

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, AT 7:00 PM IN THE CITY COUNCIL
CHAMBERS, 181 NORTH 9TH STREET, SHOW LOW, NAVAJO COUNTY,
ARIZONA**

1. Call to Order.

Vice Mayor Kakavas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice Mayor Kakavas, Councilman Adams, Councilman Clark, Councilman Judd, and Councilman Whipple.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Leech and Councilman Hatch.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Morgan Brown, City Manager; Anna Atencio, City Attorney; Justin Johnson, Deputy City Manager; Brad Provost, Police Chief; Shane Hemesath, City Engineer; Jacob Allen, Airport Manager; Rick Austin, Public Works Operations Manager; Grace Payne, Communications Manager; and Rachael Hall, City Clerk.

GUESTS: Jack Latham, Lori Sweat, Rich and Syndey Fox, Laura Wren, Steve and Karen Slaton, Mike and Debbie Allsop, Doug Roberts, Greg and Sheldean Cluff and others.

3. Invocation.

Dallin Adams gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

Jayden Waite led the Council and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

5. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Any citizen desiring to speak on a matter that is within the jurisdiction of the City Council may do so at this time. Comments may be limited to three minutes per person and shall be addressed to the City Council as a whole, and not to any individual member. Issues raised shall be limited to those within the jurisdiction of the City Council. Pursuant to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, the City Council cannot discuss or act on items presented at this time. At the conclusion of the call to the public, individual City Council members may (1) respond to criticism made by those who have spoken, (2) ask staff to review a matter, and (3) ask that a matter be put on a future agenda.

Laura Wren, 580 East Deuce of Clubs, shared concerns regarding illegal aliens in Show Low.

Karen Slaton, 580 East Deuce of Clubs, shared concerns regarding illegal immigrants in Show Low.

Steve Slaton, 580 East Deuce of Clubs, shared concerns regarding illegal immigrants in Show Low.

6. **SPECIAL EVENTS:**

A. Recognition of Appreciation for Past Council Member Mike Allsop

Vice Mayor Kakavas said Mr. Allsop cared deeply about the City of Show Low and said he volunteered to help the community in many ways.

Vice Mayor Kakavas said during Mr. Allsop's time on the Show Low City Council, the City Council approved Wastewater Treatment Plant, the construction of a new library and council chambers, new police and dispatch buildings, the Inclusive Playground and Splash Pad, and the purchase and development of the Show Low Meadow property; just to name a few. He also was instrumental in the foundation of Student Government Day.

The Council presented Mr. Allsop with a plaque and replica of the City's bronze card game monument and thanked him for his service to the community.

Mike Allsop thanked his wife for her support during his community service. He thanked those who had served with him on the current and previous Councils.

B. Recognition of Citizen's Academy Graduates

Ms. Payne gave a brief description of the Citizen's Academy and said it was a program to engage local citizens to learn more about the local government.

Vice Mayor Kakavas recognized each graduate and presented them with a certificate. The first Citizen's Academy included the following citizens: Angie Dalessandri, Michael Dalessandri, Shawn Elaine Anderson, Park Anderson, Doug Roberts, and Stacy Williamsom.

Mr. Anderson thanked the City for this learning opportunity and said he enjoyed it.

Ms. Dalessandri said her and her husband moved back up to the area about five years ago and wanted to learn more about the City and decided to

participate in this event. She said they learned a lot and were proud to call Show Low their home.

Mr. Roberts thanked the City for this Academy and encouraged others to participate.

Ms. Anderson said they moved here from Phoenix and were excited to live in Show Low. She thanked the City for this program.

C. Presentation Regarding League of Arizona Cities and Towns Conference by Show Low High School's Youth Delegation

Max Freund said student representatives who attended the League of Arizona Cities and Towns annual conference would summarize what they learned during the conference.

Dallin Adams said there was a Parade of Flags during the Conference that represented each city and town. He also talked about being able to network with other Council members and students.

