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a great place to live, work, and visit”**

**CITY OF SAFFORD
COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY
Monday, April 13, 2015 @ 6:00 PM
Safford Library Program Room, 808 S. 7th Avenue, Safford, Arizona**

PRESENT: Wyn “Chris” Gibbs, Mayor; Mary Bingham, Vice Mayor; Kenneth Malloque, Gene Seale, James D. Howes and Richard Ortega.

ABSENT: Arnold A. Lopez, Councilman.

STAFF PRESENT: Horatio Skeete, City Manager; Leslie Norton, Executive Secretary; Joe Brugman, Chief of Police; Randy Petty, City Engineer; Dustin Welker, Planning and Community Development Director; Jenny Howard, Public Works Director; Alma Flores, Senior Accountant; Terry Quest, Finance Director; Leanne McElroy, Library Director; Cliff Davis, Human Resources Officer; and Georgia Luster, City Clerk. Dale Clark assisted with the audio recording of the meeting.

OTHERS PRESENT: Pastor John Neil, Steven Maxwell (Ponderosa Aviation), John Neal, Jeff McCormick, Thaddeus Hosford, Rex Bryce, Clark Bingham (Fire Chief), James Bryce, Kelly Van Shaar video recorded the meeting.

1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Gibbs called the meeting to order at 6:00:27 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (6-1).
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Gibbs led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. **OPENING PRAYER:** Pastor John Neil offered the Opening Prayer.
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
6. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Mayor Gibbs opened a Public Hearing at 6:02:02 p.m. to hear public comments in compliance with *Arizona Revised Statutes* §38.431.02 regarding adding **Title 20 – Public Parks and Recreational Facilities** to the *City of Safford Municipal Code*.
7. **NEW/OLD BUSINESS:**
 1. **Approve March 9 and March 23, 2015, Council Meeting Minutes. MOTION ADOPTED**

2. Approve March 9, 2015 executive session minutes. MOTION ADOPTED
3. Request for the Mayor and Council to approve additional compensation for the following individuals: Jenny Howard in the amount of 10% of her current salary to act as Interim Utilities Director until position is filled; Kelly Owens and Art Mata of the Public Works Department to receive a 5% interim pay increase for additional duties assigned while the Public Works Director will be acting as Interim Utilities Director. MOTION ADOPTED
8. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:
 1. Consider approving and adopting Resolution Number 15-012 authorizing the renewal of the City of Safford's membership in the Rural Arizona Group Health Trust and appointing Clifford Davis, Trustee and Horatio Skeete, Alternate Trustee to serve during the renewal period. MOTION ADOPTED
9. ORDINANCES:
 1. Review Ordinance Number 15-003, adding Title 20 – Public Parks and Recreational Facilities to the City of Safford Municipal Code to become effective May 27, 2015, and to be a public record. FIRST READING The City Clerk read the Number and Title of Ordinance Number 15-003 into the record.
10. CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, BIDS:
 1. Request for the Mayor and City Council to discuss and approve a Fixed Base Operator (FBO) Lease Agreement renewal with Ponderosa Aviation. MOTION ADOPTED
 2. Review proposed Fee Schedule for the Safford Regional Airport.
 3. Approve a contract between the City of Safford and The Planning Center for a General Plan Update for \$86,810.37. MOTION ADOPTED
11. BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:

This is a request for Council to review and provide guidance and feedback on various City Departments draft budgets for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. The following departments are included at this time: City Manager Office; City Clerk, City Court, City Attorney, Fire Department, Finance, and Information Technology.