

TUSAYAN TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.02 & §38-431.03
Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 4:00pm
TUSAYAN TOWN HALL BUILDING
845 Mustang Drive, Tusayan Arizona

TOWN COUNCIL SUMMARIZED MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Bryan called the meeting to order at 4:05pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following were present:

**MAYOR GREG BRYAN
VICE MAYOR CRAIG SANDERSON
COUNCILMEMBER AL MONTOYA
COUNCILMEMBER JOHN RUETER
COUNCILMEMBER JOHN SCHOPPMANN**

Also present was:

Eric Duthie, Interim Town Manager
Melissa M. Drake, Town Clerk

Mayor Bryan moved to Item 4.

4. DISCUSSION OF THE RAMIFICATIONS AND EFFECTS ON GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK AND THE TOWN OF TUSAYAN OF THE POSSIBLE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN ON OCTOBER 1, 2015

Mayor Bryan gave a brief update on this topic. He stated that Grand Canyon National Park is referring all calls to Washington D.C. regarding the shutdown. Washington is currently focused on the Pope's visit. Representative Gosar is not expected to support the shutdown and the Arizona Office of Tourism has sent a letter to Senator McCain's office expressing concern. The Mayor communicated to Senator McCain's office that if there is a shutdown, the Town would support reopening as soon as possible.

The Mayor gave a review of what happened during the last shutdown which occurred in 2013. He is still waiting on a meeting with Park Superintendent Uberuaga. He stated that there are two bills waiting for consideration which would allow repayment of funds to the Town from 2013.

The Council directed the Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Town Manager to proceed with keeping the park open if necessary with up to \$200,000 without another special meeting. The Grand Canyon Chamber and Visitors' Bureau, local businesses, and river runners will also be contacted regarding their financial support.

3. ACTION ITEM

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on Performance Evaluation of the Interim Town Manager

The Town Council may decide to go into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) for Personnel Evaluation of the Interim Town Manager.

Following the Executive Session, Council may wish to take action in open session relating to the evaluation of the Interim Town Manager. Council may elect to approve the evaluation of the Interim Town Manager or to appoint the Interim Town Manager as the Town Manager and authorize the preparation of an employment agreement.

Councilmember Montoya made a motion to take the Council into Executive Session at 4:20pm. Vice Mayor Sanderson seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

The Council entered Executive Session without the Manager and the Clerk and discussed options for Town Management.

Councilmember Montoya made a motion to exit Executive Session at 5:33pm. Councilmember Rueter seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

Interim Town Manager Duthie re-joined the meeting.

Mayor Bryan stated that the Council directed the Mayor and Vice Mayor to work with the Town Attorney to develop a hiring plan for a full time Manager.

4. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Councilmember Montoya made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:35pm. Councilmember Rueter seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

ATTEST:

Melissa M. Drake
Melissa M. Drake, Town Clerk

Greg Bryan, Mayor 11/2/15
Greg Bryan, Mayor **Date**

CERTIFICATION

State of Arizona)
) ss.
Coconino County)

I, Melissa M. Drake, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Tusayan, County of Coconino, State of Arizona, and that the above minutes are a true and correct summary of the meeting of the Council of the Town of Tusayan held on September 24, 2015.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 21st day of October, 2015



TOWN CLERK