 7:42; Byron Lewis joined by phone for the Discussion/Action items; Staff: Brian Richards, Bob Hall, Katie Melser, Terry Cooper, Chief Scarber, Dale Call, Barbara Flake

2. PRAYER/PLEDGE- Johnson/Kay

3. PROCLAMATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

Recognized Barbara Bruce on her last meeting as a reporter (3 years with the White Mountain Independent) she will be working for Navopache Electric. Everyone expressed well wishes. Mike Leiby will cover probably.

Recognition of Lieutenant Bobby Martin for Graduation from the Bob Ramsey Executive Course as a Certified Public Manager - Chief spoke about Lt. Martin completing this course; it was very intensive and he has become even more valuable. He was selected by his peers to give one of the keynote speeches at graduation. Accepted to FBI national academy. Mayor is pro education and appreciates that he is willing to do that.

Chief's Commendation for Lieutenant Bobby Martin and Senior Sergeant Dan Rush Chief read each commendation; Mayor Johnson thanked them

Recognition of Barbara Flake for 15 years of service upon Retirement July 1, 2017

Everyone expressed their appreciation and admiration for the great job that Barbara has done over the years, being extremely professional and dedicated to the town.

4. CALL TO PUBLIC: none

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approve Council minutes dated June 13, 2017

B. Approve Resolution No. 2017-08 Adopt Policy for Purchase from Mayor and Council

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Kay to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed; unanimous

Councilman Byron Lewis joined the meeting by phone at this point

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Consideration and Possible Approval of a Variance for Mountain Time Management, LLC to Place a Manufactured Office Building on their Property at 3895 North Main Street

Dale provide background information on the item; this is a manufactured building, although not a home; 7 years or newer, no pitch on the roof, no eaves overhanging- all of this things don't follow the town code; P&Z commission voted to recommend the variance for approval; Johnson L, is the town liable if there are any problems with the roof, or is it for looks? the code was in place for aesthetics mostly; no notice was sent to surrounding property owners; can it be seen from the road? it will improve the area. rock landscaping will be around the building, for weed and dust control; Johnson L appreciates the work they have done in the area, it looks much nicer.

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Perkins to approve a Variance for Mountain Time Management, LLC to Place a Manufactured Office Building on their Property at 3895 North Main Street. Motion passed; unanimous

B. Consideration and Possible Approval for Roadway Improvements on Putter/Player/Fairway Drive

It was a subdivision that was put in before there was even a town manager or zoning; property owners would like to have their roadway improved; there are drainage issues; a waiver for the property owners was created by Bob Hall; the code requires engineering, but these roads came in before those requirements, so private HOA,

special tax district, are some alternatives; if materials are put on the road the water flow will be altered and there will be flooding. They are asking for the materials to be donated and applied; there have been lengthy discussions with the land owners particularly about the engineers opinion that there will be flooding; this has been good work to try and upgrade the area, but all while protecting the town, in also having them sign the waiver.

Dave Scott- appreciates the efforts given by the town; he did not get all property owners to sign, so it would only be part of the roads; 15 of 16 residents to sign; this would benefit the area mainly for mud control, but the dust is terrible as well

- Discussion was held about the possible flooding and the positives and negatives of the improvements
Brian- if the council approves, it should be contingent on it being reviewed by an engineer;

Johnson L- appreciate the effort, but want to make sure the impact won't cause damage, that is his concern; worth further research to avoid future problems

Bob- the petition is set up for managing reasonably the risk of exposure that may come to the town; the petition is for the residents to accept the materials and waive the risk that may come from flooding; this only covers materials, not re-engineering with culverts and such; does feel there is some exposure, but the way the residents have petitioned the council helps, it is designed to give notice to everyone.

- Discussion was had about re-engineering the area, the culverts need to be addressed but the town doesn't own them and won't be addressing that issue at this time

Motion by Kay, 2nd by Johnson C to approve the Town Offering \$10,000 in Donations for Roadway Improvements on Fairway Dr. to Putter Dr. Motion passed; unanimous

C. Consideration and Possible Approval of Tentative Budget FY 2017-18

Brian explained why the budget is higher this year, there was a short discussion on why the budget is higher. Brian emphasized that how the budget works, you set an amount and then you can't go over that, changes can be made within the budget, but it can't go over the set amount.

Motion by Kay, 2nd by Ballard to approve the Tentative Budget FY 2017-18. Motion passed; unanimous

D. Consideration and Possible Approval for Roadway Improvements on Rodeo Road

Rodeo Road deserves some improvement, want to try and make it a collector; it would be an improvement to the community by allowing people to go between Main Street and Centennial Blvd.; \$350k in the street maintenance budget, this would cost about half of that with our own workers; there have been some improvements made already

- Discussion had on how this could help alleviate ingress and egress at the Jr. High

Lewis H- the road names are confusing, maybe we could change it; this is a good road to improve

Motion by Kay, 2nd by Perkins to approve Roadway Improvements on Rodeo Rd./Hatch Ave. Motion passed; unanimous

E. Consideration and Possible Appointment of Town Clerk upon Retirement of Barbara Flake

Brian recommends Katie Melser to be Town Clerk; Mayor supports the recommendation

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Johnson C to appoint Katie Melser as the new Town Clerk. Motion passed; unanimous

7. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS—

Johnson L- spoke with Superintendent Merrell, it isn't new but discussions and work continue to be done; spoke with an attorney about water adjudication, she understands our problems, made recommendations on how we could still be in the fight but not part of the coalition; withdrawing from the coalition would not mean that we are out of the fight, just that we would be less visible in it, many law firms participate and take lead roles at

different times, Brown and Brown is taking their turn now, but at other times they may take more of a secondary role, this is going to be long term, versus a short settlement; there are alternatives and options, we might take a secondary role to try and save the community members money;

Ballard- Dean Flake died, funeral Monday at 9 AM, the town should send flowers

Perkins- impressed with the community members; so many good people in the town, thankful to be a part of it

Lewis H- Mentioned that Dean Flake was a Mayor of Snowflake and agrees that the town needs to recognize his contributions to the community; appreciates Chief Scarber recognizing his officers; love to see people invested in the community;

Johnson C- appreciates the work that the Mayor has done on working with the school

Kay- thank Brian for the budget, some true savings were with the IGA, it should be closer to 50%-50% though; great program by Chief Scarber putting his commendation program together; the town will probably be called about the water increase, he believes the councilmembers should take the brunt of the calls, not the staff; sales tax increase show that the town is growing; if we are going to make the town great and greater, we have to manage the committees we are on to help the members improve the town, set goals to improve the committee that we are on, put our effort into the committees we are assigned to; you are the face of the town, and you are going to be driving the committees; celebrations coming this week; town and staff recognition; thank the council for serving, he appreciates being able to serve as well;

8. MANAGER REPORT- there is a lot going on in the town, many great employees from top to bottom; splash pad started, hoping to get it done by Pioneer Days if possible; excited about being really close to having a solution for Reach 4; have the grant for Northern Solution, waiting on environmental review; school project in the budget as well in case we get the funds, public meeting tomorrow in Phoenix, it seems low that we'll get any of the funds; we'll apply for the hazard mitigation grants through FEMA, we know what we want to do, we'll keep applying for the money until we get it

9. ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Town of Snowflake Council meeting held June 27, 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Katie Melser, Town Clerk