

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DUNCAN COMMON COUNCIL
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019; 5:00 PM
DUNCAN TOWN HALL; 506 SE OLD WEST HIGHWAY**

CALL TO ORDER: MAYOR THURMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: COUNCILMEMBER VALERIE SMITH, COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON, COUNCILMEMBER MARYANN MENDOZA, VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW, MAYOR ANNE THURMAN AND TOWN MANAGER JOHN BASTEEN JR. ARE PRESENT. TOWN ATTORNEY DAVID WARD IS ABSENT. QUORUM PRESENT.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: LED BY MAYOR THURMAN.

OPENING PRAYER: LED BY MAYOR THURMAN.

- 1. CONSENT AGENDA: COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA.** COUNCILMEMBER MARYANN MENDOZA SAID SHE HAD QUESTIONS ON THE EXPENDITURE REPORTS AND SAID THIS IS FOR HER OWN INFORMATION. ON PAGE 23 ITEM 77 ARIZONA DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THE MAPS ANNUAL SAMPLING FEE IS FOR. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID MAPS IS A PROGRAM IN WHICH ADEQ HIRES A COMPANY TO COME OUT AND TAKE SAMPLES OF OUR WATER QUALITY THAT HAVE TO BE DONE ANNUALLY. ITEM 219, SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY AUDITED THE TOWN OF DUNCAN, SO THE TOWN OF DUNCAN HAS TO PAY THEM? THE MANAGER SAID YES, THE TOWN HAS TO BE AUDITED EVERY YEAR. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA WANTED TO KNOW WHY IT WAS SO HIGH. THE MANAGER SAID IT IS ACTUALLY DOWN FROM WHAT IT WAS IN THE PAST. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY FINISH FAST, THEN THE BILL IS SMALLER? THE MANAGER SAID YES, THEY WILL COME OUT AND GIVE A REPORT WHEN THEY ARE DONE. MAYOR THURMAN WANTED TO KNOW WHEN THEY WILL BE BACK OUT. THE MANAGER SAID PROBABLY NEXT MONTH. ITEM 326, SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF CARDMEMBER SERVICES IS A CREDIT CARD. THE MANAGER SAID YES. SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHO HAS ACCESS TO THAT. THE MANAGER SAID WHOEVER NEEDS IT AT THE TIME, BUT HE HAS THEM IN HIS OFFICE. SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF IT IS JUST HIS NAME ON IT. HE SAID NO, THERE IS A GENERIC CARD, TOWN OF DUNCAN AND THERE IS A CARD WITH THE CLERK'S NAME ON IT. SHE SAID THE INTEREST RATE ON THAT IS PROBABLY HIGH. THE MANAGER SAID YES. SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THE NAME OF THE BANK IS. THE MANAGER SAID ELAN. THE MANAGER SAID THEY HAVE ISSUES WITH THEM, BUT HE DID ASK FOR AN INCREASE AND THEY DID GIVE AN INCREASE. SHE ASKED ABOUT A CHARGE ON THE CARD FOR TWO GUYS UHAUL AND WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THAT WAS FOR. THE MANAGER SAID THEY WENT DOWN AND PURCHASED SOME AUTO LIFTS FOR THE SHOP ON AUCTION NATION AND IF YOU PURCHASE SOMETHING IT HAS TO BE PICKED UP BY THE NEXT DAY, SO THEY RENTED A UHAUL. HE SAID TWO GUYS WAS OUT OF SAFFORD AND THEY SAID

WE WERE BELOW THE GAS MARK WHEN WE TURNED IT IN, SO THERE WAS AN EXTRA CHARGE. HE SAID THE OTHER UHAUL IS FROM PHOENIX.

SHE SAID THERE IS ALSO CHARGES FOR HOTELS FOR \$860. THE MANAGER SAID THAT DATE THERE WAS TRAINING AND ALSO A TEST THAT HE HAD TO TAKE. HE SAID HE HAD WATER TRAINING IN PHOENIX, THREE DAYS IN OCTOBER AND THREE DAYS IN NOVEMBER AND HE TOOK A TEST TWO DAYS IN OCTOBER AND TWO DAYS IN NOVEMBER. SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHAT KIND OF TESTS HE WAS TAKING. HE SAID IT IS FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER CERTIFICATIONS. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA WANTED TO KNOW IF DUNCAN HAS THE VERIZON TOWER UP ON THE HILL. THE MANAGER SAID WE OWN THE LAND AND THEY LEASE OUT THE TOWER.

ITEM 629, SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THE USDA – RURAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGE WAS FOR. THE MANAGER SAID THAT THIS MONEY WAS BARROWED WAY BEFORE HE GOT HERE. HE SAID THIS IS THE TOWN'S WATER BOND AND THEY PAY IN DECEMBER AND IN JUNE. HE SAID JUNE IS THE INTEREST PAYMENTS AND DECEMBER IS THE PRINCIPAL PAYMENT. SHE ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO DISCUSS THIS LATER. HE SAID YES.

VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

2. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** THERE WERE NO COMMENTS.
3. **MAYOR'S REPORT:** MAYOR THURMAN HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.
4. **COUNCIL REPORTS:** VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE IS PLANNING A COMMITTEE MEETING AS SOON AS HE CAN GET WITH A GUY FROM SAFFORD. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA HAD NOTHING TO REPORT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE IS PLANNING ON HAVING A COMMITTEE MEETING VERY SOON AND SHE HAS A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS THAT SHE CAN ASK LATER ON THE AGENDA. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.
5. **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:** THE MANAGER REPORTED THAT THEY WILL START THE WATERLINE PROJECT IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THEY WILL HIRE A FEW PEOPLE TO PUT IN THE WATERLINE AND THAT WILL FINISH OFF THE FMI GRANT. THEY WILL ALSO BE WORKING ON THE SEWER PROJECT TO FINISH OFF THE CDBG AND FMI GRANT FUNDS.
THE VICE MAYOR WANTED TO KNOW IF THE WATERLINE PROJECT WILL REQUIRE ONE BORING OR TWO. THE MANAGER SAID IT WILL ONLY REQUIRE ONE BORING FOR RIGHT NOW. HE SAID ON THE DEAL HE GOT FROM RDI, THEY WILL DO TWO FOR AROUND \$5,000. THEY ONLY NEED ONE, BUT THE OTHER HE WAS GOING TO PLACE DOWN ON HWY 75 BY THE BRIDGE, SO THEY CAN LOOP IT RIGHT THERE INSTEAD OF HAVING TO GO UNDERNEATH THE WASH. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF IT WOULD BE CHEAPER TO DO THEM BOTH AT ONCE. THE MANAGER SAID IT WOULD BE, BUT THEY ARE NOT READY TO DO THE ONE CLOSER TO THE BRIDGE, BUT THEY WILL PROBABLY HAVE THEM DO BOTH, BUT CAP IT OFF.
HE NEEDS TO TALK TO DUSTIE, BUT THEY SHOULD BE STARTING THE FIRE ANNEXATION SIGNATURES SOON. SHE TOLD HIM IT WOULD START AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR. HE ASKED COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON IF DUSTIE STILL HAS VOLUNTEERS. SHE SAID YES, SHE IS READY AND SANDY IS VERY MUCH ON BOARD. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE MET A GUY ON THE FLATS AND HE SAID HE WOULD CIRCULATE THEM OUT THERE. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID DUSTIE NEEDS TO HAVE A MEETING WITH ALL HER VOLUNTEERS SO EVERYONE IS ON THE SAME

TRACK. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE WILL SEE HER ON TUESDAY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THE LAST TIME HE TALKED HER, SHE SAID IT IS READY TO GO.

6. GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: SUPERVISOR RICHARD LUNT WAS NOT AVAILABLE AT THE MEETING.

7. GREENLEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT: SHERIFF SUMNER SAID IT SEEMS LIKE IT HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE HE HAS BEEN HERE TO TALK TO THE COUNCIL, IT WAS LAST YEAR. HA, HA.

HE SAID HE JUST CAME FROM THE CLIFTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, THEY HAD A LARGE CROWD. HE SAID THEY ARE HOLDING THEIR MEETINGS AT 2 PM NOW. THEY HAD THEIR DEPARTMENT HEADS THERE ALSO TO ANSWER QUESTIONS. HE SPOKE WITH CLIFTON AT THE CALL TO THE PUBLIC ON THEIR LAST MEETING, HE SAID SOMETIMES THE TWO COUNCILS TALK ABOUT THE SAME THINGS. HE SAID HE KNOWS THE MANAGERS GET TOGETHER AND TALK ABOUT THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON AND THAT IS GOOD.

HE SAID NEW YEARS EVE WAS ACTUALLY PRETTY QUIET. HE WAS OUT UNTIL ABOUT 3 AM WITH ABOUT 10 OTHER OFFICERS. THEY RECEIVED SOME COMPLAINTS ABOUT OFFICERS HANGING OUT BY THE BAR. HE SPOKE WITH ONE OF THE LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS AND HE SAID THE OWNER SAID THERE IS MORE DESIGNATED DRIVERS. HE SAID THEY HAD FOUR THAT NIGHT AND THE SHERIFF TOLD HIM HE APPRECIATED THAT. HE SAID HE IS MAKING SURE THEY HAVE AMPLE DEPUTIES WHEN THERE ARE FUNCTIONS GOING ON.

HE REPORTED THAT THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD MET UP IN MORENCI AND HE DID SPEAK ON THE US 70 ISSUE IN DUNCAN. HE SAID HE MENTIONED IT IS NOT JUST AN ARIZONA PROBLEM, THEY REALLY HAVE TO WORK WITH THE FOLKS IN NEW MEXICO AS WELL. HE DID SPEAK ABOUT NEW MEXICO STACKING UP THE SEMIS OVER THERE IN LORDSBURG AT THE LAST MEETING. HE SAID BILL HARMON DID A PRESENTATION TO THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD AND THE STAKEHOLDERS WILL BE TALKING ABOUT IT NOW.

HE ALSO SAID THERE IS A LOCKDOWN TRAINING THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO GET SETUP. HE SAID THIS LOCKDOWN PROGRAM IS NOT JUST FOR SCHOOLS, BUT FOR EVERYONE. HE SAID THE TRAINING WILL BE HELD IN MORENCI AND PEOPLE ARE SIGNED UP FROM ALL OVER THE STATE. HE SAID ON THE TEXTING AND DRIVING ISSUE IT WOULD BE BEST TO HAVE A STATE LAW FOR THIS PROBLEM, SO HOPEFULLY THEY WILL COME UP WITH SOMETHING AFTER AN OFFICER GOT KILLED BY A TEXTING DRIVER.

VICE-MAYOR BARLOW ASKED IF THEY SHOULD HAVE A SIGN ON THE FRONT DOOR ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE CARRYING FIREARMS. THE SHERIFF SAID IF YOU POST A SIGN, YOU MUST PROVIDE A LOCKBOX TO STORE THE GUNS IN UNTIL THAT PERSON LEAVES THE PREMISES. HE SAID YOU CAN POST A SIGN, BUT IF THERE IS NO LOCKBOX A PERSON CAN IGNORE THE SIGN AND THERE IS NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID THAT SHE HAS A CONCERN ABOUT ALL THE SEMIS THAT GO THROUGH TOWN. THE SHERIFF ASKED WHAT HER CONCERN IS. SHE SAID THEY GO THROUGH ON THE HIGHWAY WAY TOO FAST AND SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF ANYTHING CAN BE DONE. SHE SAID ONE DAY A DPS OFFICER WAS PARKED AT THE RANCH HOUSE, BUT THE SEMIS WERE WARNING EVERYONE ELSE THAT A DPS OFFICER WAS PARKED THERE, SO THEY WOULD SLOW DOWN. SHE SAID IF THERE WAS A DECOY THERE, MAYBE THEY WOULD NOT FLY THROUGH THERE SO FAST. HE SAID IF SEMIS ARE COMING THROUGH TOWN, TO HIM IT IS A GOOD THING,

BECAUSE THAT MEANS THERE IS COMMERCE IN THE AREA. HE SAID HE HAS RIDDEN AROUND WITH OTHER DEPUTIES AND LEFT HIS PATROL CAR PARKED AND IT DOES SLOW THE TRAFFIC DOWN. HE SAID THEY ARE SHORT ON VEHICLES RIGHT NOW. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE HAS SAID THE SAME THING TO SHERIFF TIM AND HE SAT RIGHT IN FRONT OF HIS ROCK SHOP AND HE WOULD SAY "LOOK AT THAT ONE" AND THE SHERIFF WOULD SAY "YEAH HE IS GOING 38 MILES PER HOUR." VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THE SEMIS LOOK LIKE THEY ARE GOING FASTER THAN THEY ARE. THE SHERIFF SAID THE SEMIS DO SPEED THROUGH TOWN SOMETIMES, BUT HE HAS OFFERED TO THE COUNCIL TO GO AND RIDE WITH HIM AND HE ALSO INVITED COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA TO RIDE WITH HIM. THE PERCEPTION IS THAT THE SEMIS ARE GOING A LOT FASTER THAN THEY ACTUALLY ARE. HE SAID IT IS AN OPTICAL ILLUSION. ABSOLUTELY THERE ARE SOME SPEEDING, BUT THE OFFER IS OUT THERE TO COME AND RIDE ALONG HE SAID.

8. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO PUT NEW COUNCIL ON AND TAKE PREVIOUS COUNCIL OFF SIGNATURE CARDS WITH NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA:** MANAGER BASTEEN SAID IN ORDER TO GET THE REMAINING COUNCILMEMBERS ON THE SIGNATURE LIST TO SIGN CHECKS FOR THE TOWN, THEY NEED ONE PICTURE ID AND A DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD OR AN INSURANCE CARD AND THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. THE CLERK SAID SAFFORD WANTS EVERYONE THERE AT THE SAME TIME, BUT MORENCI SAID THAT AS LONG AS WE TURNED IN THE PAPERWORK THAT IS REQUIRED, THAT THE COUNCIL CAN GO UP THERE AT THEIR CONVENIENCE. THE MANAGER SAID THE MAIN REASON IT IS ON THERE IS BECAUSE THEY NEED A COPY OF THE MINUTES. THE CLERK SAID THEY NEED TO INCLUDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO PUT COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON ON THE NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA CHECKING ACCOUNT AS A SIGNER AS OF JANUARY 10, 2019 AND TAKE OFF BILLY WATERS AND DENISE ICE. MAYOR ANNE THURMAN SECONDED. FOUR FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.**

VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO PUT COUNCILMEMBER MARYANN MENDOZA AND COUNCILMEMBER VALERIE SMITH ON THE NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA CHECKING ACCOUNT AS SIGNERS AS OF JANUARY 10, 2019. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON SECONDED. THREE FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

9. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO RAISE WATER, SEWER, AND GARBAGE RATES:** MANAGER BASTEEN SAID AUDITORS HAVE SAID IN THE PAST THAT WE DON'T BRING IN ENOUGH REVENUE TO COVER OUR WATER OR SEWER DEPARTMENTS AND IF THEY GO OUT FOR GRANTS, USDA TELLS US OUR RATES ARE TOO LOW. HE SAID THE CHEMICALS FOR THE SEWER PONDS ARE GOING UP. THEY ARE SPENDING ABOUT \$1,200 A MONTH AND THAT WILL PROBABLY INCREASE TO ALMOST \$2,000. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED WHAT THAT IS FOR. THE MANAGER SAID THAT IS JUST FOR CHLORINE. SHE WANTED TO KNOW HOW THAT IS BUDGETED FOR THE YEAR. THE MANAGER SAID HE WILL PUT IT IN THE SEWER BUDGET IN JUNE. ADEQ CAME OUT AND SAID WE WERE NOT DOING THE TESTING THEY WANTED DONE, SO THEY HAD TO TAKE THEIR SAMPLES TO A LAB, SO THAT WILL BE EXTRA MONEY TO PAY A LAB FOR TESTING. MAYOR THURMAN ASKED IS THIS FOR TESTING THE PONDS. THE MANAGER SAID YES. SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF THIS IS A RULING BY HEALTH SERVICES OR ADEQ. THE MANAGER SAID BOTH. HE SAID IT WAS A RULING BY HEALTH SERVICES, BUT ADEQ GOES ALONG WITH WHAT

HEALTH SERVICES SAYS, BECAUSE THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ENFORCE WHAT WE TESTS. THE MAYOR SAID THAT WE GET OUR LICENSING THROUGH ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. THE MANAGER SAID THEY WANT US TO DO A CONTRACT THROUGH TURNER LABS TO DO OUR TESTING ON DISCHARGE FOR THE NEXT YEAR. HE SAID AFTER THAT THEY CAN GET THEIR OWN LICENSING AGAIN. HE SAID HE ASKED TURNER AND THEY DO THE EXACT SAME TESTING AS THE TOWN OF DUNCAN WAS DOING. ADEQ HAS BEEN OUT HERE AND AUDITED US AND NEVER SAID ANYTHING WAS WRONG UNTIL THIS PAST YEAR. HE DOESN'T CARE HOW GOOD YOUR LAB IS, THEY WILL FIND SOMETHING JUST TO DOCK YOU. THE CHLORINE WILL ESPECIALLY INCREASE ON THE SEWER. THE AUDITORS HAVE ALWAYS SAID THAT THE TOWN IS NOT BRINGING IN ENOUGH TO COVER THE EXPENSES ON SEWER, WATER OR GARBAGE.

