

**CITY OF YUMA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**HYBRID REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Baucke, Benish, Frame, McClung, Shay, Swehla, Smith-Dischner

STAFF PRESENT: Jerry Thompson, Scott Moore, Karma Wells, Candy Gilliland, Stacie Gonzalez.

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated the date on the special meeting minutes should be October 13, 2022 instead of October 14, 2022.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Shay moved to approve the November 1, 2022 Agenda as amended. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Shay moved to approve the October 4, 2022 regular meeting minutes and the October 13, 2022 special meeting minutes. Second by Benish. Question. 6 ayes. 1 abstain (Smith-Dischner abstained because she was not at the October 4 meeting). Motion carried.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

S.A.R.A HOUSE PRESENTATION ON THE S.A.R.A HOUSE ORGANIZATION.

Ms. Paula Bragg presented a video showing what S.A.R.A. House was about. Ms. Bragg thanked everyone for the invitation. Mr. Keith Bath, a farmer in the Fort Morgan community, hosted another golf tournament to raise money for S.A.R.A House. S.A.R.A house has 3 offices, Yuma, Fort Morgan, and Sterling. The Yuma location has been here since 2017. Ms. Steph Green introduced herself as S.A.R.A. staff who discussed her role with S.A.R.A. Ms. Yolanda Maralin introduced herself as a forensic interviewer who has been with S.A.R.A. since 2019. City Manager Scott Moore asked how they are funded. Ms. Bragg stated that it is mostly funded by grants, mostly federal grants and local donations.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. **LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR J & L LIQUORS LLC DBA LOG CABIN LIQUORS – LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY, KARMA WELLS.** Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated all appropriate paperwork was turned in for the renewal of the Log Cabin Liquors liquor license. There were no issues with the Police Department. Baucke moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Log Cabin Liquors. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. **RESOLUTION #22, SERIES OF 2022 (MOU WITH YUMA SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER) – JERRY THOMPSON.** Mayor Swehla allowed for public comments at this time regarding

the SRO. Several students spoke in favor of the SRO program. President of the School Board, Duane Brown stated that the school board was very pleased with the pilot program and has approved it to move forward at their last meeting. Chief Jerry Thompson stated he is pleased with safety and security of the kids. Council member McClung stated it was awesome to see all the positive reactions. Council member Benish and Council member Frame stated they had multiple phone calls sharing the good comments having an SRO in the schools. Chief Jerry Thompson stated the school will be paying \$32.52 per hour while the SRO is at the school and the school would pay all payroll related expenses and other miscellaneous expenses. The school would pay for the annual certification. Chief Thompson stated there has been no impact on scheduling and it alleviates some of work load having an SRO at the schools so other officers may be on the streets. There was one month of no agreement and working on an agreement with attorneys. Council member Smith–Dischner is in favor of SRO but is concerned that the SRO will be thrown in as a substitute teacher and is not an administrator or counselor. Shay motioned approval of resolution #22, Series of 2022 (mou with Yuma school district for school resource officer). Second by Frame. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried. Benish thanked everyone who came in support of the SRO position.

C. APPROVAL OF BILLS AND RATIFICATION OF BILLS FROM OCTOBER 18, 2022 – KARMA WELLS.

Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with an additional list of bills. Shay moved to approve the bills. Second by Benish. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

- D. PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 – Scott Moore.** City Manager Scott Moore stated asphalt replacement needs completed at South Ash street, west of the High school at 10th for approximately 410 feet to the south. Manager Moore stated the city will pay for 1/3 of the materials, which is \$4,266.00. The quote from McCormick Excavation is \$17,800.00 to do the project. Manager Moore requests the city pay and be reimbursed by the school for their portion. McClung moved to approve the purchase from McCormick Excavation not to exceed \$18,000. Second by Frame. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE

- City Manager Scott Moore stated the vacant position for the street department was recently filled by Ms. Mary Turney.
- There was a hydraulic cylinder that failed on the garbage truck and the warranty was 2 months past. Last time it was replaced was \$7,000.00. We found a hydraulic company to repair for \$1,300.00.
- Fall Cleanup had less material than spring cleanup.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS

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

CHIEF OF POLICE, JERRY THOMPSON

None.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Baucke

- Council Member Baucke stated a clock and granite company will send estimates for cost of replacement materials for the Main Street clock. He needs city help to take the clock tower out. The company is 6 months behind on granite so it will probably be next summer before it is fixed.

McClung

- Council Member McClung stated in the CML newsletter there is money available for infrastructure.

Frame

- Council Member Frame reviewed information from the CML Policy Committee Meeting. Council Member Frame reviewed information regarding the use tax on construction materials, electronic sales and use tax support, and cameras at traffic lights.

Shay

- Mayor Pro Tem Shay attended the Yuma County Water Authority Meeting. They were sending 2022 invoices and in 2023 there will not be an increase in fees
- Mayor Pro Tem Shay also attended the Yuma County Landfill Meeting. They are anticipating a 5% increase. The recycling project is going smoother.
- Mayor Pro Tem Shay attended the NECALG meeting. In January they will need 2 more board members.
- Mayor Pro Tem Shay attended an Animal Shelter Committee Meeting. There were some issues blown out of proportion. The committee will put in place some changes and will meet monthly until things are resolved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL

Mayor Swehla stated Council intends to meet in executive session to consider personal matters, pursuant C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(f) and not involving; any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session, specifically for the City Manager, City Clerk/Treasurer and Chief of Police evaluations. Smith Dischner moved to go into executive session. Second by Shay. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Shay moved to adjourn. Second by Baucke. 7 ayes. Motion Carried.

Ron Swehla
Mayor

Karma Wells, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer