

CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 1, 2016

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, was held on March 1, 2016, 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

Councilmember Rizzi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Insalaco
Vice Mayor Barker (telephonically as of
7:05 p.m.)

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
Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Bell
Development Services Director Larry
Kirch

Others Present: Park Ranger Supervisor Kelly Martin
Tax Processing Clerk Dana Martin

Recreation Superintendent Liz
Langenbach
Human Resources Director Liz Riley
Public Information Officer Al Bravo
Economic Development Administrator
Janine Solley

ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA _____)
) Councilmember Waldron
MOVED THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED
THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS

Councilmember Wilson commented they had over 8,000 people come through the gates at Lost Dutchman Days on Saturday. They had beautiful weather the entire time.

Councilmember Evans commented they had the first meeting last night at Central Arizona College concerning the Arizona State University students who are preparing a document for the city on the vision for the city. It was very well attended by residents and almost the entire council made it. It was a good evening with a lot of good ideas.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Bryant Powell stated they just got word that the vice mayor is calling in to listen.

He commented on staff's participation during the Veterans Day Parade, the Festival of the Superstitions, the Holiday Light Parade, the Lost Dutchman Marathon and Lost Dutchman Days,

working on bringing new events to the city and work on the downtown park.

Mayor Insalaco commented he and Councilmember Waldron had a meeting with Senator John McCain and all the tribal leaders over the Indian gaming. They talked to the president and governor of Gila River and Salt River and both want to be in the Veterans Day Parade next year. That will make it colorful.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated that is wonderful.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON
AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL
CITY MANAGER ASSOCIATION 401(A)
RETIREMENT PLAN)

) Human Resources Director
Liz Riley briefed the council on the item.

Councilmember Waldron asked
if there are any major changes from last time.

Human Resources Director Liz
Riley stated there are not. It is just a formal thing the
Internal Revenue Service wants to have on file.

City Attorney Joel Stern
stated originally they could have loans; they could take that
out of the retirement funds. The Internal Revenue Service
states they cannot do that anymore for this particular plan.
That was the only big one. They added some new language under
the Economic Recovery Act. There were not a lot of changes.

Human Resources Director Liz Riley stated they did not change the spirit.

This was a discussion item only. Mayor Insalaco closed the discussion with no further comments and moved on to the next item.

PINAL COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT FOR ELECTION SERVICES FOR
THE AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION AND, IF
NECESSARY, THE NOVEMBER GENERAL
ELECTION)

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

Mayor Insalaco asked if the board workers would be chosen by the board of supervisors.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated the political parties get to designate representatives on the election boards. She continued with her briefing.

Mayor Insalaco asked how many polling places they could have.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated she did not know. Last time the county had nine but that included those that are clearly outside of the city. We will have some that have partial city voters in them. We will not have polling places with 100% city voters. They will include different areas. It will be more costly.

Mayor Insalaco commented it will be a mess.

Councilmember Waldron asked how they will handle the portion of Apache Junction that is in Maricopa County.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated similar to the way we did before. They will be assigned a polling place and the two jurisdictions, Pinal County and Maricopa County, will work together to gather that voter data

such as the precinct registers, rosters and all that and get it to the board workers.

Mayor Insalaco closed the discussion and called for a motion.

Councilmember Evans MOVED THAT THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN PINAL COUNTY AND THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION FOR ELECTION SERVICES FOR THE AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION AND, IF NECESSARY, THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION BE APPROVED.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

RATIFICATION AS REQUIRED BY APACHE
JUNCTION CITY CODE AS THE CITY
MANAGER IS SEEKING RATIFICATION
OF LIZ LANGENBACH FOR APPOINTMENT
AS DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND
RECREATION

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) City Manager Bryant Powell
briefed the council on the item.

Recreation Superintendent Liz Langenbach stated she and her family are involved in the community and they love it here. She grew up within the recreation department and later watched it grow as a staff member. Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Bell partnered wherever he could to give the community the programs needed. She thanked the council and community for supporting the department and listed the accomplishments of the department under his leadership. She will work as hard as she can to live up to his high standards.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated he is looking forward to her appointment. She has some wonderful ideas and passion. They have a wonderful culture in the organization and they will continue with that.

Mayor Insalaco closed the discussion with no further comments and called for a motion.

Councilmember Waldron MOVED THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF LIZ LANGENBACH TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION BE RATIFIED.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

Councilmember Waldron thanked Jeff Bell for surviving 35 years.

There was general discussion about a 35 year recognition for Jeff Bell the first Tuesday in April.

DIRECTION TO STAFF

AMENDMENTS TO APACHE JUNCTION CITY
CODE, VOLUME II, CHAPTER 2
SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS
NECESSITATED BY AMENDMENTS TO
VOLUME II, CHAPTER 10, ENGINEERING
DESIGN GUIDELINES AND POLICIES)

) Development Services

Director Larry Kirch briefed the council on the item.

Councilmember Evans and Mayor Insalaco commented it is a wonderful idea.

Mayor Insalaco closed the discussion and called for a motion.

Councilmember Waldron MOVED THAT THE FOLLOWING DIRECTION BE GIVEN TO STAFF REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO APACHE JUNCTION CITY CODE, VOLUME II, CHAPTER 2 SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS NECESSITATED BY AMENDMENTS TO VOLUME II, CHAPTER 10 ENGINEERING DESIGN GUIDELINES AND POLICIES BY THE

CITY ENGINEER: THAT THEY MERGE THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 10-8 SUBDIVISION PLATS WITH CHAPTER 2 SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 2-1 THROUGH 2-7 AND DRAFT THE AMENDMENTS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED

THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

AMENDMENTS TO APACHE JUNCTION CITY
CODE, VOLUME II, CHAPTER 8
COMMUNICATIONS, ARTICLE 8-1
WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES
NECESSITATED BY RULE CHANGES BY THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
AND POSSIBLE CONFLICTING LANGUAGE
IN VOLUME II, CHAPTER 1 ZONING
CODE

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Development Services

Director Larry Kirch briefed the council on the item.

City Manager Bryant Powell
asked if this is just for private property.

Development Services Director
Larry Kirch stated that is correct. It does not apply to city-
owned towers on city-owned property, like on ballfield lights at
a ballfield, or a city-owned facility in the right-of-way.

Mayor Insalaco closed the
discussion with no further comments and called for a motion.

Councilmember Waldron MOVED
THAT THE FOLLOWING DIRECTION BE GIVEN TO STAFF REGARDING
AMENDMENTS TO APACHE JUNCTION CITY CODE, VOLUME II, CHAPTER 8
COMMUNICATIONS, ARTICLE 8-1 WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
NECESSITATED BY RULE CHANGES BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION AND POSSIBLE CONFLICTING LANGUAGE IN VOLUME II,
CHAPTER 1 ZONING CODE: THAT STAFF INVESTIGATE MERGING THE
PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 8-1 WITH CHAPTER 1 ZONING CODE AND

DRAFTING AMENDMENTS FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION BY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED

THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

SELECTION OF MEETING DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS, AND PURPOSES

Councilmember Evans MOVED
THAT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:45 P.M. AND A WORK SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 14, 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, MARCH 15, 2016, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED

THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT)
) Mayor Insalaco adjourned
the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Consent Agenda Items are as follows:

1. Consideration of acceptance of agenda.
2. Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting of February 16, 2016.

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

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

JOHN S. INSALACO
Mayor

ATTEST:

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 1st day of March, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 2016.

KATHLEEN CONNELLY
City Clerk