

**Town of Mammoth
Minutes of a Regular Meeting
April 16, 2009**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF MAMMOTH HELD April 16, 2009 PURSUANT TO THE NOTICE
REQUIRED BY LAW.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Students of the month lead the pledge

3. ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Vice Mayor Baugher
Councilwoman Wickham
Mayor Williams
Councilman Barcelo
Councilman Ramirez

STAFF PRESENT

Rachelle Sanchez Town Clerk
Tresa Georgini Town Attorney
Neil Mullard Chief of Police
Juan Ponce Public Works Director

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

Councilman Goff
Councilwoman Ramirez

STAFF ABSENT

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT (Per sign in sheet)

Diane Theobald
Diana Stirling
Fred Verdugo
Allen Bushey
Jerald Rilling
Bob Sloan

Walter Scott
Adam Peoble
Barry Hoben
Tracy Alvarez
Lanie Reynoso

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Barcelo had some questions regarding expenditures. He wanted to know why there were purchases were still being made at Home Depot instead of buying locally.

Councilman Barcelo motioned to adopt consent agenda, seconded by seconded by Vice Mayor Baugher.

**5. CALL TO THE PUBLIC
NONE**

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. **Resolution 2009-001 – W.I.F.A. 2008 Application**

Rachelle asked council to approve the W.I.F.A. Resolution 2009-001 this Resolution would be for the 2008 funds that were granted to the town by

W.I.F.A. the \$11,000.00 grant would be used to help pay for the design of systems improvements. Councilman Barcelo motioned to approve Resolution 2009-001. Seconded by Vice Mayor Baugher. Mayor Williams read Resolution 2009-0001

B. **Resolution 2009-002 – Application for FY 2008-2009 CDBG**

Rachelle asked council to approve Resolution 2009-002. At previous meeting Council approved the funding for FY 2008-2009 to be used for water engineering and design. And the rest of the funding would be applied to the Community Center for handicap improvements in the rest-rooms and the kitchen. Councilman Ramirez motioned to approve Resolution 2009-002 Seconded by Councilman Barcelo. Motion carried. Mayor Williams read Resolution 2009-002.

C. **Resolution 2009-003 – Authorization of Application for DWSRF loan from W.I.F.A.**

NO ACTION

D. **Resolution 2009-004 – Fair Housing**

Rachelle asked council to approve Resolution 2009-004 this resolution would insure that the Town of Mammoth would continue to receive grants through the Community Development Grant Program. Each town is required to address three different items for Fair Housing month. Rachelle attended a workshop and has the Fair Housing information on the town's website; she also has pamphlets available in the lobby. Since Resolution 2009-003 had no action this resolutions number changed to 2009-003. Councilman Ramirez motioned to approve and pass Resolution 2009-003. Seconded by Councilwoman Wickham. Motion carried. Mayor Williams read Resolution 2009-003.

E. **Water Run off on 485 S. Main –**

Lanie Reynoso wanted to know when and if the town was going to put in a drainage system that would divert the water from the rains and the fire hydrant from running onto her property on 485 S. Main. She stated that

her husband had spoke to Mr. Ponce and that Public Works was going to work on diverting the water flow. She thought that the placement of the two mobile homes might be the cause for the water running through her property. Mr. Ponce asked if the two parties that moved in should be responsible for drain repair? Council directed Mr. Ponce to look into the repairs to resolve this problem. Maybe should go to county and ask about a covert and what the cost would be to install one. Mr. Ponce was asked by council to report at the next meeting.

F. Little League

Tracy Alvarez asked councils permission to use the Little League and Senior League fields from April 1st through July 31st. She also stated that once again the Town of Mammoth would be hosting All Stars. Vice Mayor Baugher motioned to give the Little league rights to both fields for the dates requested. Seconded by Councilwoman Wickham. Motion carried.

G. Signature on checking account

Rachelle told council that since Councilman Vargas had resigned and he was a check signer we needed to remove him and add a new signer. Councilwoman Wickham agreed to be added.

H. Land Split

Diane Theoblad asked council to approve the land split on parcel 306-19-020B the rear part of the property to use as residential. She stated that Planning and Zoning had looked over and discussed the issue and approved the split. Council asked Councilwoman Wickham what she thought since she was previously a P&Z member. Councilwoman Wickham motioned to pass the land split. Seconded by Councilman Ramirez. Motion carried.

I. Trailer Park Water Meters

Walter Scott stated that he felt the towns request for land owners to be responsible for collecting water bills from their renters was unfair. He felt that it was the town's responsibility to collect payments. Rachelle said that the idea was to start with one park and then start placing one main meter in each park. Councilman Barcelo felt that the town should find a better way to keep track of renters he suggested that the Clerk should raise the water deposit from \$50.00 to \$100.00. The Clerk stated that that was a council decision not the clerks. Mayor Williams reminded Councilman Barcelo that he was the one who made the motion to install the single meter. Councilman Barcelo said he wanted to retract his motion. He asked the town attorney if he could do this Tresa stated yes. Councilman Barcelo motioned to retract the motion he made in October of 2008 to install one

main meter at the trailer courts and make the landlord responsible for the bill collection. Motion was seconded by Councilman Ramirez. Motion Carried. Mayor Williams asked that the Clerk, Town Attorney and Land owners get together and try to come up with a solution to this problem.

J. Water Payments

Allen Bushey stated that he felt the same as Mr. Scott and the Town should be the one responsible for collection of water bills. He agreed to attend the meeting that would be scheduled with the Town Attorney.

K. Grant Approval for Officer

Chief Mullard asked council permission to submit a grant to employ an officer. There would be no cost to the town for 36 months and by then we would hope the town would have a slot open for an officer. Vice Mayor Baugher motioned to approve the grant submission. Seconded by Councilman Ramirez. Motion carried.

L. Council Attendance

Mayor Williams stated that at the meeting scheduled for March 19th, there were only two members present. Himself and the Vice Mayor he said that this was an embarrassment to the town. The meeting was cancelled because there was no Quorum this was not the first time that this has happened. If you are not going to make it to the meeting at least have the decency to call and notify the Clerk. Many times we have people come to make presentations from out of town, if we know ahead of time that there's no quorum at least we could notify them and save them a trip. If Councilwoman Ramirez could call and state that she was going to attend from her hospital bed then the rest of the council could very well call in. Mayor Williams asked Tresa to look into the town's policy of attendance and to research the procedure for declaring a seat vacant.

M. Council Approval to attend Freeport-McMoRan Auction

Rachelle stated that this company just had major layoffs and that the supervisors who had trucks paid for buy the company were given the option of taking the trucks for a certain price or having the company buy them back from them. Many of the employees opted to sell the trucks to the company. Therefore they are going to be holding an auction on May 16th in Morenci. Rachelle stated that out of the 7 vehicles that public works had 4 were not working and the cost to repair the vehicles would not be feasible. If Council would give her permission to attend the auction maybe we would be able to get three trucks for the town's use. Rachelle asked council for \$50,000.00 to attend and bid on three trucks. Mayor Williams asked where the funds would come from. Rachelle said that she planned to take two trucks out of the Water, Sewer Funds and the third from HURF funds. Councilman Ramirez motioned to let Rachelle attend the auction in Morenci. Seconded by Councilman Barcelo. Motion carried.

7. Council Comments

Mayor Williams stated that he spoke to David Williamson from Fairfield and he said that they were still working on some issues that the economy has put on them but that the Cielo project was still in the making and they would be in touch with the town soon.

8. Adjourn

Councilman Barcelo motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Ramirez. Motion carries.

I certify that the following are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Town Council meeting held on April 16, 2009. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held.

Town Clerk

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Attorney