



**TOWN OF EAGAR**  
**REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MEETING**

**MAY 6, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

**COUNCIL CHAMBER, 22 WEST 2ND**  
**STREET**

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**MINUTES**

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Mayor Guy Phelps called the regular session to order and welcomed those present. Mayor Phelps requested that the record show all Councilmembers are present except for Councilman Ray Hamblin. Mayor Guy Phelps led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilmember Bryce Burnham offered the invocation.

**5. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Councilman William Greenwood stated he attended a Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG) meeting in Flagstaff.

Manager Brannon Eagar stated he met with the fire coordinating group and we will remain in stage 1 fire restrictions and preparing to go into stage 2. We are still in the process of updating our fleet to newer used vehicles.

David Lamm Finance Director stated that we continue to send the \$75k monthly to savings, \$7.6 million in the LGIP account, and continue to have revenues coming in.

Jessica Vaughan Town Clerk stated she has submitted permit application to Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade permit. I have been in the process of planning Eagar Days, scanning records, and continuing education towards certifications.

John Pedroncelli, Public Works Director, stated they have been working on waterlines and continuing normal functions.

Britney Reynolds, Community Development Director stated she submitted an application to extend fiber, an energy efficient grant has been awarded for \$175k it will save approximately \$24k a year, and we have applied for another pedestrian crossing 2<sup>nd</sup> and Main St.

Robert Pena, Fire Captain stated they sent a truck to Gila for the Iron Fire.

Chief of Police Dayson Merrill reported on his April statistics including 396 total incidents, 252 officer initiated, 27 arrests, 4 being felony arrests. Staff participated in taser training for the new tasers, helped with the Special Olympics Torch Run, and took part in career day at the High School. They conducted animal control interviews and hired for the full-time position. He gave a staffing update including they are

talking to a lateral possibly interested in the Sergeant position and a potential cadet to start the academy in July and graduate in December. He thanked the public for their patience during the Greer Fire and evacuations. He thanked Springerville and Eagar Public Works department for immediately stepping up and a special thanks to Robert Pena. He explained law enforcement from all over came to help including Apache County Sheriffs, Navajo County Sheriffs, DPS, Game and Fish, the Rangers, and the Navajo Nation Police Department. He explained that evacuation was necessary at the time and it was possible with the help of all these agencies. He thanked Brannon Eagar who stayed in close contact with the fire team for the communication. He thanked the Council for their support throughout the incident

## **6. OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Terry Shove provided updates on several community matters:

1. High School Softball team made it to the semi-finals
2. Baseball is in the play-off's
3. Scholarship banquet was last night
4. Career days for freshman and had 20 speakers organized for students
5. High school graduation is May 21<sup>st</sup>

Shannon Latham stated she came to ask the town to give a sponsorship for the graduation party night for 200 to 300 students and ask for a donation of \$500.

## **7. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 2025 (JESSICA VAUGHAN)
- B. APPROVAL OF MARCH 2025 NATIONAL BANK OF ARIZONA TRANSMITTALS, CHECKS WRITTEN, PAYROLL DIRECT DEPOSIT VOUCHERS, AND CREDIT CARD PURCHASES (DAVID LAMM)
- C. ACCEPTANCE OF MARCH 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT AND SALES TAX REPORT (DAVID LAMM)

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice-mayor Marsha Tucker seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously.  
6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

## **8. WORK SESSION**

- A. DISCUSSION WITH THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION REGARDING DEVELOPING AN ORDINANCE ON ALLOWING OR

## PROHIBITING SHIPPING CONTAINERS AS RESIDENCES AND STORAGE (BRITNEY REYNOLDS)

Councilman Bryce Burnham made a motion to move into work session at [at 6:22 p.m.]. Councilman William Greenwood seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

Planning and Zoning Commission sat with Council to discuss the storage containers ordinance. The following conversation covered these topics.

- That connex boxes need to be engineered and stamped if they going to be more than storage
- Insurance could be issues
- Setting standards on looks of connex boxes
- Differences in appraising and comps
- Affordable housing think that stick built is still cheaper
- Setting guidelines in code

Planning and Zoning will take all options back to their next meeting and start developing an Ordinance.

Councilman Bryce Burnham made a motion to move back into regular session at [at 6:53 p.m.]. Councilman William Greenwood seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

### A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING MOVING DISPATCH SERVICES TO THE CITY OF SHOW LOW DISPATCH CENTER (BRANNON EAGAR)

Brannon Eagar, Town Manager stated that we as fire and police have had serious concerns regarding dispatch in Apache County. We have been in a bind having only one person on staff or nobody answering. Alarm company set off an alarm and it took 12 minutes for the Police Department to be dispatched. Show Low has an updated dispatch center and have the personnel that can handle adding us to their calls.

Mayor Guy Phelps made a motion to direct Brannon to move forward with moving dispatch services to the City of Show Low dispatch center. Vice-mayor Marsha Tucker seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-04 APPOINTING THE CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 (DAVID LAMM)

David Lamm, Finance Director stated that this is done every year and is a custodial item.

