



City of Apache Junction, Arizona

Meeting Minutes City Council Meeting

Meeting location:

City Council Chambers
at City Hall
300 E. Superstition Blvd
Apache Junction, AZ
85119

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Tuesday, October 2, 2018

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serdy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Waldron gave the invocation and Councilmember Struble led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Staff in attendance:

Bryant Powell, City Manager

Matt Busby, Assistant City Manager

Anna McCray, Assistant to the City Manager

Joel Stern, City Attorney

Kathy Connelly, City Clerk

Mike Wever, Public Works Director

Thomas Kelly, Chief of Police

Janine Solley, Economic Development Director

Al Bravo, Public Information Officer

Present: 6 - Mayor Serdy
 Vice Mayor Wilson
 Councilmember Evans
 Councilmember Rizzi
 Councilmember Struble
 Councilmember Waldron

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Barker

D. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Evans that the consent agenda be accepted as presented and that the approval of Resolution No. 18-29, a resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, approving and adopting the updated Pinal County Community Wildfire Protection Plan, be approved. The motion passed unanimously by a 6-0 vote with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent. Vice Mayor Wilson attended telephonically.

1. [18-418](#) Consideration of acceptance of agenda.

The agenda was accepted.

Yes: 6 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Barker

2. [18-427](#) Consideration of approval of minutes of special meeting of September 17, 2018.

The special meeting minutes were approved.

Yes: 6 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Barker

3. [18-419](#) Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting of September 18, 2018.

The meeting minutes were approved.

Yes: 6 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Barker

4. [18-414](#) Consideration of approval of Resolution No. 18-29 on the approval and adoption of the 2018 Pinal County Community Wildfire Prevention Plan as an official planning document for the city.

The Resolution was approved.

E. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

5. [18-382](#) Proclamation designating the month of October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month."

Mayor Serdy read the proclamation. The Community Alliance Against Family Abuse Board Member Braden Biggs was present to accept the proclamation.

Mayor Serdy mentioned in addition to the proclamation the city council is wearing purple to recognize Domestic Violence Awareness month, that the Focal Point is lit up in purple lighting for the month of October, and that city employees will be asked to wear purple on Domestic Violence Awareness Day later in the month.

6. [18-417](#) Proclamation designating Saturday, November 24, 2018 as "Small Business Saturday".

Mayor Serdy read the proclamation. Superstition Region Chamber of Commerce CEO Michael Eastwood and Board of Directors Chair Steve Byfield were present to accept the proclamation.

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS

7. [18-420](#) Announcement of current events from mayor and councilmembers.

Councilmember Struble announced AJ Kids Idol would be held at Barleens on January 27th and any children in school from Kindergarten to high school seniors are encouraged to register during auditions that were being held in October and December. Councilmember Struble also reminded the community of open mic night at Earthheart Park occurs every other Thursday beginning November for youth ages 14 and older to showcase their musical talent (vocal or instrumental).

Councilmember Evans announced the first farmer's market will be held this coming Saturday at Earthheart Park. Councilmember Evans reported attending a health and human services meeting at the Maricopa Association of Governments where several children's programs that other communities, and in particular the City of Tempe, are utilizing. They included the Barrow's Brain Book which all athletes are required to read and sign for brain injury awareness and how opioid use affects the brain, RX360 a more modern version of the Drug Awareness Resistance Education program, waste water testing and GIS to find hot spots of opioid use, and the Angels Program which works with the police department and allows addicts to show up at a police station where they will not be arrested but instead transported to a treatment facility.

Mayor Serdy spoke on the recent passing of Tom Kollenborn.

G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

8. [18-421](#) City manager's report.

City Manager Bryant Powell expressed condolences over the community of Apache Junction losing an irreplaceable historian by the recent passing of Tom Kollenborn.

Mr. Powell welcomed new city employee Fox Young in the development services department who will work on grants as well as revenue development. Mr. Powell encouraged council to stop in to introduce themselves when on city hall campus.

