

**THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BENSON, ARIZONA  
HELD JANUARY 22, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.  
AT CITY HALL, 160 S. HUACHUCA, BENSON, ARIZONA**

**VICE MAYOR HAMILTON OPENED THE MEETING  
AT 7:01 P.M. WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**PRESENT WERE: VICE MAYOR HAMILTON  
COUNCILMEMBERS FENN, KING, LODZINSKI AND SUAGEE  
ABSENT WERE: MAYOR SCOTT  
COUNCILMEMBER McGOFFIN**

Call to the Public:

Mary McCool with the Community Watershed Alliance (CWA) addressed Council regarding the Submission of the Benson Water System Plan to Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) and proposed plan for implementing water conservation ordinances. Ms. McCool stated the next CWA meeting would be held on January 23, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. with Mr. Tom Whitmer from ADWR, speaking on successful water management plans. She invited the Council and public to attend.

John Whiteside commented on the Fiscal Year 07-08 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) New Project Sheets. Mr. Whiteside then stated the improvements to Apache Park should have citizen input through a citizen committee. He was concerned about the amount of money that would be spent to improve the park.

Al Sacco with Benson Clean & Beautiful announced the semi-annual City clean up on March 3, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Sacco stated that volunteers are needed.

Sylvia Burnside addressed Council regarding the Benson Arts Commission. Ms. Burnside stated the Arts Commission can do many things for the community, including forming a resource lists of artists, inform artists of opportunities, keep a calendar of artistic events, add Arts Commission to city website. If the City had the facility available for an Art Center, work could be displayed and classes could be put on. She also stated local artist's work could be displayed in the visitor center.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilmember Suagee moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Lodzinski. Motion passed 5-0.

- 1a. Approval of Minutes of December 28, 2006 Regular Meeting
- 1b. Approval of Minutes of January 8, 2007 Regular Meeting
- 1c. Partial Release of Trust Assurance Agreement for Cottonwood Bluffs, Lots 72, 76 and 95.
- 1d. Bills

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Certificate of Appreciation  
award to Mr. Richard Roubos:

Vice Mayor Hamilton asked Councilmember Suagee to read the request for this award. Council then recognized Mr. Roubos and thanked him for the community service he has provided. City Manager Martin Roush awarded the certificate to Mr. Roubos.

Text Amendment to the  
City Code creating  
the Benson Arts  
Commission:

Councilmember Fenn moved to approve the Text Amendment to the City Code creating the Benson Arts Commission. Seconded by Councilmember King. Motion passed 5-0.

Resolution 3-2007 of the  
Mayor and the City Council  
of Benson,, Arizona, declaring  
as a Public Record that Certain  
Document Entitled, "Benson  
City Code-Chapter 18, Boards,  
Commissions and Committees,  
Article 18-6, Benson Arts  
Commission":

Councilmember Suagee moved to approve Resolution 3-2007 of the Mayor and the City Council of Benson,, Arizona, declaring as a Public Record that Certain Document Entitled, "Benson City Code-Chapter 18, Boards, Commissions and Committees, Article 18-6, Benson Arts Commission". Seconded by Councilmember Lodzinski. Motion passed 5-0.

Ordinance of the Mayor and  
City Council of the City of  
Benson, Arizona, creating  
the Benson Art Commission  
and Amending the Benson  
City Code, Chapter 18,  
Regarding Boards,  
Commissions and Committees  
Adopting as a New Article,  
that Certain Public Record  
Entitled, "Benson City Code,  
Chapter 18, "Boards,  
Commissions and  
Committees", Article 18-6,  
"Benson Arts Commission":

Councilmember Fenn and Council thanked Sylvia Burnside for her efforts. Councilmember King moved to approve the Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Benson,

Arizona, creating the Benson Art Commission and Amending the Benson City Code, Chapter 18, Regarding Boards, Commissions and Committees Adopting as a New Article, that Certain Public Record Entitled, "Benson City Code, Chapter 18, "Boards, Commissions and Committees", Article 18-6, "Benson Arts Commission. Seconded by Councilmember Suagee. Motion passed 5-0.

Submission of Benson Water System Plan to Arizona Department of Water Resource (ADWR) and proposed plan for implementing water conservation ordinances

City Manager Roush addressed Council and introduced Alan Forrest, a water consultant who gave a brief overview of the plan. Mr. Forrest advised Council that the plan is required to be revised at a minimum of 5 year intervals.

Fiscal Year 07-08 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) New Project Sheets:

City Manager Martin Roush addressed Council regarding the new project sheets for Capital Improvement Plans that will be used in the future. Councilmembers thanked Mr. Roush for better communication and information to the Council and public.

Discussion regarding agreement for Prosecutorial Services between the City of Benson and Biagio Gingo:

Ann Roberts, City Attorney addressed Council regarding this item. Ms. Roberts stated she has received many compliments on Mr. Gingo. Council directed staff to advertise a request for bids for this service in May of 2007.

Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Cochise County and the City of Benson for the General and Runoff Elections to be held on March 13, 2007 May 15, 2007:

Councilmember Suagee moved to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Cochise County and the City of Benson for the General and Runoff Elections to be held on March 13, 2007 and May 15, 2007. Seconded by Councilmember Lodzinski. Motion passed 5-0.

COUNCIL DIRECTIVES:

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: No comments.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilmember Lodzinski moved to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.  
Seconded by Councilmember King. Motion passed 5-0.

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George Scott, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Vicki L. Vivian, City Clerk