

MINUTES
TOWN OF QUARTZSITE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2016, 3:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 p.m.

INVOCATION: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Vice Member Davidson led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor Foster, Vice Mayor Davidson, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Warner, Council Member Orgeron, and Council Member St. Germain appeared by phone.

STAFF PRESENT: Tina Abriani, Town Clerk

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Dennis Dole, a retired gentleman who has been a Quartzsite resident for over thirty years spoke of his disappointment, and that of others, at the fact that Phil Cushman was not asked to interview for the position of Town Manager. Mr. Dole expressed his belief that Mr. Cushman is a good candidate because he is a resident, and knowledgeable about the Town. Mr. Dole said the Council could have invited Phil Cushman to have an interview for the position, out of respect for the man and his service in the USMC.

Monica Timberlake, Quartzsite resident, spoke of her view that all applicants should be considered and have their qualifications reviewed, and time should be taken to find the person best individual for the Town.

Dave Collier asked if it was in the Town Code that the Council hires the Town Manager. The Mayor and Vice Mayor said yes. Mr. Collier asked if the matter could be put before a committee established for the purpose of selecting a Town Manager.

Shanana Rain BearCat, Marketing Director of the Quartzsite Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism, let everyone know they would have their Monthly Mixer on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., at the VFW Post 769.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

- 1. ACTING CHIEF - Formal announcement that Lieutenant Ewald is the Town of Quartzsite Acting Chief of Police.**

The Mayor announced that Lieutenant Ewald was the Acting Chief of Police.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION - An executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1) for discussion or consideration of appointment of an interim town manager through Interim Public Management.

Council Member moved to adjourn to Executive Session, and Vice Mayor Davidson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 3:10 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: 4:10 p.m.

Mayor Foster called the meeting back to order at 4:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor Foster, Vice Mayor Davidson, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Warner, Council Member Orgeron, and Council Member St. Germain appeared by phone.

3. INTERIM PUBLIC MANAGEMENT, LLC - Discussion and possible approval of a contract with Interim Public Management, LLC for interim town manager services.

The Council discussed Town Manager candidate Mr. Ferguson. **Council Member Orgeron moved** to have the Town Attorney and Town staff enter into a contract with IPM to provide Mr. Ferguson for the Town as Interim Town Manager. **Council Member Kelley seconded** the motion. The vote was unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

Council Member Warner moved to adjourn, and **Council Member Orgeron seconded** the motion. The vote was unanimous. **Motion Passed.**

ADJOURNMENT: 4:14 p.m.

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting of July 5, 2016, of the Town Council of Quartzsite, Arizona, held on July 5, 2016.

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

DATED this 26th day of July 2016


Tina M. Abriani, Town Clerk

On behalf of the Common Council

Approved:


Ed Foster, Mayor