THE MANAGER SAID HE WOULD LIKE THE COUNCIL'S THOUGHTS. HE CAN GO AND GET A STATE AVERAGE OR TOWNS THAT ARE THE SIZE OF DUNCAN ON WHAT THEY CHARGE FOR WATER, SEWER AND GARBAGE. THE VICE-MAYOR SAID A WOMAN CAME IN THE SHOP TODAY FROM SAFFORD AND HE ASKED HER HOW MUCH IT COSTS FOR GARBAGE AND SHE SAID \$45 PER MONTH. THE MANAGER SAID ANYONE OUT OF TOWN LIMITS IS GETTING CHARGED \$20 OR \$22 A MONTH FROM VISTA RECYCLING. MAYOR THURMAN WANTED TO KNOW IF THE TOWN IS SUPPLEMENTING THE GARBAGE. THE MANAGER SAID A LITTLE BIT. HE SAID THE TOWN PROVIDES THE ROLLOFFS THAT ARE AN EXTRA CHARGE. THEY USED TO PUT A ROLL OFF IN A LOCKED FENCE AND THEY WERE PAYING SOMEONE TO SIT THERE ON THE WEEKEND TO CHECK WATER BILLS SO PEOPLE COULD DUMP THEIR TRASH IN THERE, IT COSTS A LOT MORE TO HAVE SOMEONE WATCH IT AND BESIDES HE DOESN'T HAVE TO PICK UP TRASH IN THE HILLS. THE MANAGER SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GET THE COUNCIL'S THOUGHTS. RIGHT NOW THE SEWER IS AT \$25 A MONTH AND THE WATER WITH JUST THE MINIMUM IS \$20.93 WITH TAXES AND THE GARBAGE RATE IS \$17 A MONTH. HE KNOWS CLIFTON IS RAISING THEIR SEWER RATE TO \$35 OR \$40.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW WHAT HIS RECOMMENDATION IS. THE MANAGER SAID MOST PEOPLE COMPLAIN THAT THE SEWER IS HIGHER THAN THE WATER. HE WOULD LIKE TO GET THE AVERAGE FOR THE STATE FIRST, BUT HE SAID IF THEY RAISE THE WATER HE WOULD LIKE TO DO IT IN PHASES OVER A COUPLE OF YEARS. HE WANTED TO KNOW IF THIS IS SOMETHING THE COUNCIL WANTS TO PURSUE. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE THINKS THEY SHOULD. MAYOR THURMAN SAID SHE DOESN'T THINK THEY HAVE A CHOICE, BECAUSE THE UTILITIES ARE NOT PAYING FOR THEMSELVES. VALADEE CROTTS SAID THE COUNCIL SHOULD CONSIDER THAT A GOOD PORTION OF OUR TOWN IS ON FIXED INCOME OR LOW INCOME AND IT IS SOMETHING THAT HE THINKS THE COUNCIL SHOULD THINK ABOUT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID THAT IS HER CONCERN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID HOWEVER, THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT THEY HAVE TO SEEK FUNDING FOR NECESSARY TOWN FUNCTIONS ARE ALSO UNDER DURESS AND THOSE ARE SHRINKING. SHE SAID SHE DOES NOT KNOW OF ANOTHER PLACE THEY CAN TURN FOR THESE COSTS OTHER THAN THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE USE OF THESE UTILITIES. THE MANAGER SAID IN THE PAST THEY HAVE TRIED TO GO OUT FOR GRANTS AND THE AUDITORS SAID IF IT WEREN'T FOR OUR GRANTS WE WOULD REALLY BE HURTING AS FAR AS THOSE DEPARTMENTS.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE WILL GET A STATE AVERAGE AND BRING IT TO THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID SHE THINKS THAT WILL HELP IF THEY HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT OTHER TOWNS ARE CHARGING.

VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE THINKS A LOT OF PEOPLE LOOK AT THE BILL AND THEY THINK IT IS JUST FOR WATER, BUT IT IS FOR SEWER AND GARBAGE ALSO, LOOK AT THE BIG CITIES, YOU DON'T GET WATER FOR \$20.93. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA SAID THAT IS WHY WE LIVE IN DUNCAN THOUGH AND THAT IS WHY PEOPLE ARE MOVING HERE. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH SAID SHE READ ON THE MINUTES THAT THE TOWN HAD NOT RAISED THE RATES ON THESE SERVICES FOR QUITE A LONG TIME. SHE THINKS THAT EVERYTHING GROWS IN EXPENSE AND THE TOWN ALSO HAS TO GROW THEIR EXPENSE IN ORDER TO CONTINUE RUNNING. SHE SAID IT IS A NECESSARY EVIL. THE MANAGER SAID THAT IS THE PROBLEM WITH THE CHLORINE AS WELL, THEIR COST GO UP AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CANNOT CONTROL, IT IS MANDATED BY THE STATE THAT WE HAVE TO USE CHLORINE TO DISINFECT THE PONDS AND EVEN THE WATER.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW HOW DIFFICULT IT IS TO MAINTAIN THE MINIMUM ON WATER USAGE. CAN WE STRUCTURE IT DIFFERENTLY SO IT IS EASIER TO SAVE MONEY ON WATER. SHE SAID SEWER AND GARBAGE ARE JUST WHAT THEY ARE, BUT WATER USAGE, PEOPLE DO HAVE SOME CONTROL OVER HOW MUCH THEY USE. SHE WANTED TO KNOW THE WATER MINIMUM. THE MANAGER SAID THAT IS 2,000 GALLONS, MOST OF THE ELDERLY NEVER HIT THAT. SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO RAISE RATES, BUT LOWER THE MINIMUM SLIGHTLY, SO THAT PEOPLE DON'T USE MUCH. THE MANAGER SAID THEY COULD OR THEY CAN KEEP THE MINIMUM AT \$20.93, BUT RAISE IT BY GALLONS AFTER THE MINIMUM. HE SAID RIGHT NOW IF YOU USE 2,000 GALLONS IT'S PENNIES PER GALLON. THE MANAGER SAID THEY COULD RAISE IT THAT WAY, SO THOSE THAT DON'T USE MUCH WATER CAN STAY LOW, BUT THOSE WHO USE MORE WATER CAN GET CHARGED A HIGHER RATE.

