## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DUNCAN COMMON COUNCIL THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019; 5:15 PM DUNCAN TOWN HALL; 506 SE OLD WEST HIGHWAY

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

 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE FY 2018 AUDIT FOR THE TOWN OF DUNCAN: MATT BINGHAM FROM COLBY AND POWELL PRESENTED THE AUDIT TO THE TOWN COUNCIL. MATT THANKED JOHN AND CINDY FOR WORKING WITH THEM.

MATT EXPLAINED THAT WHEN THEY DO AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IT IS TO MAKE SURE THERE IS NO MATERIAL MISTATEMENTS, WHETHER IT IS CAUSED BY ERRORS OR FRAUD. GOVERNMENTAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE UNIQUE. THEY ARE NOT LIKE PROFIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OR NON-PROFIT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, BECAUSE THERE ARE MULTIPLE UNITS INSIDE THE GOVERNMENT'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THERE ARE A GENERAL FUND, HURF FUND, WATER FUND AND SEWER FUND AND WHEN THEY DO AN AUDIT, THEY DO AN AUDIT AND GIVE AN OPINION ON EACH OF THOSE SPECIFIC FUNDS.

HE SAID THEY DO AN AUDIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PROFESSIONAL SET OF STANDARDS. THE GENERALLY ACCEPTED GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS ARE ALSO USED WHEN THEY AUDIT CDBG FUNDS. THEY DON'T LOOK AT EVERY TRANSACTION, INSTEAD THEY DO A RISK BASED APPROACH AND LOOK AT THE AREAS THAT COULD HAVE A POTENTIAL FOR ERRORS OR THEFT AND FRAUD AND THEY FOCUS THEIR ATTENTION IN THOSE AREAS.

FOR THE FY 2018 AUDIT ALL OF THE OPINIONS THAT THEY HAVE LISTED GET A CLEAN OPINION. THEY ISSUED THREE DIFFERENT REPORTS: THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, THE EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT THAT IS REQUIRED BY THE STATE AND A SUMMARY OF THINGS THAT WERE FOUND.

THEY GET AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE INTERNAL CONTROLS AND IF THEY COME ACROSS ANYTHING THAT THEY CONSIDER SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH THEY REPORT IT TO THE COUNCIL SO THEY CAN TAKE ACTION OR NOT TAKE ACTION, BUT THEY DO NOT DO AN AUDIT OF THE INTERNAL CONTROLS. THERE WERE THREE AREAS THAT THEY FOUND SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH TO REPORT TO THE COUNCIL. HE SAID THERE IS AN ISSUE WITH PAYROLL LIABILITIES, SEGREGATION OF DUTIES FOR THE LAB AND PREPARATION OF THE WORKING TRIAL BALANCE. MATT SAID IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS TO FEEL FREE TO CONTACT HIM. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE THE MANPOWER TO SEGREGATE THE DUTIES OF THE LAB. MATT SAID NO, BUT THEY CAN GET CREATIVE ON HOW THE DUTIES ARE SEGREGATED. MATT SAID CINDY OR JOHN COULD RECORD THE TRANSACTIONS INSTEAD OF THE SAME PERSON WHO HAS CUSTODY OF THE ASSETS.

HE ASKED FOR ANY QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE AUDIT OR THE AUDIT REPORT.

MATT FOUND SOME ACCOUNTING ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THIS YEAR. PENSIONS HAVE BEEN A BIG DEAL ACROSS THE COUNTY AND IN THE STATE AND THE GOOD THING IS DUNCAN HAS ONLY ONE PENSION SYSTEM. THE AMOUNT OF THE PENSION THAT IS NOT FUNDED, THEY HAVE TO PICK UP AS A LIABILITY ON THE BOOKS. IN FY 2017 THE PENSION LIABILITY WAS \$250,000 AND FOR THIS YEAR IT IS UP JUST SLIGHTLY BY ABOUT \$4,000 MORE. HE SAID THE

CHANGE IS PRETTY MINIMAL. HE THOUGHT THAT WAS INTERESTING SINCE THAT IS A BIG TOPIC RIGHT NOW.

HE SAID THERE ARE TWO SETS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IN THE PACKET, THERE ARE THE GOVERNMENT WIDE STATEMENTS THAT FOCUS ON THE TOWN AS A WHOLE AND THE FUND STATEMENTS, WHICH BREAK DOWN INTO THE GENERAL FUND. HURF, WATER AND SEWER FUNDS. IF YOU LOOK AT THE NET POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS WHICH IS YOUR EQUITY, THAT IS A GOOD INDICATOR ON HOW THAT CHANGES FROM ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT. HE TOOK THE NET POSITION OVER THE YEARS AND GRAPHED IT OUT SO THEY CAN SEE VISUALLY WHAT IS HAPPENING. YOU TAKE ALL THE ASSETS AND SUBTRACT OUT ALL THE LIABILITIES AND WHAT YOU ARE LEFT WITH IS THE NET POSITION OR EQUITY. THE NET POSITION IS BROKEN DOWN INTO A COUPLE OF SUBSECTIONS. THE FIRST SUBSECTION IS THE NET INVESTMENT AND CAPITAL ASSETS. CAPITAL ASSETS ARE NOT SPENDABLE, LIKE OUR STREETS, ONCE THEY ARE DOWN THEY ARE NOT SPENDABLE. IF YOU TAKE THE CAPITAL ASSETS AND THE DEBT RELATED TO THOSE CAPITAL ASSETS. NEXT GO DOWN TO THE RESTRICTED, WHICH IS STUFF THAT WE HAVE THAT WE CANNOT USE FOR GENERAL PURPOSE. THEY HAVE SOME FOR HURF AND UNITED WAY MONEY FOR THE SENIOR CENTER, ETC. THE UNRESTRICTED NUMBER SHOULD AT LEAST BE POSITIVE AND THAT IS THE AMOUNT YOU ARE CARRYING INTO THE NEXT YEAR DEBT FREE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN ASKED IF THAT IS BECAUSE OF THE PENSION. HE SAID IT IS SLIGHTLY BECAUSE OF THE PENSION LIABILITIES. IF THE TOWN WOULD INCREASE THEIR ASSETS FREE OF DEBT THEN THAT NUMBER WOULD INCREASE.

HE MADE A CHART OF THE TOTAL NET POSITION OVER THE YEARS, IN 2015 THERE WAS A BIG JUMP BECAUSE THEY RENEGOTIATED THE CONTRACT WITH THE SHERIFF. EVER SINCE THAT, THEY HAVE BEEN HOVERING ALONG. HE TOOK OUT THE FMI GRANT AND UNITED WAY GRANT, BECAUSE HE WAS CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT THAT WOULD LOOK LIKE AND THERE WOULD BE A SLOW DECLINE THERE.

