

**TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT  
TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012, 6:30 P.M.**

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2012, AT TOWN HALL AT 2735 S. HIGHWAY 69, DEWEY-HUMBOLDT, ARIZONA. MAYOR TERRY NOLAN PRESIDED.**

1. **Call To Order.** The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.
2. **Opening Ceremonies.**
  - 2.1. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Made.
  - 2.2. **Invocation.** Given by Councilmember Wright.
3. **Roll Call.** Town Council Members David Hiles, Mark McBrady, Denise Rogers, Nancy Wright; Vice Mayor John Dibble; and Mayor Terry Nolan were present. Councilmember Dennis Repan was absent.
4. **Announcements Regarding Current Events, Guests, Appointments, and Proclamations.** Announcements of items brought to the attention of the Mayor not requiring legal action by the Council. Guest Presentations, Appointments, and Proclamations may require Council discussion and action.

Councilmember Wright made a public apology to CM Rogers for a statement she made at a previous meeting. After reviewing it CM Wright discovered her statement was incorrect. CM Rogers accepted the apology.
5. **Town Manager's Report.** Update on Current Events.

None.
6. **Consent Agenda.**
  - 6.1. **Minutes.** Minutes from the August 7, 2012 Regular Council Meeting and August 14, 2012 Special Study Session Meeting.

Councilmember Wright made a motion to accept the Minutes from the August 7, 2012 Regular Council Meeting and August 14, 2012 Special Study Session Meeting as presented, seconded by Councilmember Rogers. It was approved unanimously.
7. **Comments from the Public (on non-agendized items only).**

Jerry Brady spoke on major closures on Highways 69, 169 and 17 and his concerns for safety and circulation during those closures. He spoke on pursuing grants for a safety study for Highways 69 and 169 and working with the Sheriff's Department on this issue.
8. **Discussion Agenda – Unfinished Business.** Discussion and Possible Action on any issue which was not concluded, was postponed, or was tabled during a prior meeting. None.
9. **Discussion Agenda – New Business.** Discussion and Possible Action on matters not previously presented to the Council.
  - 9.1. **Public Safety quarterly report.** By Magistrate Judge Kelley and Lieutenant Newnum.

Lt. Newnum gave his 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report - PowerPoint presentation to Council. There were questions by Council: Q-why an increase in crimes? A-looking for patterns, will possibly need to increase manpower; Q: Whether Sheriffs enforce local laws? A-Yes, local, state and federal laws enforced; Q- Looking for violations at Main Street and Highway 69? A-They can use volunteers for tracking speed, and mechanical violations.

Public comments/questions were taken.

Jack Hamilton asked if they are tracking frequency of domestic disturbances, barking dogs, animal cruelty, noise, etc. A-those reports can be run.

Jerry Brady spoke on federal emergency management monies for emergency preparedness; calls on flooded roadways and calls for assistance (fire and medical). A-The County Emergency Management handles those types of calls rather than the Sheriff's office.

Bart Brush shared his concern about dangerous traffic at Hecla and Phoenix Streets at the top of the hill with children using the whole roadway and vehicles travelling up and down the road at a high speed.

Judge Catherine Kelley reported on the Magistrate's office: statistics are good, high quality of citations, DPS writing citations in Dewey-Humboldt. She spoke on tools available to this department: adult supervised probation, and life skills for counseling. She spoke on having a backup judge (Judge Walker) available to handle non-emergency cases between court, council and/or staff to avoid any appearance of favoritism.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke on the Sheriff's office assisting other agencies during the Gladiator Fire; operational requirements for FEMA funds; Main Street flooding being handled through FEMA and ways to enhance chance for funding.

## **9.2. Open Space and Trails Committee Progress Update.**

Sandra Goodwin, Chair of the Open Space and Trails Committee gave a progress update on the projects they have been working on. The Butte Street Park is scheduled for completion in October with a grand opening scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>. They received funding through APS for \$4k to be used for picnic tables, benches, etc. The Friends of the Library has donated a bench to include a plaque on it. Slope and drainage is completed, landscaping purchased and stored and bid projects are in progress. They are starting on two trails projects and are trying to identify vacant land that accesses trails. Tharp Street has access to Brushy Trail and property owners are supportive of the idea of using his land as a trailhead (cost of 1200/year to pay property taxes).

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke on contacting the Forest Service for collaboration on the trails.

Jack Hamilton spoke on the money allocated in last year's and this year's budget for the pocket park and monies needing to come out of contingency for it.

## **9.3. Request for Travel and Meals. [Mayor Nolan CAARF Request] Mayor requesting to attend Innovation Summit.**

Mayor Nolan introduced this item, explaining that someone from the Council should attend this Summit. It will be a one-day event so only travel and a meal will need to be reimbursed.

Councilmember Wright stated she would want a report (verbal) given to the Council if attending the summit.

Councilmember Rogers made a motion to approve the request for Travel and Meals for the Mayor to attend the Innovation Summit, covering travel and lunch and to request a

report be made to council on what was pertinent to the town, seconded by Vice Mayor Dibble.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke on this being a worthwhile event for the town to attend as important agencies will be there.

Gary Mortimer spoke in support of the Mayor attending the event.

Andy Peters spoke in support of the Mayor attending the event.

The motion passed by a unanimous vote (6-0).

**9.4. Reduce Council meetings from three meetings a month to two meetings a month.**

Consider amending Town Code 30.101 Regular Meetings and/or 30.102 Study Sessions. [Mayor Nolan CAARF request]

Mayor Nolan gave an overview on his request. He spoke on his thoughts for requesting one less meeting a month. There was discussion on how much is being handled at meetings and how to organize regular and work session meetings.

Councilmember Hiles made a motion to leave it as it is, seconded by Councilmember Rogers.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jack Hamilton spoke on working on agenda items in work sessions and not putting off work that needs to be done.

Jerry Brady spoke on doing more work at work sessions, interacting with staff and placing action items on regular meetings. He spoke on the general plan and federal funding which would require more work sessions with P&Z and staff.

The motion passed by a 4-2 vote, Vice Mayor Dibble and Mayor Nolan voting against.

**9.5. Discussion of proposed Joint Council and P & Z Meeting.** [CM Repan CAARF request]

Mayor Nolan read the request and asked Council for their comments since Councilman Repan was not in attendance. There was brief discussion on the purpose of the request.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke on doing business in work sessions and with the P&Z and staff; administrative work does not require public participation.

Andy Peters stated they should talk to the Chairman of the Commission, Bob Bowman and the commission receiving the Council's list of priorities in April.

Judy Morgan, Town Clerk spoke on her understanding of the agenda item: CM Repan wanting the Council to decide the direction/changes regarding the sign code prior to the Joint meeting discussion on this matter.

Councilmember Wright explained Commissioner Clark worked on a draft of the sign code and suggested postponing the Joint meeting with Council and Commission until October to give them time to work on this new draft.

Andy Peters agreed with Ms. Morgan that this agenda item is to decide specific elements within the Town's Sign Code that the Council has an issue with or what they need to address in the sign code so they can provide that direction at the Joint meeting.

Councilmember McBrady made a motion to table this agenda item until the September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, seconded by Councilmember Hiles. It was approved unanimously.

**10. Public Hearing Agenda.** None.

**11. Comments from the Public.**

Jerry Brady spoke on commercial signage, the sign code and the priorities of the Town Council; this meeting running smoothly.

Gary Mortimer gave a report on the Corn Festival; community activities in the area; staff's help with their projects.

Bart Brush thanked the Council for the time they volunteer; the boiler issue and allowing it to stay in its present location; setting precedence with the pocket park in the Town's ROW; the need to amend laws as society changes.

Jack Hamilton apologized for misinformation regarding budget and the pocket park; steam engine displays at the Corn Festival; commended CM Repan for research and being informed.

Bart Brush thanked the Council for agreeing to pay the Historical Society's Museum rent for the first year but didn't think it was necessary; the appearance of standing in the way of a good thing for the town and museum.

**12. Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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Terry Nolan, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Judy Morgan, Town Clerk