



**PAGE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 26, 2024**

A Regular Meeting of the Page City Council was held at 5:30 p.m. on the 26th day of June 2024, in the Council Chambers at City Hall in Page, Arizona. Mayor William Diak presided. Vice Mayor John Kocjan, and Councilors David Auge, Richard Leightner, Mike Farrow, Kenna Hettinger, and Brian Carey were present. There was a moment of meditation. Councilor Farrow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Diak called the meeting to order.

Staff members present: City Manager, Darren Coldwell; City Attorney, Joshua Smith; IT Director, Kane Scott; Police Chief, Tim Lange; Police Captain, Larry Jones; Event Manager, DeRon Lister; Executive Administrative Assistant, Robin Crowther; Deputy City Clerks, Jennifer Lange and Kim Larson; and City Clerk, Cindy Scott.

PRIORITY LIST

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to the City Council Strategic Priorities

There was no discussion by the City Council.

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to the City Councilors individual priorities

There was no discussion by the City Council.

MINUTES

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

INFORMATION

Monthly Cash Allocation Comparison - April 2024

Page Substance Abuse Task Force Minutes - February 21, 2024

Page Utility Enterprises Board Minutes - April 9, 2024

Page Utility Enterprises Board - City Council Joint Special Meeting Minutes - May 8, 2024

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS

Amendments to the Rural Arizona Group Health Trust (RAGHT) Agreement - Resolution No. 1317-24

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kocjan to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Farrow and passed unanimously upon a vote.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

None scheduled.

HEAR FROM THE CITIZENS

Vernan Joe, Page resident, stated concerns about the content in books that are available at the Page Public Library.

Charles Straub, Page resident, addressed the City Council about the PERA Club concerns for future use and suggested using Facebook to give progress updates on power outages.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAYOR'S REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Legislative Update and discussion.

Arizona state passed a 16.1 billion dollar budget. Although many line items were cut, the North access roundabout project on US89 is still scheduled to continue.

Mayor Diak recognized the Page Public Library won an award for being the Best Small Library in America. The President of the American Library Association, Emily Drabinski, and the State and County Librarians visited Page to recognize the library. Councilors Auge, Farrow, and Mayor Diak welcomed them.

CITY MANAGER'S CURRENT EVENTS SUMMARY

North Lake Powell Boulevard at US89 has been advertised for construction. Bid opening has been scheduled for July 19, 2024.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Discussion by the City Council pertaining to reports on board meetings by Board Liaisons
Councilor Farrow, Library Advisory Board, recognized the efforts and good work of the Page Public Library under the direction of the Library Manager, Debbie Winlock. Stated that they are working on getting the youth into programs, such as laser engraving and 3D printing.

Councilor Auge, Substance Abuse Task Force, stated that they have assigned a new chair, Matt Lazlo, and vice chair, Brittany Hansen. They need Board members.

Councilor Leightner, Economic Development Advisory Board, stated that the Board was not able to meet due to not having enough people on the Board. They need Board members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Presentation to honor high school student, Keizlyn Guanco, for designing this year's Balloon Regatta artwork

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Mayor Diak presented Keizlyn Guanco with a certificate to honor the artwork that was created.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to a presentation by Photon Vault for a battery storage facility

The City of Page has been working with Photon Vault for a few months on this conceptual project. They are a battery storage facility that is interested in potentially coming to Page to build a new plant and are in the process of applying for a grant to help fund the project.

City Manager Coldwell introduced John Langhus from Photon Vault and stated that Mr. Langhus is applying for a grant and is looking for City Council support.

John Langhus from Photon Vault presented their energy storage project. Photon Vault has developed a patented method of storing energy as heat and dispatching it as electricity. The project is clean energy storage that boosts electrical efficiency with heat. The project would create manufacturing jobs and workforce development opportunities.

There was discussion and members of City Council asked questions about how many job opportunities would be created, how the power is distributed, how weather would affect the equipment, and how the energy is collected.