HE SAID ANOTHER THING THEY CAN CONSIDER IS EVERYONE WHO IS OUT OF TOWN LIMITS CAN BE CHARGED A SURCHARGE OF \$20 FOR THE WATERLINE. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE IT A LARGE AMOUNT. DENISE ICE SAID MAKE IT LARGE SO THEY WILL WANT TO BE ANNEXED INTO THE TOWN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THAT SEEMS LIKE THE PRESSURE POINT THEY OUGHT TO BE LOOKING AT. COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF WHEN HE GRABS THE STATE AVERAGES IF HE CAN ALSO SEE HOW MANY TOWNS ARE SITUATED LIKE THEY ARE AND FIND OUT WHAT THEY CHARGE OUTLYING PEOPLE WHO USE THEIR SERVICES. THE CLERK SAID THE SENIORS DON'T PAY AS MUCH FOR GARBAGE AS NON-SENIORS. THE MANAGER SAID THEY PAY \$14.85 AND THE NON-SENIORS PAY \$17.00.

THE MAYOR RECOMMENDED THAT THE MANAGER EXPLORE THE OTHER RATES OF THE TOWNS THAT ARE COMPARABLE TO DUNCAN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED THE MANAGER IF HE WILL BE LOOKING FOR WHAT OTHER MUNICIPALITIES CHARGE RESIDENTS AND SURCHARGES FOR THOSE WHO ARE NOT WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS. THE MANAGER SAID YES, AND HE KNOWS SAFFORD DOES THAT BECAUSE HE TALKED TO THEM ABOUT IT. HE SAID THEY CALL IT A SURCHARGE FOR A SERVICE LINE FEE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY WOULD GAIN MONEY OR LOSE MONEY IF THOSE PEOPLE DECIDED TO BE ANNEXED IN THE TOWN RATHER THAN PAY THE SURCHARGE. THE MANAGER SAID THEY WOULD PROBABLY LOSE MONEY, BECAUSE THE PROPERTY TAX IS STILL LOW. HE SAID THAT IS ANOTHER THING THEY CAN LOOK AT.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL FOR A BUY OUT OF THE LEASE ON THE CELL TOWER: THE MANAGER REPORTED TO THE COUNCIL THAT THE WATER BOND WILL GO UP EVERY YEAR UNTIL IT IS PAID OFF. HE SAID EVENTUALLY THEY WILL HAVE TO MAKE PAYMENTS OF \$30,000 OR \$40,000 JUST IN DECEMBER.

HE REPORTED THAT ON THE BUY OUT, IF THEY DO A LUMP SUM RIGHT NOW WOULD BE \$172,000. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THIS IS FROM VERIZON. HE SAID NO, IT IS FROM AMERICAN TOWER. HE SAID WHAT AMERICAN TOWER WANTS TO DO IS HAVE CONTROL OF THE LEASE, RIGHT NOW WE GET A CHECK EVERY MONTH FOR AROUND \$1,000 AND THEN IT GOES UP BY 2% EVERY YEAR. IF THEY WAIT IT OUT THEY WILL GET A LOT MORE MONEY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID IT WOULD NOT BE THAT MUCH MORE, WOULD IT? THE MANAGER SAID YES, HE SAID IF WE GAVE THEM CONTROL FOR 10 YEARS, IT JUMPS ALL THE WAY UP TO \$225,000, SO THAT IS A \$50,000 INCREASE. THE MANAGER SAID THEY HAVE TWO BONDS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW HOW MUCH THEY WOULD SAVE IN INTEREST IF THEY COMBINED THE TWO LOANS. THE MANAGER SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO ASK. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY CAN NEGOTIATE THE LUMP SUM AMOUNT. THE MANAGER SAID THEY CAN. HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO TALK TO AMERICAN TOWER, EVERY MONTH THEY PAY, THEY DECREASE THEIR AMOUNT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY ARE PAYING ON A LEASE THAT REMAINS IN TOWN CONTROL. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID YES AND IT WILL STAY THAT WAY, THE LAND IS NOT TRANSFERRED, JUST THE CONTRACT. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THE LUMP SUM WOULD BE IN PLACE FOR 10 YEARS. THE MANAGER SAID IT DEPENDS ON THE CONTRACT, THEY JUST EXTENDED IT. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID IT WILL JUST GO TO THE CONTRACT UNTIL IT EXPIRES, THEN THEY WILL GET A NEW CONTRACT AND THEY WILL OFFER A NEW LUMP SUM FOR SO MANY YEARS.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE THINKS THEY NEED TO REVISIT WITH THE INFORMATION ON HOW MUCH THEY COULD SAVE IF THEY COMBINED THE TWO LOANS. SHE SAID THAT MAY GIVE THEM GOOD AMMUNITION TO ASK THEM FOR A HIGHER BUY OUT.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED IF THERE ARE ANY BALLOON PAYMENTS ON THE WATER BONDS. THE MANAGER SAID NO, IT IS JUST THAT EVERY YEAR IT WILL GO UP UNTIL IT IS PAID OFF. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID IT COULD SAVE THEM A LOT OF MONEY.

THE MANAGER SAID THEY USED THAT WATER BOND TO REDO THE WHOLE SYSTEM IN TOWN. HE SAID THEY ARE FINDING OUT THEY DID NOT TAKE OUT THE OLD SYSTEM AND SOME OF THE OLD IS STILL ACTIVE AND LIVE. THEY HAD A LINE ON MADISON THAT BROKE AND THEY JUST PLUGGED IT AND NO ONE HAS BEEN OUT OF WATER. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID DOWN AT STAGE STOP THEY HAD A LEAK AND THEY SHUT IT OFF AND THE WATER WAS STILL RUNNING THROUGH THE OLD SYSTEM.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON THANKED THE TOWN MANAGER FOR LOOKING INTO THIS.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL TO REASSIGN NEW COUNCILMEMBERS TO COMMITTEES: COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED THE MANAGER WHAT THE PLAN IS TO PRESENT THE REPORT TO THE COUNCIL AND TO THE TOWN. THE MANAGER SAID HE WILL GET WITH BILL PUPO, HE CALLED HIM YESTERDAY. HE WILL GET WITH HIM TOMORROW AND THEY WILL GO OVER THEIR NEXT MEETING, WHICH SHOULD BE TOWARDS THE END OF THIS MONTH. VICE-

MAYOR BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY ARE GOING TO APPLY FOR ANOTHER GRANT TO PAY HIM FOR THE NEXT PHASE.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE IS WONDERING IF THEY OUGHT TO APPLY FOR A SMALL GRANT FROM FREEPORT FROM THE MONTHLY FUND, JUST TO HAVE ANOTHER COMMUNITY MEETING WITH BILL AND A CHANCE TO PRESENT THE FINDINGS TO EVERYONE WHO IS INTERESTED AND DO BRAIN STORMING ON WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS AND APPLY FOR A SMALL GRANT TO GET THEM THROUGH THAT, SO THAT THEY KNOW WHERE PEOPLE WANT US TO GO WITH THIS AND THEN THEY COULD WRITE A MORE MAJOR GRANT AS CLIFTON SUCCESSFULLY DID FOR A MORE LENGTHY PROCESS.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID RIGHT NOW THEY HAVE TWO COMMITTEES THAT NEED TO BE HEADED. SHE ASKED IF THE NEW COUNCILMEMBERS HAD GONE TO THE MEETING. THEY BOTH SAID YES. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THERE ARE THREE COMMITTEES THAT NEED NEW LEADERS. SHE SAID IT IS PUBLIC SAFETY, YOUTH, AND COMMUNITY. SHE SAID PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY NEVER MET. SHE SAID BILLY HAD PUBLIC SAFETY AND JOHN HAD COMMUNITY, BUT HE NEVER HAD TIME TO PULL THAT TOGETHER, SO THEY MIGHT WANT TO RE-ALLOCATE THAT. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER COMBINING YOUTH AND COMMUNITY. MAYOR THURMAN SAID THAT SHE KNOWS DENISE AND NINA HAD PUT IN A LOT OF TIME FOR THE YOUTH COMMITTEE. DENISE SAID THEY HAD ALREADY PICKED THE THREE TOPICS THEY WANTED TO GO FORWARD WITH. SHE SAID THEY WERE WAITING FOR A MEETING WITH MR. PUPO. MAYOR THURMAN SAID SINCE THEY DID SO MUCH WORK, SHE WOULD LIKE TO ASK WHAT THEIR THOUGHT WAS ON COMBINING COMMUNITY AND YOUTH. DENISE SAID SHE DOESN'T THINK THERE SHOULD BE A PROBLEM.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID SHE THINKS YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SHOULD BE COMBINED. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THEY STILL HAVE THE NAMES OF THE VOLUNTEERS FOR THOSE COMMITTEES. NINA ADEN SAID SHE STILL WANTS TO BE INVOLVED IN THE YOUTH PROGRAM. COUNCILMEMBER MENDOZA WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE TO HEAD THE COMMITTEE. THE COUNCIL SAID YES, AND ORGANIZE AND CHAIR THE MEETINGS.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THAT THE TWO NEW COUNCILMEMBERS MIGHT WANT THEM TO EXPLAIN WHAT EACH COMMITTEE DOES. SHE ASKED WHAT PUBLIC SAFETY WAS SUPPOSED TO COVER. THEY ASKED THE MANAGER IF HE RECALLS WHAT THE PUBLIC SAFETY SCOPE OF WORK WAS. THE MANAGER SAID IT COVERED THE MUNICIPAL COURT, I10 ISSUES AND FIRE PROTECTION. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THE MAGISTRATE WOULD BE THE BIGGEST ISSUE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, HOW DO WE GET OUR ORDINANCES TO WORK AND HOW TO GET MONEY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THE LAST TIME HE TALKED TO KAY WITH THE COUNTY, HE ASKED HER WHY THEY COULDN'T USE THE J.P. WITH AN AGREEMENT. HER ANSWER WAS, IT IS TIME WE RE-ADDRESSED THAT WITH THE STATE. THE MANAGER SAID ISABEL OR CINDY CANNOT TAKE PAYMENTS FOR COURT, THEY WOULD HAVE TO HIRE SOMEONE ELSE, THEY WOULD ALSO HAVE TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY AND A PROSECUTING ATTORNEY. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THE LAST TIME HE TALKED TO KAREN SMITH, SHE SAID THEY ARE LOOKING FOR WORK, BECAUSE THERE IS RUMOR THEY MIGHT SHUT DOWN THE JP COURT IN DUNCAN AND THEY HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO DO IT, BUT THEY WOULD HAVE TO GET AN IGA WITH THE COUNTY.

