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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE JEROME TOWN COUNCIL JEROME CIVIC CENTER - 600 CLARK STREET - COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.

ITEM #1:	CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL Mayor/Chairperson to call meeting to order. Town Clerk to call and record the roll. <i>Mayor Check called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.</i> <i>Town Manager/Clerk Candace Gallagher called roll. Present were Mayor Nikki Check, Vice Mayor Lew Currier and Councilmembers Randall Hunt and Anne Bassett. Also present were newly-elected Councilmembers Alex Barber, Doug Freund and Abe Stewart.</i> <i>Other staff in attendance at roll call included Judge Joan Dwyer, Fire Chief Rusty Blair, Zoning Administrator Al Sengstock, Finance Director Rebecca Cretti, Utilities Clerk Peggy Tovrea and Deputy Town Clerk Rosemarie Shemaitis.</i>
ITEM #2:	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor/Chairperson to lead the Pledge.
ITEM #3: 7:07 pm	COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES November 6, 2014 special meeting (outgoing Council) November 6 Special Meeting <i>Councilmember Bassett noted, regarding Item 5, that a comment had been made that the Jerome Historical Society allows the use of Spook Hall for free, which had not been included in the minutes. It was agreed that Ms. Gallagher would add that.</i> <i>Councilmember Hunt asked, regarding Item 3B, that Ms. Gallagher read aloud the final version of Section A, which she did.</i> Motion: Councilmember Bassett made a motion to accept the minutes of November 6, 2014, as amended. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Currier. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.
ITEM #4: 7:10 pm	COMMENTS BY OUTGOING MAYOR NIKKI CHECK <i>Mayor Check commented that serving as Mayor has been an amazing opportunity and she appreciated the experience. She added that this Council had accomplished much, and moved many projects forward.</i> <i>Mayor Check thanked her fellow Councilmembers and presented Certificates of Appreciation to each of them. She presented a certificate to Councilmember Bassett and acknowledged her 11 years serving the Town. Ms. Bassett thanked Mayor Check for being such a good mayor. She presented a certificate to Vice Mayor Currier and thanked him for his ten years of service. She then presented a certificate to Councilmember Hunt, thanking him for his two-and-one-half years working with the Council. Mayor Check also had a certificate for Councilmember Bill Phinney but his wife, Deni, could not be present to accept it.</i> <i>Vice Mayor Currier then presented a certificate of appreciation to Mayor Check and thanked her for her service to the Town.</i>
ITEM #5: 7:16 pm	SWEARING IN AND SEATING OF 2014-16 TOWN COUNCIL The Honorable Joan Dwyer, Town Magistrate, will administer the Oath of Office to the 2014-16 Council. <i>Judge Dwyer swore in the 2014-16 Town Council, consisting of Alex Barber, Nikki Check, Lew Currier, Doug Freund and Abe Stewart.</i>

Jerome Town Hall Located at 600 Clark Street, Jerome Civic Center

<p>ITEM #6: 7:19 pm</p>	<p>SELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR</p> <p>The newly seated Jerome Town Council will select their Mayor and Vice Mayor by nomination and vote.</p> <p><i>Motion: Doug Freund nominated Lew Currier for the position of Mayor. It was seconded by Nikki Check. The motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</i></p> <p><i>Motion: Mayor Currier nominated Doug Freund for the position of Vice Mayor. It was seconded by Abe Stewart. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 1 abstention by Mr. Freund.</i></p>
<p>ITEM #7: 7:23 pm</p>	<p>STAFF REPORTS</p> <p>Written staff reports by the Town Manager/Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk, Utilities Representative, Public Works Department, Building Inspector, Library, Municipal Court, Police Chief and Fire Chief.</p> <p><i>Vice Mayor Freund asked if the police report could indicate how many of the calls for service resulted in an arrest or citation. Ms. Gallagher said that she would ask Chief Muma about that.</i></p> <p><i>Motion: Councilmember Check made a motion to accept the staff reports. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Freund and approved by all with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</i></p>
<p>ITEM #8: 7:24 pm</p>	<p>FINANCIAL REPORTS</p> <p>Issued checks and Budget to Actual reports for the month of October 2014. Figures included therein are presumed accurate as of the report's preparation date, but are subject to adjustment as further information is gained.</p> <p><i>Mayor Currier explained some of the budget reports to the newer Councilmembers. Councilmember Check suggested that the new members meet with Ms. Gallagher and Ms. Cretti for more information.</i></p> <p><i>Vice Mayor Freund asked why the numbers are not rounded up. Ms. Cretti responded that this is how the reports come out of the system.</i></p> <p><i>In response to question by the Mayor, Ms. Cretti explained that prior year expenses initially charged in this year's budget have been moved out of this year's "actual" figures and added to the prior year's.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Gallagher noted that the amount shown for worker's comp expense for Department 19, "Youth," should be \$8.25, and that will be corrected. Ms. Cretti added that worker's comp is paid quarterly, so it shows up quarterly in the reports.</i></p> <p><i>Mayor Currier explained how the Budget to Actual report changes from month to month.</i></p> <p><i>Motion: Councilmember Check made a motion to accept the financial reports. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Freund and approved by all with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</i></p>
<p>ITEM #9: 7:28 pm</p>	<p>PLANNING AND ZONING AND DESIGN REVIEW MINUTES/ RECOMMENDATIONS/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</p> <p>Minutes are provided for the information of Council and do not require action.</p> <p><i>Councilmember Check asked Mr. Sengstock if he had any stories to tell. He replied that everything has been good so far.</i></p>
<p>ITEM #10: 7:29 pm</p>	<p>PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC</p> <p>Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), public comment is permitted on matters not listed on the agenda but the subject matter must be within the jurisdiction of the Council. All comments are subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions. All petitioners must fill out a request form with their name and subject matter. When recognized by the chair, please step to the microphone, state your name and please observe the three (3) minute time limit. No petitioners will be recognized without a request. The Council's response to public comments is limited to asking staff to review a matter commented upon, asking that a matter be put on a future agenda, or responding to criticism.</p> <p><i>Nathan Payne, an itinerant musician in Jerome, spoke on the issue of busking in the Town of Jerome. He said that he has a petition with 44 signatures of approval.</i></p> <p><i>Mayor Currier said that Council cannot comment now, but it may be on a future agenda.</i></p>

ITEM #11: 7:31 pm	TO AND FROM THE COUNCIL Council may direct Staff as to items of pending importance that they would like placed on a future meeting agenda. <i>Councilmember Check said that she would like to discuss vacation rentals.</i> <i>Vice Mayor Freund agreed, and added that he would also like Council to consider a Jerome art museum.</i>
ITEM #12:	ADJOURNMENT <i>Upon motion by Councilmember Check seconded by Vice Mayor Freund and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.</i>

Edited by Town Manager/Clerk Candace Gallagher from minutes taken and transcribed by Deputy Town Clerk Rosemarie Shemaitis.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Lew Currier, Mayor

Candace B. Gallagher, CMC, Town Manager/Clerk

Date: _____