IF THEY LOOK AT THE UNRESTRICTED NET POSITION AGAIN THAT IS THE AMOUNT THEY ARE CARING INTO THE FUTURE PERIODS THAT IS DEBT FREE. WHEN THE NUMBER IS NEGATIVE IT IS SAYING WE ARE LIVING ON DEBT. HE SAID FROM LAST YEAR TO THIS YEAR THAT NUMBER HAS GOTTEN WORSE. HE SAID IT WENT FROM -\$54,384 TO -\$159,638, THIS INDICATES THAT THE OVERALL FINANCIAL HEALTH IS DETERIORATING. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW WHAT CAUSED THAT BIG JUMP. MATT SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT IT SPECIFICALLY. HE SAID HE THINKS THE WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS ARE NOT PAYING FOR THEMSELVES.

HE ASKED FOR ANY QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE FINANCIALS OR THE AUDIT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE THINKS MAYBE DURING THE NEXT MEETING THEY NEED TO TALK TO THE MANAGER ABOUT THE INCREASE IN THE DEFICIT AND TALK MORE ABOUT OUR OPTIONS. THE MANAGER SAID IT IS ON THE AGENDA FOR TONIGHT. MATT SAID IF THEY CAN JUST STOP THE BLEEDING, IT MAY HELP. MATT SAID HE IS ALWAYS FREE FOR ANY QUESTIONS. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THE AUDIT IS DONE EVERY YEAR. MATT SAID YES, EVERY YEAR.

VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FY 2018 AUDIT. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSOHN SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

1. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE JAVELINA CHASE: DANIEL CARVER WITH THE JAVELINA CHASE REPORTED THAT HE IS HERE TO EXPLAIN A COUPLE OF THINGS ABOUT SOME CHANGES THEY HAVE MADE. IN YEARS PAST THEY HAVE DONE A ROAD BIKE RACE AND FOR THE LAST TWO

YEARS THEY HAVE DONE A MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ROAD BIKE RACE. THIS YEAR THEY TOOK A LOOK AT THE FEASIBILITY OF THE ROAD BIKE RACE AND THEIR MAIN GOAL IS TO BECOME FINANCIALLY SELF SUPPORTED AND NOT HAVE TO RELY ON DONATIONS AND GRANTS. THEY LOOKED AT THE ROAD BIKE RACE AND HOW MUCH IT COST TO PUT ON A ROAD BIKE RACE AND THEIR RIDERSHIP AND IT HAD FLATTENED OUT AND THEY SEEMED TO HAVE REACHED THEIR PEAK AND ACROSS THE NATION ROAD RACING IS DOWN AS MUCH AS 30% OR 40%.

THEY ARE THE 6<sup>TH</sup> RACE IN ARIZONA TO CANCEL THE ROAD RACE THIS YEAR. HE SAID THEY ARE GOING TO FOCUS ON MOUNTAIN BIKING, WHICH IS GOING UP A LOT. HE SAID THEY HAVE ADDED A 100 MILE COURSE, IN YEARS PAST THEY HAVE HAD A 20, 40 AND 60 MILE COURSE TO TRY TO INCREASE ATTENDANCE. HE SAID PUTTING ON A MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE IS A LOT CHEAPER THAN A ROAD RACE. THERE IS LESS TRAFFIC CONTROL, LESS PERMITTING, ETC. THE FINANCIALS ARE ALREADY LOOKING BETTER.

THEY ARE HOPING TO STILL DRAW THE SAME AMOUNT OF PEOPLE, BUT THERE WILL BE LESS VISIBILITY. ON SATURDAY, THEY WILL HAVE THE GHOST MINE RUMBLE, WHICH IS THE 20, 40, AND 60 HUNDRED MILE RACES THAT START AND END AT THE FAIRGROUNDS AND THEY ALL HAPPEN NORTH AND NORTHEAST STRADDLING THE STATE LINE. ON SUNDAY, THEY ARE DOING A GRAVEL GRINDER IN LORDSBURG, BECAUSE THEY HAVE HELPED THEM OUT A LOT.

IN THE INTEREST OF BECOMING FINANCIALLY MORE SELF SUFFICIENT THEY HAVE REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THEY ARE ASKING FROM DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS, SO THEY WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST \$1,000 FROM THE TOWN OF DUNCAN.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE AND COUNCILMEMBER SMITH ARE BOTH ON THE JAVELINA CHASE COORDINATING COMMITTEE, DO THEY NEED TO RECUSE THEMSELVES. THE COUNCIL SAID YES.

VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO DONATE \$1,000 TO THE JAVELINA CHASE.

MARYANN MENDOZA SECONDED. THREE FAVORED. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH AND

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN RECUSED THEMSELVES. MOTION CARRIED.

2. NOXIOUS WEEDS WORKSHOP: TOM LOVETT SAID THE NOXIOUS WEED PROGRAM HAS BEEN GOING ON IN GREENLEE COUNTY FROM 2014 AND THEY HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET PEOPLE INVOLVED. HE SAID THEY WILL OFFER FREE SPRAY AND IT IS MORE OF AN INTEGRATED PROGRAM. HE SAID THEY ARE HORRIBLE IN THIS TOWN AND HE BROUGHT HANDOUTS. HE SAID MOWING IS THE ABSOLUTELY WORST THING YOU CAN DO WITH THEM. THEY PROVIDE SPRAY AND SPRAYERS AND EDUCATION. THE SPRAY COST ABOUT \$300 A PINT AND IT IS PROVIDED TO ANYONE WHO TAKES THE CLASS. HE SAID IF YOU SPRAY IT ONCE OR TWICE, YOU DON'T HAVE TO CHOP IT 15 TIMES.

MANAGER BASTEEN WANTED TO KNOW IF THIS IS JUST FOR NOXIOUS WEEDS. TOM SAID IT KILLS EVERYTHING BUT GRASS. MANAGER BASTEEN ASKED IF THEY CAN USE IT TOWN WIDE OR ONLY ON SPECIFIC WEEDS. TOM SAID FROM THE PLACES HE LOOKED AT, IT NEEDS TO BE USED ALL OVER TOWN.

HE SAID BEHIND THE TREES AND UP TO THE RIVER, IT IS HORRIBLE AND A WEED BURNER WOULD BE THE BEST THING FOR IT. HE SAID IF IT IS A BROADLEAF THIS STUFF WILL KILL IT. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF IT WOULD KILL THE PLANTS ON THE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR WALKWAY. TOM SAID IT WILL KILL EVERYTHING, BUT GRASS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED

TO KNOW IF IT WOULD WORK AT THE CEMETERY. TOM SAID IT WOULD WORK EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE NO NOXIOUS WEEDS AT THE CEMETERY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE SAW SOME UP THERE. TOM SAID HE WILL CHECK. HE SAID THEY EDUCATE AND THEN THEY MONITOR. HE SAID THEY HAVE SPRAY FOR HILDAGO COUNTY AND GREENLEE COUNTY AND THEY WOULD JUST LIKE THE TOWN TO GET ON BOARD.

TOM SAID WEEDS ARE GOING TO INCREASE THE INSECT PROBLEM, MOSQUITOES AND EVERYTHING ELSE. HE SAID THEY HAVE SPRAYERS, BACK PACK SPRAYERS, ETC. THEY CAN COME BARROW THEM AND THEN BRING THEM BACK. HE SAID ALL IT COSTS IS FOR SOMEONE TO FILL OUT THE HOURLY REPORT AND HOW OFTEN YOU SPRAY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW ASKED IF TOM LOVETT IS THE TEACHER. TOM SAID YES, HE IS THE TEACHER. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA ASKED IF THEY ARE ONLY TRAINING THAT ONE DAY. HE SAID IF YOU BRING IN EXTRA PEOPLE HE WILL TRAIN THEM, BUT IF YOU DON'T SHOW UP FOR THE TRAINING, YOU WILL NOT GET SPRAY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA WANTED TO KNOW IF THE TRAINING IS JUST FOR 2 HOURS. TOM SAID YES. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID THEY NEED TO MAKE SURE THE TOWN IS REPRESENTED IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY AT THIS TRAINING SESSION. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF HE CAN GET TRAINED. TOM SAID YES, COME TO THE MEETING AND YOU WILL BE TRAINED.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE WORKED WITH THE SCHOOL FOR THE NEW FACILITY THAT THEY ARE STARTING. TOM, SAID YES THEY HAVE WORKED WITH THE SCHOOL. VALADEE WANTED TO KNOW HOW IT WILL EFFECT ANIMALS. TOM SAID YOU CAN PUT ANIMALS ON THE SPRAY THREE HOURS AFTER YOU HAVE SPRAYED. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE HAD HEARD FROM FRANK THAT THIS PROGRAM MIGHT BE WINDING DOWN. TOM SAID THEY HOPE THAT IS NOT HAPPENING.

TOM SAID IF THE TOWN SPRAYED THE WHOLE THING AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT THEY WOULDN'T HAVE WEEDS OUT THERE. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW ASKED IF THE SPRAY IS A HIGH CONCENTRATE. TOM SAID YOU ONLY USE 1 OZ FOR EVERY 5 GALLONS. TOM SAID THEY WILL ALSO PROVIDE YOU WITH GOGGLES AND MASKS.

THE CLERK SAID SHE HAS A LOT DOWN ON HILL STREET, BUT SHE CAN'T GO AND SPRAY IT SOMEWHERE ELSE, SO THEY NEED THE TOWN TO GO AND TAKE THE CLASS. TOM SAID YES, AND THEY WILL ALSO HAVE A PUBLIC OUTREACH AND TRY TO GET TO EVERYONE. HE SAID THERE IS SOME ON STATE LAND THAT IS 4.5 FEET TALL AND THEY ARE TRYING TO GET PERMISSION FROM THE STATE TO GO IN AND SPRAY THAT. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THIS IS THE FIRST HE HAS HEARD OF IT. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN SRAYING ROUNDUP FOR THE LAST 5 YEARS.

TOM SAID IF THEY HAD ANY QUESTIONS, JUST CALL.

- 3. CONSENT AGENDA: COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSOHN MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER MARYANN MENDOZA SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.
- 4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC: THERE WERE NO COMMENTS.
- 5. MAYOR'S REPORT: THE MAYOR HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

- 6. COUNCIL REPORTS: COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID SHE STILL ATTENDS THE TOURISM COUNCIL MEETINGS AND THEY HAVE A NEW CHAIRPERSON AND THEY ARE A LITTLE MORE ENTHUSED. THEY ARE FOCUSING MORE ON THE ENTIRE COUNTY INSTEAD OF AN ISOLATED PORTION THAT THEY FOCUSED ON BEFORE. AT THE LAST MEETING THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT CLIFTON AND THEIR BED TAX AND SHE MENTIONED IN THE MEETING THAT DUNCAN HAS ONE ALSO. SHE SAID SHE WAS LOOKING THROUGH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIRECTORY AND NOTICED THAT IN SOME TOWNS THE BED TAX IS SALES TAX PLUS 3% AND SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF THE TOWN OF DUNCAN HAS A 2% SALES TAX AND THEN WE ADD ANOTHER 3% TO IT. THE COUNCIL SAID YES. SHE SAID SHE NOTICE SOME OF THEM ARE SEPARATED COMPLETELY AND OTHERS ARE REPORTED AS SALES TAX PLUS 3%. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID HER UNDERSTANDING IS THERE IS A STANDARD BED TAX THAT IS PART OF THE PACKAGE THAT ALL OF THE MUNICIPALITIES IMPOSE WHETHER OR NOT PEOPLE KNOW, BUT SOME HAVE VOTED TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL BED TAX ON HOTEL/MOTEL AT 3% AND THAT GOES ENTIRELY TO THE TOWN.
  - <u>COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA</u> SAID SHE JUST WANTED TO THANK EVERYONE FOR BEING HERE AT THE MEETING.
- 7. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT: MANAGER BASTEEN REPORTED THAT THEY ANNOUNCED A KICKOFF MEETING FOR THE ADOT DETOUR, THEY ARE SUGGESTING TWO DATES OF MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> AND MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup> @ 10:30 AM AT SAFFORD ADOT OFFICE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW IF AS MANY AS POSSIBLE NEED TO SHOW UP. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID NOT YET.
  - HE ALSO REPORTED THAT IF THEY WANT TO LOOK AT THE OPEN MEETING LAW TRAINING IT IS ON YOU TUBE. HE SAID IT IS AN HOUR AND A HALF LONG.
- 8. GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: SUPERVISOR LUNT SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE NEW COUNCILMEMBERS AND THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SERVICE. HE SAID HE WAS ASKED TO ATTEND THE TARGET INDUSTRY STUDY AND HE WAS THE ONLY REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE SOUTH. HE SAID WE NEED TO STAND UP AND SPEAK FOR WHAT WE NEED ON THAT STUDY, BECAUSE IF WE ARE NOT THERE WE WILL GET OUT VOTED AND HOW CAN YOU FIX A PROBLEM IF YOU ARE NOT THERE VOICING A PROBLEM. HE THINKS IF THEY COULD GET A COUPLE OF COUNCILMEMBERS THERE THAT WOULD REALLY HELP. HE THINKS IT HAS POSSIBILITY AND IT ALSO ADDS VALUE TO WHATEVER THE STUDY COMES UP WITH.

THE DUNCAN RAMPAGE WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 13<sup>TH</sup> AND IT WILL BE A ONE DAY EVENT. THE NIGHT BEFORE ON APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE THE JUNIOR RODEO WITH A TRACTOR PULL, AND A HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT.

HE REPORTED THAT TOM DID A GOOD JOB ON INVASIVE WEEDS. HE SAID FIFTEEN YEARS AGO YOU NEVER SAW A MALTA STAR THISTLE, BETWEEN HERE AND SAFFORD, THEY CONTINUE TO GET WORSE AND WORSE. THE COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT WILL BE TRAINED, THE ROADWAYS AND WATERWAYS ARE THE WAYS THESE WEEDS ARE BEING TRANSMITTED INTO HERE, IF THEY ALL DO THEIR PART THEY CAN MAKE IT BETTER FOR EVERYONE.

HE SAID HE HAS TALKED TO ADOT ABOUT THOSE POOR PEOPLE WHO KEEP GETTING FLOODED FROM RAILROAD WASH. ADOT BLAMES EASTERN RAILROAD. HE SAID HE ASKED TO GO TO THEIR STATE MEETING AND THEY FINALLY GRANTED HIM PERMISSION AND ON MARCH  $11^{\text{TH}}$  IN GLOBE, THEY WILL HAVE THEIR MEETING.