Lenora Benier said one session was Advocacy and Influence 101, which talked about effective advocacy, the importance of involvement, and finding causes that students cared about. Ms. Benier said they also attended a Mayor's Panel, which discussed increasing youth involvement, understanding public issues, and proper project fulfillment.

Jayden Waite shared being able to network with other students from other cities and seeing how they were getting involved with their city governments. He said it was a positive experience attending the Conference.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. Consideration of Authorization to Purchase Ventrac Sidewalk Cleaning Machine with Attachments and Authorization of Associated Budget Transfers (Rick Austin)
- B. Consideration of Authorization to Purchase Case 586H Forklift and Authorization of Associated Budget Transfers (Rick Austin)
- C. Consideration of Acceptance of Senior Field Bleachers Rehab, City of Show Low Project No. FM-0824 (Rick Austin)
- D. Consideration of Acceptance for East Cooley Roadway Improvements, City of Show Low Project No. R-3323 (Shane Hemesath)
- E. Consideration of Acceptance of Manhole Replacement Job Order Contract

No. 1, City of Show Low Project No. S-4924 JOC No.1 (Shane Hemesath)

- F. Consideration of Noncommercial Ground Lease with D'Plane LLC and Termination of Lease with Will and Sarah Ferguson at Show Low Regional Airport (Jacob Allen)
- G. Consideration of Minutes of Show Low City Council meetings:
 - 1. Regular Meeting of October 15, 2024

COUNCILMAN CLARK MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED; SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WHIPPLE; PASSED 5 TO 0 WITH VICE MAYOR KAKAVAS, COUNCILMAN ADAMS, COUNCILMAN CLARK, COUNCILMAN JUDD, AND COUNCILMAN WHIPPLE VOTING IN FAVOR.

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Consideration of Award of Construction Contract for Show Low Lake Campground Restroom, City of Show Low Project No. FM-3125 (Rick Austin)

Mr. Austin said the City of Show Low 2024 Budget included funding for the construction of a new public restroom at Show Low Lake. This restroom would be located at the Spillway Campground. The work included, but was not necessarily limited to, the construction of a restroom facility that would include three ADA-accessible restrooms in a single building. There would be one separate men's restroom with two stalls, one water closet and one urinal, one separate women's restroom with two water closet stalls, and a family restroom with a single water closet and ADA adult changing station.

Mr. Austin said staff solicited bids from contractors to construct the building. The request for bids was based on previously approved plans prepared by City staff and the building would be a duplicate of the recently constructed restrooms at the City Campus. City personnel would extend water, sewer, and power utilities to the building location. The project was publicly advertised per statutory requirements, and two bids were received. The bid result followed:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Bid</u>
LD&B LLC	\$138,400.00
Mills Design Group LLC	\$188,600.00

Mr. Austin said staff recommended awarding the construction contract for Show Low Lake Campground Restroom, City of Show Low Project No. FM-3125 to LD&B LLC in an amount not to exceed \$138,400.00.

Councilman Judd asked how long it would take to construct the restrooms. Mr. Austin said it would take two to three months to construct the restrooms.

COUNCILMAN JUDD MOVED TO AWARD THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR SHOW LOW LAKE CAMPGROUND RESTROOM, CITY OF SHOW LOW PROJECT NO. FM-3125, TO LD&B LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$138,400.00; SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ADAMS; PASSED 5 TO 0 WITH VICE MAYOR KAKAVAS, COUNCILMAN ADAMS, COUNCILMAN CLARK, COUNCILMAN JUDD, AND COUNCILMAN WHIPPLE VOTING IN FAVOR.

- B. Consideration of Cost Sharing Agreement with Show Low/Pinetop-Woodland Irrigation Company for Improvements including Replacement of Show Low Lake Valves (Morgan Brown, Anna Atencio)

Ms. Atencio said the City and the Show Low/Pinetop-Woodland Irrigation Company ("Irrigation Company") shared interests in the water and storage rights at Show Low Lake and Dam pursuant to a Water Agreement dated June 29, 2005, amended and restated on June 5, 2012, and the Operating and System Management Agreement dated June 29, 2005, amended and restated on June 5, 2012.

Ms. Atencio said the irrigation water stored in Show Low Lake had historically been and continued to be diverted by the Irrigation Company via the Show Low Lake Pipeline and Rainbow Lake Ditch. Improvements were required for (1) the continued release of stored irrigation water from Show Low Lake into the Show Low Lake Pipeline and the Rainbow Lake Ditch, which were used to deliver irrigation water to the Irrigation Company's shareholders, and (2) for the City to divert water via the Rainbow Lake Ditch to its future water treatment plant. Properly functioning valves were essential for controlling the water levels at the Lake.

Ms. Atencio said the improvements included the construction of a slip line from the pumping facility on Show Low Lake to the Rainbow Lake Ditch and the replacement of underwater valves at Show Low Lake that were in disrepair but were necessary for the diversion of water into the Show Low Lake Pipeline.

Ms. Atencio said the parties believed that it was in their respective best interests to complete the improvements and to share in the costs, responsibilities and rights to the improvements. The City had constructed the slip line from the pumping facility on Show Low Lake to the Rainbow Lake Ditch at its own cost and expense in exchange for a perpetual right to use a portion of the Rainbow Lake Ditch to divert water to its future water treatment plant. The City was willing to pay upfront an estimated \$189,060.00 for the

diving team, replacement valves and crane to replace or repair the valves at Show Low Lake. The Irrigation Company agreed to reimburse the City approximately half of the costs, \$94,930.00 at a zero percent interest rate over the period of three years, payable in equal annual installments of \$31,510.00. The first payment was due on the Effective Date of the Cost Sharing Agreement and should be due each year thereafter until paid in full.

Ms. Atencio said staff recommended approval of the Cost Sharing Agreement with the Show Low/Pinetop-Woodland Irrigation Company.

Councilman Adams asked if the valves were the original valves when the Lake was built. Mr. Austin said yes, the current valves were the original ones.

COUNCILMAN WHIPPLE MOVED TO APPROVE THE COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE SHOW LOW/PINETOP-WOODLAND IRRIGATION COMPANY FOR IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING THE REPLACEMENT OF UNDERWATER VALVES AT SHOW LOW LAKE; SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CLARK; PASSED 5 TO 0 WITH VICE MAYOR KAKAVAS, COUNCILMAN ADAMS, COUNCILMAN CLARK, COUNCILMAN JUDD, AND COUNCILMAN WHIPPLE VOTING IN FAVOR.

- C. Consideration of Award of Contract for Replacement of Show Low Lake Valves, City of Show Low Project No. FM-3325 and Authorization of Associated Budget Transfers (Rick Austin)

Mr. Austin said the Show Low Dam that was built in 1954 by Phelps Dodge, and the tower Northwest of the spillway had three valves, two 6" and one 18". These valves controlled the flow to Show Low Creek and over time, these 70- year-old valves had become inoperable due to age and use.

Mr. Austin said to safely remove and replace these valves, the flow to the tower must be plugged at an inlet structure that was located 160 feet into the Lake. Staff hired Rubicon Applied Diving Services to investigate the inlet because the as-builts that were supplied to the City by Phelps Dodge were hard to read at best. Upon investigation, it was discovered that the as-builts were incorrect, and there were modifications made to the inlet that were not reflected on the plans. Staff had been working with Rubicon and decided the best course of action would be to lower the Lake to a level that would allow the divers to reach the inlet faster, so they can apply a blanking plate and bypass valve to stop the flow of water to the tower allowing Rubicon to safely replace the three valves.

Mr. Austin said staff recommended awarding the contract of the Show Low Lake Valves Replacement Project No. FM-3325 to Rubicon Applied Diving Services in the amount of \$166,885.00 and authorizing the associated

budget transfers.

COUNCILMAN ADAMS MOVED TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR PREPARATION OF INTAKE STRUCTURE AND REPLACEMENT OF THE VALVES IN THE CONTROL VAULT AT SHOW LOW LAKE TO RUBICON APPLIED DIVERS, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$166,885.00, AND AUTHORIZE THE ASSOCIATED BUDGET TRANSFERS; SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JUDD; PASSED 5 TO 0 WITH VICE MAYOR KAKAVAS, COUNCILMAN ADAMS, COUNCILMAN CLARK, COUNCILMAN JUDD, AND COUNCILMAN WHIPPLE VOTING IN FAVOR.

- D. Consideration Ground Lease Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (Anna Atencio)

Ms. Atencio said due to some new circumstances, this item would be pulled from the agenda.

9. **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS:**

A. Council Members

Councilman Adams thanked the High School for their participation in Student Government Day.

Mr. Freund thanked the City for the Student Government Day program and said he had a great time learning how the City operates. He said the Show Low High School Boys Soccer Team recently made it to the semi-finals for state playoffs and finished the season with a 15 win and 3 loss record.

Ms. Heuett said the Show Low High School Girls Soccer Team made it to the state playoff game this year and unfortunately lost that game but was proud of their soccer program.

Mr. Waite said for the first time Show Low High School was recognized and labeled as an "A" school.

Ms. Benier recognized the Show Low High School Advanced Women's Choir and Show Biz who recently attended a state choir festival and both received "Superior with Distinction" ratings, which was the top score a choir could receive.

Ms. Heuett also recognized the Show Low High School Volleyball Team which was currently playing in the state playoffs.

B. Mayor

Vice Mayor Kakavas thanked the students for attending the Annual Youth Conference and she thanked staff for their efforts for this program.

C. City Manager

Mr. Brown thanked the students for participating in Student Government Day and the support of the school. He said a Celebration of Life and Legacy of Service would be held November 8, at 6:00 p.m., at the Public Safety Headquarters in honor of fallen Show Low Police Officer Darrin Reed. The downtown lights had been turned blue until November 8 in remembrance of Officer Reed. The public is invited to attend the ceremony.

Mr. Brown said on Veterans Day, the VFW would hold a ceremony at the Veterans' Memorial at City Hall. The event was open to the public.

Mr. Brown said the Show Low Family Aquatic Center had been closed for mechanical issues on the pool pump. Staff was working diligently to get the pool back in working order and would notify residents when it's back open.

Mr. Brown said in public works projects, the Woolford Road had been paved and striping would be scheduled during warmer weather. Joe Tank Road had been paved and the contractor was working on clean up, drainage, and shoulder work. On the Savage Sewer phase 1 project, the sewer had been installed along Whipple Ranch Elementary and the contractor was working along the softball fields.

10. **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:**

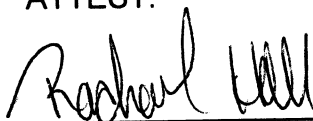
Scheduling of meetings, which may be brought up at this time.

None.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

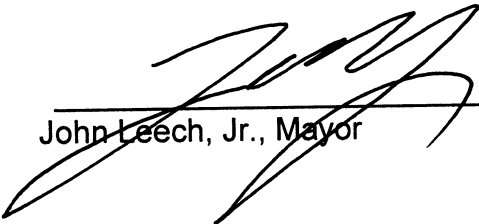
There being no further business to be brought before the Council, **VICE MAYOR KAKAVAS ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOW LOW CITY COUNCIL OF NOVEMBER 5, 2024, AT 7:47 P.M.**

ATTEST:



Rachael Hall, City Clerk

APPROVED:



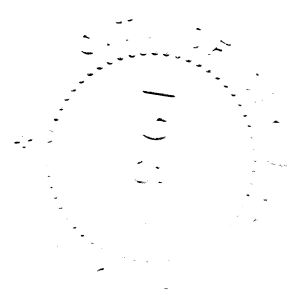
John Leech, Jr., Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of Show Low held on November 5, 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 19th day of November, 2024.

(SEAL)




Rachael Hall, City Clerk

