

**CITY OF YUMA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SWEHLA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Baucke, Ebersole, Hoch, McClung, Shay, Smith-Dischner, Swehla.

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Moore, Jerry Thompson, Karma Wells, Kathryn Sellars.

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated the Agenda needs amended to add an Action Item for Street Closure for Community for Unity/Community Blessings for Hope.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Shay moved to approve the May 18, 2021, Agenda as amended. Second by Hoch. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ebersole moved to approve the May 4, 2021, Minutes as presented. Second by Hoch. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCUSSION ON KCI FIBER INSTALLATION – SCOTT MOORE.

Mr. Chip Powell, with KCI, provided Council with an update on the fiber being installed in Yuma. Mr. Powell stated they are finishing on the south side of Highway 34, then they will move to the north side of town to complete the rest of the City. The fiber should be completed in the next couple of months. Discussion was held.

REPORT FROM YUMA DISTRICT HOSPITAL

Ms. Beth Saxton updated Council on vaccine availability. The hospital has provided 1,292 first dose vaccines and 1,189 second dose vaccines. There are 2,289 people fully vaccinated, which is 29% of the County. The COVID bus is back to using the Johnson and Johnson vaccine.

ACTION ITEMS

A. STREET CLOSURE FOR COMMUNITY FOR UNITY/COMMUNITY BLESSINGS FOR HOPE – SCOTT MOORE.

Manager Moore stated this is for an event in the 100 Block of South Main Street on August 6 from 3:30 P.M. to midnight. An event packet has been turned in by Ms. Kindi Kirchenschlager. Ms. Kirchenschlager updated Council on the many activities planned for the Community for Unity/Community Blessings for Hope event. Baucke moved to approve the street closure. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

B. LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR HIGH PLAINS RECREATION – LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY, KARMA

WELLS. Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated High Plains Recreation has turned in the paperwork to renew their liquor license. They also have a change in the list of officers in the corporation. Baucke moved to approve the liquor license renewal for High Plains Recreation. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

C. STREET CLOSURE FOR 5:10 TO YUMA – SCOTT MOORE. Manager Moore stated June 19 is the 5:10 to Yuma 5K and 10K race. Ms. Alice Swanson is managing the race and would like to close the 100 block of South Main Street. Ms. Swanson stated the course is the same as it has been and will finish in the 100 block of South Main Street. Shay moved to approve the street closure for the 5:10 to Yuma. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

D. STREET CLOSURE FOR CHAMBER CRAFT FAIR – SCOTT MOORE. Manager Moore stated the Chamber is having a craft fair on July 3, 2021 from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. and would like to close South Main Street from 2nd Avenue to 4th Avenue. Smith-Dischner moved to approve the street closure for the Chamber Craft Fair. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

E. STREET CLOSURE FOR CATHOLIC CHURCH BIBLE SCHOOL AND PARISH PICNIC – SCOTT MOORE. Manager Moore stated the Catholic Church would like to close Fifth Avenue from Ash to the alley between Ash and Birch for Bible School and a Parish picnic. Ms. Ashley Lynch provided Council with the details of the events. Fifth Avenue would be blocked off at various times from June 13 to June 18 and from 11:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on May 23. Baucke moved to approve the street closure for the Catholic Church. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

F. APPROVAL OF BILLS – KARMA WELLS. Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with an additional list of bills. Hoch moved to approve the bills. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

G. DOT DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE – SCOTT MOORE. Manager Moore stated this is a possibility of some monies provided by CDOT. This form, which needs signed by the Mayor, allows us to apply for the monies available. Shay moved to approve the DOT Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. Second by McClung. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

H. PURCHASES OVER \$5000.00 – SCOTT MOORE. Manager Moore stated this is a purchase to the repair of our trash truck. Manager Moore apologized this did not get approval before the work was completed. The purchase is for \$7,954.04. McClung moved to approve the repairs to the trash truck. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE

Manager Moore stated the crack sealing should start next week depending on the weather. We are hoping to be able to use the local plant to save on time.

Quotes for chip sealing are being requested.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS

Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with the sales tax report.

CHIEF OF POLICE, JERRY THOMPSON

Chief Thompson provided Council with the April police report.

Chief Thompson introduced Matt Yost as the newest Police Officer.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Ebersole

- Council Member Ebersole stated the Police Report is very interesting.

Hoch

- Council Member Hoch stated he is glad everyone is able to be back together now and he feels good about everything getting back to normal.

McClung

- Council Member McClung stated it was nice to meet Mr. Yost and it is great to see the Police presence downtown.

Smith-Dischner

- Council Member Smith-Dischner updated Council on the Parks and Recreation Committee Meetings. The recreation participants is above normal, there are over 2,000 sprinkler heads the Parks department takes care of, they are finishing the scoreboards, summer help is getting lined up, and the \$25 fee to participate in a recreation program pays approximately 25% of the cost to run the program.
- There was a Community and Enrichment Center Committee meeting held also. There was a presentation from some ladies working on an adult day care center in Yuma. They will be able to work with some of the programing at the Community and Enrichment Center. City staff is trying to figure out what to do with the Boy Scout Building since it is no longer used. Also, a High School organization has adopted the pond and they have some plans on working on some landscaping around the community center.

Swehla

- Mayor Swehla stated he attended the Street Committee Meeting, but Manager Moore already provided the report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

“To hold a conference with the City’s attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4) (b), concerning banking matter and investigation.”

Attorney Sellars stated Council intends to meet in executive session to hold a conference with the City’s attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4) (b), concerning banking matter and investigation. Shay moved to go into executive session. Second by McClung. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Council resumed regular session. Attorney Sellars made a statement for who was present in executive session and there were no objections to the discussions in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Shay moved to adourn. Second by Hoch. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Ron Swehla
Mayor

Karma Wells, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer