

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DUNCAN COMMON COUNCIL
THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020; 5:30 PM
DUNCAN TOWN HALL; 506 SE OLD WEST HIGHWAY**

CALL TO ORDER: MAYOR THURMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:05 PM.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA:** COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THAT SHE WOULD LIKE THE LIBRARY ADDED AS A REGULAR ITEM ON THE AGENDA. SHE ALSO WANTED TO DELETE ITEM 10. THE MAYOR SAID THAT THEY COULD VOTE WHEN THEY GET TO THAT ITEM. **COUNCILMEMBER SUSAN RIOS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING. COUNCILMEMBER JILL WEARNE SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** THERE WERE NO COMMENTS.

3. **MAYOR'S REPORT:** MAYOR THURMAN SAID SHE WANTED TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT GOVERNOR DUCEY'S OFFICE HAS BEEN HAVING A DAILY CONFERENCE CALL WITH ALL ARIZONA MAYORS AND SHE HAS BEEN ABLE TO BE PART OF THE CONFERENCE CALLS. SHE SAID THEY SHOW ZERO CONFIRMED CASES IN GREENLEE COUNTY, SO FAR THEY ARE VERY LUCKY. MOST OF THE CONCERNS HAVE BEEN ABOUT RURAL AREAS, NOT SO MUCH ABOUT HOW MANY CASES, BUT ABOUT THE NEED FOR SUPPLIES. SHE SAID A COUPLE OF MAYORS EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN ABOUT PEOPLE COMING FROM MILES AWAY INTO THEIR RURAL COMMUNITIES AND PURCHASING THINGS.
SHE SAID ANOTHER CONCERN WAS HOW THIS WILL AFFECT OUR SMALL BUSINESSES. SHE SAID THE GOVERNOR DECLARED AN EMERGENCY ON SUNDAY AND THEY ARE GOING TO BE WORKING WITH THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SO THAT THERE WILL BE SMALL BUSINESS LOANS AVAILABLE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE IMPACTED BY THIS VIRUS. THEY WILL BE SENDING THEM UPDATES AND SHE WILL BE MORE THAN WILLING TO SHARE THOSE WITH COUNCIL WHEN SHE RECEIVES THEM. SHE SAID TOMORROW MORNING THEY WILL BE TALKING ABOUT LOGISTICS ON THE TESTING. SHE SAID THE STATE LABORATORY IS ONLY SO LARGE AND CAN ONLY DO SO MUCH, SO THE OTHER TESTS ARE BEING SENT TO OUTSIDE LABORATORIES AND THAT IS ONE OF THE REASONS IT IS TAKING SO LONG, BUT IT IS BEING ADDRESSED.
SHE SAID IT IS A LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR EVERYONE. SHE IS IMPRESSED BY THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THE BUSINESSES OF OUR COMMUNITY AND SHE HAS SEEN IT POSTED SEVERAL PLACES: "IF YOU ARE NOT COMFORTABLE COMING INTO OUR ESTABLISHMENT, WE ARE MORE THAN WILLING TO COME TO YOU." SHE THANKED THE BUSINESSES FOR DOING THAT, THERE ARE A LOT OF ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. SHE GAVE WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT: "TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES, WASH YOUR HANDS, AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING." SHE THANKED THE COUNCIL, THE EMPLOYEES, ADMINISTRATION AND THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF DUNCAN.

4. **COUNCIL REPORTS: COUNCILMEMBER RIOS** SAID HER CONCERN IS THE ELDERLY THAT WERE GETTING THE MEALS DELIVERED. THE MANAGER SAID THEY ARE GETTING THEIR MEALS DELIVERED TO THEIR HOUSES.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON REPORTED THAT THE JAVELINA CHASE WAS CANCELED WHEN THEY GOT THE NEWS THAT THE FAIRGROUNDS HAS BEEN CLOSED TO ALL PLANNED EVENTS IN THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS. SHE SAID THEY RECEIVED A SURPRISE THAT A GROUP HAD DECIDED NOT IMPLEMENT THE BIKE RODEO THIS YEAR WITHOUT REALLY TELLING ANYONE. SHE SAID THERE WAS A WONDERFUL SURGE OF SUPPORT FOR THAT. LENDSEY BASTEEN AT THE FAIRGROUNDS REALLY TOOK IT OVER AND WITH RACHEL'S ASSISTANCE STARTED PUTTING ALL THE PLANS IN PLACE AND THE WOMANS CLUB STEPPED UP, NOT ONLY TO MAKE FOOD, BUT TO BE MORE INSTRUMENTAL IN MAKING IT HAPPEN. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WAS ALSO SUPER SUPPORTIVE AND UNITED WAY WAS WILLING TO DO A SPONSORSHIP TO MAKE UP ANY SHORTFALLS. SHE JUST WANTS TO ACKNOWLEDGE HOW GREAT THE COMMUNITY SUPPORT WAS FOR THAT ON VERY SHORT NOTICE. THEY WERE DISAPPOINTED, BUT THEY ARE HOPING TO RESCHEDULE IN THE FALL.

COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

VICE-MAYOR SMITH HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

5. **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:** MANAGER BASTEEN REPORTED THAT THEY ARE WORKING ON SOME SEWER LINES. HE SAID ONE SEWER LINE RUNS UNDERNEATH SOMEONE'S HOUSE AND ANOTHER LINE GOES THROUGH SOMEONE'S YARD. HE SAID THEY ARE TRYING TO LOCATE THE LINES, SO THEY CAN REROUTE THEM. HE SAID THE CITIZENS ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FROM THE MAIN TO THEIR HOUSE.

THEY ARE STILL WORKING ON WEEDS AROUND TOWN. THEY HAVE PURCHASED SOME WEED KILLER TO KEEP THEM DOWN.

HE SAID HE SPOKE WITH CLIFTON, THEY HAVE AN ASPHALT ZIPPER, WHICH IS A MACHINE THAT TEARS UP ASPHALT. THEY ARE WILLING TO COME DOWN AND DEMONSTRATE IT, THEY JUST DON'T KNOW A TIME YET.

HE SAID AT A TRANSPORATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE THROUGH SEAGO, THEY TALKED ABOUT LOWERING THE CAP OF ALLOCATED MONEY ON THE T.I.P. WHICH IS OUT ABOUT NINE YEARS NOW. THE MAYOR ASKED HIM TO EXPLAIN WHAT TIP IS. THE MANAGER SAID THAT T.I.P. STANDS FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN. HE SAID SEAGO GETS ALLOTTED MONEY FROM THE STATE THAT IS FEDERAL MONEY AND YOU USE IT FOR ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION NEEDS. HE SAID THERE IS A MATCH AND THE OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS LIKE SAFFORD IS USING ONE ON 20TH AVENUE AND THEIR PROJECT IS ALMOST \$4 MILLION AND THEY DON'T EVEN GET THAT MUCH MONEY FOR THE REGION SO THEY BORROW MONEY FROM OTHER COGS AND THAT MEANS YOU HAVE TO REPAY THEM SOMEWHERE DOWN THE LINE. HE SAID THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN USED TO BE 5 YEARS OUT, BUT IT IS 9 YEARS OUT NOW BECAUSE THEY ARE BORROWING MORE MONEY FROM OTHER COGS OR FROM THE STATE TO DO THESE PROJECTS. HE SAID THEY DECIDED TO PUT A CAP ON IT FOR ABOUT \$1 MILLION AND THAT WOULD ALSO FREE UP MORE MONEY FOR THE SMALLER COMMUNITIES LIKE DUNCAN AND CLIFTON. HE SAID IT WOULD GIVE THEM A CHANCE TO GET ENGINEERING DONE SO THEY CAN TRY FOR THE SSP OR THE COLONIAS GRANT.

THEY HAVE PURCHASED A STREET SWEEPER, AN OIL BOOT TRUCK, A ROLLER, AND THEY ARE LOOKING AT A PAVING MACHINE AND THEY TALKED TO CLIFTON ABOUT DOING AN IGA TO LET EACH OTHER USE EQUIPMENT. HE SAID THEY WOULD TRAIN THEM AND THEY WOULD TRAIN US. HE SAID THAT HAS BEEN IN THE TALKS BETWEEN THE MAYOR AND MANAGER OF CLIFTON.

THEY ARE STILL WORKING ON THE POOL WHETHER THEY GET TO OPEN IT OR NOT. HE SAID THEY CALLED THE MORENCI COMMUNITY CENTER AND WHEN THEY HAD THEIR LIFEGUARD TRAINING IT WAS ONLY DURING THEIR SPRING BREAK. HE SAID THEY WILL NOT OPEN IT UP FOR OUR SPRING BREAK KIDS. HE SAID THEY DID CONTACT RED CROSS AND TALKED WITH EAC ABOUT TRAINING SOMEONE TO TRAIN THE OTHER LIFEGUARDS IN THE FUTURE. HE SAID WHEN THE POOL OPENS AGAIN THEY WILL STILL BE IN CONTACT WITH RED CROSS.

HE SAID THEY ARE GOING TO STILL WORK ON THE POOL AND PUT MONEY TOWARDS IT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO BE FIXED NOW. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THE ELECTRICAL NEEDS TO BE REDONE, THEY HAVE CONTACTED AN ELECTRICIAN TO COME OUT TO REDO THE WIRING. HE SAID EVERYTHING ELSE IS NEW. HE SAID THEY WANT TO GET A SPLASH PAD INTEGRATED ON THE SIDE AND A ROCKCLIMBING WALL OR SLIDE OR SOMETHING AND EXPAND THE FENCE A LITTLE BIT TO WHERE THEY COULD PUT A SHADE AND THEY NEED TO INSTALL AN ADA LIFTGATE.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED IF HE ADVERTISED FOR LIFEGUARDS AND A MANAGER IN MARCH. HE SAID HE WAS, BUT WHEN THEY CONTACTED MORENCI, THEY SAID THEY COULD NOT DO TRAINING. HE SAID THEY DID NOT ADVERTISE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED IF THAT IS ON HOLD NOW. HE SAID YES.

6. **GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S CHAIRMAN REPORT:** CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID COVID19 IS REAL AND THE COUNTRYS THAT JUST DIDN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT ARE SUFFERING THE CONSEQUENCES, BECAUSE IT SPREADS EXPOTENTIALLY. HE SAID THE ELDERLY AND THOSE WHO ALREADY HAVE RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS AND ANY PLACE THOSE ARE EXPOSED IS WHERE YOU SEE THE DEATHS. HE SAID GREENLEE COUNTY HAS NO CASES AT THIS TIME AND THE COUNTY IS WORKING VERY HARD. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TESTED IN THE COUNTY. HE SAID THERE HAVE BEEN VERY FEW TESTS, BUT THERE IS CRITERIA FOR A PERSON TO GET TESTED. HE SAID YOU WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A VERY HIGH TEMPERATURE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW WHOSE CRITERIA ARE THOSE. HE SAID THEY TRIED TO STEER AWAY FROM EVERYONE TRYING TO GET TESTED. HE SAID THEY WANT TO TEST THOSE THAT REALLY NEED IT. HE SAID CUDOS TO OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DEPARTMENT. THE STATE RECEIVED \$12 MILLION FROM THE \$8.3 BILLION THAT WAS GIVEN FROM THE FEDS. THE STATE APPROPRIATED \$55 MILLION TO THIS. HE SAID ALSO FEMA HAS \$44 BILLION THAT WILL BE USED FOR THE VIRUS AND OTHER EMERGENCIES THAT COME UP. HE SAID THE MAYORS ARE GETTING CALLS DAILY FROM THE GOVERNOR AND TODAY THERE IS QUITE A DISCREPANCY AGAINST URBAN AND RURAL. HE SAID THE TRIBES BROUGHT UP THAT THEY ARE NOT SEEING TESTING. HE ASKED WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO FILL OUT THE CENSUS QUESTIONAIRE? HE SAID EVERYTHING IS POPULATION BASED. HE ASKED WHO IN HERE HAS FILLED OUT THEIR CENSUS? NO ONE SAID YES. HE SAID HE DID AND IT IS VERY EASY. YOU CAN ALSO DO IT ONLINE AND YOU CAN HELP YOUR SCHOOL, HELP YOUR TOWN, HELP YOUR COUNTY, AND HELP YOUR STATE. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT SO PLEASE DO THE CENSUS IT AFFECTS YOUR FUNDING FOR TEN YEARS.

CHAIRMAN LUNT WAS GOING THROUGH THE LIST OF HOW MANY PEOPLE IN EACH COUNTY ARE ILL. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID NOW THERE ARE 2 CHILDREN IN PIMA NOW WHO TESTED POSITIVE. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID THEY TESTED THEM, BECAUSE THEY WERE EXPOSED TO IT. THERE ARE CERTAIN CRITERIA THAT YOU HAVE TO MEET BEFORE THEY GIVE YOU A TEST. HE SAID SOME PEOPLE ARE UPSET ABOUT THAT. THE MANAGER SAID IT IS NOT JUST HERE. HE SAID HIS SON'S WIFE HAD THE SYMPTOMS AND SHE WENT DOWN TO GILBERT AND THEY WOULD NOT TEST HER BECAUSE HER TEMPERATURE WAS NOT HIGH ENOUGH YET. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE THINKS IT IS 100.5 NOT 105 DEGREES. BOB SHAY SAID YOU SHOULD GO TO YOUR FAMILY DOCTOR. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID THE FAMILY DOCTOR IS NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING EITHER. HE SAID YOU SHOULD STAY HOME. HE SAID WHEN YOU GO OUT YOU EXPOSE PEOPLE.

HE SAID THE SENATE AND HOUSE HAVE AGREED ON A BASELINE BUDGET, BUT THE GOVERNOR HAS NOT AGREED YET. HE SAID DO YOU PRESENT A BASELINE BUDGET, PASS IT, AND THEN COME BACK AND RECESS AND ADDRESS BILLS THAT YOU HAVE NOT ADDRESSED?

MANAGER BASTEEN ASKED IF THEY CANCELED ALL THE CENSUS WORKERS? CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID THAT IS A GOOD QUESTION, BUT IT CAN BE DONE ONLINE. HE ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO DO IT ONLINE. HE SAID THEY WANT YOUR ADDRESS, HOW MANY PEOPLE LIVE IN YOUR HOME, YOUR ETHNIC BACKGROUND. HE SAID IT IS VERY SIMPLE. HE SAID IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN ASSIGNED A NUMBER YOU CAN STILL GET ON AND THEY WILL ASSIGN YOU A NUMBER WITH VERY LITTLE INFORMATION. HE SAID THEY ARE PAYING THE CENSUS PEOPLE \$16.50 PER HOUR. SHERRY HUGGINS SAID THEY HAVE NOT GOTTEN BACK TO ANYONE YET, EXCEPT FOR GWEN LINES. VICE-MAYOR SMITH SAID SHE SAW AN ARTICLE WHERE THEY WERE SUSPENDING THEIR TRAINING AND ACTIVITY FOR TWO WEEKS.

CHAIRMAN LUNT TOLD THE COUNCIL THANKS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO.

- 7. GREENLEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT:** SHERIFF SUMNER SAID SOME ARE AWARE OF THE TIRE SLASHING THAT HAPPENED AROUND TOWN. HE SAID IT WAS FAIRLY WIDE SPREAD FROM EAST AVENUE TO GALE TO MAIN STREET AND HIGH STREET AND IT DID NOT SEEM LIKE THEY TARGETED ONE PERSON. HE SAID TOMORROW HE WILL GET A FULL BRIEF ON THAT. HE SAID THERE WERE ALSO SOME WINDOWS BROKEN AS WELL. HE SAID IF THEY KNOW ANYTHING, PLEASE GIVE THEM A CALL AND LET SGT. WILSON KNOW ABOUT THAT.

HE ALSO REPORTED THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO LET PEOPLE KNOW TO BE CAUTIOUS AROUND THE WATER, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN. THEY HAD A COUPLE OF KIDS WHO GOT ON A RAFT AND THE WATER IS MOVING EXTREMELY FAST RIGHT NOW. HE SAID THEY WILL DO SOME SWIFT WATER TRAINING. HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE OFFICERS PREPARED, BUT NOT HAVE TO USE IT.

HE ALSO SAID IT IS IMPORTANT TO REVIEW THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDAS. THEY REALLY NEED TO BE LOOKED AT AND SOMETIMES THINGS CAN SLIP THROUGH. RECENTLY THERE WAS SOMETHING ON THE CONSENT AGENDA THAT WAS CALLING THE FORMER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR BACK AT \$70 PER HOUR AND IT WAS ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT GOT PUT ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION BEHIND IT. HE WAS GLAD THAT MR. LUNT REMOVED THAT FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA TO BE DISCUSSED. HE SAID IN THE MIDST OF THAT DISCUSSION IT WAS FINALLY EVENTUALLY TABLED TO BE ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

HE SAID IT IS IMPORTANT TO REVIEW THOSE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. HE SAID AFTERWARDS SUPERVISOR GOMEZ MADE THE COMMENT ABOUT LOOKING AT THE CONSENT AGENDA. IT IS GOOD TO MOVE THROUGH THOSE ITEMS QUICKLY, BUT AT THE SAME TIME THEY REALLY NEED TO BE REVIEWED AND LOOKED AT AND MAKE SURE THEY NEED TO BE THERE. HE SAID HE APPRECIATES WHAT EVERYONE DOES.

- 8. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO OPEN UP SOUTH AVENUE:** THE MANAGER SAID THE RESIDENTS DO NOT WANT SOUTH AVENUE OPEN. HE SPOKE WITH HER FATHER AND TOLD HIM THEY WERE GOING TO OPEN IT AND HE SEEMED TO BE FINE WITH IT. HE HAD MADE A COPY FOR THE COUNCIL OF AN ARIEL SHOT OF THE PROPERTY. HE SAID THEY WANT TO PUT A TRAILER ON THE PAD. HE SAID THEY GAVE THEM A SOUTH AVENUE ADDRESS. FOR EMERGENCY PURPOSES THEY TOLD HIM THEY WERE GOING TO OPEN THAT BACK UP FOR AMBULANCES, ETC. HE SAID THE TOWN'S SEWER LINE ENDS WHERE THEY PUT THEIR SHED. HE SAID THE TOWN DOESN'T HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR UTILITIES ANYMORE TO ISSUE THEM WATER AND SEWER. HE MET WITH THE GENTLEMAN WHO CURRENTLY LIVES IN THE HOUSE AND HE IS OKAY WITH THE TOWN OPENING THAT STREET BACK UP. HE SAID THEY PUSHED THE ROAD BACK OVER AND THEY HAVE BEEN DOING WORK THERE TODAY. HE SAID CURRENTLY IT IS TOO STEEP TO GET A TRAILER UP THERE. THE MANAGER SAID IT IS JUST FAIR IF THEY OPEN OTHER ROADS IN TOWN THAT HAVE BEEN CLOSED. THE MANAGER SAID HE TOLD HIM THEY ARE WORKING ON THAT. HE SAID THEY HAVE PLANTED PINE TREES ACROSS WHERE IT WAS BLOCKED OFF. HE SAID THAT IS FINE, HE DOES NOT WANT TO FIGHT WITH THE TOWN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED IF THE TREES HAVE TO COME OUT. THE MANAGER SAID THEY HAVE NO PLANS ON PULLING THE TREES OUT AS LONG AS IT IS OPENED UP AND THEY WILL SEE HOW THAT GOES. HE SAID IF IT AFFECTS THE WATER OR SEWER LINE THE TREES WILL HAVE TO COME OUT, BUT THEY SHOULD NOT. HE SAID HE WILL MOVE HIS SHED AND THEY WILL OPEN UP THE ROAD AGAIN. HE SAID SOUTH AVENUE WILL CONNECT TO 6TH STREET EVENTUALLY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW WHO ALLISON DIDDIO IS. THE MANAGER SAID SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF THE GENTLEMAN WHO HAD THE ROAD BLOCKED OFF. THE MANAGER SAID EVERYONE ON THAT BLOCK IS RELATED TO EACH OTHER.

COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY WERE GOING TO BRING THAT PAD DOWN. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE ASKED HIM TO, BUT HE SAID NO. HE SAID HE SUGGESTED THAT THEY COME DOWN ABOUT 6 FEET. HE SAID HE TOLD HIM THEY WOULD DO THE WORK AND TAKE THE MATERIAL AND USE THE MATERIAL WHERE THEY NEED IT, IF THEY WOULD LET US CUT IT DOWN. HE SAID THEY ARE STILL TALKING TO THEM ABOUT THAT. HE SAID THEY SET THE ELECTRICAL POLE, BUT THAT IS IT SO FAR. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH RAIN. SHE SAID THAT WAS A PROBLEM WHEN SHE LIVED THERE. THE MANAGER SAID THEY HAVE NOT HAD THE RAINS SO FAR, BUT IN THE PAST THERE HAVE BEEN ISSUES. HE SAID THEY DID THAT WORK, NOT THE TOWN. THEY WENT IN THERE TODAY TO TRY TO FIX THAT, BUT IN THE PAST THERE HAVE BEEN ISSUES AND MOST OF THE MATERIAL HAS GONE DOWN AND ENDED UP BY THE HIGHWAY. HE SAID THAT IS PRETTY COMMON WITH ALL OF THEIR STREETS RIGHT NOW. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE SAID YES IT IS.

9. **P3 PARTNERSHIP ON HOUSING: COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO TAKE THIS ITEM OFF THE AGENDA AND PUT IT ON THE NEXT WORKSHOP. COUNCILMEMBER SUSAN RIOS SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

10. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF ACQUIRING A PROFESSIONAL GRANT WRITER: COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO TAKE THIS ITEM OFF THE AGENDA UNTIL THEY ARE CLOSING UP THE PLANNING PROCESS AND THEN SHE WILL ASK TO PUT IT ON THE AGENDA AGAIN. COUNCILMEMBER JILL WEARNE SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

11. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO CREATE A NEW WEBSITE: COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING. COUNCILMEMBER SUSAN RIOS SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

12. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO RAISE SENIOR RATES ON GARBAGE DISPOSAL:** MANAGER BASTEEN REPORTED THEY HAVE 69 SENIORS WHO HAVE TRASH CANS AT \$14.85 AND THE COUNTY HAS RAISED THEIR COMMERCIAL DUMPING FEE AT THE LANDFILL WHICH CAUSED VISTA RECYCLING TO RAISE THEIR RATE AND \$113.85 IS WHAT THE TOWN WILL BE GOING NEGATIVE ON EVERY MONTH. THE MANAGER SAID IT COMES OUT TO \$1,366.20 PER YEAR. HE SAID IF THEY RAISE IT TO \$16.50 PER MONTH, THEY ARE NOT GAINING ANYTHING OR LOSING ANYTHING. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THE OTHER CUSTOMERS ARE PAYING. THE MANAGER SAID \$20 PER MONTH AND THAT COVERS THE BIG YELLOW DUMPSTERS THAT THE TOWN PROVIDES. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE SAID SHE FEELS LIKE THEY SHOULD TRY NOT TO LOSE MONEY CONSIDERING THE HEALTH OF THEIR BUDGET. THE MAYOR SAID THE HEALTH OF THE BUDGET IS NOT HEALTHY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF ANYTHING PREVENTS THEM FROM ADJUSTING THIS AGAIN IN ANY GIVEN PERIOD OF TIME. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW WHEN THE LAST TIME VISTA RAISED THE RATES. THE MANAGER SAID IT HAS BEEN BEFORE HE STARTED WORKING HERE. THE MAYOR SAID OUTSIDE THE TOWN EVERYONE IS CHARGED \$20.
COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY COULD TALK ABOUT THE SENIORS WHO HAVE NO PROBLEM PAYING AND THEY EXIST. WHY NOT CHARGE THEM WHAT EVERYONE ELSE PAYS AND MAKE NO INCREASE FOR THOSE WHO NEED HELP. THE MAYOR WANTED TO KNOW HOW THEY WOULD MONITOR THAT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO COME IN AND REQUEST THE WAIVER OF THE INCREASE. SHE SAID SHE HAS NO EXPERIENCE IN HANDLING THINGS LIKE THAT IN A TOWN OFFICE, SO SHE WAS CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT THEY THOUGHT. THE MANAGER SAID IT WILL BE DIFFICULT, BECAUSE IF SOMEONE COMES IN AND SAYS THEY WANT THE SENIOR RATE. HE SAID YOU TALK TO ANYONE AND THEY ARE ALL ON FIXED INCOMES. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW IF OTHER TOWNS HAVE SENIOR RATES. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THAT HE DOES NOT KNOW. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SOME ARE NOT ON FIXED INCOMES. THE MANAGER SAID THERE ARE SOME THAT AREN'T, BUT HOW DO YOU DETERMINE THAT? THE VICE-MAYOR SAID THEY MIGHT HAVE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO HELP OTHERS PAY THEIR BILL AND MAYBE THEY COULD HAVE A SEPARATE FUND FOR THAT. MANAGER BASTEEN WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY NEED TO MOVE THIS TO A WORKSHOP. THE COUNCIL SAID THE BOOKKEEPING WOULD BE A NIGHTMARE. THE MANAGER

SAID SOMEONE COULD DO THAT ON THEIR OWN AS A GOOD SUMMARITAN, BUT IT WOULD NOT BE A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE A SEPARATE FUND FOR THAT. HE SAID SOMEHOW THEY WOULD GET IN TROUBLE. **COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO INCREASE THE SENIOR RATE FOR TRASH COLLECTION TO \$16.50 WHICH WILL BE A NET INCREASE PER ACCOUNT OF \$1.65 AND OTHER CUSTOMERS CONTINUE TO PAY \$20.00 PER MONTH. VICE-MAYOR VALERIE SMITH SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

13. THE ARIZONA MANAGERS' ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE: THE MANAGER SAID HE WAS ABLE TO SIGN UP FOR JULY IN ARIZONA. HE SAID YOU FILL OUT AN APPLICATION AND THEY VOTE TO SEE IF THEY WANT YOU TO ATTEND OR NOT. **MAYOR THURMAN MADE A MOTION TO REMOVE THIS ITEM FROM THE AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

14. CYBER COSTS: THE MANAGER SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TABLE THIS FOR ANOTHER MONTH. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN BUSY WITH THE CORONAVIRUS AND EVERYTHING ELSE. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO IT, BUT IT IS EXPENSIVE. HE SAID THEIR INSURANCE COMPANY DOES CLASSES PERIODICALLY. THE LEAGUE IS ALSO TALKING ABOUT DOING CLASSES. HE SAID THERE ARE INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES OUT THERE THAT WILL COME IN AND DO CYBER CLASSES. HE SAID HE SHOULD HAVE THAT WRAPPED UP BY THE NEXT MEETING. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY COULD COMBINE THAT WITH A GENERAL DISCUSSION OF OUR WEBSITE COSTS BECAUSE SHE IS WONDERING WHY THEIR'S IS SO HIGH. SHE SAID SHE CALLED CECELIA JERNIGAN TODAY TO SEE WHAT CLIFTON'S ARE. SHE SAID SHE DOES NOT HAVE ENOUGH TIME SPAN THAT SHE HAS LOOKED AT TO FEEL CONFIDENT IN WHAT SHE IS SAYING, BUT THEIR'S ARE A LOT LOWER THAN OUR'S. SINCE THIS IS AN I.T. QUESTION AMOUNG OTHER THINGS SHE WOULD LIKE TO OPEN UP A DISCUSSION ON HOW THEY ARE HANDLING ALL I.T. STUFF AND WHAT THE COST ARE AND WHAT WOULD BE A MORE COST AFFECTIVE WAY OF APPROACHING IT. COUNCILMEMBER RIOS SAID IF THEY ARE GOING TO LOOK AT THE I.T. COSTS, SHE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THEY ARE DOING. SHE SAID LOOKING AT THE COSTS IT IS QUITE HIGH AND SHE SPOKE TO SOMEONE IN CALIFORNIA WHO MANAGES A REAL ESTATE OFFICE WITH 20 COMPUTERS AND 20 PEOPLE AND DOES THE MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADING AND IT IS 1/3 OF THE COST OF OURS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF HE BILLS HOURLY. THE MANAGER SAID YES. COUNCILMEMBER RIOS SAID MAYBE THEY COULD LOOK AT GOING INTO A CONTRACT WHERE THEY WOULD HAVE A MONTHLY FEE DEPENDING ON WHAT THE TOTAL COST IS PER YEAR. THE MANAGER SAID HE WILL CALL CLIFTON, BECAUSE THEY USE THE SAME GUY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY ARE PAYING HIM TO DO TOWN HALL, LIBRARY, POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FIRE DEPARTMENT AND IT IS A LOT LESS THAN OURS. **COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THE CYBER COSTS AGENDA ITEM AND THAT THEY ADD TO IT A MORE GENERAL EXAMINATION OF I.T. NEEDS AND COSTS, INCLUDING CYBER. COUNCILMEMBER SUSAN RIOS SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

15. CORONAVIRUS AND TOWN HALL MEETINGS: MAYOR THURMAN SAID RIGHT NOW THEY ARE DOING FACEBOOK AS FAR AS BEING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW AND MAKING IT AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE SAID THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE

TO COME UP WITH SOME DIFFERENT WAYS TO HAVE THEIR MEETINGS. PEOPLE ARE NOT COMFORTABLE IN COMING INTO CROWDS ANYMORE AND IT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED THAT THEY DO HAVE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND ONE OF HER CONCERNS IS THEY WOULD HAVE TO DISCONTINUE THE CALL TO THE PUBLIC, BECAUSE THERE WOULD BE NO WAY TO HAVE CALL TO THE PUBLIC. SHE SAID SHE TALKED TO THE MANAGER EARLIER AND SHE KNOWS THERE WILL BE CITIZENS WHO HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THINGS THEY WANT TO BRING UP IN A PUBLIC FORUM, THE ONLY THING THEY COULD DO IS HAVE THE CITIZEN COME IN AND FILL OUT A FORM THAT COULD BE PUT ON AN AGENDA. THEY HAD DISCUSSED HAVING THEIR AGENDAS POSTED THE MONDAY PRIOR TO THEIR MEETING, BUT AS LONG AS THEY HAVE THEM POSTED 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE THAT WOULD GIVE ANY CITIZEN THAT HAD ANY ISSUE OR WANTED TO DISCUSS ANYTHING ON AN AGENDA ITEM IF WE WAITED UNTIL TUESDAY TO POST THOSE IT WOULD GIVE THE OFFICE STAFF ENOUGH TIME TO PUT THOSE ON THE AGENDA IF NEED BE. SHE SAID THOSE ARE SOME OF THE IDEAS. SHE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR IF THE COUNCIL HAS PUT ANY THOUGHT INTO THIS. SHE SAID THIS HAS HIT US PRETTY HARD AND PRETTY QUICK. SHE SAID THEY DON'T WANT TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW. THEY DO WANT TO KEEP THEIR CITIZENS INFORMED AND THEY DO WANT GIVE THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE THINKS THEY SHOULD GIVE THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, SHE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM SUBMIT IT ELECTRONICALLY AND READ BY SOMEONE AT THE MEETING, SO THAT ALL COULD HEAR IT. SHE SAID IT WOULD INVOLVE GETTING THAT INFORMATION OUT TO THE PUBLIC WHICH WOULD TYPICALLY BE DONE ON THE FRONT PAGE OF A WEBSITE WITH A MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND IT COULD ALSO BE POSTED AT THE POST OFFICE AND THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE A CUT OFF DATE AND TIME AND A WORD LIMIT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE COULD GO HOME AND FIGURE OUT HOW MANY MINUTES IT WOULD TAKE.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE WAS ON THE PHONE WITH CLIFTON TODAY AND THEY HAVE THE SAME CONCERNS, DO THEY NEED CALL TO THE PUBLIC, DO PEOPLE SUBMIT WHAT THEY WANT TO BE PUT ON THE AGENDA OR DO THEY CALL TO BE PUT SOMETHING ON THE AGENDA? MAYOR THURMAN SAID THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE CALL TO THE PUBLIC. THE MANAGER SAID HE FEELS IF THEY WANT TO BE HEARD THEY WOULD CALL AND SAY THEY WANT TO BE PUT ON THE AGENDA. VICE-MAYOR SMITH SAID SHE THINKS HAVING ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO SPEAK. SHE SAID THEY COULD HAVE A DEDICATED LINE THAT PEOPLE COULD CALL INTO. THE ATTORNEY SAID HE WOULD LIKE THE CALL IN, BECAUSE HE NOTICED THERE IS A 20 SECOND LAG ON THE COMPUTER. THE VICE MAYOR SAID SHE WAS WATCHING FACEBOOK LIVE AND THERE IS EVEN A LONGER LAG.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID SHE LIKES THE IDEA OF THE DEDICATED CALL IN FOR CALL TO THE PUBLIC. SHE SAID RIGHT NOW IT IS SUGGESTED THAT NO MORE THAN 10 PEOPLE BE GATHERED AT A MEETING. SHE SAID THEY DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER THAT WILL TAKE PLACE.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THE MANAGER SUGGESTED USING A VIDEO OR AUDIO TECHNOLOGY. HE SAID THERE ARE SEVERAL VIDEO TECHNOLOGIES OUT THERE, HE SAID THERE ARE A LOT OF DIFFERENT ONES. HE SAID TALKING TO CLIFTON INSTEAD OF DO A PHONE CONFERENCE THEY COULD DO A VIDEO CHAT AND IT CAN BE ON A PHONE, BUT YOU MUTE THEM AND THEY WOULD BASICALLY TYPE IN A QUESTION. HE SAID THAT IS HOW THEY DO MANAGER MEETINGS. HE SAID YOU CAN SEE THEM, BUT WE ARE MUTED AND JUST TYPE IN THE QUESTION. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY COULD ALL BE AT THEIR HOME IF THEY HAVE A

COMPUTER WITH A CAMERA AND A MICROPHONE. HE SAID IT IS VERY POSSIBLE. VICE-MAYOR SMITH ASKED IF THEY COULD VIDEO CONFERENCE EVEN IF THEY WEREN'T THERE AT TOWN HALL. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE SAID MOST OF THEM ARE APPS ON YOUR PHONE.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THERE WAS A NEWS STORY TODAY THAT MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE BECOMING ILL THAN IN THE PREVIOUS COUNTRIES WHERE IT HAS SPREAD AND THEY DON'T KNOW WHY YET. THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THEIR 30S, 40S, AND 50S GETTING CRITICALLY ILL AND SOME DYING. SHE SAID UP UNTIL TODAY, THEY THOUGHT IT WAS A DISEASE OF OLDER AND IMMUNE COMPROMISED PEOPLE AND AS OF TODAY THAT IS DIFFERENT. SHE SAID THEY REALLY NEED TO BE THOUGHTFUL WITH NOT JUST THE COUNCIL, BUT WITH THE CLERK AND THE ATTORNEY AND REALLY BE SENSITIVE IN WHAT PEOPLE FEEL SAFE DOING. SHE SAID THE CLERK IN PARTICULAR WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE RECORDING, THEY REALLY NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW THAT WORKS WITH ALL THE TECHNOLOGY.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE HAS NOT HEARD ANYTHING FROM MR. RUTHERFORD. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING HE WILL BE PRESENT AND PROBABLY THE MANAGER WILL BE PRESENT AND EVERYONE ELSE WILL PROBABLY CALL IN. THE MANAGER WANTED TO KNOW HOW THEY ARE WORKING EVERY DAY. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID THAT CERTAIN OFFICES WILL ONLY HAVE ONE PERSON THERE AND A SHEILD BETWEEN YOU AND THE CUSTOMER AND YOU WILL PASS...THE MANAGER ASKED IF THEY ARE SHUTTING DOWN THE OFFICES. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID NO, BECAUSE THEY ARE A SERVICE BASED INDUSTRY.

