

Town Of Mammoth



**TOWN OF MAMMOTH
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAMMOTH TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON
November 16, 2017**

These are the Minutes of a Special Meeting held by the Mammoth Town Council on November 16, 2017 pursuant to the notice required by Law.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – This meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Mayor Dietz.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Councilwoman Medina
3. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT MEMBERS

Councilman Martinez
Councilman Sloan
Councilman Bustamante
Mayor Dietz
Vice Mayor Anaya
Councilwoman Amparano
Councilwoman Medina

PRESENT STAFF

Attorney	S. Cooper
Town Manager	D. Jones
Librarian	S. Christiansen
Chief Police	T. Villar

ABSENT MEMBERS

4. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC** Pursuant to A.R.S, 38-421 (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.

Ricardo Romo-New Business Limb Pick up- This is just wrong. It was bad enough that it costs \$20 per load for dirt, now you want \$15 for limb and brush pick up. The limb pick up project start a few years ago for free and it avoided a lot of wildcat dumping, the people were doing the right thing, and putting the stuff out for the town to pick up, but now you want to charge them. Where is this going to end? The price of water is going up, we are laying people off, where does it all end. Some people cannot afford it, they have to pay someone to clean their yards and put the stuff out to the street, now you want them to pay to have it hauled off too. Personally I think this is wrong. We are only hurting the people of Mammoth not helping them. People are going to want to leave, not stay here. They will go where it is cheaper. Second, the water Radio Meters, I have done research on these and found there is still a lot of problems with these and the radio waves, you should do more research before making a decision on this matter. Thank you.

Rudy Romo-I'm here to discuss laying people off at public works. It is a bad time of year for this, with the holidays and you're getting rid of these part time workers. Seems to me you could have worked with them and maybe asked them to take a pay cut or work fewer hours, or maybe have the whole department take a pay cut. Maybe there is a monetary reason for you doing this, laying people off. You were already down on employees and now you have two less. It does not look good. These men have families and need to work, with all the holidays coming up this is just a bad time to be laying people off. Thank you.

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Carmen Aguilar- Charge for limb pickup. I think that people are trying to clean their yards and get their property cleaned up but to start charging them maybe they won't even clean their yards anymore, That's what I am thinking. Thank you.

CLOSE OF CALL TO THE PUBLIC

5. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF October 19, 2017

Motion to Approve the Minutes as written for October 19, 2017

MOTION BY: Councilman Sloan SECOND BY: Councilman Martinez

MOTION PASSES BY A VOTE OF 7-0

6. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS-**

Mayor Dietz called for the Turkey and Pie Drawings; there were 5 turkey winners and 5 pie winners. Mayor Dietz wanted to publicly thank Ray Ziggler for his donation of \$50 to the Drawing.

Vice Mayor Anaya announced that the town will give out three vouchers for the dump for free this would take some pressure off the town doing the pickup. The town cannot just keep giving away time and money, we are going broke. Maybe we can reopen the dump here. We need to save some money. The town goes and picks up limbs and two days later they want us to come and pick up more. The town cannot afford to keep doing this for free. \$15 every few months is not going to break anyone.

Councilman Bustamante would like to see a breakdown of fiscal impact in association with the presentation for payment and filing. We are still learning and this would be helpful in understanding what we are looking at. This is not only looking at what is going out for payment and filing but what is projected to go out in the future, to keep within our budget. We all need to stay on top of this and some more detailed figures we could make better decisions.

Councilman Sloan would like to know if it is possible for Pinal County to allow inmates to work in the residential areas with the limb pickup and cleanup projects around town.

Councilman Bustamante announces that we are not the only town that has had to begin increasing rates or cutting projects due to the economy and legislation.

7. **MANAGER REPORT**

Concerning the men that were laid off, one was caught sleeping on the job and the other was not performing his work and was just standing around time after time and refused work orders given. This is my decision and hopefully was a wakeup call to employees.

We are on the states list for DOC workers so maybe we will get some help from there soon.

Limb pick up, people are calling in day after day wanting pick up at the same address over and over. This is costing the town to much in man hours. Other towns do not provide these services for free and we can no longer keep doing this. Another issue is that residents are putting trash of all kinds in with the limbs and this is a hazard for our workers.

Grants, are not easily obtained and we are working on a large one right now. Further information will follow as it becomes available. Nothing comes free, even grants will cost the town some money. The food tax allowed us an extra 87,000 dollars last year. We must keep the rates comparable or we will fail, we are still going to be cheaper than most places.

Number one water tank is almost complete, one more week and we are done. Radio meters have been seen as very reliable and good by many other towns.

New Grant for 6 Million is underway.

Gannon Tractor was approved for \$13,000 we got it done for under \$10,000.

Are there any questions? Hearing None we will Continue, Thank you.

8. CONSENT AGENDA – ALL ITEMS SET FORTH BELOW ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE MATTERS AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE (1) MOTION AND ONE (1) ROLL CALL VOTE OF THE COUNCIL.

There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- A. Approval of Staff Recommendations and Reports.
Town Clerk/Treasure's Report
Police Report
Public Works Report
Library Report
Planning and Zoning Report

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Item (A)

MOTION BY: Councilman Sloan

SECOND BY: Councilman Bustamante

MOTION PASSES BY A VOTE OF 7-0

- B. Approve Accounts Payable for Payment and Filing
Councilwoman Medina had a few questions concerning some of the payments which were answered by the Manager.

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Item (B)

MOTION BY: Councilman Bustamante

SECOND BY: Vice Mayor Anaya

MOTION PASSES BY A VOTE OF 7-0

9. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and Possible Approval of authorization to seek bids for the sale of surplus real estate and surplus personal property pursuant to A.R.S. 9-402

Mammoth Town Code Purchasing Policy 3.04

Town Manager and Town Council declare certain personal property surplus and subject to sale by sealed bids with Town reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

Action: Approval of authorization to seek bids for surplus real estate and personal property:

A.R.S.9-402

Sale and Disposition of property: advertising for bids: publication: donation: easements

- A. A city or town may sell and convey all or any part of its real or personal property, whether or not the property is devoted exclusively to public use.
- B. The sale shall not be made until an invitation for bids for the purchase of the property has been published as provided by section 39-204 and notice has been posted in three or more public places within the city or town.
- C. If no newspaper is published within the city or town, then the invitation for bids shall be published as provided by section 39-204, and by posting notices for bidders in three or more public places within the city or town.
- D. A city or town may donate lost and found or unclaimed personal property in its custody for at least ninety days, to nonprofit charitable organizations.
- E. Notwithstanding subsections A and B of this section, a city or town may convey to the appropriate property owner without receiving payment an easement that the city or town no longer needs.

Mr. Cooper-This item has been on the agenda several times this year. There has been discussion about whether the town has surplus property meaning that it is property we own but have no need for and putting it up for sale would benefit the town. The Town of Mammoth has about 52 parcels of real property within the town limits. I have pulled from the Pinal County Assessor Website the documents with parcel numbers and in some cases the deeds that convey the property to Mammoth. What I would suggest tonight is that the council appoint 2-3 members as a committee to evaluate each of these properties and decide which would be available for sale. There is a procedure disclosed in the agenda tonight that outlines the procedure for disposal of surplus property. (SEE ABOVE) This committee of council could work with the Town Manager to compile a list of available properties for sale. I have sent an electronic file to Erica so we now have these on the computer and I

have a hard file that I will give you tonight. My suggestion would be to look at those properties that are in residential neighborhoods and would have the potential for someone to build a home, this would increase the towns property tax base.

There is some discussion amongst the Council at this time.

Town Manager-May I suggest that the Council look at setting a reserve based on the square footage of the individual properties, Example: 50X100 lot is 5000 square feet, at \$1.00 per sq. ft. would be \$5,000. This is a great price for this. We don't want to be giving it away, as Mr. Cooper stated Council has the final decision on all of it so this is only a suggestion.

Mr. Cooper-What I would suggest is Council should create a group to work with the Town Manager to develop a list and look at values. You could use the Pinal County Assessor Value as a guide; this may or may not reflect actual value. You could also talk to realtors and find out what the value of vacant properties in that area are and what would be a fair value.

There is some more Council discussion to clarify some given information.

