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JULY 27, 2023
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I. PROCEDURES

A. Call to Order 7:02 PM

Mayor Dent called the meeting to order, and Kerry-Lynn Moede provided the invocation.

B. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Don Dent, Vice-Mayor Frank McNelly, Councilmember Michelle Campbell, Councilmember Mike Cowen, Councilmember Ken Edes, and Councilmember Craig Fritsinger. Absent was Councilmember Lee Payne.

Present City Staff: City Manager Tim Pettit, Police Chief Tad Wygal, Fire Chief Chase Pearson, and City Clerk Pamela Galvan.

C. Approval of Minutes for July 13, 2023 meeting.

Motion: To approve the Minutes for July 13, 2023 meeting.

Action: Approved the minutes for July 13, 2023 meeting.

Moved by Councilmember Fritsinger, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Campbell.

The motion passed unanimously.

D. Adopt Agenda

Motion: To adopt the agenda as presented.

Action: Adopted

Moved by Councilmember Cowen, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember McNelly.

The motion passed unanimously.

II. PRESENTATIONS – Jeff Worner of KR Saline presented information regarding the power cost adjuster and another opportunity to buy into another solar project.

Jeff covered many things about the Williams 2023 Energy Supply and spoke of Brightnight (BOCA) Solar and the AEPCO Solar Project.

- He went over natural gas prices and forward prices.
- Power Cos Adjustor and calculations.
- Update as of July 2023 on the Power Cost Adjustor and how by May 2024, it is estimated to reach zero.
- He spoke of estimated annual bill impacts and an APS billing comparison.

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- Staff PCA recommendation is to 1. Maintain current PCA @ \$0.0423/kw. Revisit PA in late spring 2024 when the PCA balancing account is estimated to reach zero. 2. Continue to monitor actual power costs and PCA collections for future necessary adjustments (*up or down*).
- He spoke of the city being approached, through the Southwest Public Power Agency (SPPA), to jointly participate in a new solar and battery project being developed by AEPCO, which is expected to come online in the summer of 2025. He mentioned favorable pricing when federal grants are applied.
- He went over our current monthly capacity load and resources without AEPO Solar and Battery and our needs showing how we are short on capacity.
- He showed the capacity and energy load resources with AEPCO Solar.
- With a deadline of July 14, 2023, for expression of interest, the city requested its proportionate share at (5MW) of the AEPCO Solar project and 5MW of the battery project.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

- Robin Eckels-Smith requests the city to consider the property for SAVE Meant to Rescue to be considered vested.
- Andrea Dunn thanked the PD for the speed monitor and noted that the stop sign had helped.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS –

A. Approval of purchase orders.

Motion: To approve the purchase orders as presented.

Moved by Councilmember McNelly, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Cowen.

Motion passed unanimously

V. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

CONVENE TO PUBLIC HEARING – 7:53 P.M.

Pursuant to A.R. S. #38-431.02, a Public Hearing will be held on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget so the public will be informed and can ask questions and offer input.

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Kerry-Lynn Moede inquired on the allocation to Recreation, \$40,000.00

- It is for an interactive system to be installed in the shed building.
- There is \$250,000.00 allocated to the pool to resurface (\$80-\$100,000.00), a pool pac, and sealing the interior to cease erosion (\$150,000 plus).
- Jena Stephens inquired about more adult activities at the pool.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING – 8:03 P.M.

B. Council will consider and take action regarding Resolution No. 1433 approving the proposed Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget and for its publication.

Motion: To read Resolution No 1433 by number and title only.

Moved by Councilmember Payne, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Edes.

Motion passed unanimously

The City Clerk read Resolution No. 1433 by number and title only.

Motion: To approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Budget and for its publication.

Moved by Councilmember McNelly, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Payne.

Motion passed unanimously

C. Consideration and action regarding Resolution No. 1432 preliminary steps to become a participant employer in the PSPRS on behalf of Williams's full-time paid firefighter.

Motion: To ready Resolution No. 1432 by number and title only.

Moved by Councilmember Fritsinger, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Campbell.

Motion passed unanimously

The City Clerk read Resolution No. 1432 by number and title only.

Motion: To approve Resolution No 1432 to begin preliminary steps with PSPRS on behalf of Williams full-time paid firefighter.

Moved by Councilmember Payne, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Fritsinger.

Motion passed unanimously

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D. Consideration and action regarding the Council's approval of the employment of a related employee.

Motion: To approve the employment of a related employee.

Moved by Councilmember Edes, ***Seconded by*** Councilmember Campbell.

Motion passed unanimously

VI. REPORTS, CURRENT EVENTS, AND INFORMATION ITEMS

Mayor and Council –

- Mayor Dent and Council member Cowen went to a meeting in Flagstaff regarding the placement of a new memorial monument in Tusayan, making Tusayan a part of the Kaibab National Forest. They met with county officials and 40-plus others. Most people didn't even know this was transpiring. Flagstaff and the county did and passed resolutions to make this happen.

Council member McNelly shared his concern asking that this be taken very slowly. Willimas is opposed to this.

The point was made to the attendees that the area needed to be protected, this monument area.

- Mayor also noted that a call will be made to HUD next week.

Staff –

- Chief Pearson mentioned that the recruit training program has four individuals working on the practicable portion.
- He also invited everyone to the Native Air Open House on the 28th from 4 pm to 8 pm.

VII. ADJOURN 8:20 PM

Mayor Don Dent

ATTEST:

City Clerk Pamela Galvan

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CERTIFICATION

State of Arizona,)
) ss.
Coconino County,)

I, PAMELA GALVAN, do hereby certify that I am the City Clerk of the City of Williams, 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 City of Williams held on July 27, 2023. I further certify that the Meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 31st day of July 2023.

City Clerk Pamela Galvan