

FREDONIA TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 3, 2024

25 N. Main St, Fredonia AZ, 86022

7:00 pm

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.01, notice is hereby given to members of the Fredonia Town Council and the Public that a Public Meeting will be held on September 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: *7:11pm*

Roll Call: *Councilor Ballard*

Councilor Johnson

Councilor Banks

Invocation: *Tonya Johnson*

Pledge of Allegiance: *All in attendance*

Public comment (*The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless the matters are properly noticed.*) *No Public comment*

A. Consent Items: (The following items may be approved by a single motion, unless a member of the Town Council requests that any item be considered separately and acted upon accordingly. Each item considered separately may be approved by motion of the Council as though originally listed as an action item)

1. Agenda for September 3, 2024
2. Minutes from August 20, 2024 Regular Meeting
3. Minutes from August 20, Executive Session
4. Payment Register from August 29, 2024

Councilor Ballard questioned the amount of money being paid to Caselle. It is a one-time fee for upgrades. Councilor Johnson made a motion to approve all consent items. Councilor Banks Seconded it. All in favor.

B. Reports (*The council shall not discuss or take legal action on matters unless the matters are properly noticed*)

1. Mayor
2. Council Members: *Councilor Ballard reported that Mayor Johnson planned to be at the meeting but got call out early. He then went on to report that the Public Works Department is working hard to get the new street light up. They are digging holes this week. Councilor Johnson wanted to thank the office staff for all the hard work that they do. Things are coming together.*
3. Department Heads
 - a. *Tonya Johnson – Library report: Tonya reported that the library is doing well. They are serving over 1000 patrons each month. There were 126 computer sessions with 95 wireless sessions in July. August is about 2 weeks out. Tonya reported that they have adult programs. One of the favorites is the “Sit & Knit.” She reported that the summer reading*

program is over and they are getting ready for the fall programs. They will start a make and take program for the kids. Councilor Ballard suggested to do a soap making class. He would take that class. Tonya said she would look into it. All three Councilors thanked the Library Staff for all their hard work.

- b. *Sonya Kimball- Report on the Sr. Center: Sonya Kimball reported on the things going on at the Sr. Center. She said that they are always busy. She reported that they did 198 congregate meals and 256 home delivery meals and 591 pickup meals. Sonya reported that they still deliver to Kanab. The Sr. Center is still doing bake sales. In the month of August, they made \$435.00 from the bake sale. Sonya said the seniors like to see how she decorates for each holiday and enjoys the meals. Councilor Ballard thanked Sonya for all her hard work. He said that he didn't realize how much they do at the center*
4. *Town Clerk- Reports: Tracy reported that things are going good at the town office. They are always busy and clean up is going well. She asked if we are charging for South Central using the power poles for their lines. She was told Garkane did. Maybe we should look into it. Tracy reported that Pioneer Title sent the papers to the city for the property on Sunnybrook St.*

C. Action Items

1. *Discussion and possible action regarding: adopting a code for sprinkler systems in new commercial buildings: Rachel Bunting requested that the council adopt a code to require all new commercial building to add a fire suppressant system. She said that it would benefit the town, and the fire department. She stated that Ross Hunt asked her to speak to the council. After some questioning Tracy reported that Ross was looking at the plans for the Dollar General and they did not include any form of fire suppressant system. This concerned Ross and requested Rachel speak with the council. Councilor Ballard requested that research be done and that Ross come in and speak with the council members. He stated that we need to be business friendly. The office staff will do some research for the next two weeks.*
2. *Discussion and possible action regarding: hiring a new company to update the town website: Tracy spoke of the town website and how hard it is to navigate. It is not ADA compliant. She shared two companies that would make sure the website was ADA compliant and easier to navigate for both the office and public. Councilor Ballard agreed that it wasn't a good website and suggested that we try to find someone in town to do it. We will look around town and see what we can find. Councilor Ballard made a motion to table the discussion for two weeks and we will talk about it again. Councilor Johnson agreed and all in favor.*
- 3.

D. Discussion

1. Future Agenda Items:

- a. Town Committees and departments; council representation
- b. Sawmill Estate Subdivision progress
- c. General Plan
- d. 911 Readdressing the streets
- e. Emergency preparedness-backup generators, get quotes
- f. Secure water supply
- g. Utility Board
- h. Model City tax code
- i. Equipment and vehicle policy
- j. Levee repairs
- k. Purchasing electrical structure on the old Kaibab land

Adjourn: 7:44pm

Approved

Attest

Don Johnson, Mayor

Tracy Stumpf, Town Clerk

Certification- I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held.

Tracy Stumpf, Town Clerk