

CITY OF WILLIAMS CITY COUNCIL

**ANNOTATED MINUTES
AGENDA ITEM**

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**APRIL 24, 2014
COUNCIL ACTION**

I. PROCEDURES:

- A. Call to Order Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Pledge and Invocation Police Chief Herman Nixon led the pledge of allegiance, and George Glenn offered the invocation.
- C. Roll Call Mayor John Moore, Vice Mayor Don Dent, and Councilmen Craig Fritsinger, Bernie Hiemenz, Frank McNelly, Lee Payne and James Wurgler were present and constituted a quorum.
Present from City Staff were Brandon Buchanan, City Manager, Police Chief Herman Nixon, Finance Director Keith Buonocore, Public Works Director Kyle Christiansen, and City Clerk/HR Director Susan Kerley.
- D. Approval of Minutes April 10, 2014 Councilman Fritsinger made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Hiemenz seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.
- E. Adopt Agenda Councilman McNelly made a motion to adopt the Agenda as presented. Councilman Payne seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

II. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ms. Opal Means reported seeing a tanker filling up at Santa Fe Dam twice with approximately 7,000 gallons of water each time. They were taking it to Woods Subdivision to water the streets. She believes it is a violation for the City to give them water out of Santa Fe Dam. She gave copies of a letter to City Clerk for all Council members and Mayor.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Purchase Orders: K. Buonocore

Councilman Fritsinger made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Councilman Payne seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

V. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- B. Call to 2014 Election – Resolution No. 1304: S. Kerley Councilman McNelly made a motion to read Resolution No. 1304 by number and title. It was seconded by Councilman Hiemenz and carried 6-0. Susan Kerley read the Resolution by number and title. Councilman McNelly made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1304. It was seconded by Councilman Fritsinger and carried 6-0.
- C. Council will review and discuss the tentative 2014-2015 Budget Councilman Hiemenz asked if employee increases had been plugged in, and Brandon Buchanan replied that the money is there if a decision is made, based on up to a 3% raise. Councilman Hiemenz asked for a breakdown of offering a \$.25/hr. raise compared to a \$.50/hr. raise. Councilman Fritsinger asked if raises would be based on length of employment. Brandon Buchanan replied that they

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would be merit or COLA increases. Job descriptions are almost complete, and an evaluation tool must be chosen. These items will be ready concurrent with the finalization of the budget. Councilman Dent doesn't like straight percentages as this rewards higher-paid employees. He requested the same information as Councilman Hiemenz.

Councilman Dent noted that the workers' compensation insurance rates seemed to show irregular increases among departments. Brandon Buchanan replied that rates vary by class. Councilman Dent said that they go all over the board with the library going from \$200 to \$1,600. He asked Brandon Buchanan and Keith Buonocore to check on the accuracy of these rates.

Councilman Dent asked what the Professional Legal and the Other Professional accounts cover. Brandon Buchanan explained that the Professional Legal account covers prosecution fees while the Other Professional account covers the IGA with Coconino County to staff the Magistrate Court.

Councilman Fritsinger said that the Forest Service Building regular employee costs went up and asked if an employee had been added. Keith Buonocore said that the change resulted from costing it out correctly.

Mayor Moore said a special budget session is not needed. Staff will get back to Council Members with answers to their questions and other questions can be directed to Brandon Buchanan or Keith Buonocore. The Mayor asked that 3% in employee increases be put in but not across the board.

- D. Council may discuss and direct Staff on water supply/meter issues:
B. Buchanan

Brandon Buchanan reported that last week Drill Tech pushed the bands down in the Rodeo Well, and results from the samples they took came back today. The CO₂ levels are negligible, and the dissolved oxygen levels are workable. The question is whether the arsenic level is workable or is it so far out of bounds that we need to walk away. The economic feasibility is what will determine the outcome. Garth came up with a proposal from beginning to end. He would like to have the pump in place, pumping for thirty days, and then test again. It will be two weeks before data is available on the other well.

Ms. Means said that 300' of water was hit with the well at Garland Prairie, and the owner wanted the City to purchase it. Councilman Dent pointed out that the owner wanted \$1 million for the well as it sat.

The water supply has been switched over to wells as the supply of usable water from Cataract Lake has been exhausted.

Councilman Dent asked that Brandon Buchanan provide Council

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Members with numbers that reflect water usage since restrictions were put in place. Brandon Buchanan replied that, according to those at the Water Plant, usage has not declined much. A few tickets have been issued for violations of the water restrictions.

Mayor Moore said we are not going to move slowly – we are going to push on these water projects.

There was no update on water meters.

VI. *REPORTS, CURRENT EVENTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS*

- E. Mayor and Council
 - Mayor Moore said that the dedication of the new playground at Parks and Rec will be held tomorrow from 9:00 till noon.
 - Councilman Wurgler said that, due to incoming weather, the Clean and Beautiful barbeque is off. The e-waste collection at the Rodeo Grounds will continue along with morning coffee and refreshments at the Recreation Center.
- F. Staff Reports
 - Brandon Buchanan is working on the Meant-To-Rescue Shelter. The Rodeo Ground Bleacher covers must be installed before June 7th. He has handed this project to Kyle Christiansen.

VII. *ADJOURN*

Councilman Fritsinger made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Councilman Hiemenz. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Mayor John Moore

ATTEST:

City Clerk