

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 9, 2014**

OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Lombardo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Abel, Huntington, Rowe, and Mayor Lombardo. Council Member Leone was absent due to a planned vacation.

Staff Members Present: Town Manager Yakimow, Deputy Town Manager Stueckle, Town Attorney Laymon, Assistant Police Chief Wilke, and Town Clerk Copeland

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Lombardo.

The Invocation was led by Bishop Mark Jeuschke, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Yucca Valley Stake

PRESENTATIONS, INTRODUCTIONS, RECOGNITIONS

1. State of the Town Address 2014

Mayor Lombardo gave the State of the Town Address, presenting the accomplishments and challenges of 2014.

2. Employee of the Quarter

Public Works Inspector Dave Behrens was awarded with the Employee of the 3rd Quarter 2014.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Huntington moved to approve the agenda for the Special Town Council Meeting of December 9, 2014. Council Member Rowe seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1 on a roll call vote.

AYES: Council Members Abel, Huntington, Rowe and Mayor Lombardo.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Council Member Leone

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Waive further reading of all ordinances and read by title only

4. Adopt Resolution No. 14-35 confirming and certifying the November 4, 2014 election results.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING AND

CERTIFYING THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 ELECTION RESULTS

- 5. **Approve** the sixth amendment to the library lease agreement between the Town and the County at a rate of \$2,125 per month for the time period of February 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016, and at a rate of \$2,288 per month for the time period of February 1, 2016 – January 31, 2017, and

Approve the inclusion of two (2) additional two-year options to further extend the lease agreement beyond January 31, 2017, and authorize the Mayor and Town Manager to sign all necessary documents.

- 6. **Receive and file** the informational report about the 2015 Point-in-Time Count project and **authorize** the expenditure of \$500 to Morongo Basin Haven who is spearheading the Point-in-Time Count project within the Morongo Basin.
- 7. **Approve** continuing compliance with the Town’s Records Retention Policy and authorizes the purging of out-of-date records in accordance with California Government Code and the Town’s Resolution No. 04-14.
- 8. **Ratify** the Payroll Registers Total of \$271,860.60 for checks dated November 7, 2014 and November 21, 2014, and **Ratify** the Warrant Registers total of \$1,301,612.88 for checks dated November 13, 2014 and November 26, 2014

Mayor Lombardo opened public comment on the Consent Agenda. With no members of the public wishing to speak, public comments were closed.

Council Member Abel moved to approve Consent Agenda items 3-8 Mayor Pro Tem Huntington seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1 on a roll call vote.

- AYES:** Council Members Abel, Huntington, Rowe and Mayor Lombardo
- NOES:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None
- ABSENT:** Council Member Leone

REORGANIZATION OF TOWN COUNCIL

- 9. **Oath of Office to Newly Elected Council Members**

Town Clerk Copeland administered the Oath of Office to Council Members Abel and Denison.

Town Clerk Copeland announced that Council Member Leone was administered the Oath of Office at Town Hall before departing on his trip.

10. Selection of Mayor- Town Clerk to Accept Nominations for Mayor 2015

Town Clerk Copeland accepted nominations for Mayor.

Council Member Abel moved to select Mayor Pro Tem Huntington as Mayor. Council Member Lombardo seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1 on a roll call vote.

- AYES:** Council Members Abel, Denison, Huntington, and Mayor Lombardo
- NOES:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None
- ABSENT:** Council Member Leone

11. Selection of Mayor Pro Tem- Mayor to Accept Nominations for Mayor Pro Tem 2015

Mayor Huntington accepted nominations for Mayor Pro Tem.

Council Member Abel moved to select Council Member Leone as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Lombardo seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1 on a roll call vote.

- AYES:** Council Members Abel, Denison, Lombardo, and Mayor Huntington
- NOES:** None
- ABSTAIN:** None
- ABSENT:** Council Member Leone

12. Presentations to outgoing Mayor and Council Member

Mayor Huntington presented a plaque of appreciation to Council Member Lombardo as the outgoing Mayor of 2014

Mayor Huntington presented a proclamation and appreciation plaque to outgoing Council Member Rowe.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None Stated

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Huntington opened public comments.

Sarann Graham, Yucca Valley welcomed Council Member Denison and congratulated Council Members Abel and Leone on their re-election, and thanked the Town Council for supporting Morongo Basin Haven.

Charles McHenry, Yucca Valley congratulated Denison on his appointment and gave well wishes to outgoing Council Member Rowe, and thanked the Recreation staff for the recent Holiday Craft Faire event.

With no other members of the public wishing to speak, Mayor Huntington closed public comments.

STAFF REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Town Manager Yakimow invited the public to attend the upcoming Annual Tree Lighting and Santa Event.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- 13. Council Member Lombardo- spoke of upcoming community events for the holidays.
- 14. Council Member Denison- thanked the public for their support at the polls and giving him the opportunity to represent them on the Town Council.
- 15. Council Member Abel- congratulated Behrens on his Employee of the Quarter award and thanked staff for the accomplishments this past year. Abel wished Rowe well, as she will be missed; welcomed Denison to the team and thanked the public for their votes. Abel continued, thanking Assemblyman Mayes for attending the meeting and thanked his family for their support and cheerleading.
- 16. Mayor Huntington congratulated the newly elected, thanked Behrens on the well-deserved award and thanked Rowe for her commitment and professionalism during her public service and wished her well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Council will meet for its next regularly scheduled meeting of Tuesday, December 16, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Yucca Valley Community Center Yucca Room

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Huntington adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Lesley Copeland, CMC
Town Clerk