Mr. Powell reported he and Human Resources Director Liz Riley attended the Arizona Metropolitan Trust Conference which is the health pool city employees belong to.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

I. OLD BUSINESS

J. NEW BUSINESS

9. [18-416](#) Consideration of annual appointments and reappointments to Board of Adjustment, Library Board, Parks and Recreation Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission. Council interviewed applicants for these positions at the October 1 work session and may take this opportunity to fill the positions.

City council interviewed boards and commissions applicants at last night's Work Session. Mayor Serdy inquired about the process after Councilmember Elect Schroeder resigns from the Planning and Zoning Commission which will leave another position vacant and expressed he did not want the candidates to have to return for another interview. City Attorney Joel Stern stated that city council is not required to hold another round of interviews and that they can use the existing list to fill that vacancy when it occurs.

A. Board of Adjustment (2 vacancies)

Councilmember Rizzi moved to nominate Walker Waldie and Councilmember Evans seconded that Walker Waldie be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Waldron moved and Councilmember Rizzi seconded that Jesse Gage be reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

B. Library Board (2 vacancies)

Councilmember Evans moved and Councilmember Struble seconded that Samuel Graves be reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Evans moved and Councilmember Rizzi seconded that Vera Walters be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

C. Parks and Recreation Commission (3 vacancies)

Councilmember Waldron moved and Vice Mayor Wilson seconded that Wayne Standage be reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Rizzi moved and Councilmember Evans seconded that Walker Waldie be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed 5-1 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, and Councilmember Struble all voting yes. Councilmember Waldron voted no. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Rizzi moved and Councilmember Waldron seconded that Frank Schoenbeck be reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

D. Planning and Zoning Commission (2 vacancies)

Councilmember Rizzi moved and Vice Mayor Wilson seconded that Colleen Shipman be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion failed 3-3 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, and Councilmember Rizzi voting yes and Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Struble, and Councilmember Waldron voting no. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Waldron moved and Councilmember Evans seconded that James Duncan be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion failed 3-3 with Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, and Councilmember Waldron voting yes and Mayor Serdy, Councilmember Rizzi, and Councilmember Struble voting no. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Waldron moved and Councilmember Evans seconded that Robert Rauschenbach be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion failed 3-3 with Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Struble, and Councilmember Waldron voting yes and Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, and Councilmember Rizzi voting no. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Evans moved and Vice Mayor Wilson seconded that Theresa Nesser be reappointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously 6-0 with Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron all voting yes. Councilmember Barker was absent.

Councilmember Rizzi moved and Councilmember Struble seconded that Shirley Ooley be appointed for a term to expire October 31, 2021. The motion passed 5-1 with Mayor Serdy, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble, and Councilmember Waldron voting yes. Vice Mayor Wilson voted no. Councilmember Barker was absent.

K. COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF**L. SELECTION OF MEETING DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS, AND PURPOSES**

10. [18-422](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Monday, October 15, 2018 in the city council conference room and city council chambers located at 300 E. Superstition Boulevard, Apache Junction, Arizona, respectively.

Councilmember Waldron moved and Councilmember Rizzi seconded that an executive session at 6:00p.m. and a work session at 7:00p.m. be held on Monday, October 15, 2018 in the city council conference room and city council chambers, located at 300 E. Superstition Boulevard, Apache Junction, Arizona, respectively.

Yes: 6 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Barker

11. [18-424](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 in the city council conference room and city council chambers located at 300 E. Superstition Boulevard, Apache Junction, Arizona, respectively. Other meetings if necessary.

Councilmember Waldron moved and Councilmember Rizzi seconded that an executive session at 6:00p.m. and a work session at 7:00p.m. be held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 in the city council conference room and city council chambers, located at 300 E. Superstition Boulevard, Apache Junction, Arizona, respectively.

Yes: 6 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Councilmember Barker

M. CALL TO PUBLIC

Charles Beal, block 21 of San Marcos Crossing, explained that the HOA quit taking care of the common tracts as the common property was sold to Driller Development. He wanted them to be held accountable as city council is holding Santa Fe subdivision accountable, where common area was addressed two weeks ago.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Serdy adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

ACCEPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA.

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2018.

JEFF SERDY
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 _____ day of _____, _____. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, _____.

KATHLEEN CONNELLY
City Clerk