

CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 15, 2015

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, was held on December 15, 2015, at the Apache Junction City Council Chambers pursuant to the notice required by law.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Insalaco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Wilson gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commander Jim Johnson of Superstition Mountain Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9399 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Insalaco  
Vice Mayor Barker  
Councilmember Evans  
Councilmember Rizzi  
Councilmember Serdy  
Councilmember Waldron  
Councilmember Wilson

Staff Present: City Manager Bryant Powell  
Assistant City Manager Matt Busby  
City Clerk Kathleen Connelly  
City Attorney Joel Stern  
Public Safety Director Tom Kelly  
Development Services Director Larry Kirch

Others Present: Sponsorship/Partnership Programs  
Administrator Roger Hacker

Public Information Officer Al Bravo  
Production/Marketing and Communication  
Specialist Matt McNulty

ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA )  
 ) Vice Mayor Barker MOVED  
THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED; AND

THAT APPROVAL BE GIVEN FOR THE LEGAL ADVERTISING AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC AND THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION FOR  
CALENDAR YEAR 2016 IN THE AMOUNT OF 40 CENTS PER LINE PER DAY IN  
THE MESA REPUBLIC AND 85 CENTS PER LINE PER DAY IN THE ARIZONA  
REPUBLIC; AND THAT AUTHORIZATION BE GIVEN FOR THE MAYOR TO SIGN  
THE AGREEMENT.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED  
THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Sponsorship/Partnership Programs Administrator Roger Hacker  
stated Public Safety Director Tom Kelly has started a campaign  
to raise money to replace the canine officer and train a new  
one.

Public Safety Director Tom Kelly stated Daimont will be retiring  
in one to one-and-a-half years. When asked for help, this  
community continues to come to the forefront to help. The  
canine will cost anywhere from \$6,500 to \$10,000. Training for  
the officer and canine will run another \$2,500 to \$3,000.  
Daimont has medical issues and will have to be retired. He  
requested Commander Johnson of the Superstition Mountains  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9399 to present their check and  
asked the mayor to accept the check.

Mayor Insalaco commented he had heard about this a week ago and  
had it added to the agenda.

Commander Jim Johnson presented a check for \$1,000 to the city from their organization. He also presented a personal check, a donation from him and his wife.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS

Councilmember Wilson commented they had the Paws and Claws pictures and they had a pretty good turnout. It was slow to start because of the weather but it picked up once the weather got nicer. He did not see any cats, though.

Vice Mayor Barker commented he did not say anything about the dogs' clothes.

Councilmember Wilson commented the dogs were dressed.

Councilmember Waldron commented there was a soft opening this Monday of the Apache Junction Community Veterans Center. The reception has been great. They have had around 20 veterans stop in for assistance in the first two days. He appreciated the support from the community.

Mayor Insalaco thanked the parks and recreation staff for the many events they have coordinated recently, including the health and wellness expo, the pickle ball tournament and the holiday program and light parade. He read a list of the many local businesses who assisted in sponsoring these programs.

Mayor Insalaco commented the Senior Rodders and Knights of Columbus obtained fifty \$125 gift certificates. On Saturday they will be taking 50 children from the Boys and Girls Club to Walmart to purchase clothes.

Mayor Insalaco commented he was contacted by an ASU student over a month ago who wanted to interview him and learn about Apache Junction. She was from the Ukraine and wanted to know how the city worked and how he got involved in city politics. Last week he asked her why she picked the city and him. She stated she had contacted Tempe and had three reservations to talk to their mayor but each was cancelled because the mayor was busy. She went online and checked all the East Valley cities and mayors' biographies and picked Apache Junction. She was pleased by how

she was treated by city clerk staff. She is taking a local newspaper and magazine back with her for the holidays.

#### CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Bryant Powell commented on the Silver Alert that had occurred that night, various events for adoptions for the Paws and Claws Center, and thanked the community sponsors.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

#### OLD BUSINESS

None.

#### NEW BUSINESS

APPOINTMENT TO THE SUPERSTITION  
MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY FACILITIES  
DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS )

) City Clerk Kathleen  
Connelly briefed the council on the item.

Mayor Insalaco asked if the  
new term is for six years.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly  
stated that is correct.

Vice Mayor Barker asked if  
they could interview Mr. Schroeder tonight.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly  
stated they cannot.

Mayor Insalaco closed the  
discussion and called for a motion.

Councilmember Waldron MOVED  
THAT CHESTER BURGESS BE APPOINTED TO THE SUPERSTITION MOUNTAINS

COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A  
TERM TO EXPIRE JULY 7, 2016.

Councilmember Wilson SECONDED

THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

(During the vote Councilmember Rizzi commented she had wished they had been given the opportunity to interview the other candidates. It was unfortunate they were not given that opportunity.)

The motion carried.

DIRECTION TO STAFF

None.

SELECTION OF MEETING DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS, AND PURPOSES

Vice Mayor Barker MOVED THAT  
AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:45 P.M. AND A WORK SESSION AT 7:00  
P.M. BE HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016, IN THE CITY COUNCIL  
CONFERENCE ROOM AND CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS RESPECTIVELY;

AND THAT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:45 P.M. BE HELD ON TUESDAY,  
JANUARY 5, 2016, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED

THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. James Boerigter, 1054 E. Roosevelt, Apache Junction,  
addressed the council to thank the city for the help he had been  
given but he still needs more. He invited the council to his  
property to see what he is putting up with as Councilmember  
Wilson had done.

Mayor Insalaco commented he has driven by the property.

ADJOURNMENT )  
 ) Mayor Insalaco wished everyone a very safe and happy holiday season and a safe New Years. He adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Consent Agenda Items are as follows:

1. Consideration of acceptance of agenda.
2. Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting of December 1, 2015.

ACCEPTED THIS 5TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2016, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA.

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS 5TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2016.

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JOHN S. INSALACO  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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KATHLEEN CONNELLY  
City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, held on the 15th day of December, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 16th day of December, 2015.

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KATHLEEN CONNELLY  
City Clerk