

**MINUTES OF TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN OF SNOWFLAKE
HELD 01/10/2023**

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL at 7:00 pm; Present: Byron Lewis, JoAnne Guderian, Lora Jones, Joe Bjornn, Greg Brimhall, Kerry Ballard; excused: Cory Johnson; Staff: Brian Richards, Katie Melser, Ella McAdams, Chief Martin, Chief Nelson**

1. **PRAYER/PLEDGE Tyler Rausch/Joe Bjornn**

2. **PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

RECOGNITION OF NEW POLICE OFFICER

Chief Martin presented new officer Roberto Alvarado, he is a lateral transfer; RJ introduced himself as growing up in Holbrook, he previously worked in Phoenix and Winslow, thinks this will be a great place to work and live.

3. **CALL TO PUBLIC:** none

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

A. COUNCIL MINUTES DATED DECEMBER 6, 2022

B. DECEMBER CHECK REGISTER

C. FINANCIAL REPORT

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Guderian to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed; unanimous with Johnson absent

5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. PRESENTATION OF FY22 AUDIT

Jennifer Frank with Hinton Burdick presented the FY 2022 Audit presentation. There was an unmodified or "clean opinion" and no reportable findings for FY 2022 for all categories. Highlights include total net position at just less than \$25 million; capital assets increased by just over \$5 million; long-term liabilities decreased by just over \$2 million. General Fund shows an increase in financial position over the last five years. Thanked Brian and staff for being well prepared and making the process smooth during the audit.

Lewis- can you tell us about the pension liability?

Brian- it fluctuates yearly depending on the actuary; every pay period we pay more and more to the liability

No action was taken on this item

- B. NEXUS COALITION PRESENTATION

Vicki Solomon is the executive director of NCDP. Love our community, but there is a drug problem. Fentanyl laces every 6 out of 10 pills that are on the street. There are 6 in the NCDP and they work within grant funding for different areas, including Snowflake and Taylor. Working with the schools to try to provide information to students. Naloxone is an opioid reversal drug, it should be in everyone's emergency kits. Try to use simple and easy messaging to get information out to the communities on social media and paper handouts. She provided some training for how to use the naloxone and follow up with medical care.

Brimhall- what have you done with the schools?

Vicki- they do need some help getting into the schools here.

Lewis- carries it in his backpack and in his vehicles, during ride along with the police he was told that it is used by them in the community. Chief Martin commented that they use it about 10 times per year.

No action was taken on this item.

C. PRESENTATION OF BRAIN PERFORMANCE - MENTAL FLEXIBILITY AND PEAK PERFORMANCE

Chief Martin presented the information and a short video. This is at no cost to us, and this is the first program that they provide equipment and supplements to help instead of just learning techniques. Both sworn and civilian PD staff are able to do this program during their scheduled work time. This program is normally about \$20,000 but this was free. Just wanted to keep the community aware of how we keep our officers and staff healthy and safe.

Guderian- it will be good to have a report in 6 months or so; Chief Martin agrees.

Lewis- impressed with you looking out for your staff as well as the community

No action was taken on this item.

D. SPECIAL USE PERMIT: 202-10-016A: TYLER SLADE: CONSTRUCTION OF A MANUFACTURED HOME PARK

P&Z voted in favor of recommending approval for this; Tyler is here to answer questions.

Lewis- will it look better than it does now?

Slade- yes! He pointed out the area of the property where the homes will be.

Jones- how many will be on that parcel?

Slade- 6 to 8, depending on how the power line affects the placement. The rest of the parcel will be used for warehouse and possibly a strip mall in the future.

Lewis- are you aware of the town code requiring the homes to be newer than 7 years?

Slade- yes, would be willing to work with the town to be able to get any variance for older models if possible because he has the opportunity to buy in bulk but they are a bit older.

Brian- if we follow town code and the older models can be brought up to code it may be possible.

Motion by Brimhall, 2nd by Jones to approve special use permit for manufactured home park. Motion passed; unanimous with Johnson absent

E. SPECIAL USE PERMIT: 202-23-065B: MELISSA & GALEN BORING: CONSTRUCTION OF A MANUFACTURED HOME PARK

P&Z voted in favor of recommending approval for this; Galen is here to answer questions.

Lewis- is it going to look better?

Galen- they have cleaned up much of it already, it will look better. Some spaces will be permanent, some he will try to save for more transitory renters. Possibly 12 spots total, pending the lift station for capacity. The water line will affect the capacity as well, he'll need to figure that out before proceeding.

Jones- manufactured homes plus RV's?

Galen- correct

Jones- if you can make it look great, she's for it.

Brimhall- both this location and the previous item are good and provide housing for the people that need it

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Lewis to approve special use permit for manufactured home park. Motion passed; unanimous with Johnson absent

F. ZONING CHANGE REQUEST: 202-05-042B: SMITH (TENNEY): REZONE FROM R-10 to GC
Staff recommends tabling this since the applicant is not here.

Lewis- would like to proceed with hearing the community on this since so many of them are in attendance, then table it.

Denise Poundstone- lives on Centennial Blvd, talked with many neighbors, very concerned about it. If you can't build homes there because of soil problems, how could foundations be built

for storage? It should be kept residential.

Travis Kay- this is one of our main roads in town, how do we make it look presentable? Would hope as a town we do a good job of keeping residential areas as they should be to keep them nice. Not just this piece of land, but others that may come up, remember the optics for the town and how it will be affected.

Richard Poundstone- several concerns, we're industrializing the whole area, it's a main artery we want to keep it nice. What will it do to property values?

Kay- what is the town's thought process there?

Brian- we just updated our general plan last December. We don't really promote spot zoning; it is not in conjunction with our General Plan.

Lewis- would like to hear what Matt has to say as well, so would like to not come to a resolution tonight.

Motion by Bjornn, 2nd by Guderian to table the zoning change request. Motion passed; unanimous with Johnson absent

G. DEDICATION OF ROADWAY EASEMENT PARCELS - 202-53-097b & 202-05-022d

We've been working on non-motorized trails, in the process of working with the property owners to get the alignment figured out. The new owners of the parcel are requesting an easement for access off of 7th S, and we are in agreement since it will mean we get a portion of the parcel deeded to the town and our trails and some nice natural park can be contained on our own property. 80 ft. public roadway and utility easement.

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Jones to approve dedication of roadway easement for parcels 202-53-097B and 202-05-022D. Motion passed; unanimous with Johnson absent

H. DESIGNATION OF VICE MAYOR

Ballard- because of his surgery and recovery he needs step down as vice mayor; he would like to nominate JoAnne.

Guderian- there are other people who have been on the council longer than her, but she's honored.

Motion by Ballard, 2nd by Lewis to appoint JoAnne Guderian as Vice Mayor. Motion passed; unanimous with Johnson absent

Thanks to Kerry for all the service

6. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS -

Ballard- the big flag is torn and we need to get it fixed up

Jones- love the bike park, spend a lot of free time there

Guderian- Chamber has a schedule of events for the next 12 months; next chamber meeting is the 4th Wednesday of the month. Everybody is welcome, they are fun and informative.

Brimhall- the bike park seems to be popular, nice to see that it is already in use; asked about how to make Porter safer, the road is eroding away in some areas

Lewis- Jeffrey the "Hat Guy" from Alabama sent Byron a shirt and letter, he was impressed with the town and can't wait to come visit; attended Tom Poscharsky's funeral, sad to lose him; starting to look at updating our website; would like to recognize Judge Peterson on his retirement; appreciate staff, especially fire and police.

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

GROUNDHOG BREAKFAST- February 4th, 6-8am.

Terry Cooper retired January 6th, Mike Rogers has taken his place.

8. ADJOURNMENT 8:28pm