

Town of Carbonado
Regular Session of the Town Council
Monday, November 13, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was opened on November 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Vesey.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Councilmember Tom Argo, Clint Emry, JJ Sandin, David Rodway and Terry Carter.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Tavis Argo, Cedar Argo, Chief Eric Skogen, Holli Pendergast and Kaleb Murphy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Vesey led those in attendance of the council meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Vesey opened the Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m. regarding the 2024 Preliminary Budget Hearing. Citizens comments: None. Mayor Vesey closed the Public Hearing regarding the 2024 Preliminary Budget Hearing at 6:31 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Vesey opened the Public Hearing at 6:31 p.m. regarding the First Reading of the 2024 Revenue Hearing. Citizens comments: None. Mayor Vesey closed the Public Hearing regarding the First Reading of the 2024 Revenue Hearing at 6:32 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the November 13, 2023, Agenda.

Approval of the minutes from the October 9, 2023, Council meeting.

Approval of Claim Warrants 18205, 18211 THRU 18213, 18215 THRU 18231, 18233 THRU 18236, VOID 18214 and 18232, Columbia Bank OCTOBER 2022 and OCTOBER 2023 DOR, and USDA Sewer Loan #07 October 2023 in the amount of \$106,749.80.

Approval of Payroll Warrants 18198 THRU 18204 and 18206 THRU 18210 and Direct Deposit Run 10/17/2023 and Direct Deposit Run 11/2/2023 in the amount of \$21,465.73.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Sandin to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Argo and carried 5-0.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 398 – INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BUCKLEY FOR POLICE SERVICES

Mayor Vesey asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 398, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Buckley, Pierce County, Washington for police services.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Rodway to approve Resolution No. 398, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Buckley, Pierce County, Washington for police services. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Argo and carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 390 – MRSC SMALL WORKS ROSTER CONTRACT RENEWAL

Mayor Vesey asked for a motion to approve Resolution No. 390, authorizing the Mayor to enter contract with Municipal Research and Service Center for use of the Small Works and Consultant Rosters.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Argo to approve Resolution No. 390, authorizing the Mayor to enter contract with Municipal Research and Service Center for use of the Small Works and Consultant Rosters. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodway and carried 5-0.

NEW TOWN BUSINESS:

FIRST READING OF THE 2024 PRELIMINARY BUDGET HEARING

The clerk treasurer asked the council to approve or deny the 3% increase for the current employees as well as bringing the hourly pay rate for the clerk treasurer position to, up to \$35.00 per hour. She would also like to rename the Deputy Clerk Treasurer position to Assistant Clerk and would like to get rid of the Assistant Utility Clerk and Fill in Water and Sewer Employee positions. Lastly, she would like to change the General Maintenance Worker Over 18 Years of Age to under 18 Years of Age, cleaning up the Wage and Salary Schedule for 2024.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Emry to approve the 3% increase for the current employees as well as bringing the hourly pay rate for the Clerk Treasurer position up to \$35.00 per hour and to clean up the Wage and Salary Schedule for 2024. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sandin and carried 5-0.

2024 REVENUE HEARING

The clerk treasurer stated that the water fund is in need of a small increase and suggests they raise the base rates by \$5.25. If council approves the increase, it will cover the estimated cost increases. Cedar Argo presented to Council some advanced security and backup measures that the council should include in the 2024 budget to help with cyber security.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Rodway made a motion to increase the base rates for water by \$5.25 and to include the security and backup measures for cyber security. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodway and carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

REPORTS:

MAYOR

Asked council for permission to renew Kaleb Murphy’s contract for technical assistance for the water and sewer plant, which terminates on January 10, 2024, due to Tavis Argo leaving his position.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Emry to renew Kaleb Murphy’s contract for technical assistance for the water and sewer plant. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodway and carried 5-0.

PUBLIC WORKS

Tavis Argo let the council know that he has accepted a new position for a new employer and will turn in his two weeks’ notice once he receives a start date.

CLERK-TREASURER

Informed council that there needs to be a budget hearing on or before December 4th, 2023. council agreed to have it on December 4th, 2023 at 6:30pm. She also updated the council on the LGIP as well as letting them all know that the current and new council and mayor will all need to sign up for the elected officials online training on December 9th, 2023.

COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Council meeting scheduled for Monday, December 4, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

The next regular scheduled council meeting will be on Monday, December 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Action: Councilmember Argo made a motion to adjourn the council meeting at 7:24 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodway and carried 5-0.



Sandi Carlson, Clerk-Treasurer



Kevin Vesey, Mayor