ST. JOHNS CITY COUNCIL

LEGAL ACTION

May 11, 2016

The meeting was duly posted. Mayor Ryan Patterson called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the City of St. Johns Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Ryan Patterson, Councilman Pete Hancock, Councilwoman Kay Hauser, and Councilman Tony Raykovitz.

**ABSENT:** Vice Mayor Spence Udall, Councilman Michael Cirivello, and Councilman JR Richardson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Interim City Manager Paul Ramsey, Finance Director/City Clerk Timothy Hinton, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Lee, Police Chief Daniel Brown, Assistant Fire Chief Jason Kirk, Police Department Administrative Assistant Tamara Poe, Police Department Records Clerk Ciara DeHart, Police Officer Thomas Drane, Firefighter Robert Vallejos, VIP Jamie Robbins, VIP Ward Bunyan, VIP Austin Williams, VIP Jerry Aronica, VIP Joy Siaotong, VIP Maria Torturica, and VIP Mary Kowalczyk.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Cherie Wiltbank, Felisha Ramsey, and Breanna Lee.

**INVOCATION:** Councilman Tony Raykovitz

**PLEDGE:** Finance Director/City Clerk Timothy Hinton

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

* No public wished to speak.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Consider approval of April 13, 2016 City Council minutes.**
2. **Request approval for payment of bills from April 1-30, 2016. Special details of bills can be requested at City Hall.**

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Kay Hauser to approve the consent agenda as stated. Motion was seconded by Councilman Tony Raykovitz.

**Motion passed 5-0**

1. **Consider approval of Arizona Department of Housing funding agreement with the City of St. Johns to extend the contract date to June 30, 2016.**

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Raykovitz to approve the Arizona Department of Housing funding agreement with the City of St. Johns. Motion was seconded by Councilman Pete Hancock.

**Motion passed 4-0**

1. **Consideration of approval to change the existing part-time Police Records Clerk position to full-time.**

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Raykovitz to approve the Police Records Clerk position to full-time. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kay Hauser.

1. **Consider approval of IGA between the Arizona State Forestry and the City of St. Johns.**

The item will be moved to the end of the agenda.

1. **Discussion of potential relief of sales tax on agricultural products.**

No action taken.

1. **Consider approval of the lease agreement with NAVIT.**

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Kay Hauser to approve signing the lease at the current terms. Motion was seconded by Councilman Tony Raykovitz.

**Motion passed 4-0**

1. **Discussion of issues related to pending litigation associated with the Little Colorado River (LCR) Adjudication (Apache County Superior Court – *In Re: The General Adjudication of the All Rights to Use Water in the Little Colorado River System and Source (CV 6417-200, CV 6417-201, CV 6417-202))* and possible approval of joining the LCR Coalition to participate in the Adjudication with outside Legal Counsel who represents the Coalition.** Upon a public majority vote of the members constituting a quorum, the Council may hold an executive session with regard to item 8. which is not open to the public for the following purposes: *A.R.S.38-431.03 (A)(3) – Discussion or consultation fir legal advice with attorney or attorneys of the public body; A.R.S. 38-431.03 (A) (4) – Discussion or consultation with the attorney of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorney regarding the public body’s position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation.*

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Raykovitz to move into executive session. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kay Hauser.

**Motion passed 4 -0**

Council moved to executive session at 6:19 p.m.

Council returned to regular session at 6:51 p.m.

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Raykovitz to join the Little Colorado Adjudication. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kay Hauser.

**Motion passed 4-0**

**5. Consider approval of IGA between the Arizona State Forestry and the City of St. Johns.**

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilwoman Kay Hauser to approve the IGA with the Arizona State Forestry. Motion was seconded by Councilman Tony Raykovitz.

**Motion passed 4-0**

**CITY MANAGERS REPORT**

* **Paving Plan**

**CITY POLICE CHIEF REPORT**

* **Dog and Cat Clinic**
* **Car Seat Installation Clinic**
* **VIP’s**
* **SCET Officer**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

* **Planning & Zoning – We are allowing mobile homes to come in to the community that are as old as 1976. I would like to change that to be not more than 15 years old. Councilman Tony Raykovitz**
* **Councilman Pete Hancock ask for all future agenda items for the last 4 month.**
* **Councilman Pete Hancock stated that there are 3 persons in town that do fire assessments on homes in town.**
* **Finance Director/City Clerk Timothy Hinton commented that the Planning and Zoning Commission met last night and would like to change the zoning of an address on 4th West.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

Motion was made by Councilman Tony Raykovitz to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kay Hauser.

**Motion passed 4-0**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.**

Ryan Patterson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Lee, Deputy City Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the St. Johns City Council held May 11, 2016. I certify that the meeting was duly called, held and that a quorum was present.

Cindy Lee, Deputy City Clerk

\*Please note: Approved minutes are not verbatim record of what happened at the City Council Meeting, they capture a summary of the meeting as well as all action taken. A recording of the entire meeting is available upon request at the City Clerk’s office for three months following each meeting.