

**MINUTES  
EAGAR TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING  
22 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Eagar, AZ  
September 6, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Bryce Hamblin called the Regular meeting to order and welcomed those present. Mayor Hamblin requested that the record show all Councilmembers are present. Mayor Bryce Hamblin led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilor Reece Hadlock offered the invocation.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Marsha Tucker  
Reece Hadlock  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

COUNCIL ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Jessica Vaughan, Town Clerk/Events Coordinator  
Brett Rigg, Town Attorney  
Britney Reynolds, Community Development Coordinator  
Chancy Nutt, Finance Director  
Adam Craig, Public Works Director

**ITEM#6: OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Terry Shove stated that school is going well we did have one first grade teacher resigned over the weekend and if anyone knows of somebody please have them apply. Talked with Danielle Hommel and the rib throwdown went great they made the most money this year and that money will go out to charities. The Foundation of Little Colorado Revitalization received word from Kristen Sinema's office that piping for Pioneer Irrigation and St. Johns Irrigation will be piped with a couple million-dollar grant that the foundation will manage the money.

Mayor Hamblin asked if they are going to start piping up top and bring it into town?

Councilwoman Seeley replied that it will start at the top where the pipe ended and will come down.

Joe Jarvis stated thank you council for your service. Appreciate the updates on Butler Street and the Park. Congratulations to those that got elected for next year. There are a variety of resources out there for your objectives like the League. As a resident I am offering you my support and assistance to help you achieve your objectives. I have over 14 years' experience in this municipal sector, and I can help. If I'm correct you have had 6 town managers in the last 10 years so, what are you going to do differently to have a longer-term relationship. As policy makers you have influence are you considering policy changes due to power plant shutting, the health of our forest, recharging water. Thank you

## **ITEM #7: CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2022 NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA TRANSMITTALS, CHECKS WRITTEN, PAYROLL DIRECT DEPOSIT VOUCHERS, AND CREDIT CARD PURCHASES
- B. ACCEPTANCE OF AUGUST 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SALES TAX REPORT

Vice-mayor Steve Erhart made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Debra Seeley seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Marsha Tucker  
Reece Hadlock  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

## **ITEM #8: NEW BUSINESS**

- A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EAGAR AND HATCH CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SOUTH BUTLER STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Mayor Hamblin stated that the bid with Hatch Construction was accepted, and Town Attorney reviewed the contract.

Councilman Randy Nicoll asked if it would take until next August to finish?

Mayor Hamblin stated no they are hoping to have it done by the summer, but the date is pushed for just a little time just in case.

Britney Reynolds stated that drainage would be the longest part of the project.

Mayor Hamblin stated that concrete as long as weather permits, they will do concrete through the winter.

Vice-mayor Steve Erhart made a motion to approve contract between the Town of Eagar and Hatch Construction for the South Butler Street project. Councilor Reece Hadlock seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart

Debra Seeley  
Marsha Tucker  
Reece Hadlock  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

**B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF  
CRACK SEAL EQUIPMENT THROUGH SOURCEWELL CONTRACT**

Adam Craig stated that Public Works would like to purchase a crack seal machine, some roads are beyond repair when roads get fixed this would help maintain them it can also be utilized for potholes.

Randy Nicoll asked how often the machine would be utilized?

Mr. Craig stated that it would be used all the time other than when there is moisture present.

Councilor Reece Hadlock made a motion to approve the purchase of the Crack Seal Equipment through Sourcewell contract. Councilor Debra Seeley seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Marsha Tucker  
Reece Hadlock  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

**C. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TILT  
BED EQUIPMENT TRAILER**

Mr. Craig stated that we currently have a semi and equipment trailer but don't have anything else to haul vehicles or a skid steer and future equipment.

Councilman Phelps asked what the weight limit is?

Mr. Craig responded 14,000 pounds to 20,000 pounds looking for something 16 to 20 feet or longer to be able to haul everything.

Councilwoman asked what trailer they are wanting the Jackson or the tilt bed?

Mr. Craig responded that either one but mostly looking at the trailer with more room with a dove tail and monster ramps. The tilt beds are good but for safety I think something with ramps would be better.

Mayor Hamblin asked do we know what the payload is on the trailer your wanting?

Mr. Craig stated that he was interested in the 2023 Jackson with the heavier axels.

Vice-mayor Steve Erhart made a motion to approve the purchase of tilt bed trailer with two 10,000-pound axels not to exceed \$20,000. Councilor Reece Hadlock seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

#### D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE MEMBERSHIP IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA CO-OPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM

Brett Rigg, Town Attorney stated that we are currently not a member of the State Co-operative. This agreement provides the town with a way to purchase through the State Contract without bidding but can still go out to bid if the town decided and that there is no fee to be a member.

Councilor Reece Hadlock made a motion to approve membership in the State of Arizona Co-Operative purchasing program. Councilor Randy Nicoll seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

#### E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A FORD F-550 CAB AND CHASSIS THROUGH STATE CONTRACT

Mr. Craig stated that there are a lot of vehicles that are needing replaced. Through state contract the F-550 at San Tan Ford is not 4-wheel drive and Peoria Ford is two to three weeks out until trucks are on the lot. The people I have talked to stated in October that the prices will increase by \$10,000 and 40 weeks out for production. Needing a truck that will be able to haul the jetter and other equipment and for safety concerns.

Mayor Hamblin asked if there are any trucks in the state that we can go out to bid for?

Mr. Craig stated that trucks are limited in the state.

Councilwoman Seeley asked how far they had looked out and if they looked at gas versus diesel?

Mr. Craig stated that they looked 1000 miles or more and they did look at gas and diesel.

Vice-mayor Steve Erhart made a motion to approve the purchase of a F-550 Cab and Chassis through State Contract. Councilor Randy Nicoll seconded; all were in favor, except one. Motion carried. 6-1

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

Nays: Debra Seeley

**F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF BODY WORN CAMERAS, EVIDENCE STORAGE, AND LICENSING BUNDLES THROUGH AXON ENTERPRISE**

Chief Shane Bevington stated that they are needing to upgrade their system, that the batteries are dying, and that they will have more room in the server. The videos would have an audit trail and there will be warranty.

Councilman Randy Nicoll asked if the \$800 a year is the storage fee?

Chief Bevington stated yes. The county has been using this same system the footage automatically uploads and a link can be sent to attorneys when they need it.

Councilor Debra Seeley made a motion to approve the purchase of worn cameras, evidence storage, and licensing bundle through Axon Enterprise in a lump sum of \$28,866.40. Vice-mayor Steve Erhart seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

**ITEM #9: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. EXECUTIVE SESSION AS ALLOWED BY A.R.S § 38-431.03.A4 DISCUSSION OR CONSULTATION WITH THE ATTORNEYS OF THE PUBLIC BODY IN ORDER TO CONSIDER ITS POSITION AND INSTRUCT ITS ATTORNEYS REGARDING THE PUBLIC BODY'S POSITION REGARDING CONTRACTS THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATIONS, IN PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION OR IN SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION- LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EAGAR AND QUEST ENTERPRISES AND WHITE MOUNTAIN EXCAVATION PARTNERSHIP

Vice-mayor Steve Erhart made a motion to go into Executive Session [at 6:44p.m.] Councilor Reece Hadlock seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

#### **RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION**

Councilor Randy Nicoll made a motion to go reconvene back into Regular Meeting [at 7:19p.m.] Councilor Reece Hadlock seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

- B. DISCUSSION OR POSSIBLE ACTION OF ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION- ITEM A

Councilor Reece Hadlock made a motion to terminate the lease agreement effective December 31, 2022 and go out to bid for future lease agreement effective January 1, 2023. Councilor Randy Nicoll seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps

Randy Nicoll

**ITEM #12: ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Reece Hadlock made a motion to adjourn the meeting [at 7:21p.m.] Councilor Debra Seeley seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 7-0

Vote: Ayes: Bryce Hamblin  
Steve Erhart  
Debra Seeley  
Reece Hadlock  
Marsha Tucker  
John Phelps  
Randy Nicoll

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice-Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Council: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Council Meeting and Work Session of the Town of Eagar, Arizona held on September 6, 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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Jessica Vaughan, Town Clerk/Event Coordinator