HE SAID ALSO NORTH OF THE TOWN THE WATER HITS THAT RAILROAD AND HE IS NOT TRYING TO BAD MOUTH THE RAILROAD, BUT THEY HAVE HAD A MONOPOLY FOR SO MANY YEARS. OUR COUNTRY WAS BUILT BY THE RAILROAD AND THEY HAVE DONE GREAT THINGS, BUT ALSO THEY HAVE HAD A DYNASTY WHERE THEY ARE SO BIG YOU CAN'T TOUCH THEM.

THEY TALKED ABOUT THE JAVELINA CHASE AND SOME OF THE BOARD MEMBERS ARE HERE AND IT IS EXCITING, THOSE GRAVEL GRINDERS OR THE MOUNTAIN BIKES ARE TAKING OFF, PEOPLE TRAVEL AS FAR AWAY AS EUROPE TO COMPETE IN THOSE THINGS. WE HAVE SEVERAL YOUNG MEN THAT GRADUATED FROM DUNCAN SCHOOLS AND THEY GO ALL OVER. HE SAID ONE YOUNG MAN HAS BEEN HERE EVERY YEAR.

YESTERDAY, AT LUNT'S DAIRY, THEY HAD THE STATE JUDGING CONTEST. IT HAS BEEN GOING ON OUT THERE FOR QUITE A FEW YEARS. THE DUNCAN CHAPTER WAS VERY WELL REPRESENTED, BUT THEY GOT FOURTH PLACE. AGAIN, IT TAKES A LOT OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO STEP UP AND WE ARE PRAISED FOR THAT. A LOT OF TIMES THE JUDGES JUST JUDGE PICTURES AND IT IS NOT THE SAME.

THE DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN WHICH THE LEGISLATURE PASSED, IS A GOOD THING. IT DEALS WITH CENTRAL ARIZONA WATER PROJECT IN PINAL COUNTY, BUT HE SAID HE IS NOT BEING DISRESPECTFUL, BUT THE TRIBE HAS \$200 TO \$250 MILLION TO HELP SETTLE THAT THING. THEY HAVE A VOICE IN ALL THE WATER, ESPECIALLY THE RIVERS IN ARIZONA AND THEY ARE GETTING MORE AND MORE AND MORE OF IT.

WE USED TO HAVE 6 ACRE FEET OF SURFACE WATER, BUT THEN IN 1995 THEY COMBINED SURFACE WATER WITH GROUND WATER, WHICH HAS HURT US IMMENSELY. IT WAS A FEDERAL JUDGE WHO CHANGED THAT. YES, IT IS A FEDERAL ISSUE, BUT ALSO A STATE ISSUE AND HE HAS BEEN VERY VOCAL. THE STATE HAS NOT STEPPED UP ONCE TO DEFEND OUR WATER RIGHTS. WHEN THOSE TREATIES WERE MADE THEY DID NOT KNOW WHAT PUMP WATER WAS. PUMP WATER DID NOT COME UNTIL THE 1930'S AND THEN THE STATE ISSUED PERMITS AND ALSO THE FEDS WHEN THEY NEEDED MORE PRODUCTION FOR WORLD WAR II. THOSE PERMITS WERE RECEIVED LEGALLY TO PUMP ON ANY GROUND, NOT JUST DECREED OR HOT LANDS OR UNDECREED WATER. AT ONE TIME THEY HAD OVER 50,000 ACRES IN THE TWO VALLEYS AND NOW THEY ARE DOWN TO AROUND 28,000 AND 6 ACRE FEET GOES WITH THAT. HE SAID ANOTHER PROBLEM IS WHAT DETERMINES DECREED GROUND DONE IN 1920 SURVEY WHEN YOU KNOW EVERYBODY WAS USING HORSES AND WOODEN SCRAPERS AND IF THERE WAS A FENCE LINE THAT WAS UNDECREED. HE SAID IN THE GLOBE EQUITY DECREE YOU CAN MOVE GROUND TO WHERE YOU NEED IT. IF THE HOT GROUND GOES DOWN THE MIDDLE OF YOUR FIELD THEY ARE NOT ALLOWING YOU TO TRANSFER THAT TO THE EDGE OF THE FIELD AND YOU CANNOT PASS WATER ACROSS THE HOT GROUNDS TO WATER THE STUFF ON THE OTHER SIDE. HE SAID IT IS RIDICULOUS IN HIS OPINION AND IF THEY DON'T GET THE TIDE TO TURN, IT IS GOING TO AFFECT UPPER AND LOWER GILA.

HE SAID MARTHA MCSALLY WILL BE HERE MONDAY AND THE MAYOR AND MANAGER FROM HERE AND CLIFTON AND HE WILL BRING UP THE WATER ISSUE. HE SAID HE IS TIRED OF IT, HE WOULD LIKE THE SAME CONSIDERATION. HE SAID HE HAS TRIED TO GET THE GOVERNOR'S EAR AND IT IS NOT WORKING.

HE TOLD THE COUNCIL THAT THE LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS IS THE TOWN'S VOICE AND THEY ARE VERY POWERFUL. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID THEY TOLD HER THEY WILL NOT TALK ABOUT WATER. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID AT THE LEAGUE OF CITIES AND

TOWNS LAST YEAR, AT THE OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE, THEY HAD THE MAYOR OF PHOENIX UP THERE AND SHE WAS SO PROUD, BECAUSE THEY WERE JUST ABOUT READY TO GET THEIR NEXT 100 YEAR WATER SUPPLY. THERE WAS A GUY SETTING NEXT TO HIM AND HE TURNED TO HIM AND SAID "YES, BY STEALING FROM US." THE GUY ASKED "WHERE ARE YOU FROM" AND VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID "DUNCAN", THE GUY SAID "I'M FROM SCOTTSDALE AND I DIDN'T KNOW THAT."

RICHARD SAID IT AFFECTS HIS FAMILY AND HIS LOVED ONES AND HIS NEIGHBORS. HE SAID HIS FAMILY HAS BEEN HERE OVER 100 YEARS AND WHAT CAN HE PASS ON? VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID WATER IS GOLD.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT ELSE THEY CAN DO, BECAUSE THE LEAGUE SAID THEY CAN'T HELP HER WITH THAT, SO WHAT ELSE CAN THEY DO? THE MANAGER SAID THERE IS A THING GOING AROUND ON FACEBOOK THAT THE GREENLEE COUNTY FARMERS PUT OUT. HE SAID THEY CALL IT "THE DEPRESSION CONE." HE SAID HE FALLS IN THE SAME BOAT, HE BOUGHT SOME LAND THAT HAD A 12" WELL ON IT AND OUT OF THE IMPACT ZONE AND NOW IT IS IN THE IMPACT ZONE AND HE CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITH IT. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN TOLD THAT ANYTHING THAT WILL IMPACT THE RIVER IN THE DEPRESSION CONE, IF THEY FEEL IT IMPACTS THE RIVER, THEN THAT WELL IS THROWN IN AND YOU CAN'T USE IT.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID TO LET THEM KNOW IF THERE IS ANYTHING THEY CAN DO. HE SAID THERE IS A BILL #2476 THAT SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, RUSTY BOWERS, DROPPED. HE SAID THE BILL IS TRYING TO SAY THAT THEY CANNOT TAKE WELL WATER AWAY FROM THOSE FARMERS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW WHERE HE IS FROM. RICHARD SAID HE IS ORIGINALLY FROM PRESCOTT, BUT NOW HE IS FROM EAST MESA. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THE SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUR STATE SAY ABOUT IT. RICHARD SAID SENATOR GRIFFIN SUPPORTED HIM AND BECKY AND SENATOR GOWEN, BUT THERE IS NO PUSH LIKE FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

LES BILLINGSLEY SAID THEY WANT TO PUT A GAGE ON EVERY WELL HERE IF WE LET THEM. HE SAID YOU WILL END UP PAYING AS MUCH FOR THAT AS FOR AN ELECTRIC BILL. HE SAID THE TRIBE DOES NOT WANT THE WATER, THEY WANT THE MONEY. THE GAMING COMMISSION IS COMING UP, ALL THE INDIAN GAMING IN THE STATE WILL BE VOTED ON SOON AND EVERYONE SHOULD VOICE THEIR OPINION ON THAT. HE SAID YOU STOP THE GAMING, THEN YOU STOP THE FUNDING. RICHARD SAID THERE IS A BILL IN BOTH HOUSES WHERE THEY CONTROL THE GAMING OFF THE RESERVATION, AND GET 20% PROFITS OFF OF THAT.

9. GREENLEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT: HE SAID HE ATTENDED THE MEETING AT THE COUNTRY CLUB, WHEN THE GOVERNOR CAME OUT AND SPOKE ABOUT WATER AND THERE WERE A COUPLE OF QUOTES THAT HE IS GOING TO SECURE OUR WATER FOR US. THE SHERIFF SAID THE GOVERNOR NEEDS TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THAT. THE SHERIFF SAID IF ANYONE COMES AND TRIES TO SHUT DOWN YOUR PUMP OR PUT THAT GAGE ON, JUST CALL HIM AND HE WILL BE THERE FOR TRESPASSING.

HE ALSO SAID THE 110 MEETING IS JUST FOR A SMALL GROUP WHO WERE INVITED TO THAT. HE REPORTED THAT IN THE LAST TWO DAYS, HE FINISED UP SOME ALICE TRAINING. HE SAID THAT IS THE ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING, WHICH IS A NATIONAL PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN AROUND SINCE THE EARLY 2000S. WHEN HE TOOK OFFICE, HE WAS VERY DISPLEASED WITH TEACHING AT THE SCHOOLS. THE ALICE PROGRAM STANDS FOR ALERT, LOCKDOWN, INFORM, COUNTER AND

EVACUATE. THEY HAD 22 PEOPLE GET TRAINED ON THAT LOCALLY FROM GILA HEALTH, THE SCHOOL, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER AGENCIES FROM OTHER COUNTIES, AND FMI SECURITY, HOUSE OF WORSHIP AND MR. WILTBANK FROM DVEC WERE THERE. HE SAID RIGHT NOW THEY HAVE FIVE PEOPLE CERTIFIED TO TEACH AND DO SOME INSTRUCTION. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED SPREAD THE WORD.

TODAY WAS THE FMI PARTNERSHIP MEETING. HE SAID HE ASKED ABOUT LOWER EAGLE CREEK BEING IMPACTED. HE SAID THEIR ANSWER WAS LOWER EAGLE CREEK WILL STAY OPEN.

HE SAID THERE IS A NEW CEO FOR UNITED WAY AND HE AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE SOME EQUITY IN GREENLEE COUNTY. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THEY PUT SOMETHING UP ON THE SCREEN THAT GREENLEE COUNTY MORENCI MINE EMPLOYEES DONATED OVER \$1 MILLION AND GRAHAM COUNTY SAFFORD MINE EMPLOYEES DONATED ABOUT \$80,000. THE SHERIFF SAID THEY MIGHT CHANGE THE WAY THEY DECIDE WHO GETS WHAT.

HE SAID THERE WAS SOME COMMENTS AT THE LAST MEETING ABOUT TRUCK TRAFFIC. HE SAID HE SENT OUT AN EMAIL TO ALL THE DEPUTIES TO LOOK FOR THAT AND HE STOPPED ONE TRUCK. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID SHE APPRECIATES THAT. HE SAID THEY ARE WORKING 12 HOUR SHIFTS WITH 24 HOUR COVERAGE. HE SAID IF SHE WANTS TO RIDE WITH THEM SHE IS WELCOME TO. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID NO, SHE CAN SEE THE TRAFFIC FROM WHERE SHE IS NOW.

HE SAID THEY HAVE HAD COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE FOURTH STREET APARTMENTS, THAT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS NOT RESPONSIVE. HE SAID HE PULLED UP SOME REPORTS AND LOOKED AT IT AND HE DIDN'T SEE ANY CALLS THAT WERE IGNORED AND ALL THE CALLS WERE CLEARED. HE SAID PLEASE REFER ANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT HIS DEPARTMENT TO HIM.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAD A RECENT WORK SESSION AT THE JAIL, BECAUSE THEY HAVE A DOCUMENT FROM 2013 THAT WAS TALKING ABOUT HOW BAD THE SHAPE OF THE JAIL IS IN. HE SAID IT NEEDS TO BE RENOVATED OR REPLACED AND THAT REPORT WAS FROM FIVE YEARS AGO. HE SAID HE IS INVITING CLIFTON AND DUNCAN COUNCILS IF THEY WANT TO COME AND LOOK AT THE JAIL. HE SAID THE BUILDING IS AT LEAST 40 YEARS OLD. HE SAID THEY CAN DO A WORK SESSION OR INDIVIDUALLY.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO RAISE WATER, SEWER AND GARBAGE RATES: MANAGER BASTEEN REPORTED THAT DUNCAN'S CURRENT WATER RATE IS \$19.01 PLUS TAX AND THE STATE MEDIAN IS \$25. HE SAID FOR EVERYTHING AFTER THE MINIMUM OF \$2,000 WE CHARGE \$2.61 PER 1,000 AFTER THAT. HE SAID WE ARE UNDER THE STATE'S AVERAGE BY ALMOST \$6.

DUNCAN'S SEWER IS \$25 AND THE STATE AVERAGE IS \$32.85. THE COUNCIL ASKED HIM TO DO A COMPARISON, HAYDEN HAS A POPULATION OF 631 AND THEIR WATER IS AT \$29.18 FOR THE FIRST 2,000 GALLONS AND EVERY 1,000 AFTER THAT IS A \$4.09 CHARGE AND THEIR SEWER RATE IS \$46.73. JEROME HAS A POPULATION OF 455 AND THEIR FIRST 2,000 GALLONS OF WATER IS \$41.05 AND THEIR SEWER IS AT \$52.67. TOMBSTONE HAS A POPULATION OF 1246 AND THEIR WATER IS AT \$29.19 FOR THE FIRST 2,000 AND EVERY 1,000 GALLONS AFTER THAT IS \$3.48 AND THE SEWER IS \$32.09.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THE COUNCIL HEARD WHAT THE AUDITOR HAD TO SAY ABOUT THE ENTERPRISE FUNDS. HE SAID IF THEY WANT TO KEEP THE MINIMUM LOW AND RAISE EVERYTHING AFTER 2,000 GALLONS, THEY CAN DO THAT. VISTA RECYCLING CHARGES EVERYBODY ELSE ABOUT \$21, BUT PEOPLE IN TOWN ARE \$17. HE SAID THEY PROVIDE THE BINS

TO TRY TO KEEP THE TOWN CLEAN, IT WORKS OUT GREAT AND EVERY TIME ONE OF THOSE IS PICKED UP AND DUMPED IT COSTS ABOUT \$400 TO \$500. HE SAID THERE IS NO WAY TO STOP OUT OF TOWNERS FROM PUTTING TRASH IN IT AS WELL. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T TRY TO THROW THE TRASH INSIDE, THEY JUST LEAVE IT ON THE SIDE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE WOULD RATHER HAVE IT NEXT TO THE DUMPSTER AND THEY PICK IT UP, THAN THROWN OUT IN THE HILLS. SOMETIMES THEY BREAK EVEN FOR THE YEAR WITH THE EXTRA DUMPSTERS AND SOMETIMES THEY ARE OVER BUDGET.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID IF THEY AGREE TO RAISE IT, THEY WILL HAVE TO HAVE A HEARING TO DO A RATE CHANGE. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY SHOULD DECIDE NOW HOW MUCH THE RATES WILL GO UP. MANAGER BASTEEN SUGGESTED THEY RAISE THE MINIMUM SOME AND RAISE THE 1,000 GALLON CHARGE AS WELL.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW IF THE PEOPLE ON FIXED INCOME ARE GETTING COST OF LIVING INCREASES. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE IS ON SOCIAL SECURITY AND NORMALLY IF YOU GET A 2% RAISE YOUR MEDICARE GOES UP 2%. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID ALL THESE OTHER COMPANIES ARE RAISING THEIR PRICES, BECAUSE THEY DON'T CARE. HE SAID WE EITHER NEED TO FLOAT ALONG AND GET AS MANY GRANTS AS WE CAN TO MAINTAIN, OR THEY HAVE TO RAISE THEIR RATES. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THEY LOST GROUND BY \$100,000 THIS LAST YEAR. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THEY BOUGHT MORE EQUIPMENT. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THEY NEED TO BALANCE THAT OUT A LITTLE BIT BETTER.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE TO HAVE THE RATES SET BEFORE THEY ANNOUNCE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE WILL HAVE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE WATER RATE COMMISSION AND TRY TO DO A RATE CHANGE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS ANY MODEL WITH ANY OTHER TOWN WITH COMPARABLE POPULATION WHERE THERE IS SOME SORT OF DISPENSATION FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE VERY LOW INCOME. THE MANAGER SAID NO. THE PART THAT CAN BE SAVED ON IS EVERYTHING AFTER THE 2,000 GALLON MINIMUM, SO IF YOU WANT TO KEEP THE LOW-MOD YOU KEEP THE MAIN NUMBER LOW AND BUMP IT UP ON THE CHARGE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 1,000 GALLONS. TUSAYAN HAS A RATE OF \$49 FOR THE FIRST 2,000 GALLONS AND FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 1,000 GALLONS THEY CHARGE \$24.50. IF PEOPLE CONSERVE WATER, THEY DON'T GET THE BIG CHARGE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 1,000 GALLONS OF WATER.

COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THE PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF TOWN GET AN EXTRA CHARGE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID RIGHT NOW EVERYBODY GETS CHARGED THE SAME. MAYOR THURMAN WANTED TO KNOW IF THAT SHOULD CHANGE. THEY ALL AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE A SURCHARGE TACKED ON TO THE CUSTOMERS WHO ARE OUTSIDE THE TOWN LIMITS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THEY SHOULD GIVE TWO DIFFERENT RATES, ONE FOR RESIDENTIAL AND ONE FOR COMMERCIAL. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE WILL HAVE TO LOOK INTO THAT.

MAYOR THURMAN ASKED IF THEY NEED TO DECIDE TONIGHT WHAT THEY WANT TO RAISE THE RATES TO. THE MANAGER SAID HE WOULD LIKE THAT, SO THAT HE CAN PROCEED. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY WANT TO DO A GRADUAL RATE CHANGE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID AT THE LAST SEAGO MEETING, THEY FOUND OUT THERE ARE TWO COMMUNITIES THAT ARE DOING RATE INCREASES, ONE WAS BISBEE AND THEY PLAN ON DOING A 2% RAISE EACH YEAR FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS. HUACHUCA CITY IS GOING TO RAISE THEIR'S TO

51%, BUT THEY WERE REALLY LOW, WATER WAS \$12 AND SEWER WAS \$12. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID IT HAS BEEN AT LEAST 5 YEARS SINCE DUNCAN HAS RAISED THEIR'S AND THAT IS BECAUSE USDA REQUIRED IT.

THE COUNCIL AGREED THEY SHOULD DO A FLAT RAISE AND ALL AT ONCE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN ASKED IF THEY SHOULD RAISE IT TO \$23 PLUS TAX FOR THE FIRST 2,000 GALLONS AND CHARGE A SURCHARGE OF \$25 FOR THE OUT OF TOWNERS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THEY NEED TO DIFFERENTIATE FROM THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES OUTSIDE THE TOWN. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE NEEDS TO STUDY THAT AND THEY CAN ADD THAT PART SEPARATELY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SUGGESTED DOING \$23 PLUS TAX ON THE MINIMUM AND \$4 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 1,000 GALLONS.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THEY CAN RAISE THE STANDPIPE WATER TO \$15 OR \$20 FOR EVERY 1,000 GALLONS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THERE IS A LOT OF WATER LEAVING THE STAND PIPE AND HERE LATELY THERE HAS BEEN A SEMI TRUCK COMING IN AND GETTING LOADS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW IF THE MANAGER CAN MAKE THAT A TOP PRIORITY TO GET THE CARD LOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON THE STANDPIPE. THE MANAGER SAID YES.

