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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE HOLBROOK CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
FEBRUARY 13, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Young called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Merrill Young, Councilmembers Tim Dixon, Mark Jackson, Earl Kester, and Mike Nilsson. Vice Mayor Francie Payne and Councilmember Adam Marsh had excused absences.

CITY STAFF: City Manager Ted Soltis and Finance Director Randy Sullivan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Dixon. The Invocation was given by Councilmember Nilsson.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: January 23, 2020 meeting minutes.

MOTION: Councilmember Nilsson

SECONDED: Councilmember Jackson

MOTION CARRIED

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS - MAYOR:

Mayor Young attended the Hashknife Event. He offered condolences to the William and Heward families for their loss.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS - COUNCILMEMBERS:

Councilmember Dixon stated that it is good to be back from his time abroad.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS - CITY MANAGER:

*He attended the Hashknife Dinner and Awards Ceremony at the Elks Club; as well as the Hashknife mail delivery festivities in Scottsdale, both fun events.

*He attended the Rural Arizona Health Group Health Trust (RAGHT) conference. The City of Holbrook was one of the founding members when the trust was formed in 2002. The trust, which consists of about a dozen members was formed to reduce health care costs through health promotion and shared cost. Unfortunately, due to high medical costs, rates will be increasing as will deductibles, copays and out-of-pocket expenses. The City's cost will increase by 10.56%, which is \$67,161/year. Membership was last renewed by Council for a five-year period. Our next renewal will be up in 2024.

*City crews were unable to locate the water leak on 8th Avenue by potholing so the City will be purchasing leak detection equipment which will make leak detection more efficient and with a high degree of accuracy. The paperwork for Council approval will be ready by the next meeting.

*He provided an update on the Romero lift station. The pumps will be modified by installing more effective impellers.

*He noted that a new gutter was installed on the north side of City Hall and that gutters will also be replaced on the Recreation Center. Additional lighting will also be installed on the north side of City Hall.

*Staff are in the process of replacing lighting with LED bulbs starting with City Hall. This will result in significant savings.

*A water fountain was installed in the gym which will eliminate the need to purchase water.

*The equipment repair contract at the gym was cancelled as repairs will now be done by staff. This will result in considerable savings and repairs will be timelier.

*Finally, there will be a new Chinese buffet restaurant opening at the old Roadrunner Café.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Hearing for a Series 12 Restaurant liquor license to be located at the Butterfield Stage Steakhouse on 609 W. Hopi Drive.

The Hearing was opened and closed at 6:10 p.m. with no public comment.

MOTION: Councilmember Nilsson

SECONDED: Councilmember Dixon

DISCUSSION: Council asked some clarifying questions. The City Manager answered the questions.
MOTION CARRIED

Sheriff's Department Annual Recap - Sheriff Clouse. The Sheriff provided an overview of activities.

Annual Financial Audit - Scott Graff. Mr. Graff reviewed the audit and answered Councilmember questions. His firm audits about twenty Arizona cities and towns. He has been doing audits for about twenty years. This is the first time he had been invited to present the audit results to Holbrook's City Council. Council expressed appreciation for his presence.

Annual Financial Report - Randy Sullivan. Randy reviewed and answered questions on the last six months of financials.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN PETITION FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Councilmember Jackson

SECONDED: Councilmember Nilsson

MOTION CARRIED

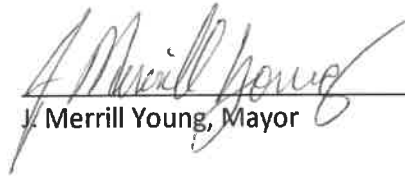
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Holbrook City Council held on February 13, 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.



Ted Soltis, City Manager

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of February 2020.



J. Merrill Young, Mayor