

# TOWN OF TUSAYAN

at the entrance to Grand Canyon National Park



## MINUTES

### TUSAYAN TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.02 & §38-431.03

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 6:00pm

TUSAYAN TOWN HALL BUILDING

845 Mustang Drive, Tusayan Arizona

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Mayor Craig Sanderson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance.*

#### 2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

#### 3. ROLL CALL

**MAYOR CRAIG SANDERSON**  
**VICE MAYOR BECKY WIRTH**

**COUNCILOR DAVID CHAVEZ**  
**COUNCILOR AL MONTOYA**  
**COUNCILOR JOHN SCHOPPMANN**

*Present were Mayor Sanderson, Vice Mayor Wirth, Councilors Montoya, Schoppmann, and Chavez.*

*Staff members present included Town Manager Eric Duthie, Town Clerk Bruce Northern and Administrative Assistant Zijun Liang.*

#### 4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

*Manager Duthie replied that there were no requests for public comment.*

#### 5. CEREMONIAL AND/OR INFORMATIONAL MATTERS

##### A. Coconino Community College Presentation

*Manager Duthie apologized for the CCC representative who had to cancel at late notice.*

##### B. Coconino County Sheriff's Department Introduction

*Lt. Tozer introduced Bret Axlund, Chief Deputy for CCSO. Also introduced our new community resource officer for the area. Lt. Tozer discussed some significant developments in the hiring process for a resident deputy.*

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## 6. CONSENT AGENDA

### A. Accounts Payable Billings

### B. Minutes of the Town Council Meeting on 12/13/17 (Regular Meeting)

*Mayor Sanderson introduced the consent agenda items, hearing no discussion a motion was made by Councilor Montoya to approve the consent agenda, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Wirth. The motion was passed 5-0 at 6:43 PM.*

## 7. ACTION ITEMS

None

## 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### A. Discussion of internet improvement projects

*Manager Duthie updated the council on the status of the RFP for broadband internet services for the town. He informed the council of conversations between the town and a microwave provider who had several successes in providing broadband solutions to remote areas such as national parks and military installations that may be able to provide enhanced service until the fiber project is completed.*

### B. Discussion of Ten X affordable housing project

*Manager Duthie informed the council of the status of the maintenance agreement with the Forest Service for the road to 10X and the latest information regarding the issues hindering progress on the Kotzin development. Plans have not changed regarding the start date for 10X development.*

### C. Discussion of CDBG possible projects

*Clerk Northern explained that the latest income statistics received did not look favorable for a successful grant. Will continue to explore options and continue discussions at the council retreat.*

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## D. Discussion of Community Wellness meeting issues

*Manager Duthie told the council that he would update the council on community wellness meeting topics during the report section of the meeting.*

## 9. REPORTS

### A. Town Manager

#### i. Community Wellness Meeting Issues

*Manager Duthie detailed the status of planning for a possible federal government shutdown and how the town could assist NPS in keeping the park open. In addition, he mentioned the date for the GCNP anniversary event. In addition an update on the status of water restrictions due to pump repairs was presented.*

#### ii. Administrative actions and issues

*Manager Duthie informed the council of the jury trial held at the town hall and presented an update on the school backpack project and the town's participation in this effort.*

#### iii. Status of Internet Service RFP

*Will be completed by the end of the month to address the new options mentioned earlier in the meeting.*

### B. Council Members

*No reports.*

### C. Mayor

*Mayor reported on the recent meeting with the GCNP superintendent, how the plans for this shutdown were different than the last time and will keep the park open to a limited extent. He spoke of the park's importance to the town and the need for the town to assist the park.*

## 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*Update on Chamber of Commerce Budget Priorities.*