THE MANAGER SAID ANOTHER AREA IS SEWER DUMPING, THEY CHARGE \$.07 A GALLON. NOBODY ELSE ALLOWS SEWER DUMPING. HE SAID HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW MUCH IT IS TO PUMP A SEPTIC, BUT HE THINKS BURKS CHARGES OVER \$200. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW HOW THAT IS COLLECTED. HE SAID IN ORDER FOR THEM TO DUMP, THEY HAVE TO CALL TO GET THE COMBINATION AND THERE IS A LOG THAT THEY SIGN IN ON. HE SAID THEY CAN RAISE THAT, IT WILL BRING IN A LITTLE BIT MORE, BUT NOT A HUGE AMOUNT. VICEMAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE A FLAT RATE FOR EVERYONE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID BUSINESSES ARE HIGHER. MAYOR THURMAN ASKED IF THE SEWER IS \$25. THE MANAGER SAID YES. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID IT IS MORE THAN THE WATER. THE CLERK SAID A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T LIKE IT WHEN THEY PAY MORE FOR SEWER THAN WATER. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID WHEN YOU LOOK AT AVERAGES IT IS THE SAME WAY. HE SAID THE SEWER IS HIGHER, BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO PUT A LOT OF CHEMICALS IN THE SEWER PLANT, SO THE SEWER RATES WILL BE HIGHER, BUT THE PUBLIC DOES NOT UNDERSTAND THAT. THE MANAGER SAID THEY ARE USING \$2400 PER MONTH IN CHLORINE FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID SHE LIKES VICE-MAYOR BARLOW'S IDEA OF JUST DO A FLAT RATE ALL AT ONCE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID THAT THEY CAN SEND OUT A NOTICE ABOUT EVERY 1,000 EXTRA GALLONS THEY USE THEY WILL BE BILLED AN EXTRA \$4. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSOHN MADE A MOTION TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM WATER CHARGE TO \$23 AND INCREASE THE CHARGES PER 1,000 FOR OVER 2,000 GALLONS TO \$4 AND INCREASE THE SEWER RATE MONTHLY TO \$28 AND INCREASE GARBAGE TO \$20, EXCEPT FOR THE SENIORS. MAYOR THURMAN ASKED IF THE SENIORS STILL GET A DISCOUNT FOR GARBAGE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID YES, IT IS \$14.85. COUNCILMEMBER MARYANN MENDOZA SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID WE ARE BASICALLY THE THIRD PARTY FOR VISTA RECYCLING. THE MANAGER SAID THEY DON'T HAVE TO PUT THE TRASH ON OUR BILLS. THE CLERK SAID THAT WE ARE DOING THE BILLING FOR VISTA RECYCLING. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA WANTED TO KNOW WHY. THE CLERK SAID A PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECIDED TO DO IT THAT WAY. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID IT HELPS WHEN THE TOWN DOES IT,

BECAUSE WITH THE BIGGER DUMPSTERS IT FACTORS INTO THE REST OF THE BILL THAT THEY SEND US. THE CLERK SAID WHEN IT RAINS AT HUNTER ESTATES THEY DON'T PICKUP GARBAGE, BUT THEY DON'T GIVE US A CREDIT EITHER. THE MANAGER SAID THE TOWN DOES THEIR DELIVERY FOR THEM AND THE TOWN IS PAYING THE TIPPING FOR EVERYONE THAT HAS GARBAGE MIXED IN WITH OUR GARBAGE. THE MANAGER SAID THE AVERAGE TRUCK IS GOING TO COST AROUND \$400,000. THE TOWN IS PAYING FROM \$4,000 TO \$5,000 ANYWAY.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL FOR A BUY OUT OF THE LEASE ON THE CELL TOWER: THE MANAGER SAID THE FIRST ON THE LIST IS THE BIGGEST LOAN AND THE SECOND IS THE SMALLEST LOAN FROM USDA. THE INTEREST RATE IS 4.5% AND THEY ARE BOTH USDA LOANS WHICH WE HAVE HAD SINCE 2000. THEY ARE DUE TO EXPIRE IN 2039. THE DAILY AMOUNT OF ACCRUAL IS \$65 PER DAY. INTEREST ACCRUED AFTER A HALF A YEAR IS \$11,784 AND IN A YEAR INTEREST ACCRUED IS \$23,568. HE SAID THE SECOND LOAN WAS FOR \$75,000 AND WE HAVE BEEN PAYING ON IT FOR 19 YEARS ALREADY. HE SAID THE TOWN STILL OWES \$55,236.27.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THE LEASE AGREEMENT THEY HAVE WITH THE TOWER IS: **OPTION 1.** THEY WOULD SEND US \$1,880 A MONTH FOR 10 YEARS, WHICH COMES OUT TO \$225,600, BUT THE INTEREST IS EATING IT UP AT \$1,964 PER MONTH. **OPTION 2.** THEY WILL GIVE US A LUMP SUM OF \$172,899, WHICH IS A ONE TIME PAYMENT. THE MANAGER SAID EVERY YEAR THE LOANS ARE GOING TO GO UP.

VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HIS THOUGHTS ARE IF THEY TAKE THE \$172,899 AND PAYOFF THE SMALL LOAN AND PUT THE REST ON THE PRINCIPLE OF THE BIG AMOUNT AND WHAT THEY ARE PAYING ON THE SMALL ONE THEY CAN PAY ON THE BIG ONE AND GET IT DOWN. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THEY GIVE US A SET AMOUNT AND THEN SEND A BILL REFLECTING THAT, BUT IF WE ARE NOT THINKING OF PAYING THE BILL EVERY MONTH, IT DOESN'T GET PAID. HE SAID IF WE PAID THE \$172,899 ON THE LARGER BILL IT WOULD LEAVE THEM WITH \$361,065 AT A 4.5% INTEREST RATE AND THE SAVINGS WOULD BE \$37,765. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THE DAILY ACCRUAL OF INTEREST GOES DOWN AFTER EACH PAYMENT. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID YES, IT WILL GO DOWN. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID IT WOULD GO DOWN TO \$44 DAILY ACCRUAL.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE SEES THE MANAGER'S POINT ON PAYING A LARGE AMOUNT ON THE BIG LOAN INSTEAD OF PAYING OFF THE SMALL LOAN. THE MANAGER SAID THE LUMP SUM IS \$172,899 AND THEY PAY OFF THE SMALL LOAN THAT LEAVES THEM WITH \$55,931, THE CURRENT ON THE BIG LOAN IS \$533,964 MINUS \$117,663 EQUALS \$416,301 X 4.5 DIVIDED BY 365 DAYS IN A YEAR IS \$51 PER DAY PLUS \$6 EQUALS \$57.77, BUT IF THEY PAY A BIG AMOUNT ON THE BIG LOAN IT WORKS OUT TO \$45 DAILY ACCRUAL PLUS \$6 FOR THE SMALL LOAN.

(THESE TWO AMOUNTS WERE FIGURED INCORRECTLY IN THE MEETING, BOTH WORKOUT TO \$51 PER DAY, THE \$6 WAS ADDED TO THE SMALL LOAN PAYOFF INSTEAD OF THE BIG LOAN PAYDOWN).