THE MANAGER SAID THE ATTORNEY GETS A HUGE CHUNK. THE VICE-MAYOR SAID HE DOESN'T THINK THEY HAVE EVER HAD COURT IN CLIFTON. THE TOWN MANAGER SAID YOU STILL HAVE

TO HAVE ONE ON STAND-BY WITH A RETAINER FEE. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THERE WAS ONE THAT SAID HE WOULD DO IT PER CASE. THE MANAGER SAID THAT WAS CHANNIN DAY. THE MANAGER SAID WHEN RICHARD JERNIGAN WAS THERE HE HAD OFFERED TO DO IT FOR FREE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SOMEONE WOULD HAVE TO FOLLOW-UP WITH THE COUNTY ON HOW TO IMPLEMENT IT.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID THE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE WOULD DEAL WITH BLYTE IN THE COMMUNITY, ETC. SHE SAID IT WOULD INVOLVE CHAIRING THE MEETINGS, HOLDING THE MEETINGS AND HAVING OPEN DISCUSSIONS WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PART OF THE COMMUNITY. SHE SAID YOU ARE NOT MAKING ANY DECISIONS, BUT COMING BACK TO THE COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE AND SHARING THOSE IDEAS. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID YOU GET A LOT OF HELP FROM THE PEOPLE WHO VOLUNTEER. HE SAID SHERIFF TIM HAS DONE WONDERS TO SET THE FOOTWORK WITH FMI TO BUILD SOME KIND OF RECREATIONAL FACILITY DOWN HERE LIKE THEY HAVE IN MORENCI IN CLIFTON. HE SAID HE BRINGS IT UP AT EVERY MEETING HE GOES TO WITH FMI.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THE SENIOR CITIZENS SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN WITH THE COMMUNITY DISCUSSIONS.

MAYOR THURMAN SUGGESTED GETTING WITH THE MANAGER AND TALK TO HIM ABOUT IDEAS. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE YOUTH DELEGATES GO TO THE LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS. DENISE ICE SAID THEY NEED A FLAG IF THEY GO THERE.

VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID HE WAS SCARED WHEN MR. PUPO WAS TRYING TO GET THEM TO BE INVOLVED WITH THE COMMITTEES, BUT THE PEOPLE WHO SIGN UP AS VOLUNTEERS ARE VERY, VERY HELPFUL.

COUNCILMEMBER SMITH WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY SIGNED UP WITH THESE COMMITTEES, DO THEY REMOVE THEMSELVES FROM THE COMMITTEES THEY VOLUNTEERED FOR. SHE SAID SHE IS ON DOUG'S COMMITTEE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE WANTED TO SUGGEST DOING OPEN MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR ALL THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS, SO THEY ARE FREE TO ATTEND EACH OTHERS MEETINGS.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID IT IS NOT DECISION MAKING, IT IS GETTING TOGETHER AND PLANNING. SHE SAID ONE GUY ASKED HER TO GIVE HIM A SHOVEL. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID WILL WEARNE ASKED TO BE ON HIS COMMITTEE SIX MONTHS AFTER THEY STARTED MEETING.

MAYOR THURMAN SAID THE NEW COUNCILMEMBERS CAN LET THEM KNOW AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WHICH COMMITTEE THEY WANT TO RUN. VICE-MAYOR BARLOW SAID THEY WILL ALL HELP THEM.

12. CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING: THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019.

13. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: RAISE WATER, SEWER AND GARBAGE RATES, BUY OUT OF THE LEASE ON THE CELL TOWER, REASSIGN NEW COUNCILMEMBERS TO COMMITTEES, REPORT FROM BILL PUPO AND MANAGER BASTEEN AND ADDRESS HOW TO INCLUDE THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE

14. ADJOURNMENT: AT 6:30 PM, VICE-MAYOR DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. COUNCILMEMBER MARYANN MENDOZA 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 10TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2019. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE MEETING WAS DULY CALLED AND HELD AND THAT A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

DATED THIS 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.

CYNTHIA NICHOLS, TOWN CLERK