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MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE JEROME TOWN COUNCIL JEROME CIVIC CENTER - 600 CLARK STREET - COUNCIL CHAMBERS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2014 AT 6:00 P.M.

<p>ITEM #1:</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL</p> <p>Mayor/Chairperson to call meeting to order. Town Clerk to call and record the roll.</p> <p><i>Mayor Currier called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.</i></p> <p><i>Town Manager/Clerk Candace Gallagher called roll. Present were Mayor Lew Currier, Vice Mayor Doug Freund and Councilmembers Nikki (Check) Bagley and Abe Stewart. Councilmember Alex Barber was not in attendance at roll call and arrived later in the meeting, just prior to the executive session.</i></p> <p><i>Other staff in attendance at roll call included Zoning Administrator Al Sengstock, Finance Director Rebecca Cretti, Town Attorneys Bill Sims and Jeff Murray, and Deputy Town Clerk Rosemarie Shemaitis.</i></p> <p><i>Mayor Currier stated that he would like to reorder the items on the agenda to #2, #4, #5, #6 and then #3. He added that he would like to postpone items 5 and 6 until the next meeting.</i></p> <p>Motion: Councilmember Bagley made a motion to reorder the items per the Mayor's request. It was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.¹</p>
<p>ITEM #2: 6:06 pm</p>	<p>SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE – JEROME CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</p> <p>Council will review and may recommend approval of a special event liquor license for the Jerome Chamber of Commerce for the Town Holiday Dinner scheduled for December 12, 2014, at Spook Hall.</p> <p>Motion: Mayor Currier made a motion to approve the special event liquor license for the Jerome Chamber of Commerce. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Freund. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</p>
<p>ITEM #4: 6:07 pm</p>	<p>RESOLUTION #528 – A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JEROME, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES ON TOWN BANKING ACCOUNTS</p> <p>Council may approve Resolution #528, authorizing the following signatories on Town banking accounts held with National Bank of Arizona and Arizona State Credit Union: Mayor Lew Currier, Vice Mayor Douglas Freund, Town Manager/Clerk Candace B. Gallagher, Deputy Clerk Rosemarie Shemaitis.</p> <p>Motion: Councilmember Bagley made a motion to approve Resolution 528. It was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</p>
<p>ITEM #5:</p>	<p>TOWN HOLIDAY PREPARATIONS</p> <p>Council will discuss the Town's role in the upcoming holiday season, including decorations at Town Hall, staff bonuses, and provisions for the needy.</p>

¹ Clerk's note: The agenda items are reflected in these minutes in the order that they were discussed, rather than in numerical order.

	<p>Mayor Currier explained that, because the attorneys are present for the executive session, he would like to postpone discussion of these issues until the next Council meeting.</p> <p>Motion: Mayor Currier made a motion to table this item until the next regular meeting. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Freund. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</p>
<p>ITEM #6: 6:10 pm</p>	<p>IPADS FOR USE BY COUNCIL MEMBERS</p> <p>Council will discuss and may approve the purchase of iPads, tablet PCs or other technologies for use by Council members.</p> <p>Mayor Currier explained his reasoning in bringing this matter to Council: (1) so that the Town can catch up to today's technology; and (2) because some of our previous Councilmembers had problems accessing their emails, and it is difficult for documents to be correctly or sufficiently read on an iPhone. The Mayor noted that there has been some debate about this, and he would like to throw the idea out and have <u>some</u> discussion at this meeting, but not too much – he would like everyone to think about it for a few days.</p> <p>Councilmember Bagley asked Mr. Sims to give his opinion, since there could be some legal ramifications.</p> <p>Councilmember Stewart said that he does not have a computer, but asked, if he did, and if he was to use it for government work or communications, would there be a possibility of it being subpoenaed or looked at by the court or government?</p> <p>Mr. Sims replied that, if Council members use home computers for government work or communication, they can be searched if required. He said that having Town-provided stand-alone devices would avoid that problem. Mr. Sims added that using social media has really made things complex. If you use a home computer for town business, that makes it open to search.</p> <p>Mayor Currier noted that Councilmembers Stewart and Barber do not have computers, which points out a lack of technology, and that is what he is trying to address. But, he said, there has been pushback from some who feel that this is frivolous.</p> <p>Mr. Stewart commented that, if it is necessary for him to do his job well, then it is not a "perk," and he feels that the Town should provide it. The hardware would then move on to the next Council.</p> <p>The Mayor said that he would prefer that this debate be postponed until the next meeting.</p> <p>Ms. Shemaitis noted that any personal emails made using a town email address could also be subpoenaed.</p> <p>Councilmember Bagley commented that there is enough interest among Council to warrant further discussion.</p> <p>Carol Yacht, a Jerome resident, noted that they would need WiFi. She knows that it is available at the library and thinks that this is a great idea. Ms. Yacht added that iPad minis are available for sale at Best Buy for \$220. She asked if it would be a problem if the Councilmembers do not have WiFi at home. Mayor Currier said that that question could be dealt with at the next meeting.</p> <p>Ms. Cretti said that she would like an estimate of the total cost. Councilmember Bagley noted that that information had been provided, and it would be \$1,250 for five iPads.</p> <p>Motion: Vice Mayor Freund made a motion to table this discussion until the December 9 meeting. It was seconded by Councilmember Bagley. The motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</p>
<p>ITEM #3: 6:17 pm</p>	<p>VACATION RENTALS</p> <p>Council will review the matter of vacation rentals with attorneys Bill Sims (Town Attorney) and Jeff Murray of Sims Murray, Ltd. Part or all of this discussion may take place in Executive Session, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3).</p> <p>Councilmember Barber arrived at this time.</p> <p>Mayor Currier explained that this topic was put on the agenda in order to bring the new Councilmembers up to speed on the issue, which requires legal advice. He said that an</p>

	<p>executive session had been agendized to enable Mr. Sims and Mr. Murray to discuss this with Council, but no action is to be taken.</p> <p>Motion: Councilmember Bagley made a motion to go into executive session. It was seconded by Vice Mayor Freund. The motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.</p> <p>Mayor Currier commented that he has been told that Council has gone into executive session quite a bit over the last few years. Moving forward, he said, he will try to minimize that with this new Council, but sometimes it is necessary.</p> <p>Council convened in executive session at 6:18 p.m.</p> <p>Council reconvened in open session at 7:40 p.m.</p> <p>Mayor Currier noted that no action will be taken at this time, and this issue will be discussed again at an upcoming meeting.</p>
<p>ITEM #7: 7:40 pm</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p> <p>Upon motion by Councilmember Check seconded by Vice Mayor Freund and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.</p>

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: _____