

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
DUNCAN COMMON COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2018; 5:00 PM  
DUNCAN TOWN HALL; 506 SE OLD WEST HWY.**

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

**ROLL CALL:** COUNCILMEMBER DOUGLAS BARLOW, COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON, COUNCILMEMBER ANNE THURMAN AND TOWN MANAGER JOHN BASTEEN JR. ARE PRESENT. VICE-MAYOR DENISE ICE, MAYOR BILLY WATERS AND TOWN ATTORNEY DAVID WARD ARE ABSENT. QUORUM PRESENT.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** LED BY COUNCILMEMBER THURMAN.

**OPENING PRAYER:** LED BY TOWN MANAGER BASTEEN.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA:** COUNCILMEMBER DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS WRITTEN. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.
2. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** THERE WERE NO COMMENTS.
3. **MAYOR'S REPORT:** NOTHING TO REPORT.
4. **COUNCIL REPORTS:** COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW REPORTED THAT THE NEW OWNER OF THE BANK BUILDING CAME BY AND TALKED TO HIM TODAY. HE IS LEX HARRINGTON, HE WILL NOT PUT A MARIJUANA DISPENSARY THERE OR A DAY CARE CENTER. HE SAID HE IS HOLDING IT OPEN FOR A BANK OR HE MAY USE IT FOR HIS TRUCKING SERVICE.  
COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON REPORTED THAT THE LEGISLATIVE REVIEW SESSION THAT SHE ATTENDED WITH THE LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS IN SIERRA VISTA WAS WORTH THE 3 HOUR DRIVE DOWN AND THE 3 HOUR DRIVE BACK. SHE SAID THE PRESENTATION LASTED AN HOUR AND 15 MINUTES AND IT WAS WORTH IT. SHE SAID SHE LEARNED SO MUCH. THE LEAGUE IS FIGHTING ON BEHALF OF CITIES AND TOWNS. SHE CAME TO APPRECIATE HOW FEW LEGISLATURES ARE ACTUALLY ON THE SIDE OF CITIES AND TOWNS. THEY ARE TRYING TO MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR CITIES AND TOWNS TO HAVE LOCAL CONTROL OVER ALL SORTS OF THINGS. PART OF WHAT THE LEAGUE IS DOING IS FIGHTING ON BEHALF OF CITIES AND TOWNS. ONE THING THAT CAUGHT HER ATTENTION IS THEY HAVE VERY MUCH STRENGTH IN OPEN MEETING LAWS. IF THERE IS AN OPEN MEETING LAW VIOLATION, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL CAN COME AFTER NOT JUST THE TOWN, BUT ANY COUNCILMEMBER AND THERE IS NO ABILITY TO TURN TO THE TOWN TO HELP WITH LEGAL COSTS.  
SHE SAID IT WAS A FASCINATING SESSION AND THEY HAVE DONE A GREAT DEAL ON THE CITIES AND TOWNS BEHALF. DREW JOHN IS ONE OF THE FEW IN THE LEGISLATURE, WHO CAME OUT OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODY, SO HE REALLY UNDERSTANDS WHAT THE LOCAL

GOVERNMENT BODIES ARE UP AGAINST AND REALLY TRIES TO WORK BETTER WITH THE LEAGUE THAN MOST OF THE SENATORS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE DO. SHE SAID DREW USUALLY HAS TO YIELD, BECAUSE HE IS NOT FREE TO MAKE HIS OWN DECISIONS ON VOTES, BUT AT LEAST HE TRIES.

THAT WAS A REAL EYE OPENER FOR HER, JUST TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY ARE UP AGAINST AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO HELP THE COUNTY SUPERVISOR IN MONITORING THESE THINGS AND WEIGH IN WHEN THEY COME UP. THEY ALSO SAID THAT WHEN THE LEGISLATURE GOES BACK INTO SESSION THEY WILL RESUME THEIR MONDAY 10 AM CONFERENCE CALLS WITH ANY INTERESTED MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL. SHE SAID SHE IS PLANNING TO DO THOSE WEEKLY TO STAY ON TOP OF THINGS. SHE SAID SHE WILL BRING TO THE COUNCIL ANYTHING SHE THINKS THEY NEED TO KNOW ABOUT IF THE MANAGER HASN'T DONE SO ALREADY.

MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE LISTENS TO SOME OF THEM, WHEN HE CAN MAKE THEM. COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW SAID THE ARIZONA LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS IS A VERY GOOD ORGANIZATION AND THEY FIGHT MORE FOR THE LITTLE TOWNS THAN THE CITIES.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE SPOKE WITH KEN, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE END OF THE SESSION TO LET HIM KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN GOING ON WITH THE WATER ISSUES HERE AND ABOUT THE WATER MEETING THAT TOOK PLACE AT THE GOLF COURSE AND HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE TRIBES ALONG WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE MAY HAVE THEIR EYES ON MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLIES IN THE GILA RIVER SYSTEM AS WELL AS DOMESTIC WELLS AND HE SAID THEY DON'T DO WATER, BECAUSE THAT'S A PLACE WHERE THEIR MEMBERS ARE PITTED UP AGAINST EACH OTHER. HE ADVISED HER TO GET IN TOUCH WITH MOHAVE COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY ARE FACING SIMILAR ISSUES, SO SHE WILL FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON THERE.

- 5. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:** HE REPORTED MOST OF THE LIGHTS ARE ALREADY WIRED, THEY WILL PUT THE LIGHT BULBS IN NEXT AND THEN HE NEEDS TO GET WITH PRIDE SOCIETY TO ORDER SOME MORE CERAMIC PIECES THEY ARE VERY FRAGILE AND HE BROKE ONE, SO THEY NEED TO GET SOME EXTRAS.

HE REPORTED THAT THE FLOORING IS IN THE SENIOR HOUSE, THEY NEED TO FINISH THE BASE BOARD WITH THE ¼ ROUND STRIPS, THEN THEY WILL MOVE SOME OF THE STUFF BACK IN THERE. COUNCILMEMBER THURMAN WANTED TO KNOW IF THE REST OF THE COUNCIL HAS HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID SHE AND THE VICE-MAYOR HAVE, THE DOOR IS OPEN IF THEY ARE INTERESTED IN LOOKING AT IT. HE SAID THEY STILL NEED TO CHANGE OUT THE LOCKS AND A FEW OTHER THINGS. COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF THE FRONT DOOR CLOSES NOW. THE MANAGER SAID IF YOU CLOSE IT HARD ENOUGH IT WILL. COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW SAID HE DOES NOT WANT THE WINDOW TO GET BROKEN. THE MANAGER SAID THE WINDOW WILL NOT BREAK.

HE ALSO REPORTED THE MOTOR IS WORKING AT THE POOL, IT WOULDN'T HOLD A PRIME BECAUSE THEY ARE DRAINING IT, SO THEY HAVE A PUMP UP THERE RIGHT NOW DRAINING IT AND THEN THEY WILL CLEAN IT OUT AND GET IT BACK UP BY NEXT WEEK.

THEY ARE CLEANING UP AT 308 WILLIAMS STREET, THEY HAVE ALREADY FILLED UP ONE TRASH CAN AND ANOTHER IS SUPPOSED TO BE IN TOMORROW.

4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY WENT WELL, THE FIREWORKS WERE GOOD. SAM ELLIS HAD A DRONE THAT WENT UP AND DOWN THE PARADE ROUTE.

HE SAID ON FLOODING ISSUES HE WILL HAVE TO COORDINATE WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE SAID HE THINKS THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE NEEDS TO REDO THEIR GAUGE, BECAUSE 16 FEET IS REALLY NOWHERE NEAR FLOOD STAGE.

COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW SAID HE DROVE UP TO THE VIRDEN BRIDGE AND LOOKED AT IT AND HE SAID HE KNEW IT WAS NOT GOING TO GET OUT OF THE CHANNELS.

COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW SAID IF YOU HAVE BEEN AROUND HERE FOR A WHILE YOU KNOW THAT CLIFF, NEW MEXICO IS THE PLACE TO CHECK ON THE RIVER. HE SAID THEY NEED TO CALL GRANT COUNTY IN SILVER CITY. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY HAVE A GAUGE THERE. THE MANAGER SAID THERE IS ONE AT RED ROCK AND ONE AT VIRDEN.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW HOW THINGS ARE GOING WITH BILL PUPO AND SHE WANTED TO KNOW IF SHE CAN HELP HIM WORK ON THE GRANT FOR THE NEXT PHASE? MANAGER BASTEEN SAID MR. PUPO EMAILED HIM BUT, HE HASN'T READ IT YET, SO HE WILL GET WITH HIM AND LET HER KNOW.

**6. GREENLEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: PRIOR COMMITMENT**

**7. GREENLEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT:** SHERIFF SUMNER REPORTED THAT THE PARADE AND FIREWORKS WENT WELL. HE SAID HE APPRECIATED THE PARADE GETTING STARTING RIGHT ON TIME.

HE ALSO REPORTED THAT HE SPOKE WITH SOME DIGNITARIES AT THE WATER RIGHTS MEETING AND HE ALSO SPOKE WITH DREW JOHN ABOUT THE CYCLING SIGNAGE. HE SAID DREW JOHN WOULD MAKE SOME PHONE CALLS RIGHT AWAY, HE SAID IT SHOULDN'T BE AN ISSUE.

HE ALSO SAID AKOSH IS TRYING TO GET SOME MOMENTUM GOING ON DISTRACTED DRIVING TO GET SOMETHING GOING IN CLIFTON OR DUNCAN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID SHE GOT AN E-MAIL SAYING THERE WAS A MEETING IN CLIFTON, BUT NOT IN DUNCAN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID DUNCAN HAS A LOT MORE CYCLIST GO THROUGH THAN CLIFTON. THE SHERIFF SAID HE IS PROBABLY HAVING IT THERE, BECAUSE THE CLIFTON TOWN COUNCIL ADDED IT TO THEIR ORDINANCE.

HE ALSO REPORTED THAT THE FLOOD ISSUE THAT CAME UP, THEY WERE NOT WORRIED ABOUT IT AT ALL. HE SAID IT IS BENEFICIAL TO POST THAT, THE DISPATCH WAS VERY HAPPY THAT THEY DID NOT GET A LOT OF CALLS ON THE SITUATION. HE SAID HE CAME OUT AROUND 7:30 PM, AND WENT OUT TO THE VIRDEN BRIDGE AND NO ONE WAS IN A PANIC. HE SAID STEVE RUTHERFORD IS THE P.I.O. FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, BUT THEY REALLY DON'T HAVE A GOOD SOCIAL MEDIA SITE.

MANAGER BASTEEN WANTED TO KNOW IF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO UPDATE PEOPLE NOW OR IS THE TOWN GOING TO UPDATE PEOPLE. HE SAID IF THEY ARE THROWING INFO OUT THERE, THERE IS NO COMMUNICATION. WHO IS DOING THE UPDATING? HE SAID THEY NEED TO COORDINATE WITH THE TOWN. SHERIFF SUMNER SAID EITHER THEY CAN DO IT OR THE TOWN CAN DO IT. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID HE PREFERENCES THE TOWN DOES IT. COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW SAID THEY WOULD NEED TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY IF IT WAS GOING TO FLOOD. SHERIFF SUMNER SAID IT MIGHT BE CLEARER COMING FROM THE TOWN. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON SAID THERE WERE PEOPLE OUTSIDE THE TOWN LIMITS WHO WERE EXTREMELY UPSET AT THE COUNTY BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT INFORMED THE LAST TIME THEY HAD FLOOD ISSUES, THIS WAS BEFORE THE NEW SHERIFF TOOK OFFICE. SHERIFF TIM

SAID HE IS TRYING TO LET THE WHOLE COUNTY KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON, NOT JUST THE TOWN. HE SAID HE AGREES THAT THEY NEED TO COORDINATE AND FIGURE OUT WHO IS GOING TO HANDLE THE UPDATES.

THE MANAGER WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY COULD LET THE PEOPLE KNOW THAT THIS IS WHAT THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IS POSTING, BUT THIS IS WHAT WE EXPECT. SHERIFF SUMNER SAID HE THOUGHT THAT THE MANAGER GOT THE SAME INFO THAT THEY RECEIVED. THE MANAGER SAID HE DID, IN FACT HE GOT A CALL FROM TUCSON. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSONH WANTED TO KNOW WHAT THEY THOUGHT THE BEST WAY TO COVER THAT IS, SO NO ONE GETS CONFUSED. SHERIFF SUMNER SAID IT SEEMS LIKE THE GREENLEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS THE LARGEST FOLLOWING. THE MANAGER SAID HE LET THE COUNCIL KNOW, BUT SAID PLEASE DON'T POST ANYTHING. HE SAID PEOPLE START WORRYING ABOUT WHERE THE SAND IS TO FILL SAND BAGS. SHERIFF SUMNER SAID HE FEELS HE HAS AN OBLIGATION TO GET THE WORD OUT FOR PEOPLE BEYOND DUNCAN AND HE IS GETTING POSITIVE FEEDBACK.

COUNCILMEMBER THURMAN SAID THE COUNTY HAD MENTIONED NOT TO COME TO THE BRIDGE, THAT WAS PROBABLY ONE OF THE BEST THINGS THEY COULD HAVE DONE, BECAUSE IN THE PAST IT BECAME A CIRCUS.

COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF STEVE RUTHERFORD HAS AN EMERGENCY PLAN FOR A FLOOD IN THE RIVER. THE MANAGER SAID YES, THEY DO.

SHERIFF SUMNER ALSO REPORTED THAT THERE ARE SEVERAL DEPUTIES LIVING IN THE DUNCAN AREA NOW, THEY WANT TO PUT A NEW DEPUTY IN THE DUNCAN HEIGHTS APARTMENTS. HE SAID THEY ACTUALLY HAVE SEVEN DEPUTIES IN THE DUNCAN AREA NOW AND THERE ARE ALSO A COUPLE IN YORK. HE SAID THEY ARE FULLY STAFFED, BUT ONE DEPUTY IS STILL AT THE ACADEMY.

COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSONH TOLD THE SHERIFF THANKS FOR THE INTERVENTION WITH A COUPLE OF TEENAGE BOYS, SHE THINKS IT WAS VERY EFFECTIVE.

COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW WANTED TO KNOW IF ANY PROGRESS WAS MADE ON THE GENTLEMAN WHO IS WALKING AROUND IN PEOPLE'S YARDS WITH A CAMERA. THE SHERIFF WANTED TO KNOW IF THEY KNOW WHO IT IS. THEY SAID NO.

**8. THANK THE COUNCIL FOR PRIOR SUPPORT AND REQUEST SUPPORT FOR THE 2018 FAIR:**

LENDSEY BASTEEN, GREENLEE COUNTY FAIR MANAGER, SAID SHE CAME TO THANK THE TOWN FOR THE TOWN'S SUPPORT THROUGH ALL THE YEARS. SHE SAID LAST YEAR THEY DID A DIFFERENT APPROACH AND BROUGHT OUT A BIG BOOK THAT HAD EVERY DIVISION IN IT. THEY WANTED TO HAVE A HUB THAT PEOPLE COULD GO TO FOR A LIST OF THE DIFFERENT DIVISIONS AND DEPARTMENTS THAT THEY COULD ENTER THEIR STUFF UNDER. SHE SAID THE OFFICE GRACIOUSLY KEPT IT AT TOWN HALL. THEY HAVE ALWAYS BEEN WILLING TO TAKE ENTRY FORMS FOR THE PARADE. SHE SAID IT IS A BIG RELIEF BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD BY OTHER ENTITIES THAT THEY WILL NOT DO THAT. SHE SAID IT IS VERY NICE TO HAVE OUR POSTERS HUNG HERE AND LAST YEAR THE TOWN SPONSORED \$3,500 AND IT PAYED FOR THE GYMNASTIC FAMILY. SHE SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO USE TOWN HALL AS A PLACE TO GET OUT INFORMATION, AND THEY ARE ALREADY HELPING OUT BY GIVING INQUIRERS FOR THE FAIR THE PHONE NUMBER. SHE SAID THEY ARE TAKING SPONSORSHIPS AGAIN, SO THEY WILL BE GREATFUL FOR WHATEVER THE TOWN CAN GIVE.

COUNCILMEMBER BARLOW SAID SHE DOES A GOOD JOB. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON MADE A MOTION TO SUPPORT THE 2018 GREENLEE COUNTY FAIR WITH A CASH AMOUNT AT THE DISGRESSION OF THE TOWN MANAGER. COUNCILMEMBER DOUG BARLOW SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.

9. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF FY 2019 TENTATIVE BUDGET:** COUNCILMEMBER THURMAN REMINDED THE COUNCIL THAT THEY DID HOLD A WORKSHOP ON THE BUDGET. SHE SAID SHE DOES NOT THINK THERE ARE ANY CHANGES OTHER THAN WHAT WAS DISCUSSED. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON WANTED TO KNOW IF THE DISCUSSION WITH THE ATTORNEY IS REFLECTED IN THE WAY THINGS WERE BUDGETED. MANAGER BASTEEN SAID IT IS IN THERE. COUNCILMEMBER MENDELSON ASKED IF SOMEONE CHECKED THE BUDGET FOR MATH ERRORS. THE MANAGER SAID YES. COUNCILMEMBER DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FY 2019 TENTATIVE BUDGET. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON SECONDED. ALL FAVORED. MOTION CARRIED.
10. **CONSIDERATION OF DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING:** THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> AT 5:00 P.M.
11. **CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:** FINAL BUDGET, RESOLUTION FOR SHARED ROADS, PARK AT HUNTER ESTATES AND TREATMENT PLANT FOR HUNTER ESTATES.
12. **ADJOURNMENT:** AT 5:45 PM, COUNCILMEMBER DOUG BARLOW MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. COUNCILMEMBER DEBORAH MENDELSON 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 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE MEETING WAS DULY CALLED AND HELD AND THAT A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

DATED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2018

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CYNTHIA NICHOLS, TOWN CLERK