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-04 appointing David Lamm as the Chief Fiscal Officer for fiscal year 2026. Councilman Brandon Slade seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

C. DISCUSSION AND SECOND READING AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025-01 UNDERGROUND ORDINANCE (BRANNON EAGAR)

Councilman Titan Merrill made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-01 Underground. Councilman Bryce Burnham seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2025-05 DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK AND ENTITLED ORDINANCE 2025-01 UNDERGROUND (JESSICA VAUGHAN)

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve the purchase of concrete for the fire station front parking areas not to exceed \$20,000. Councilman Titan Merrill seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:        Ayes:     Guy Phelps  
                         Marsha Tucker  
                         Titan Merrill  
                         Brandon Slade  
                         William Greenwood  
                         Bryce Burnham

E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF CONCRETE FOR THE FIRE STATION FRONT PARKING AREAS NO TO EXCEED \$20,000 (JOHN PEDRONCELLI)

John Pedroncelli, Public Works Director stated that we will do the concrete in house.

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve the bid for the Chlorination building to Brown and Sons Concrete for \$55,500. Councilman Titan Merrill seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:        Ayes:     Guy Phelps  
                         Marsha Tucker  
                         Titan Merrill  
                         Brandon Slade  
                         William Greenwood  
                         Bryce Burnham

F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BID FOR THE CHLORINATION BUILDING TO BROWN AND SONS CONCRETE FOR TOTAL OF \$55,500 (BRANNON EAGAR)

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve a sales tax audit contract between the Town of Eagar and Aldridge Consulting. Councilman Bryce Burnham seconded; 5 were in favor, motion carried. 5-1

Vote:        Ayes:     Guy Phelps  
                         Titan Merrill  
                         Brandon Slade  
                         William Greenwood  
                         Bryce Burnham

Nays: Marsha Tucker

G. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A SALES TAX AUDIT CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF EAGAR AND ALDRIDGE CONSULTING, LLC (BRANNON EAGAR)

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve the purchase of eleven solar lights for Main Street from Solar Lighting International. Councilman Bryce Burnham seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

#### H. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF ELEVEN SOLAR LIGHTS FOR MAIN STREET FROM SOLAR LIGHTING INTERNATIONAL A SOLE SOURCE PROVIDER (JOHN PEDRONCELLI)

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-05. Councilman Bryce Burnham seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

### 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Bryce Burnham made a motion to move into Executive Session [at 7:36 p.m.]. Councilman William Greenwood seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

- A. EXECUTIVE SESSION AS ALLOWED BY A.R.S § 38-431.03.A1 DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OF EMPLOYMENT, ASSIGNMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISMISSAL, SALARIES, DISCIPLINING OR RESIGNATION OF A PUBLIC OFFICER, APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE OF ANY PUBLIC BODY, EXCEPT THAT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SALARY DISCUSSIONS, AN OFFICER OR APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE MAY DEMAND THAT THE DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OCCUR AT A PUBLIC MEETING. THE PUBLIC BODY SHALL PROVIDE THE OFFICER, APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE WITH WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AS IS APPROPRIATE

BUT NOT LESS THAN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS FOR THE OFFICER, APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION SHOULD OCCUR AT A PUBLIC MEETING- **TOWN MANAGER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION- BRANNON EAGAR**

- B. EXECUTIVE SESSION AS ALLOWED BY A.R.S. § 38-431.03.A1 DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OF EMPLOYMENT, ASSIGNMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISMISSAL, SALARIES, DISCIPLINING OR RESIGNATION OF A PUBLIC OFFICER, APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE OF ANY PUBLIC BODY, EXCEPT THAT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SALARY DISCUSSIONS, AN OFFICER OR APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE MAY DEMAND THAT THE DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION OCCUR AT A PUBLIC MEETING. THE PUBLIC BODY SHALL PROVIDE THE OFFICER, APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE WITH WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AS IS APPROPRIATE BUT NOT LESS THAN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS FOR THE OFFICER, APPOINTEE OR EMPLOYEE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE DISCUSSION OR CONSIDERATION SHOULD OCCUR AT A PUBLIC MEETING- **TOWN MANAGER CONTRACT- BRANNON EAGAR**

Councilman William Greenwood made a motion to move into Regular Session [at 8:16 p.m.]. Councilman Bryce Burnham seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

## **11. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION**

- A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEM 10 A (MAYOR GUY PHELPS)

Councilman Titan Merrill made a motion to approve an 8% performance bonus for Manager Eagar. Vice-mayor Marsha Tucker seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:	Ayes:	Guy Phelps
		Marsha Tucker
		Titan Merrill
		Brandon Slade
		William Greenwood
		Bryce Burnham

- B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEM 10 B (MAYOR GUY PHELPS)

Vice-mayor Marsha Tucker made a motion to approve Mayor Phelps to negotiate the Town Manager Contract. Councilman Brandon Slade seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:        Ayes:    Guy Phelps  
                         Marsha Tucker  
                         Titan Merrill  
                         Brandon Slade  
                         William Greenwood  
                         Bryce Burnham

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Brandon Slade made a motion to adjourn at [at 8:18 p.m.]. Councilman William Greenwood seconded; all were in favor, motion carried unanimously. 6-0

Vote:        Ayes:    Guy Phelps  
                         Marsha Tucker  
                         Titan Merrill  
                         Brandon Slade  
                         William Greenwood  
                         Bryce Burnham

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Vice-Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Council: \_\_\_\_\_

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### CERTIFICATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Work Session of the Town of Eagar, Arizona held on May 6, 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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Jessica Vaughan, Town Clerk