Mr. Cooper-There are about 52 properties, some of these have highway addresses and obviously you would not want to sell those, these are frontage properties.

Some further Council discussion concerning various known properties.

Mr. Cooper-Mayor it is my suggestion that you ask for volunteers and appoint a committee.

Council asks Councilwoman Medina, she accepts. (Someone from the public asks about public persons being on the committee, but there is no response from Council)

The Town Manager responds-I think we should post it so everybody gets a chance. The more the better.

Councilwoman Amparano and Councilman Sloan both volunteer.

Councilman Bustamante-states that the committee members from council must stay under 4 members to avoid having a quorum.

Town Recorder- There are 3 council members and the town will be looking for 2 members of the public.

Town Manager-Yes, I think we'll advertise it.

Mr. Cooper-Motion would be for the Council to appoint a committee to work with the town manager and the three Council names that were mentioned-the issue is whether or not you are going to ask for any public members that are not a council member to serve on that committee.

Ricardo Romo and Rudy Romo both express interest in volunteering for the committee.

Town Recorder-So we'll have a 5 man committee to look at the properties? There is no response from the council.

Mr. Cooper-I suggest Council should create the committee so they can get started.

Mayor Dietz-Do I have a motion to start a committee?

Councilman Martinez-I make that motion.

Councilman Bustamante- If we create this committee, is it subject to all the regulations, this would be an Ad Hoc committee?

Mr. Cooper- Yes, we would post notices of all public meetings.

Motion is then second by both Councilwomen Median and Amparano at the same time.

Mr. Cooper-The committee will come back with a list, Council will approve that list, put it up for auction, and we would set a time when that would occur.

Town Recorder to Mr. Cooper-So the actual motion itself is changed to start a committee?

Mr. Cooper-Yes

Motion is to start a 5-member committee with 3 Council Members which have been appointed, and 2 public members to work with the Town Manager to review and list all properties available as surplus real estate.

Motion by: Councilman Martinez Second By: Councilwoman Medina
Motion Passes by a vote of 7-0

Personal Property of the Town of Mammoth, Town Manager and Town Council declare certain person property surplus and subject to sale by sealed bids with Town reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

Motion is to direct Town Manager to compile a list of all items to be considered Surplus personal property of the Town of Mammoth.

Motion by: Councilwoman Amparano Second By: Councilman Bustamante
Motion Passes by a vote of 7-0

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Possible Approval of Policy discontinuing free limb pickup for town residents. Possible Approval of pickup fees for limbs at \$15.00 per Town Truck for pickup and removal.

Motion is to Discontinue Free Limb Pick up and to begin to Provide Limb Pick up at \$15.00 per Truck Load.

Motion By: Councilman Sloan Second By: Vice Mayor Anaya
This item went to a Roll Call Vote

Councilman Martinez	NO	Councilman Sloan	NO
Councilman Bustamante	NO	Mayor Dietz	NO
Vice Mayor Anaya	NO	Councilwoman Amparano	YES
Councilwoman Medina	Yes		

Motion was Defeated Vote 5-2

There is some discussion by Council concerning other ways to handle this matter. This matter will be discussed at a later date.

- B. Discussion and Possible Approval of change of hours of operation for the Town Burn Pile to be open and conducted once a month burns.

Motion is to Table this Item for a future agenda.
Motion By: Councilwoman Medina Second By: Councilman
Motion is Tabled Vote 7-0

C. Discussion and Possible Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Department of Manufactured Housing and Pinal County for Installation Standards for Manufactured Housing within Mammoth Town Limits.

Motion is to Approve and Accept the IGA with Arizona Department of Manufactured Housing and Pinal County for Installation Standards for Manufactured Housing within Mammoth Town Limits.

Motion By: Councilwoman Medina Second By: Councilman Bustamante
Motion Pass Vote is 7-0

11. Possible Executive Session
 i. No Executive Session Required for this Meeting

12. Adjourn

Motion is to Adjourn this meeting at 8:23 PM
Motion By: Councilman Sloan Second By: Councilman Martinez
Meeting is Adjourned at 8:23 PM

I certify that the preceding is a true and correct copy of the Town of Mammoth Council Meeting held November 16, 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held.

Don Jones, Town Manager