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE CAN CALL AMERICAN TOWER AND SEE IF HE CAN GET MORE MONEY ADDED TO THE LUMP SUM. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSOHN MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING TO GIVE JOHN A CHANCE TO CONNECT WITH THE COMPANY TO REQUEST A LARGER PAYOUT AMOUNT. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THE MANAGER COULD BARTER WITH USDA TO SEE IF THEY WILL DEDUCT SOME. THE MANAGER SAID HE CAN TRY. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID BE CAREFUL, BECAUSE THEY MAY CHARGE A FEE IF YOU PAY IT OFF TOO EARLY. THE MANAGER SAID HE IS IN FAVOR OF GETTING

TWO BILLS, SO THEY REMEMBER TO PAY ON IT. **COUNCILMEMBER VALERIE SMITH SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.** 

12. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO REASSIGN NEW COUNCILMEMBERS TO COMMITTEES: THE MANAGER WANTED TO KNOW IF THE COUNCIL WANTED TO COMBINE ITEM 13 AND 15. THE COUNCIL SAID YES. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THAT BILL PUPO WANTS TO MEET WITH THE COUNCIL BEFORE THEY HAVE A COMMUNITY MEETING. THE EARLIEST DATE HE CAN DO IS FRIDAY, MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup> WHICH IS THE END OF SPRING BREAK. THE SECOND DATE HE HAD IS FRIDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> AND THAT WOULD JUST BE WITH THE COUNCIL. HE WILL HAVE A POWER POINT TO REFRESH EVERYONE AND TO BRING THE COUNCIL UP TO SPEED. HE SAID THEY DID NOT SET A COMMUNITY DATE YET. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW WHAT TIME OF DAY THAT WOULD BE. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID THEY HAVE NOT SET A TIME, BUT IT WOULD PROBABLY BE AROUND 10 AM. MAYOR THURMAN SAID SHE WILL HAVE TO CHECK TO SEE IF THEY HAVE IN-SERVICE AT THE SCHOOL SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTS TO ENCOURAGE HER FELLOW COUNCILMEMBERS TO TRY TO GET THIS DONE, BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE GETTING VERY IMPATIENT OUT THERE. SHE SAID SHE THINKS THEY NEED TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO MAKE THE MEETING ON APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE HAD AN INTERESTING MEETING WITH THE MANAGER TODAY. SHE SAID SHE THINKS THEY NEED TO REVISIT THE WAY THE COMMITTEES ARE SET UP WITH BILL PUPO. SHE THINKS THAT THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MAY NOT BE THE BEST USE OF THEIR COMBINED TALENTS BETWEEN THE PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM AND THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE THINKS THEY SHOULD ENABLE EACH COMMITTEE TO GET INVOLVED IN THE FUND RAISING FOR THE PRIORITIES THAT THEY RECOMMEND THAT ARE APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL. SHE SAID SHE THINKS THEY HAVE SPREAD OUT EXPERTISE IN FUND RAISING AND IT SHOULD ALL BE ROUTED THROUGH THE MANAGER, SO THAT PRIORITIES DON'T GET MESSED UP. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HIS COMMITTEE MADE A LIST OF PRIORITIES AND THEN THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO GET TOGETHER AND GET A LIST OF ALL PRIORITIES. MAYOR THURMAN SAID SHE THINKS THE WAY THE COMMITTEES ARE DIVIDED CAN BE REDISTRIBUTED AS FAR AS THE TOPICS GO. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID THE TWO COMMITTEES SHE WAS PART OF WAS VERY SIMILAR IN TREAD, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND FINANCE, THEY KIND OF GO HAND IN HAND, BUT THEY DID NOT GET THE DETAILED INFORMATION FROM THE MANAGER. SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF AT EVERY MEETING THEY SHOULD UNDERSTAND THOSE THINGS, SO THEY CAN BETTER UNDERSTAND HOW IT WORKS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE THINKS EACH COMMITTEE COULD APPOINT SOMEONE TO THE FUND RAISING OR FINANCE BODY THAT WORKS MORE CLOSELY. MAYOR THURMAN SAID THIS IS PROBABLY SOMETHING THEY NEED TO TALK TO BILL PUPO ABOUT WHEN THEY MEET WITH HIM. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO POSTPONE THE ASSIGNMENTS OF THE TWO NEW COUNCILMEMBERS UNTIL THEY SPEAK WITH MR. PUPO. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WANTED TO KNOW IF THAT IS OKAY WITH THE TWO NEW MEMBERS. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID THEY HAD DECIDED OF THE TWO THAT WERE OPEN WHICH ONE THEY WOULD EACH TAKE. SHE SAID COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA WAS OKAY WITH TAKING THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH COMMITTEES, BECAUSE NINA WAS STILL INTERESTED IN HELPING AND HAD ALL OF THAT DOWN. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID SHE HAD DECIDED TO TAKE THE MAGISTRATE COURT, BECAUSE IT REQUIRES A LOT OF RESEARCH AND SINCE SHE IS SETTING AT A COMPUTER ALL DAY ANYWAY. COUNCILMEMBER

MENDELSOHN MADE A MOTION TO TABLE ITEM 13 UNTIL THEIR MEETING WITH MR. PUPO AND DISCUSS IT AS PART OF THE DISCUSSION WITH HIM. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN MADE A MOTION THAT THE COUNCILMEMBERS WHO COULD NOT COMMIT TONIGHT TO APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> AT 10 AM GET IN TOUCH WITH THE TOWN MANAGER NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> AND IF THERE IS ANY PROBLEM WITH APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> SHE WOULD LIKE THE MANAGER TO LET THE COUNCIL KNOW BY TEXT WHAT THE NEXT AVAILABLE DATE IS, SO THAT THEY REALLY KEEP MOVING ON THIS. COUNCILMEMBER VALERIE SMITH SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

- 13. JET PLANE AT THE PARK TIME TO THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX: COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSOHN MADE A MOTION TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. MANAGER BASTEEN GAVE A REPORT ABOUT THE AIRPLANE. PAINTING IT WILL NOT BE A PROBLEM, BUT AFTER LOOKING AT THE PEDESTAL HE DISCOVERED THAT THEY TORCHED THE BOLTS, SO SOMETHING HAS TO BE DESIGNED TO PUT IT BACK ON THE PEDESTAL. HE SAID THERE IS NO WAY HE CAN REMOVE OR EXTRACT THE OTHER BOLTS THAT ARE IN THERE. THEY ARE TRYING TO LOOK AT FABRICATING A METAL PIECE TO GO AROUND IT OR RESET THE PLANE AND HAVE D RINGS WITH CABLES TO STABILIZE IT, SO IT IS A MESS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN SAID SHE WOULD STILL LIKE TO TABLE IT UNTIL A TIME WHEN THEY ARE FRESH. VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.
- 14. SCHEDULE FOR NEXT MEETINGS ON COMMUNITY PROCESS: DISCUSSED ON ITEM 13.
- **15. CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING:** THE NEXT CDBG PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 5:00 PM. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 5:15 PM.
- 16. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSOHN WOULD LIKE A DISCUSSION OF WHETHER THEY WOULD LIKE TO INVITE OUR STATE SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO COME AND ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ABOUT THE WATER ISSUES AND/OR COMPOSE A LETTER FROM US TO THEM ABOUT THE WATER ISSUES, CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL FOR A BUY OUT OF THE LEASE ON THE CELL TOWER, JET PLANE AT THE PARK TIME TO THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX
- 17. ADJOURNMENT: AT 8:20 PM, VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

  COUNCILMEMBER VALERIE SMITH 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 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE MEETING WAS DULY CALLED AND HELD AND THAT A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

DATED THIS 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019.

CYNTHIA NICHOLS, TOWN CLERK