Discussion and possible action by City Council pertaining to a presentation for a Glamping Resort

City Manager Coldwell introduced Sancar Dumlupinar and Jonathan Keaton of Terra-Nova to present their glamping resort plan that they would like to bring to Page. They previously presented at a City Council meeting in March.

Sancar Dumlupinar and Jonathan Keaton of Terra-Nova presented a luxurious, health-focused glamping resort to be developed in three (3) stages, beginning with three (3) domes, an Adventure Dome with e-bikes, see-through kayaks, and off-road vehicle rentals. Phase two (2) would add 6-8 more domes and a Sand Bar Dome. The vision for the resort is to have outdoor movies, music festivals, and a vibrant social scene for both residents and visitors. The luxury domes are see-through from the inside and are great for stargazing.

There was discussion and members of City Council asked questions about how the land would be set up, if it is zoned appropriately, and would the land be closed to public access.

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to an update on student housing at Coconino Community College

City Manager, Darren Coldwell, introduced Rich Bowen and Tim Kinney of Genterra Enterprises to give an update on the housing project. They are working with Coconino

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Community College to improve housing for students. The project has expanded from only student housing to include workforce housing. Per Planning and Zoning, Council would like Cameron Road to be extended. The extension is not part of their original plan and Genterra would like the City to participate with the financial burden in the approximate amount of 3.5 million dollars.

There was discussion and City Council asked questions about the number of student and workforce houses, if there would be a restriction on short term rentals, how the development will affect the Rim Trail, the timeline on the project, and how it would improve pathways to the sports complex.

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to Grand Canyon Brewery exercising their option to purchase - Ordinance No. 732-24

In February 2021, the City approved a lease with an option to purchase for the property where the Grand Canyon Brewery is presently located. The lessee has exercised the option to purchase. The appraisal, sale price, and other terms were included in the lease agreement so contractually the City is obligated to sell. The notice of the sale was previously published with no objections.

City Clerk, Cindy Scott, introduced Ordinance No. 732-24 by title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAGE, COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA, PERTAINING TO THE SALE BY NEGOTIATION OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PAGE; APPROVING THE AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE.

City Attorney, Joshua Smith, explained the lease with the option to purchase agreement that is in place.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kocjan to adopt Ordinance No. 732-24. The motion was seconded by Councilor Carey and passed unanimously upon a vote.

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to the purchase of additional speed limit radar signs

Vice Mayor Kocjan would like to have additional speed limit radar signs.

There was discussion and City Manager Coldwell stated that he would facilitate the purchase of additional radar signs. He noted that there was about a 14-month delay with the last purchase of radar signs.

Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to a Notice of Special Recall Election - Resolution No. 1319-24

The City of Page and the Coconino County Elections Department enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for Provision of Services when the City has items that need to be placed on an election ballot. At the Special Recall Election to be held on

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Tuesday, November 5, 2024, the City will have candidates for the recall of City Council members, Michael Farrow and David Auge.

The County requires proof of legal action by City Council that an election has been called, before they enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for election services. The attached resolution shall serve as such proof.

Councilor Farrow and Councilor Auge recused themselves.

City Clerk, Cindy Scott introduced Resolution No. 1319-24 by title only.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAGE, COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZONA, PROVIDING NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL RECALL ELECTION.

Motion made by Councilor Carey to adopt Resolution No. 1319-24. The motion was seconded by Councilor Hettinger and passed unanimously upon a vote.

BID AWARDS

None.

DEPARTMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

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Potential Land Sale Parcel #80210020S

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kocjan to enter into Executive Session consecutively for two (2) Executive Session items at 6:55p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilor Leightner and passed unanimously upon a vote.

Mayor Diak reconvened the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:46 p.m.

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Discussion and possible action by the City Council pertaining to a potential land sale of parcel #80109012

Motion made by Mayor Diak to have the City Manager sign a letter of intent. The motion was seconded by Councilor Kocjan and passed unanimously upon a vote.

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Mayor and Council instructed City Staff to proceed as directed.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.


Cindy Scott
City Clerk


William R. Diak
Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting, held on the 26th day of June, 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 24th day of July 2024


Cindy Scott
City Clerk