THE MANAGER SAID AS OF MONDAY, CLIFTON IS CLOSING THEIR OFFICE TO THE PUBLIC. THEY WILL HAVE ONE PERSON IN THE OFFICE AND THEY WILL ROTATE THAT PERSON AND EVERYONE ELSE WILL BE ON CALL AND IF THEY GET CALLED OUT THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO BE AT WORK WITHIN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME. SOMEONE ASKED IF THEY ARE WORKING FROM HOME. THE MANAGER SAID YES, THEY WILL HAVE ONE PERSON IN THE OFFICE AND THEY WILL ROTATE EVERY DAY FOR FOUR DAYS AND WHO EVER IS NOT AT THE OFFICE WILL WORK FROM HOME.

CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID THEIR ROAD CREW CALLS IN FOR THEIR ASSIGNMENTS AND THEY DON'T HAVE ANY TAILGATES OR SAFETY MEETINGS. HE SAID THEY CALL THEIR SUPERVISOR AND HE TELLS THEM THEIR ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE DAY. THEY ARE TRYING TO HAVE AS LITTLE PERSONAL CONTACT AS POSSIBLE. HE SAID STAFF ARE ASSIGNED TASK AT HOME WHICH THEY ARE REQUIRED TO FULFILL, BUT THEY WILL STILL SERVE THE PUBLIC.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE NEEDS THE COUNCIL'S INPUT AS TO WHAT THEY WANT TO DO. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID THEY ARE WORKING OUT THOSE DETAILS AND SOME OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW HAS BEEN WAIVED, BECAUSE THEY UNDERSTAND. THE MAYOR ASKED IF THAT IS FOR ALL. CHAIRMAN LUNT SAID TO CALL THE COUNTY MANAGER. THE MAYOR SAID SHE WILL PROBABLY CALL HIM TOMORROW. SHE SAID THEY COULD DO A TELECONFERENCE THEN. SHE SAID AS LONG AS THEY HAVE THE MINUTES TAKEN AND THEY POST THE AGENDA AND THE MEETING MINUTES WOULD BE PUBLIC ACCESS AND THAT SHOULD COVER THE MEETINGS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY WILL HAVE TO GET THEM POSTED PROMPTLY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE CAN'T FIGURE OUT IF THIS WILL WORK FOR A WORKSHOP BECAUSE THEY ARE SO INTERACTIVE. SHE SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO HOLD THAT DISCUSSION UNTIL THEY HAVE THEIR FIRST FORMAT AND SEE HOW IT FEELS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID HER PREFERENCE ON DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS SHE WOULD PREFER TO LEAVE THAT IN THE HANDS OF THE MAYOR AND MANAGER TO MAKE THOSE DECISIONS SO THAT THERE IS NO CUMBERSOME PROCESS. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY

COULD ASK EMPLOYEES QUESTIONS. COUNCILMEMBER WEARNE WANTED TO KNOW HOW MUCH THEY CAN GET DONE IF THE DOOR IS CLOSED. THE MANAGER SAID THEY CAN PUT THEIR BILLS IN THE DOOR SLOT OR GO TO THE MAIL, CALL IT IN, OR THEY CAN LOG ON AND PAY IT THEMSELVES. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THE VIRUS CAN LIVE FOR 24 HOURS ON CARDBOARD, SO THEY SHOULD STERILIZE EVERYTHING COMING IN BEFORE TOUCHING IT. COUNCILMEMBER RIOS WANTED TO KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE THEY HAVE COMING IN THAT WANT TO PAY CASH. ISABEL SAID THEY HAD 12 PEOPLE PAID WITH CASH TODAY. SHE SAID TODAY IS THE LAST DAY THEY CAN PAY BEFORE THE LATE FEE IS ADDED ON TO THEIR BILL. SHE SAID USUALLY THEY DON'T HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE COMING IN TO PAY CASH. COUNCILMEMBER RIOS WANTED TO KNOW IF SOMEONE WAS COMFORTABLE TO PAY CASH THROUGH THE DOOR, THEY WOULD IMMEDIATELY TURN AND SEND THEM A RECEIPT. ISABEL SAID YES. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE GLOVES. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID YES, THEY HAVE GLOVES AND MASKS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE STERILIZER THAT CAN BE SPRAYED. HE SAID YES, THEY HAVE LYSOL, GERMEX AND LOTS AND LOTS OF TOILET PAPER. MAYOR THURMAN ASKED THE EMPLOYEES IF THEY STILL FEEL COMFORTABLE COMING IN. ISABEL SAID SHE DOES. THE TOWN CLERK SAID SHE PRETTY MUCH HAS TO. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY ARE CONSTANTLY STERILIZING THE DOOR KNOBS AND LIGHT SWITCHES AND EVERYTHING, SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY ARE DOING THAT.

TOWN ATTORNEY GRIFFITH SAID THE THING HE IS MOST WORRIED ABOUT ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE HEALTHY, BUT MIGHT BE CARRIERS AND DON'T KNOW IT. SHERRY HUGGINS ASKED ABOUT PUBLIC MEETING PLACES WHERE SENIORS MEET WHICH ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE. MAYOR THURMAN SAID THE SENIORS DO NEED THEIR SOCIALIZATION, BUT HER CONCERN IS THEIR HEALTH. SHE IS NOT SAYING SHUT IT DOWN, BUT USE COMMON SENSE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID SHE TALKED TO THE ONE WHO DOES THE CLASS THERE AND SHE SAID THE COLLEGE BASICALLY TOLD HER TO SHUT IT DOWN. SHE SAID THAT A COUPLE OF PEOPLE SAID THEY WOULD LIKE TO USE THE EQUIPMENT AND SHE SAID NO, JUST WALK AT THE HOUSE. MAYOR THURMAN SAID THAT IS THE ONLY OTHER PUBLIC BUILDING THAT THE TOWN HAS. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THE LIBRARY CLOSED. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID YES, AS OF YESTERDAY. MAYOR THURMAN SAID PARKS HOUSE SHOULD NOT BE USED.

SHERRY HUGGINS SAID AS OF MONDAY, THE DUNCAN HEIGHTS APARTMENTS SHUT THEM DOWN. THE MANAGER SAID HE DID NOT KNOW IF THEY WANTED TO VOTE ON WHAT THEY SHOULD DO. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE COUNTY ON WHAT THEY ARE DOING. HE SAID THERE HAVE BEEN TELECONFERENCING WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID CALIFORNIA JUST WENT ON LOCK DOWN. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THEY COULD CLOSE THE OFFICE, BUT STILL WORK. HE SAID HE LIKED WHAT THE COUNTY IS DOING WITH THE EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OUTSIDE WORKING, JUST GIVING THEM THEIR ASSIGNMENTS IN THE MORNING. THE TOWN CLERK WANTED TO KNOW IF THE INMATES ARE GOING TO BE CANCELED. THE MANAGER SAID HE HAS NOT HEARD OF ANYTHING ON THE INMATES AS OF YET, HE SAID HE SUPPOSED THEY ARE TESTING THEM DAILY. THE CLERK SAID SHE HEARD THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE VISITORS. SHE ASKED WHY WOULD THEY LET THEM OUTSIDE. MAYOR THURMAN SAID THEY STOPPED VISITATION FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS. THE MANAGER SAID THE PRISON HAS NOT CONTACTED HIM, BUT HE WILL CALL AND CHECK ON THAT. THE CLERK SAID SOMEONE CALLED AND WANTED TO KNOW IF THE TOWN WILL GIVE A GRACE

PERIOD ON THE BILLS. THE MAYOR SAID THEY HAVE HAD PROCEDURES IN PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS. SHE SAID THEY WILL CONTINUE WITH THAT. THE CLERK SAID THERE IS A HOME RULE OPTION PUBLIC HEARING NEXT THURSDAY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THAT REQUIRES A QUORUM. THE CLERK SAID NOT FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING, BUT THEY NEED A VOTE RIGHT AFTER THAT, SO THEY WOULD PROBABLY NEED TO BE ON THE PHONE. THE CLERK SAID SHE CALLED THE AUDITOR GENERAL TO SEE IF THEY HAD MORE TIME TO TURN IN THEIR PAPERWORK, BUT THEY SAID IT HAS TO BE TURNED IN.

THE CLERK ASKED IF SOMEONE WILL READ METERS NEXT WEEK. HE SAID THEY WILL HAVE TOWN HALL CLOSED, BUT ALL THE WORKERS WILL BE WORKING OUTSIDE. HE SAID HE HANDED OUT LITERATURE TO THEM AND IF THEY FEEL LIKE THEY NEED MORE PPE THEY CAN GET IT FOR THEM. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH SOMEONE WHO BECOMES ILL. HE SAID HE WILL RECOMMEND THEY STAY HOME. HE SAID THERE IS A PROVISION WITH SICK PAY, BUT IF THEY ARE ON CALL, THEY WILL HAVE TO FIGURE THAT OUT. HE SAID ALMOST EVERYBODY HAS SOME SICK TIME BUILT UP. HE SAID THAT IN THE PAST THE EMPLOYEES HAVE DONATED SOME TIME TO SOMEONE WHO DOES NOT HAVE ANY SICK TIME. HE SAID THEY WILL HAVE TO CROSS THAT WHEN IT COMES.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY STILL HAVE TO DECIDE ON THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR CDBG. THE MANAGER SAID THEY HAVE UNTIL MAY TO GET THE PUBLIC HEARING DONE, BECAUSE THEIR DEADLINE IS AUGUST. HE SAID THEY CAN POST IT ON FACEBOOK. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID A LOT OF PEOPLE LOOK AT THE POST OFFICE.

THE ATTORNEY WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS A CALL IN LINE THAT MANY PEOPLE CAN USE TO CALL IN. THE MANAGER SAID THERE ARE ONLY TWO LINES. THE MANAGER SAID HE CAN OPEN THE BUILDING AND THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF DISTANCE.

THE VICE-MAYOR WANTED TO KNOW IF THE MANAGER CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH THE BANK AND SEE IF THEY WILL WAIVE ANY MERCHANT FEES FOR WHEN YOU RUN A CREDIT CARD. THE MANAGER SAID IT IS THROUGH GOV.PAY AND THEY CHARGE THE CUSTOMER DIRECTLY, BUT HE CAN ASK IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT THEY CAN DO.

16. CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING: THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL MEETING WAS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020 AT 5:00 PM.

17. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: LIBRARY REPORT, FIRE DEPARTMENT?, CREATE A NEW WEBSITE, I.T. NEEDS INCLUDING CYBER

18. ADJOURNMENT: AT 7:40 PM, COUNCILMEMBER JILL WEARNE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. COUNCILMEMBER SUSAN RIOS SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

CERTIFICATION:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING MINUTES ARE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE DUNCAN TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE MEETING WAS DULY CALLED AND HELD AND THAT A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

Regular Meeting Minutes, March 19, 2020

DATED THIS 14TH DAY OF APRIL, 2020.

CYNTHIA NICHOLS, TOWN CLERK