

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Meeting

A Regular Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held in person and via Zoom at 5:30 P.M. on Monday, August 23, 2021.

A. Mayor Burchell called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

B. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Cayer, Corcoran, Mildren, Semo, and Mayor Burchell.

ABSENT: None.

C. Approval of the Consent Agenda.*

*1) Approval of Minutes – Regular City Commission Meeting of August 9th.

*2) Review and Place on File:

a. Pat O'Donnell Civic Center Special Meeting Minutes of August 8th.

b. Ironwood Housing Commission Board Meeting Minutes of August 10th.

Motion was made by Cayer, seconded by Corcoran to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

D. Approval of the Agenda

Motion was made by Cayer, seconded by Corcoran and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

E. Review and Place on File:

1. Revenue & Expenditure Report.

2. Cash and Investment Summary Report.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Cayer to receive and place on file the Statement of Revenue & Expenditures Report for the month ending July 31, 2021, and the Cash and Investment Summary Report for July 31, 2021. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

F. Approval of Monthly Check Register Report.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren to approve the Monthly Check Register Report for July 2021. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

G. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

There were none.

H. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda (Three Minute Limit)

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

- I. Consider approval of Pay Request No. 4 in the amount of \$142,882.80 (Water - \$44,564.79, Sewer - \$93,318.01) for the City of Ironwood – 2021 Water and Sewer Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents.

Motion was made by Mildren, seconded by Corcoran to approve Pay Request No. 4 in the amount of \$142,882.80 (Water - \$44,564.79, Sewer - \$93,318.01) for the City of Ironwood – 2021 Water and Sewer Project and authorize Mayor to sign all applicable documents. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

- J. Discuss and Consider Resolution #021-023 Governing the 2021 Comprehensive Deer Management Program.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Cayer to adopt Resolution #021-023 Governing the 2021 Comprehensive Deer Management Program. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

- K. Discuss and Consider request from Jeff Ahonen to waive the late penalty fee for summer taxes for property owned by Ahonen Apartments and Ahonen Investment companies.

Jeff Ahonen addressed the City Commission via zoom to request a waiver of his late penalty fee for the summer taxes.

After a brief discussion no action was taken on this matter.

- L. Discuss and Consider awarding quote to Ross Peterson Construction for the leveling of the compost site.

Motion was made by Semo, seconded by Corcoran to award the quote for the compost site leveling to Ross Peterson for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

City Manager Erickson noted this weekend the City of Ironwood compost site will be open on Friday, August 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 28th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with an attendant who will check I.D.'s. He further stated this is for residents only.

M. Mayor's appointment.

Mayor Burchell reappointed Paul Kostelnik to a three (3) year term on the Park & Recreation Committee (term expiring July 1, 2024).

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to approve the Mayor's appointment of Paul Kostelnik to the Park & Recreation Committee (term expiring July 1, 2024).*

N. Manager's appointment.

City Manager Erickson appointed Heidi Brown to an unexpired five (5) year term replacing Pat Niksich on the Ironwood Housing Commission (term expiring June 30, 2023).

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to approve the City Manager's appointment of Heidi Brown to the Ironwood Housing Commission (term expiring June 30, 2023).*

O. Manager's Report.

City Manager Scott B. Erickson showed several pictures of current projects happening around the City of Ironwood to the City Commission. Mr. Erickson then verbally noted the following items:

*Pat O'Donnell Civic Center is planning a ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday, October 2nd.

*Ember Light Festival is going strong with the film festival this week.

*The next First Friday will be the last day of the Ember Light Festival with many vendors and Marty's Goldenaires.

P. Other Matters.

Commissioner Mildren noted the Civic Center Board was overjoyed with the parking lot project. He also thanked the Ember Light organizers for all the great events.

Commissioner Corcoran had a few questions for City Staff regarding doing a road rating study and questioned when the City-Wide Clean-up would be. City Manager Erickson responded by saying he would be in touch with WUPPDR regarding the road rating and the clean-up is scheduled for October 1st from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and October 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Commissioner Semo requested an update on the Water Treatment Plant.

Commissioner Cayer had several questions for City Staff such as the fenced in area off of Scott's Street that was caving in, speeding on Ridge Street, and the blighted Ironwood Motel on US2.

Q. Adjournment.

***Motion** was made by Semo, seconded by Mildren and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 P.M.*

Annette Da Lio-Burchell, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk