



## Town of Mammoth

### MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING IN PLACE OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAMMOTH TOWN COUNCIL

HELD ON APRIL 20, 2017

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Mammoth Town Council held April 20, 2017 pursuant to the notice required by law.

1. **Call to Order**

- a. Mayor Dietz called this meeting to order at 7:00PM

2. **Pledge of Allegiance –**

3. **Roll Call**

a. **Council Members Present**

Mayor Joe Dietz  
Vice Mayor Al Anaya  
Councilman Bob Sloan  
Councilwoman Rogina Medina  
Councilwoman Frances Amparano

**Staff Members Present**

Stephen Cooper, Attorney  
Don Jones Town Manager  
Tammy Villar Police Dept.  
Sharon Christiansen Librarian

**Council Members Absent**

Councilman Bustamante Excused  
Councilman Goff

4. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC - Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H)**

A public body may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to a three (3) minute limitation to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

- a. Alice Martinez-Repeating her complaint filed with Council on several occasions concerning Don Jones for misconduct, violation of personal privacy, and slander. I have filed all paperwork correctly and in a timely manner to have this presented to the proper authorities and while Don Jones was Mayor he refused to put it on the agenda. I am asking now Mayor Joe Dietz to address this matter and send it to the proper authorities for investigation. Thank you.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. **FOR REGULAR MEETING OF March 16, 2017**

- b. **FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF April 13, 2017**

Motion: Councilman Sloan Second: Councilwoman Medina

Motion Passes Minutes are Approved Vote is 5-0

6. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS – NONE**

Handicapped individuals with special accessibility needs may contact the ADA Coordinator for the Town of Mammoth at (520) 487-2331 (V/TDD)

7. **NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCREASE WATER AND SEWER RATES**

- a. Per Arizona Revised Statutes §9-511.01, the Mammoth Town Council is giving this notice of Intention of increasing water and wastewater rates.
- b. **NO ACTION OTHER THAN TOWN COUNCIL SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING DATE SHALL OCCUR AT THIS MEETING.**
- c. By adopting a Notice of Intention the Town Council is not increasing utility rates, but simply acknowledging that rates are being reviewed and considered. The Notice of Intention must be adopted at least 60 days before a public hearing can be held. After the public hearing the Council may take action to adopt new rates and charges.
- d. **Council agrees to hold the Public Hearing for this matter on June 22, 2017 @ 7PM**

8. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

a. **Staff Recommendations and Reports**

**Included are Town Clerks Report, Police Report, Public Works Report, Library Report and Planning/Zoning Report.**

Police Report by T. Villar- Police Radio is on Backup Power only; if power goes down in the town we are without radio contact. We are currently looking for funding to help with this matter. Next, The Police Department has secured a grant of \$4000.00 for Police Vests. Also as of June 1, 2017 the 911 calls currently being routed through Pinal County has about a 65 second delay reaching Mammoth dispatch. The 911 service is going 100% digital and Mammoth is not set up to use this system. This will mean that all 911 calls routed to Mammoth will have to be completed through the telephone lines only which will limit the information that would normally appear on screen, such as address GPS and pertinent information from the original caller. This will slow response for our dispatchers. We are currently looking into grants to help with obtaining the \$10,000.00 system console, and this will carry a \$ 950.00 per month cost for service averaging about \$12,000.00 per year for 911 services. I will be meeting with the magistrate of our town to go over fee, fines and structure concern highway speeds through our town. I will have a budget report and some other revenue scenarios for you by the next meeting.

Mr. Ponce Public Works- #1 tank was low pressure due to the fact that BIA was working on a project and did not notify the town, once noticed that the pumps where down we restored water and completed project in the morning. We have had to put into place an evacuation plan for the town of Mammoth, which has been completed. We had to replace a dozen meters that could not be read which has caused many re-reads. We are also cleaning away all vegetation from the wastewater pond facility.

Concerning Cecil Trucking Sewers, Don Jones. Survey done and has called for a blue stake.  
Radio Meters are still being worked on.

Sharon Christiansen- Librarian- Sharon has asked again about getting the room below the police station and T. Villar said they are not using it and will talk about it with library sometime next week.

Planning and Zoning- Sharon Christiansen stated that there are 9 properties in the works now, two of these will probably be going to court June 1<sup>st</sup>. there are also 6 that should be ready for letters by next week. We have started a little late this year but we think that a good time for the Quality of Life Cleanup Program should run from February 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup> each year. There is no sense in trying to do this during the winter months as we have almost no response during these months and would just be accumulating fines that most likely will not be able to be paid. Rather than set this scenario up we chose to exempt the months of November 1<sup>st</sup> thru January 31<sup>st</sup> each year.

**Motion: Councilwoman Amparano Second: Councilwoman Medina  
Motion Passes Consent Agenda Approved Vote 5-0**

b. **Accounts Payable for Payment and Filing**

**Motion: Councilman Sloan Second: Councilwoman Medina  
Motion Passes Accounts Payable Approved Vote 5-0**

9. **Old Business – NONE**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Address Citizen Complaint of Richard Colvin regarding horses in Town Limits. There will be no action taken at this time Council may direct staff to look into problem and report to Town Council at a future meeting.**

- i. Mr. Colvin is requesting the interpretation of the ordinance concerning livestock in the town limits. The smell and the flies are a problem in our area. We need to follow the Town ordinance. There is some question as to whether these horses are free roaming or just break their barriers. Mr. Cooper locating the ordinances made the following statement: In 1966 the town adopted an ordinance # 24 which basically made it illegal to have livestock in the town limits this was repealed by ordinance #26 at which time the Town adopted the County Ordinances, as to the specific on horses we will have to do some further research, we apologize for not having a better answer for you at this time.
- ii. Council has instructed the Town Manager and Planning and Zoning to research and locate all information pertaining to livestock (Horses) and report back as soon as possible. We will then inform Council as well as send a notice to Mr. Colvin with what action will or will not be taken.

- b. Discussion of Possible Authorization of Town Planning & Zoning to assist Community to re-draw Mammoth School District Boundaries and to assist in investigation of acquiring Charter School for Mammoth School District. Discussion may include directing Town /staff to look into feasibility of Town seeking to Acquire Charter School License.**

- i. Annie Martinez—I have reached out to several teachers and as of the last meeting of the School Board, San Manuel will be placing the 6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> graders into the High School in a segregated wing. By the end of next year the plan is to move all students to the high school. They are currently trying to decide which elementary will remain open, either the Mammoth STEM or First Ave. The current request is that this is the Mammoth/San Manuel School District and being that the High School is in San Manuel it is only right that the Elementary School be left open here in Mammoth. Redistricting is definitely an option here. Back in 2010 when Council first approved looking into this, the idea was to obtain a charter license and that the Town of Mammoth would provide the water, sewer, and maintenance of the building, this council may consider this option again as an incentive to gain an outside charter license for the first year, while Mammoth works on obtaining their own license. On the redistricting, it will take a bond initiative, and we have the votes needed, we will need a political committee, file it with Pinal County, procure the petitions for signatures, and you will need planning and zoning to work on the redistricting maps. All this work was done once in 2010 but will need to be updated, everything must be done exactly as the county wants or it will be rejected. We cannot stress enough the importance of crossing every "T" and dotting every "I", following every direction to the letter. Thank you!

**MOTION IS TO AUTHORIZE PLANNING AND ZONING TO ASSIST WITH THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND THE INVESTIGATION OF REDRAWING BOUNDRY LINES FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS.**

**Motion: Councilwoman Medina      Second: Councilwoman Amparano  
Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0**

- c. Discussion of Possible setting of Town Pool fees schedule to increase daily rate from \$2.00 to \$3.00**

**Motion: Approval of increase in Pool rates  
Motion: Councilman Sloan      Second: Councilwoman Amparano  
Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0**

- d. Discussion of Possible Authorization to approve Exclusive Right to the Mammoth Softball League and approve the end of Season Pool Party for the Town Softball League Participants and Families.**

**Motion: Approve Exclusive Rights to the Mammoth Softball League and End of Season Pool Party for Town Softball League Participants and Families.  
Motion: Vice Mayor Anaya      Second: Councilwoman Amparano  
Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0**

- e. Discussion of Possible Authorization to allow Mammoth Elementary School to use Town Pool for Party on May 16, 2017 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Motion: Authorize Mammoth Elementary School to use Town Pool for Party on May 16, 2017 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Motion: Councilwoman Medina

Second: Councilwoman Amparano

Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0

- f. Discussion of Possible Action to declare vacancy on Town Council by Councilmember Goff for failure to attend Council Meetings as required pursuant Mammoth Town Code Section 2.04.030

Motion: Declare vacancy in office of Council Member and Direct Town Staff to Advertise to seek applications of individuals wishing to serve on Town Council.

Motion: Councilwoman Medina

Second: Vice Mayor Anaya

Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0

- g. Discussion and Possible Authorization of hiring Wendy Gort/ Gort Consulting as an Independent Contractor on a monthly rate of \$900.00 per month.

Motion: Authorize independent Contractor Agreement for Wendy Gort/Gort Consulting at \$900.00 per month.

Motion: Councilwoman Medina

Second: Councilwoman Amparano

Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0

- h. Discussion and Possible Authorization of Town Employee Pay Raises for the Following Position: Utility Clerk from \$11.50 to \$ 13.50

Motion: Authorize pay increase due to work load and fat that the State minimum wage is \$ 10.00 per hour.

Motion: Councilwoman Amparano

Second: Vice Mayor Anaya

Motion Passes Approved Vote 5-0

11. POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION- NONE

12. ADJOURN – 7:59PM

Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 7:59PM

Motion: Mayor Dietz      Second: Councilwoman Amparano

Motion Passes Vote 5-0

Meeting is Adjourned at 7:59PM

I certify that the preceding is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Mammoth Town Council's Regular Meeting held on April 20, 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held.

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Interim Town Clerk Rogina Medina