

MINUTES

TUSAYAN TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.02 & §38-431 .03

Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

TUSAYAN TOWN HALL BUILDING

845 Mustang Drive, Tusayan Arizona

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431 .02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Tusayan Town Council and to the public that the Tusayan Town council will hold a meeting open to the public on Wednesday, April 28, 2021, at the Tusayan Town Hall Building. If authorized by a majority vote of the Tusayan Town Council, an executive session may be held Immediately after the vote and will not be open to the public. The Council may vote to go into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03. A.3 for legal advice concerning any matter on the agenda, including those items set forth in the consent and regular agenda sections. The Town Council may change, in its discussion, the order in which any agenda Items are discussed during the meeting.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation by contacting the Town Manager at (928) 638-9909 as soon as possible.

As a reminder, if you are carrying a cell phone, electronic pager, computer, two-way radio, or other sound devices, we ask that you silence it to minimize disruption of today's meeting.

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Clarinda Vail called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL *One or two Council Members may attend by telephone*

MAYOR CLARINDA VAIL

VICE MAYOR BRADY HARRIS

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBB BALDOSKY

COUNCIL MEMBER BECKY WIRTH

COUNCIL MEMBER GREG BRUSH

Present: Mayor Clarinda Vail, Vice Mayor Brady Harris, Councilmember Robb Baldosky, Councilmember Becky Wirth; Councilmember Greg Brush

Staff Present: Town Manager Charlie Hendrix, Town Clerk Dalia Lopez, Interim Clerk Marla Wortmann

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councilmember Baldosky, Seconded by Councilmember Brush. Motion to pull item 3B from the Consent Agenda. Vote 5-0. Motion Passed.

Town Manager Hendrix recommended that item 3A of the Consent Agenda be pulled as well.

Moved by Mayor Vail, Seconded by Vice Mayor Harris. Motion to pull item 3A from the Consent Agenda. Vote 5-0. Motion Passed.

A. Authorization for VMS signage for placement along ADOT right of way.

Town Manager presented signage for council approval and requested council to authorize staff to purchase the larger sign and rent the smaller sign from ADOT. A copy of the quotes is available to the public through the Town's website. Councilmembers discussed the prices and the benefits of purchasing a message board as opposed to renting them from ADOT. Town Manager Hendrix advised that the funds for the signs would be taken out of the COVID contingency fund. Vice Mayor asked what the dollar amount would be, Town Manager Hendrix advised it would not exceed \$25,000. Council is referred to written quotes in packet

Moved by Vice Mayor Harris, Seconded by Councilmember Wirth. Motion to authorize Staff to rent and purchase the message boards, the total is not to exceed \$25,000 which would come out of the Covid contingency fund. Vote 5-0. Motion Passed.

B. Authorization for change to PEMB (vs. Exerplay) structure for Outdoor Ramada/Classroom.

Town Manager Hendrix introduced Loven Contracting who were present via zoom to update council on the Outdoor Ramada/Classroom. A copy of the documents presented are available to the public through the Town's website. Loven Contracting presented a cost saving option for the Outdoor Ramada/Classroom structure.

Councilmembers discussed the option and concluded it would be best to continue with the original plan.

4. WORKSHOP ITEMS

A. Presentation, John Champagne, ATNI. (10 min)

Town Manager Hendrix asked broadband internet consultant, John Lucas, to introduce ATNI representative John Champagne. Mr. Lucas introduced Mr. Champagne and briefed council on ATNI's background and services. Mr. Champagne explained the build, infrastructure, and fiber service ATNI had been doing in surrounding areas of Tusayan.

B. Broadband Presentation, Karen Ziegler, Community Broadband Advocates, LLC (30 min).

Karen Ziegler was present via zoom and deferred to Mr. John Lucas for the first part of the presentation. Mr. Lucas gave some background on major projects Community Broadband Advocates have done throughout the state, what broadband is, and programs Community Broadband Advocates provides. A copy of the presentation is available to the public through the Town's website. Karen Ziegler presented the different types of funding available to the Town for their projects.

C. Facilitated Discussion with Council regarding Broadband Internet Services, Karen Ziegler, Community Broadband Advocates, LLC (60 min).

Mr. Lucas asked council what their plan would be for the next three years. Vice Mayor Harris' suggestion would be to push broadband as a utility. Discussion continued on making fiber a utility or a hybrid, distribution points, repairs, and site plans. Councilmembers discussed getting business approval for a study. Ms. Ziegler explained that one of the slides that explained community planning described providing a questionnaire to businesses or having a community meeting to contribute their thoughts and opinions.

Craig Sanderson commented on the fiber v. wireless issue and the challenge to get fiber to homes as most are owned by businesses.

Ms. Ziegler and Mr. Lucas emphasize the importance to have a plan for the next three years. Council requested a quote for fiber on all physical structures and wireless for homes. Mr. Lucas asked council's authorization to reply to ATNI that would be sent to Town Manager Hendrix for review. Vice Mayor Harris emphasized the importance to consult with the stakeholders before moving forward with plans. Mayor Vail offered to speak to the stakeholders to ask their opinions regarding this plan. Councilmember Wirth suggested to post it on social media where the question could be posed in a general matter.

Vice Mayor Harris asked what other municipalities were doing in terms of using fiber as a utility or a hybrid. Mr. Lucas explained that most municipalities preferred more of a hybrid to have more sense of control.

Mayor Vail will be collecting information from businesses and asking the following questions:

1. Do you want broadband internet provided to your business?
2. Do you want wireless extended to housing?
3. Do you want it to come out of the property or willing to pay?

Mayor Vail thanked Ms. Ziegler and Mr. Lucas for their information and presentation.

5. REPORTS

A. Town Manager Report.

Town Manager Hendrix updated council on upcoming meetings and advised council to read the Manager's report for more information.

6. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

7. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Councilmember Baldosky, Seconded by Vice Mayor Harris. Motion to Adjourn. Vote 5-0. Motion Passed.



Clarinda Vail, Mayor Date 11/17/21

ATTEST:



Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION

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This Page belongs to Meeting minutes Dated: April 28, 2021

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I, Logan Keel, do hereby certify that I am the Town clerk of 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 April 28, 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 18 day of November 2021.

J. Keel
Town Clerk