

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2016, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited Pastor Tom Heflin of Faith Fellowship Community Church to deliver the invocation. Council Member Duvall led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

POLICE CHIEF: Brian Williamson

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Rudy Vera

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Pawan Agrawal

HUMAN SERVICES/TRANSIT DIRECTOR: Susan Betts

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Proclamation declaring Saturday, November 26, 2016, as "Small Business Saturday" in Bullhead City.

Mayor Brady read the proclamation and presented it to Elaine Spencer, Executive Director of the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Spencer urged the members of the community to endorse and support local small businesses during the holiday season and throughout the year. She thanked Larry Tunforss and the Chamber Ambassadors for being champions of local businesses.

2. Presentation to Michael Eigenbrodt, President/CEO of the Interagency Council.

Mayor Brady presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Michael Eigenbrodt, and thanked him for persevering in his hard work and dedicated efforts towards the continued expansion of the homeless initiative for the city, and thanked Council Member Duvall for his efforts in bringing this program to fruition. Council Member Duvall provided a history of how the program began, and said Mr. Eigenbrodt had graciously volunteered to take over the program. He said they recently opened a day center for the homeless and entered into a partnership with Catholic Charities. He said, although he was leaving the Council, he would continue to work with the homeless committee and task force.

Mr. Eigenbrodt stated it was his privilege to serve the city, and said the program would soon be expanding services in the city to help the homeless.

3. Presentation to outgoing Council Member Duvall.

Mayor Brady congratulated Council Member Duvall for serving on the City Council for eight years. He provided a history on Council Member Duvall's accomplishments and awards received throughout the 30 years he has lived in Bullhead City. He said Council Member Duvall was a true American hero, and said he had all the qualities that citizens would want for any elected official. He presented Council Member Duvall with a commemorative clock. City Manager Cotter presented Council Member Duvall with an autographed photo of Green Bay Packers Coach Mike McCarthy.

Council Member Duvall thanked the community for supporting him throughout his two four-year terms on the City Council. He said he wanted to give back to the community and has served on both the School Board and the City Council. He said he had always voted with his heart to help the community, uphold the Constitution, and abide by the laws of the State of Arizona.

4. Council Members Elect Kathy Bruck, Mark R. Clark, Tami Ring, Sheila Shutts, and Annette Wegmann will take the Oath of Office and be sworn in as Bullhead City Council Members by City Magistrate Psareas.

City Magistrate Psareas administered the oath of office to incumbent Council Members Bruck, Clark, Ring, and Shutts. He then administered the oath of office to incoming Council Member Wegmann.

BREAK Mayor Brady called for a short break at 5:57 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public.

Zachary Spencer, Manager of Public Affairs/Energy Services for Mohave Electric Cooperative, thanked the city for assisting with their annual "Operation Cool Shade" program for ten years. He said, this year, the event provided 1,800 shade trees to members of the community.

Eva Corbett invited the public to attend the Republican Women's Club luncheon on November 16th to be held at Chaparral Country Club. She said Colorado River Historical Society would be selling calendars to raise funds to help move the museum to Community Park.

Suzanna Van Sloten stated the Soroptimists of Bullhead City/Laughlin would be selling Honey-Baked Hams to raise funds during the holiday season, and provided contact information.

Having no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the call to the public.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

WAIVER MOTION

MOTION: Vice Mayor D’Amico made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER’S REPORT

1. Pest Abatement Report

Bullhead City Pest Abatement Manager Joe Iburg provided an update on the efforts to control the mosquitoes and caddis flies. He said he had studied multiple mosquito breeding sites located mostly in standing water, puddles and flood irrigated field sites. He said eggs were laid in moist soil and said they all hatched once the soil got wet again. He said the best method for mosquito control was to spray those sites with organic pesticide. He said things were going well until mid-October when he began to receive numerous mosquito complaints from residents living closer to the river. He said large swarms of mosquitoes could hatch and fly north towards the city from the flood irrigated fields to the south when conditions were right. He said he was working with the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, the Mohave County Department of Health, and Clark County, Nevada, through intergovernmental agreements. He said they needed to determine the dates of irrigation in order to treat and control the insect population. He said he had been in daily contact with people living on the river regarding the caddis fly problem. He said the problem occurred shortly after the Willow Beach Hatchery stopped stocking trout and a virus affected the carp. He said he had studied the river water quality and discovered that caddis flies were eating algae from the river to obtain nutrients. He said currently there was no chemical solution to get rid of the caddis flies. He said biological control was the best option. He said the Arizona Game and Fish Department would stock trout into the river every month until next May to help alleviate the problem, and said Willow Beach would begin stocking trout again. He directed the public to the city’s website in order to obtain additional information on local pest abatement programs.

Mayor Brady said they were pleased to have Dr. Iburg on board to address the pest issues, and thanked the public for their patience as they worked through the problem.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS’ REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

Council Member Ring said the Salvation Army would hold its Silver Anniversary program on Saturday, November 19th. She said this was the first time in the city’s history when there were more women than men serving on the City Council.

ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion that Item No. 1 on the consent agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Items on the consent agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 1, 2016. (City Clerk Stein)

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

None

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

2. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2016R-53 authorizing acceptance of an award agreement from the State of Arizona Attorney General's Office FY 2017 Victims' Rights Program (VRP) for Bullhead City Police Department/Crime Victim Services in the amount of \$10,100.00; and the processing and acceptance of future awards from the Attorney General in similar amounts for the same purpose. (Police Chief Williamson)

Police Chief Williamson stated this item was a request for authorization to accept a grant award from the State Office of the Attorney General toward the victims' rights program in the amount of \$10,100. He said the operations pertaining to victims' rights were mandated by state law, and said this grant was an integral part of the city's annual budget to help fund the services provided.

MOTION: Vice Mayor D'Amico made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016R-53 authorizing acceptance of an award agreement from the State of Arizona Attorney General's Office FY 2017 Victims' Rights Program (VRP) for Bullhead City Police Department/Crime Victim Services in the amount of \$10,100.00; and the processing and acceptance of future awards from the Attorney General in similar amounts for the same purpose. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2016R-54 authorizing acceptance of an award agreement from the State of Arizona Attorney General's Office FY 2017 Victims' Rights Program (VRP) for Bullhead City Prosecutor's Office/Crime Victim Services in the amount of \$10,100.00; and the processing and acceptance of future awards from the Attorney General in similar amounts for the same purpose. (Chief Prosecutor Rogers)

Chief Prosecutor Rogers stated this item was a request for authorization to accept a grant award from the State Office of the Attorney General toward the victims' rights program in the amount of \$10,100. He said some of the monies came from criminals' fees, and said the city has received this award for the past fourteen years. He introduced Stephanie Collinsworth, Crime Victim Services Unit Coordinator, and said she had an impressive background with experience in grant writing and victims' service programs.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016R-54 authorizing acceptance of an award agreement from the State of Arizona Attorney General's Office FY 2017 Victims' Rights Program (VRP) for Bullhead City Prosecutor's Office/Crime Victim Services in the amount of \$10,100.00; and the processing and acceptance of future awards from the Attorney General in similar amounts for the same purpose. Council Member Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2016R-55 approving current and future Department of Public Safety Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding to assist in the provision of services to victims of crime for a grant award in the amount of \$78,934.00; and appoint the City Manager to sign the resulting documents on behalf of the city. (Chief Prosecutor Rogers)

Chief Prosecutor Rogers stated funding from this grant supported a portion of the salary and benefits for the full-time Legal Assistant-Victim Services position and 100 percent of the wages for three part-time Victim Services Advocates and emergency victim assistance funds.

Mayor Brady said the members of the Victims' Services Department had been doing a fine job and thanked them for their efforts.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke on Agenda Items No. 2 through 4.

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016R-55 approving current and future Department of Public Safety Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding to assist in the provision of services to victims of crime for a grant award in the amount of \$78,934.00; and appoint the City Manager to sign the resulting documents on behalf of the city. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Discussion and possible action to approve acceptance of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Emergency Response Fund Grant in the amount of \$34,767.71, if approved for the bomb suit; or \$18,122.36 if approved for fifteen FM53 Twin Port Specialist Responder Kits; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents pertaining to the grant applications and awards on behalf of the city. (Police Chief Williamson)

Police Chief Williamson stated the purpose of this grant was to provide first responder agencies with equipment related to hazardous material responses. He said they were requesting funding, as the first priority, for one bomb suit. He said they had two bomb suits for their team, and said both were in need of replacement after being in use for ten years. He said they had also requested, as the second priority, replacement of fifteen gas masks for the SWAT team because the current masks were approximately twelve years old and in need of replacement. He said no matching funds were required, and said they had not been notified of the award grant at that time.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to approve acceptance of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) Emergency Response Fund Grant in the amount of \$34,767.71, if approved for the bomb suit; or \$18,122.36 if approved for fifteen FM53 Twin Port Specialist Responder Kits; and authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents pertaining to the grant applications and awards on behalf of the city. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

None

COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 15th day of November 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 6th day of December 2016.


Susan Stein, MMC, CPM, City Clerk