



**CITY OF BUCKEYE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AND
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
JANUARY 5, 2016
MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers
530 E. Monroe Ave.
Buckeye, AZ 85326
6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Mayor Meck called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Bishop Chris Hart of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints led the invocation.

Members Present: Councilmember Garza, Councilmember Strauss, Councilmember Hess (nominated Vice Mayor as of January 5, 2016), Councilmember McAchran, Councilmember Heustis, Vice Mayor Orsborn and Mayor Meck.

Members Absent: None.

Departments Present: City Manager Stephen Cleveland, Assistant City Manager Roger Klingler, City Attorney Shiela Schmidt, City Clerk Lucinda Aja, Deputy City Clerk Summer Stewart, Assistant to Council Carol Conley, Police Chief Larry Hall, Fire Chief Bob Costello, Finance Director Larry Price, Public Works Director Scott Lowe, Development Services Director George Flores, City Engineer Scott Zipprich, Human Resources Director Nancy Love, Information Technology Director Greg Platacz, Community Services Director Cheryl Sedig, Chief Information Officer Jennifer Rogers, Construction and Contracting Manager Chris Williams, Planning Manager Terri Hogan, Library Manager Jana White, and Government Relations Manager George Diaz.

2A. Comments from the Public – None.

2B. Awards/Presentations/Proclamations – None.

3. Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Heustis and seconded by Councilmember McAchran to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2015 Regular Council Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Expenditures

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Hess to ratify the payment of the accounts payable expenditures made. Copies of invoices are available at City Hall. Motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of items on the Consent Agenda - All items with an (*) are considered to be routine matters. A motion was made by Councilmember Heustis and seconded by Councilmember Hess to approve Consent Items *5A., *5B., *5C., *5D., and *5E. Motion passed unanimously.

***5. New Business**

- *5A. Award Delivery Order No. 1 (Job Order Contract No. 2014-009) to J. Banicki Construction Inc. for the Monroe Avenue and Benbow Alley Beautification Project for a Total Amount not to Exceed \$162,000**
Staff Liaison: Chris Williams, Construction and Contracting Manager
District No. 3

Council awarded Delivery Order No. 1 (Job Order Contract No. 2014-009) to J. Banicki Construction Inc. for streetscape improvements related to the Monroe Avenue and Benbow Alley Beautification Project for a total amount not to exceed \$162,000.

- *5B. Authorize the Award of Job Order Contract(s) for Various City of Buckeye Roadway Pavement Preservation Projects for a Total Amount not to Exceed \$640,000; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Deliver said Contract(s)**
Staff Liaison: Scott Lowe, Public Works Director
District No. 1, 3, 6

Council authorized the award of Job Order Contract(s) for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 pavement preservation projects on various public streets throughout the City of Buckeye (arterials: Verrado Way, Rainbow Road, Dean Road, Watson Road; communities: Rancho Vista, Miller Manor, Miller Park, Parkside at Buckeye) in accordance with the City of Buckeye Streets Pavement Maintenance Plan for a total amount not to exceed \$640,000; authorizing the City Manager to execute and deliver said contract(s).

- *5C. Special Event Liquor License Application for Buckeye Days Bulls and Sheep for January 23, 2016 to be held at the Helzapoppin' Rodeo Grounds**
Staff Liaison: Lucinda Aja, City Clerk
District No. All

Council approved the Special Event Liquor License for the Buckeye Days Bulls and Sheep Fund Raiser event to be held on January 23, 2016 at the Helzapoppin' Rodeo Grounds. Request by John Broadbent on behalf of the Buckeye Rotary.

- *5D. Special Event Liquor License Application for Buckeye Days Rodeo for January 30-31, 2016 to be held at the Helzapoppin' Rodeo Grounds**
Staff Liaison: Lucinda Aja, City Clerk
District No. All

Council approved the Special Event Liquor License for the Buckeye Days Rodeo Fund Raiser event to be held on January 30, 2016 and January 31, 2016 at the Helzapoppin' Rodeo Grounds. Request by John Broadbent on behalf of the Buckeye Rotary.

- *5E. Special Event Liquor License Application for Buckeye Days Wild West Show for January 30-31, 2016 to be held at the 6th Street Plaza**
Staff Liaison: Lucinda Aja, City Clerk
District No. All

Council approved the Special Event Liquor License for the Buckeye Days Wild West Show Fund Raiser event to be held on January 30, 2016 and January 31, 2016 at the 6th Street Plaza. Request by John Broadbent on behalf of the Buckeye Rotary.

6. Continued / Tabled Items – None.

7. Public Hearings / Non-Consent - New Business

7A. Action Nomination and Election of Vice Mayor for the Term of January 2016 through January 2017 in Compliance with the City Code of Ordinances (Section 2-2-2, Vice Mayor) Staff Liaison: Lucinda Aja, City Clerk District No. All

Ms. Aja provided an overview of the City Code of Ordinances (Section 2-2-2, Vice Mayor) providing for the annual nomination and election of Vice Mayor. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Orsborn to nominate Councilmember Hess as Vice Mayor for the term of January 2016 through January 2017. There being no other nominations, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Strauss to accept the nomination and elect Councilmember Hess as Vice Mayor for the term of January 2016 through January 2017. Motion passed unanimously. Mayor Meck thanked Councilmember Orsborn for his service as Vice Mayor over the previous year and congratulated newly elected Vice Mayor Hess.

7B. Council to Convene into Board of Adjustment to Hold a Public Hearing and Consider Approval of a Variance for the Deep Truck Wash; Request by Jeff Bilie of Beus Gilbert PLLC Staff Liaison: Adam Copeland, Senior Planner District No. 3

a) Council to convene into the Board of Adjustment.

A motion was made by Councilmember Orsborn and seconded by Vice Mayor Hess to convene into the Board of Adjustment at 6:15 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

b) Council to receive instruction from City Attorney related to variance procedures before a Board of Adjustment.

Ms. Schmidt provided an overview of variance procedures before a Board of Adjustment.

c) Board to hold a public hearing and consider approval of the Deep Truck Wash variance request.

Chairman Meck opened the public hearing at 6:15 p.m. to hear citizen input regarding the Deep Truck Wash variance request. Mr. Copeland provided an overview of the variance request and displayed vicinity maps; staff recommends approval of the variance request. Future site plans for the property will be reviewed by city staff, to include review by the Fire Department, allowing for preservation of access to the area. Chief Costello clarified minimum access is 20 feet; the 24 foot setback is adequate for fire access. Paul Gilbert, on behalf of the applicant, stated the hotel and adjacent vacant properties are owned by the same entity; there is no objection by the owner to the variance. Mr. Cleveland clarified the Yuma road alignment is owned by Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT); ADOT intends to expand the I-10 Freeway near the site and eliminate the Yuma Road access to these properties; approval of the variance will not affect ADOT plans for expansion. Mr. Gilbert stated the applicant supports the 24 foot access easement; the applicant intends to preserve Yuma Road access to the property. There being no further comment, Chairman Meck closed the public hearing at 6:28 p.m. A motion was made by Boardmember Orsborn and seconded by Vice Chairman Hess to approve the Deep Truck Wash variance allowing a reduction of the required side yard setback from 50-feet to 20-feet on a 2.95 acre platted lot zoned General Commercial and located within the Miller Commerce Park subdivision west of Miller Road and south of the I-10 freeway, subject to stipulations a-b. Motion passed unanimously.

d) Board to Reconvene into Regular Council Session.

A motion was made by Boardmember Orsborn and seconded by Vice Chairman Hess to reconvene into Regular Council Session at 6:29 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

8. City Manager's Report and Government Relations

See attached City Manager's Report.

9. Comments from the Mayor and Council

Councilmember Garza: stated he has received several positive comments from citizens regarding the Police Department and Community Services Department.

Councilmember Strauss: wished staff and residents a Happy New Year.

Vice Mayor Hess: thanked Council for Vice Mayor nomination and expressed appreciation for the support; stated Councilmember Orsborn did a fantastic job as Vice Mayor over the previous two years; invited staff and residents to the upcoming opening of Skyline Regional Park; congratulated Ms. Hogan for writing a great article that positively represents the City.

Councilmember McAchran: invited residents and staff to attend the upcoming Buckeye Days events.

Councilmember Heustis: discussed the upcoming Lucky Duck Race, Buckeye Air Fair, and veterans events.

Councilmember Orsborn: congratulated newly elected Vice Mayor Hess; praised Development Services and Engineering Departments for efforts related to moving development forward.

Mayor Meck: discussed economic growth and how it may relate to other countries, including France; encouraged attendance at the upcoming Skyline Regional Park opening; thanked staff for all of their hard work; stated the WestMEC campus is scheduled to open soon.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Hess and seconded by Councilmember Strauss to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Jackie A. Meck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Regular Council Meeting held on the 5th day of January, 2016. I further certify that a quorum was present.

Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk