




WELLTON
ARIZONA

Town Council Meeting

Council Packet

November 7, 2023

Mayor Scott Blitz

Vice Mayor Cecilia McCollough

Councilmember Barbara Biggs

Councilmember Sylvia Davidson

Councilmember Michelle Jones

Town Manager Richard Marsh



**TOWN OF WELLTON
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
28634 OAKLAND AVENUE, WELLTON, ARIZONA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023
6:00PM**

6:00 PM Convene Regular Session of the Common Council of the Town of Wellton

- **Call to Order**
- **A reminder to please turn your cell phones off or place them on vibrate. If you must answer your cell phone or text, please step outside. Thank you.**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Invocation**
- **Roll Call**
- **Introduction of Guests**
- **Final Call** for submission of Speaker Request Forms
- **Call to the Public**

This is a business meeting of the Wellton Town Council. The Town values and welcomes public input. Please address the Council and not individual Council Members. Do not address staff or members of the audience. The Open Meeting Law limits Council action on items brought up in Call to the Public. The Council may direct staff to study the matter and reschedule it for further consideration later. Items on the agenda will not be heard or discussed in Call to the Public. Individuals are limited to three (3) minutes.
- **Presentations**
 - A. Employee of the Month: Anthony Ware
 - B. Upcoming Events and Trunk or Treat Recap: Events Coordinator Mary Miranda
 - C. Yuma Region Bicycle Coalition Inc. Tour de Fields update: PIO Dolores Ward
 - D. Code Enforcement Update: Chief David Rodriguez and Code Enforcement Officer Belen Medina

Discussion and Action Items

1. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. For the Meeting of October 3, 2023 (Regular Meeting).
 - b. For the Meeting of October 17, 2023 (Special Meeting).
 2. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the Liquor License request for Maverick Bar & Grill at 28311 E Los Angeles Avenue.
 3. Update regarding Fire Department EMS Subscriptions and billings.
- **Future Agenda Items**
 - **Town Manager Report**

The Town Manager's report is an informational item to inform the Town Council about current developments with respect to Town business. No action will be taken on any information presented.

- **Council's Report**
The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting will be Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 6:00PM.
- **Executive Session**
An Executive Session may be called during the public meeting on any item on this agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) for the purpose of receiving legal advice.
- **Adjournment**

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MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting

6:00PM – Tuesday, October 3, 2023

Wellton, Town Hall Council Chambers

28634 Oakland Avenue, Wellton, Arizona 85356

Mayor Scott Blitz called the regular meeting to order at 6:00PM on Tuesday, October 3, 2023. Mayor Blitz led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilmember Biggs gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Scott Blitz, Vice Mayor Cecilia McCollough, Councilmembers Barbara Biggs, Sylvia Davidson, and Michelle Jones.

Councilmembers Absent: None.

Staff Present: Town Manager Richard Marsh, Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Finance Director Dennis Osuch (via Teams), Police Chief David Rodriguez, Town Magistrate Russell Jones, Grants Director Yolanda Galindo, Coyote Wash Golf Course Superintendent Brian Claar, and Attorney John Austin Gaylord (via Teams).

Guests Present: Al Lockwood, Janet Cowell, Evie Pistone, Connie Mason Bennett, Marisol Hernandez, Martin Hernandez, Catherine Blitz, Bob Leeper, Peggy Leeper, Jim Sampson, Darren Simmons, Regina Langford, Brenda Landers, Lou Landers, Bryan Marchek, Mabel L Wall, C Wall, Reyna Curiel, Kathy Schaber, Greg Stewart, Sonia Salcido, and Melissa Navarrete.

Call to the Public

Connie Mason Bennett – 28402 Telegraph Avenue: She represents the Wellton-Mohawk Artisans Guild and would like to join forces with the other local artists groups to create additional classes, etc. at the museum.

Regina Langford – Family Liquidators: Discussion regarding: a board member coming to her business and trying to dissuade her from charging sales tax on the sale and the visitation from the police department during business hours to discuss the pallets. She would like the issues addressed.

Presentations

- Presentation of Employee of the Month: Anthony Ware – postponed until the November 7, 2023 Regular Meeting.

Discussion and Action Items**1. Workshop****Discussion and possible direction regarding Municipal Court functions/procedures and Municipal Court Fund.**

Discussion opened by Town Manager Marsh. Judge Jones introduced Yuma County Court Staff in attendance: Reyna Curiel, Kathy Schaber, Judge Greg Stewart. Kathy Schaber presented a PowerPoint that detailed the roll and regulations of the Court

2. Approval of Financial Statement:**a. As of June 30, 2023**

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to approve the Financial Statement: as of June 30, 2023.

Davidson: Yay

Jones: Yay

Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

3. Approval of Cash Disbursements:**a. For the Period: April 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023**

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Vice Mayor McCollough, to approve the Cash Disbursements: For the Period: April 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023.

Davidson: Yay

Jones: Yay

Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes:**a. For the Meeting of September 5, 2023 (Regular Meeting).****b. For the Meeting of September 12, 2023 (Special Meeting).**

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Vice Mayor McCollough, to approve the Minutes: for the Meetings of September 5, 2023 (Regular Meeting) and September 12, 2023 (Special Meeting) with noted correction.

Davidson: Yay

Jones: Yay

Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

5. Discussion and possible action to proclaim October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Mayor Blitz proclaimed October 2023 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of the Liquor License request for Desert Penguin at 28881 Commerce Way, Suite A.

Motion made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Vice Mayor McCollough, to approve the Liquor License request for Desert Penguin at 28881 Commerce Way, Suite A.

Davidson: Yay

Jones: Yay

Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

7. Update regarding Fire Department EMS Subscriptions and billings.

Update given by Deputy Town Clerk Jones.

8. Discussion regarding a 5-day work week.

Discussion led by Mayor Blitz.

Future Agenda Items

- Liquor License request for Desert Penguin.
- Approval to purchase seed for the Golf Course.

Town Manager's Report

- IT Assessment from Bryant Hamilton
 - Our current IT, Bryant Hamilton, has created a 6-year tentative plan that encompasses Video, phone systems, internet, cybersecurity, etc. The plan is an ever-changing document, but it gives us a much-needed baseline to start with.
- Staff is in the process of looking at infrastructure grants. Meetings with the Town Manager, Public Works, Grants Director, and the Vice Mayor have been scheduled to review opportunities.
- Tentative Dates for Events –

○ Trunk Or Treat	10/28/23
○ Welcome Back Winter Visitor Bash	1/27/24
○ Christmas Tree Lighting	11/25/23
○ Pioneer Day Parade	02/24/24
○ Cinco De Mayo Celebration	5/5/24
○ Community Business Engagement Fair	TBD
○ Tractor Rodeo	TBD
○ Staff, Family And Council Golf Tournament	3/30/23
○ Tour De Fields	01/13/24

- “Farmers Market” Butterfield Park 12/28/23
 - Chamber Mixer (All Businesses) TBD
 - Butterfield Park 1st Annual Concert In The Park 02/24
- Town Hall renovations are in process. Please forgive our dust. Carpet and tile replacement in front office. Carpet to be replaced in Council Chambers. The previous discussion about moving walls, etc. would have gained 6 additional seats. The total project price tag of \$30,000 was too much for that minimal gain.
- The Town of Wellton is currently a Sprocket Sponsor (\$750) for the Tour de Fields Yuma. That level of sponsorship also includes 2 entries into the bike race. Joe Grant and Sandra Jones (tentatively) are looking to participate. The bike race will be held in Wellton on January 13, 2024.
 - Staff are currently planning Community Bike Riders for the 2nd Saturday in October, November, and December to gear up for the event. The kick-off bike ride will be October 14, 2023 at 10:00AM at West Side Open Space.

Council's Report

- Vice Mayor McCollough attended YMPO, the Rural Transportation Summit. September was Hispanic Heritage Month. She will be participating in the 7th Annual Mayor's International Bike Ride on October 21, 2023.
- Councilmember Biggs gave an update (as a citizen) on the Links at Coyote Wash Utilities and the ACC.
- Mayor Blitz reminded attendees that the upcoming Yuma County Projects Meeting was going to be at Antelope Union High School. He also informed attendees that the Hoodini Solar had been voted down and that AWC had just been awarded \$50 million.

Staff's Report

- Police Chief Rodriguez reported the golf tournament at Coyote Wash raised \$5,000 for Amberly's Place.
- Events Coordinator Mary Miranda reported on this year's Trunk or Treat. It is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 6:00PM. It will be located at Wellton Elementary school (29126 San Jose Avenue). There will be games, food, contests, etc.

Executive Session

None requested.

Adjournment

Motion made by Vice Mayor McCollough, seconded by Councilmember Biggs to adjourn.

Davidson: Yay

Jones: Yay

Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:24PM.

Scott Blitz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Marsh, Town Manager

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held October 3, 2023, and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Richard Marsh, Town Manager

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MINUTES

Town Council Special Meeting

6:00PM – Tuesday, October 17, 2023

Wellton, Town Hall Council Chambers

28634 Oakland Avenue, Wellton, Arizona 85356

Mayor Scott Blitz called the regular meeting to order at 6:00PM on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. Mayor Blitz led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilmember Biggs gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Scott Blitz, Vice Mayor Cecilia McCollough, Councilmembers Barbara Biggs, Sylvia Davidson, and Michelle Jones.

Councilmembers Absent: None.

Staff Present: Town Manager Richard Marsh (via Telephone), Deputy Town Clerk Sandra Jones, Finance Director Dennis Osuch (via Teams), Police Chief David Rodriguez, Town Magistrate Russell Jones, Public Information Officer Dolores Ward (via Teams), and Attorney Michael Goodman (via Teams).

Guests Present: Audrey Zingler, Lynda Lake, Brenda Landers, Lou Landers, Jim Sampson, Ron Weed, Juquin Brown, Rena Curiel, Catherine Blitz, Bob Newquist, Ralph Davidson, Diane Adamson, Kenny Ward, Tim Henry, and Karen Henry.

Call to the Public (After Item 1)

Karen Henry – 27235 Ligurta Lane: Concerned about the rumored location of the potential future dog park.

Discussion and Action Items

- 1. Discussion and possible action to approve a budget transfer from the General Fund Contingency to the General Fund Transfer Out for the purpose of transferring funds to the Municipal Court Fund account within the Town Treasury.**

The Council discussed the Municipal Court Fund and other potential needs for Town contingency funds; Mayor Blitz expressed his desire to consider an additional transfer during the FY 2024-2025 budget cycle. Discussion was had regarding a written communication to be sent from the Town Manager to the Town Magistrate.

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Vice Mayor McCollough, to approve a budget transfer of \$113,468.73 from the General Fund Contingency to the General Fund Transfer Out, for transfer to the Municipal Court Fund account within the Town Treasury.

Davidson: Yay
Jones: Yay
Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Biggs to adjourn.

Davidson: Yay

Jones: Yay

Blitz: Yay

McCollough: Yay

Biggs: Yay

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13PM.

Scott Blitz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Richard Marsh, Town Manager

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the forgoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the special meeting held October 17, 2023, and the meeting was duly called and posted and that a quorum was present.

Richard Marsh, Town Manager

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State of Arizona
Department of Liquor Licenses and Control

Created 09/29/2023 @ 02:44:12 PM

Local Governing Body Report

LICENSE

Number:	Type:	007 BEER AND WINE BAR
Name:	MAVERICKS BAR & GRILL	
State:	Pending	
Issue Date:	Expiration Date:	
Original Issue Date:		
Location:	28311 E LOS ANGELES AVENUE WELLTON, AZ 85356 USA	
Mailing Address:	PO BOX 26420 YUMA, AZ 85367 USA	
Phone:	(928)785-9845	
Alt. Phone:		
Email:	GERALD@YUMAMACHINERY.COM	

AGENT

Name:	GERALD ANTHONY ALBERIGI
Gender:	Male
Correspondence Address:	PO BOX 26420 YUMA, AZ 85367 USA
Phone:	(503)970-6610
Alt. Phone:	
Email:	GERALD@YUMAMACHINERY.COM

OWNER

Name:	YUMA MACHINERY INC	
Contact Name:	GERALD ANTHONY ALBERIGI	
Type:	CORPORATION	
AZ CC File Number:	22563131	State of Incorporation: AZ
Incorporation Date:	02/02/2018	
Correspondence Address:	PO BOX 26420 YUMA, AZ 85367 USA	
Phone:	(503)970-6610	
Alt. Phone:		
Email:	GERALD@YUMAMACHINERY.COM	

Officers / Stockholders

Name:
GERALD ANTHONY ALBERIGI

Title:
Pres/Director

% Interest:
100.00

YUMA MACHINERY INC - Pres/Director

Name: GERALD ANTHONY ALBERIGI
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APPLICATION INFORMATION

Application Number: 259825
Application Type: New Application
Created Date: 09/22/2023

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

007 Beer and Wine Bar

- 1) Are you applying for an Interim Permit (INP)?
No
- 2) Provide name, address, and distance of nearest school.
(If less than one (1) mile note footage)
WELLTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 29126 SAN JOSE AVE WELTON, AZ 85356 1.1 MILE
- 3) Are you one of the following? Please indicate below.
Property Tenant
Subtenant
Property Owner
Property Purchaser
Property Management Company
PROPERTY OWNER
- 4) Is there a penalty if lease is not fulfilled?
No
- 5) Is the Business located within the incorporated limits of the city or town of which it is located?
Yes
- 6) What is the total money borrowed for the business not including the lease?
Please list each amount owed to lenders/individuals.
ZERO
- 7) Are there walk-up or drive-through windows on the premises?
No
- 8) Does the establishment have a patio?
Yes
Is the patio contiguous or non-contiguous (within 30 feet)?
CONTIGUOUS PATIO
- 9) Is your licensed premises now closed due to construction, renovation or redesign or rebuild?
No

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