

**Minutes
Town of Clifton
Town Council & Town Grants Committee
Meeting
510 N Coronado Blvd
June 19, 2018
10:30 A.M.**

Town Council Members Present

Luis Montoya, Mayor
Barbara Ahmann, Vice-Mayor
Laura Dorrell, Council member
Ray Lorenzo, Council member
B. Waddell Reyes, Council member
Ray West, Council member
Vacant, Council member

Grants Committee Members Present

Barbara Ahmann, Chair
Tony Ortega, Member
Vacancy, Member

*Excused

A quorum was present.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Luis Montoya followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business

Discussion and/or action regarding the town's participation in the Greenlee County Community Investment Fund: Mayor Montoya explained that the Greenlee County Community Investment Fund (CIF) application cycle has just been announced and grant administrators recommend a one-on-one meeting with potential applicants to discuss grant concepts as to fundability. This one-on-one opportunity is scheduled for July 9, 2018. Therefore, the town needs to decide on a project.

Mayor Montoya also suggested that the town begin to utilize the grants committee to channel potential projects through this committee for their recommendation to the Town Council. This will centralize the town's grant process.

Council member Dorrell continued the discussion by reporting that the streets/sidewalks equipment grant application previously submitted through the United Way of Graham County Grant process had been rejected and she suggested that it might be considered for this Community Investment Fund Cycle. She explained that the streets equipment grant has a great chance of being funded because the town has already committed investing local funds towards the purchase of other pieces of equipment necessary to carry out the long-range plan.

As discussed in the Roads and Streets Committee meeting, one of the recommendations to satisfy the "benefit to community" requirement was to establish an IGA with the Town of Duncan to utilize the equipment by assisting them in their street improvements projects as well.

In other discussion, Chief of Police, Omar Negrete asked whether police equipment might be considered as a potential project through the CIF grant program. He explained the need to seek funds for a fully equipped vehicle to serve as a swing car or backup vehicle. Cost estimate \$55,000.

Other potential grant sources were discussed as possible options for police equipment. These included Governor's Office of Highway Safety; Indian Gaming Grants or United Way Grant Funds.

Motion to support the streets/sidewalks equipment project as suggested by the town's Roads & Streets Committee was made by Vice-Mayor Ahmann. Second to the motion was made by Council member Ray West.

Voting in favor of the motion were Council members' Ahmann, West, Reyes, Dorrell, Lorenzo and Montoya. None were opposed. Motion carried.

Discussion and/or action regarding the town's participation in the United Way of Graham County Grant Application: Grants Committee Chair, Barbara Ahmann reported that the grants committee has been working on a parks improvement grant affecting the North Clifton RV Park. The Parks Director, Tony Ortega had brought the issue of the current playground as currently in disrepair and no longer meets The National Recreation and Park Association standards (F2223-10 standard specification for impact of surfacing material within the zone of playground equipment.). The proposed project would include the installation of rubber mulch for fall protection, equipment replacement, and necessary landscape adjustments. Modifications and final cost estimates would need to be discussed to address possible repairs to the restroom facility serving the park.

Motion to approve the submission of a parks improvements grant for upgrades to the North Clifton RV Park was made by Mayor Luis Montoya. Second to the motion was made by Council member Reyes.

Voting in favor of the motion were Council members' Montoya, Reyes, Ahmann, West, Dorrell, and Lorenzo. None were opposed. Motion carried.

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Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Vice-Mayor Barbara Ahmann. Second to the motion was made by Council member Ray West.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:44 a.m.

Approved:

Luis M. Montoya, Mayor

Attest:

Esperanza Castaneda, Town Clerk