

**TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012, 6:30 P.M.**

A REGULAR SESSION OF THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 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 6:30 p.m.
2. **Opening Ceremonies.**
 - 2.1. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Made.
 - 2.2. **Invocation.** Given by Councilmember Wright.
3. **Roll Call.** Town Council Members John Dibble, David Hiles, Dennis Repan, Denise Rogers, Nancy Wright; Vice Mayor Mark McBrady (absent at roll call-arrived at 6:34 p.m.); and Mayor Terry Nolan.
4. **Announcements Regarding Current Events, Guests, Appointments, and Proclamations.**

Cathy Jackson gave the Council a report on the Roving Dumpster program. VM McBrady arrived at 6:34 p.m. Cathy Jackson thanked the Council for hiring her to help at Town Hall and complimented the staff on the job they do.

Mayor Nolan spoke on the loss of a business in town which resulted in 5 full-time jobs being lost.

5. **Town Manager's Report.**

None.

6. **Consent Agenda.**

- 6.1. Minutes. Minutes from the May 8, 2012 Special Study Session Meeting.**

Councilmember Rogers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by CM Dibble. It was approved unanimously.

7. **Comments from the Public (on non-agendized items only).**

Jack Hamilton spoke on a detail of the minutes and including the budget in the packet.

Jerry Brady spoke on a work study session with Jerome on an interstate transportation study, and on providing a statement of public benefit.

8. **Public Hearing Agenda.**

- 8.1. Budget Public Hearing #1.** Public Hearing regarding the Proposed FY2012-13 Budget, and Council discussion.

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor Nolan explained the copy of the budget was made available online.

Jack Hamilton spoke on increased revenues and increased road maintenance costs; concerns for roads deteriorating before maintenance cycle is complete; salaries and benefits being 40% of general fund; responsibility of Council to cut the grant requests (SCPG).

Jerry Brady agreed with Mr. Hamilton; spoke on unfunded liabilities by cutting the Roving Dumpster program; federal and state grants for road system; communicating with towns that participated in Yavapai County's five-year intermodal transportation plan.

Bob Greene stated he couldn't ask questions as he did not have a copy of the budget.

Mayor Nolan explained where the budget was available.

The Public Hearing closed at 6:51 p.m.

9. Discussion Agenda – Unfinished Business. Discussion and Possible Action on any issue which was not concluded, was postponed, or was tabled during a prior meeting.

9.1. Council Joint Meetings with other Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Discussion and possible action.

Town Manager Kimball asked for direction from Council on how to set up joint meetings between the Council and other public bodies.

Councilmember Wright stated Council will make the determination whether to have a joint meeting, rather than the Commission.

Mayor Nolan explained the P&Z has requested joint meetings before; training meetings would be advisable for the Council to attend as well and notification should be made to the Council so they can sit in on it if they choose.

There was discussion on whose idea it was to bring guest speakers to provide training/guidance to the P&Z.

Councilmember Wright made a motion to approve a joint meeting procedure where someone from the outside, commission, committee or board would bring their request for a joint meeting to the Town Manager who would then bring it to Council to decide whether to establish the meeting, date, etc., seconded by Councilmember Reban.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Andy Peters spoke on the P&Z commission requesting a joint meeting with Council to hear from Council their priorities.

Mayor Nolan explained he came up with the idea for training and speaking with Mr. Mauk to see if he was available for the training, at no cost to the town, to help P&Z get some answers. There was discussion on why to have the training and why with Mr. Mauk.

Jack Hamilton spoke on having a training session rather than a joint session.

Jerry Brady spoke on Mr. Mauk's expertise and being a good choice for training P&Z, as he knows federal standards and can show them the process to assimilate the standards.

Andy Peters spoke in support of the last joint meeting and its benefits for prioritizing action items.

A vote was taken on the motion. It was approved by a 6-1 vote, Mayor Nolan voting against.

9.2. June's Council budget meeting scheduling. Discussion and possible action.

Town Manager Kimball asked for Council to give her direction on whether additional meetings are necessary for the budget process.

There was discussion. It was decided the Council would meet for an additional budget meeting on Monday, June 11, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Bob Greene suggested having a meeting after the second public hearing.

10. Discussion Agenda – New Business. Discussion and Possible Action on matters not previously presented to the Council.

10.1. Emergency Management Services Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).

Town Manager Kimball spoke on having the Town Attorney review the agreement with only a few minor adjustments: page 3(f) update the years to 2012 and 2013; 5(d) term years updated to 2012 and 2013, extension of original agreement so add wording that addresses this for clarity; final signature page updated with Dewey-Humboldt rather than Chino Valley.

Councilmember Hiles made a motion to approve the Emergency Management Services Intergovernmental Agreement with changes discussed, seconded by Vice Mayor McBrady.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady spoke in support of the IGA, and spoke on it being a necessary contract.

A vote was taken on the motion and it passed unanimously.

10.2. Discussion and possible action to add definitions to Town Code Paragraph 10.05. [CM Wright CAARF]

Councilmember Wright gave an overview on her item. She is requesting adding definitions to clarify words. She spoke on it being necessary to follow the proper format to make change in the town code. There was discussion.

Councilmember Hiles made a motion to direct staff to draft an ordinance to add the definitions to the town code, seconded by Councilmember Rogers.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jerry Brady agreed it was the proper way to change code and explained the AZ Constitution defines how to modify an ordinance with an ordinance. He stated the electoral procedure and AZ Rules of Evidence and Procedure in addition to Open Meeting Law defines this as well.

A vote was taken on the motion and it passed unanimously.

10.3. Discussion and possible action to change Town Code Paragraph 30.015. [CM Wright CAARF]

Councilmember Wright gave an overview, explaining she was looking for a way when a motion is made to show the intent to bring back an ordinance to change the code. There was discussion on having the Attorney come up with the proper wording and bringing back a draft ordinance for Council's action.

Councilmember Wright made a motion to direct staff to take this to the Town Attorney to draft an ordinance to reflect the suggested changes, seconded by Councilmember Repan.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Jack Hamilton suggested staff go back through motions made over the last year to find any that were not reflected in town code through an ordinance.

Jerry Brady agreed with Mr. Hamilton's idea and explained those ordinances need to be reviewed to see if they are in conformity to state and federal laws.

Town Manager Kimball spoke on the difficulties for staff last year and will be glad to review those if directed.

A vote was taken on the motion and it passed unanimously.

10.4. Per Town Code 30.031(D) appoint a new vice mayor for one year. [CM Wright CAARF]

Councilmember Wright gave an overview explaining that code states yearly, the first session in June, the most senior Councilmember who has not already been the vice mayor is appointed. Mayor Nolan asked Councilmember Hiles, as he is the most senior CM, if he would accept the position. CM Hiles stated he was not interested in the position. Mayor Nolan asked Councilmember Dibble if he was interested, as he was the next most senior CM. CM Dibble answered affirmatively.

Mayor Nolan made a motion to appoint John Dibble as Vice Mayor for the next year, seconded by Councilmember Repan. It was approved unanimously.

10.5. Discussion of ARS 9-244 (Implementation of property taxes to support infrastructure), 9-471-02 (Deannexation), 9-102 (Disincorporation). CM Repan CAARF

Councilmember Repan gave an overview on his request. He spoke on reasons why Dewey-Humboldt incorporated, concerns with expenses and revenues; how to move the town along: Deannexation to work with adjoining community to consider an agreement to swap the ownership of land; Disincorporation-going back to the County jurisdiction; Levy taxes if people want park, better roads, etc. He asked whether the Council wanted to be proactive or wait for the town's funds to deplete.

Mayor Nolan made a motion to send this agenda item to a work session and have further research available, seconded by Councilmember Repan.

Public comment was taken on this item.

Cathy Jackson spoke on citizens not being able to afford the additional cost of a property tax.

Councilmember Repan explained his point was the Council has been conservative with the town funds but is hearing people ask for services. He doesn't want a property tax either, but is trying to find an approach to deal with this issue.

Bob Greene spoke against this item being on the agenda; he spoke on the hard work to get the town incorporated; needing economic development; concerns if the town disincorporates as Prescott Valley will annex along the highway and claim the water supply; he spoke in support of staying involved in the Verde Coalition and communicating with other towns and being involved in politics across the state.

Jerry Brady spoke on the town needing to apply for federal and state taxes for infrastructure; proper format on agenda; talking with other agencies; new standards and needing to be in compliance before the County can take the town back. He recommended speaking with Leonard Gradias for help with the town's grant application.

David Nystrom spoke on the County not taking Dewey-Humboldt back; property tax not being a realistic option; problem with using up HURF funds and tapping into General funds; look at grant money; with the PARA study the town is eligible to pursue grant monies; apply for transportation grant money to free up operation funds.

Jack Hamilton thanked Councilmember Repan for bringing this up. He suggested looking for outside sources of income; and pro-business choices made by council in the past.

Bob Greene spoke on ARS Title 9-Chapter 2 stating the Board of Supervisors being able to remove officials of the town and put a new council in.

Councilmember Repan responded that the purpose of this agenda item was to be proactive, needing a discussion so they don't lose the town; and economic development not working in Dewey-Humboldt.

Andy Peters supported CM Repan bringing this forth for discussion and being proactive. He recommended creating an ad hoc committee to work with council to come up with some long-term viable ideas to create an environment to make the budget more manageable.

Kevin Leonard spoke on the Historical Society talking about ways to make this a viable town; get grants to fix the roads; have faith; support the museum to get the town turned around and make an historic district downtown.

Bart Brush spoke on the changes in the state of our county and suggested giving the choice to the people if they want something to pay for it through a property tax.

Jerry Brady spoke on Prescott Valley's start-up with no tax base, agricultural land and the Fains working with the state to obtain funding.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to move this item to a work session, which passed by a 4-3 vote, Councilmembers Hiles, Rogers and McBrady voting against.

11. Comments from the Public.

Bob Greene spoke on the need to budget for things otherwise, the money can't be spent; supports the dumpster program; would like to have the Agua Fria Festival funded but not necessary; look at something for the museum; Jerome museum has acquired \$10 million through grants; tour from Tucson coming through Dewey-Humboldt and have them stop here; Prescott Valley helping the D-H Little League.

Jerry Brady spoke on his father's involvement with community outreach in the Navy; finding money through appropriate sources; talking with Prescott Valley, Jerome and Yavapai County Board of Supervisors and this being part of the Council's job as liaison with other agencies.

12. Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Terry Nolan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy Morgan, Town Clerk