

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PINETOP-LAKESIDE, ARIZONA, HELD OCTOBER 21, 2010 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

Mayor Smith called the Work Session to order at 6:34 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

<u>ROLL CALL:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Luke Smith	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Stephanie Irwin	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Vice Mayor Rich Crockett	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Kim Webb	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Woody Biscoe	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	Leslee Wessel	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>
Norris Dodd	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>			

STAFF PRESENT:

Kelly Udall, Town Manager; Rosemary Rosales, Town Attorney; Lu Anne Frost, Town Clerk; and Woody Eldredge, Chief of Police.

UPDATE BY GEORGIA DYSTERHEFT ON THE PINETOP-LAKESIDE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

Georgia Dysterheft stated she is the Museum Director. She stated at the annual meeting in August she submitted the report contained in the Council packet, and said she calculated the statistics back to 2004, when they began in a small room in Town Hall. She stated in 2004 they applied for and received certification from the Arizona Historical Society; and said, after they received their certification, they applied for their first grant. She said, in 2004 they had over 107 visitors. She stated the visitor numbers are not completely accurate, as a number of people did not sign in. She said, in 2006 the Town granted the Historical Society a lease on the old maintenance building, and said they applied for grants, held fundraisers, and membership drives. She stated the donations started coming in. She said in 2009 when they opened the new museum they had over 201 visitors. She stated they ask the visitors to sign in when they arrive at the museum, and said all visitor comments have been positive. She said they are open 3 days a week and have nine reliable volunteers. She stated they have had over 372 visitors this year, but said it was probably more like 450 to 500. She stated they would close the museum at the end of October, and said she would be available over the winter months to provide special tours. She stated she attributes the increase in visitors to advertising, communication, signage, an increase in hours, and offering special tours. She said she has conducted six tours for cub scouts, school groups, Solterra residents, senior citizens, and a church group. She stated the groups range from 7 to 20 individuals each. She thanked the Council and staff for their assistance.

Councilmember Irwin asked if the Museum has any plans to commemorate the Centennial. Ms. Dysterheft stated they are preparing oral histories on the area, and said they would place the oral histories on the website. She stated they would be setting up a display; and said the theme would be past, present, and future. She invited the Council to visit the Museum. Councilmember Wessel commended the Board and volunteers for all of their hard work, and stated they held a successful fundraiser in September. She said they have plans for additional fundraisers next

year. Councilmember Dodd stated she identified parking as a limiting factor, and asked how many parking spaces they would like to have. She stated she spoke with Kelly Udall who graciously gave them four parking spaces, and said the Public Facilities Department would install signage.

CURRENT EVENTS BY TOWN MANAGER:

Mary French-Jones stated the Town has collaborated with the Blue Ridge School District for the Safe Routes to School Program. She stated they would hold the Second Annual *Walk to School Wednesday* on October 27, and said they are encouraging all of the kids and parents to join them on that day. Councilmember Wessel asked if they would have police assistance in crossing the Billy Creek Bridge. Ms. French-Jones stated the police department would be assisting, as well as the Public Facilities Department.

Mr. Udall reminded the Council of upcoming meetings. He said they would hold a joint meeting with the Pinetop-Lakeside Sanitary District and Navopache Electric Cooperative on October 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sanitary District Conference Room. He said they are scheduling a joint meeting with Show Low for November 9, and said if they want items on the agenda to let him know. He said they Town would host this meeting. He stated they are expecting many people for tomorrow night's football game. He said News Channel 3 would be here; and said they would use the parking lot at the Mountain Meadow Recreation Complex for overflow parking, with a shuttle bus going back and forth to the school. He said there would be signage on White Mountain Blvd. He said it should be an exciting event. He said News Channel 3 would be at the school at 6:00 a.m. He stated the Town is trying to assist the school with the State Student Council Conference in February of 2011; and said they need assistance from the community. He said he expects to have a list of their needs within the next week, and said the Town would try to fill some of those needs. He stated the Advertising & Promotion Committee is assisting with the hotels and restaurants. He stated the Town is working with the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee (MYAC) on the banners for the solar lights in Lakeside. He stated MYAC would work with the art students to come up with a good design; and said they hope to have them in place by the holiday season. He stated the RFQ for the environmental study and NEPA report is in draft form, thanks to Councilmember Dodd and Rosemary Rosales. He stated they forwarded the draft to the U.S. Forest Service for review. He said once they return it, it would come back to the Council for approval to go forward with the RFQ. He said Navopache Electric is planning an official ground breaking at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26. He said the Planning & Zoning Commission is forwarding a positive recommendation to the Council on the adoption of the General Plan. He said they have scheduled a public hearing for December 2 before the Town Council. He said staff is reviewing the Maverik Store site plan. He said there would be a Board of Adjustment variance request for a new monument sign at the Safeway Center. He said, through Council action, staff moved forward with a HUD sustainable planning grant. He stated this grant involves all cities and towns in Navajo and Apache Counties, as well as the Navajo, Hopi and Apache Tribes. He said the grant is for \$820,500. He said he met the consultant, who is excited to begin; and said it would involve drainage studies. He recognized Boy Scouts, Joey and Daniel Wright, and said they were attending the meeting to attain a merit badge for citizenship in the community. He stated ADOT would be winterizing the landscaping they installed with the streetlights. He said the Town Clerk and he are working to advertise the Town

Attorney position, and thanked the Council Members who stepped forward to help with the selection committee.

Councilmember Wessel stated the Little Colorado River Plateau RC&D is putting together their 2011 work plan, and said they are looking for projects they can help with throughout Navajo and Apache Counties. She stated they could assist with a comprehensive drainage plan, the Billy Creek Bridge, or on alternative energy sources within the two counties. She stated they are available to help communities within the two counties to forward projects, and said they have been very instrumental in getting the herbicide applied at Rainbow Lake.

The Work Session adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Dated this 26th day of October 2010.

PINETOP-LAKESIDE TOWN COUNCIL

/s/ Lu Anne Frost, Town Clerk