

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING  
GILA BEND TOWN COUNCIL  
February 14, 2023; 6:00pm  
Gila Bend Unified School District Media Center  
308 North Martin Avenue  
**STATEMENT OF COUNCIL ACTIONS**

Pursuant to ARS 38-431.02, notice is hereby given that the TOWN COUNCIL will hold a Council meeting on February 14, 2023 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the Gila Bend Unified School District Media Center located at 308 N Martin Avenue, Gila Bend, Arizona. **Council Members of the Town of Gila Bend Town Council will attend either in person or by telephone or video communication.** A copy of the final agenda will be available twenty-four hours prior to the meeting in the Town Clerk's Office, 644 West Pima, Gila Bend, AZ 85337.

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Call to order **meeting called to order at 6:00 pm**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance **led by Mayor Tommy Sikes**
- C. Invocation **was given by Steve McClure**

II. **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Tommy Sikes	Council Member Chris Riggs
Vice Mayor James Turner	Council Member Scott Swanson
Council Member Fernando Fernandez	Council Member Donny Young <b>Absent</b>
Council Member Clyde Kreeger	

III. **CONSENT AGENDA** (all items subject to approval by a single motion; any Council Member may require any of these items to be voted on separately).

- A. **Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action on the approval of the January 24, 2023 meeting minutes  
**Discussion and possible action**
- B. **Payment of Claims:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to ratify claims in the amount of \$95,341.46 and approve claims in the amount of \$100,184.20 all for the period of January 19, 2023 through February 8, 2023. **Discussion and possible action**  
**Consent Agenda APPROVED as presented**

IV. **NEW BUSINESS** - Discussion and possible action on the following items:

- A. **2020-2021 Independent Audit Report and Financial Report:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to approve the FY 2020-2021 Annual Financial Statement and Independent Audit Report prepared by Colby & Powell.  
**Discussion and Possible Action**  
**2020-2021 Independent Audit Report and Financial Report APPROVED as presented**
- B. **Grant of Easement to Maricopa County Flood Control District:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to grant an easement to Maricopa County Flood District for the purpose of (i) construction, installation, reconstruction, operation, repair, replacement, maintenance, and/or removal of a channel, and appurtenances thereto; (ii) the right of unrestricted ingress and egress to, from, across, and along said Easement Area; and, (iii) the right, but not the obligation, to cut back and trim such

portions of trees and vegetation that obstruct or interfere with the efficient access to, and/or maintenance and operation of, the Facility. **Discussion and possible action**  
**Grant of Easement to Maricopa County Flood Control District APPROVED as presented**

- C. **Design and Engineering Contract for Williams and Johnny Streets Waterline Replacement Project:** The Mayor and Town Council may discuss and possibly take action to award the Design and Engineering Contract to Rick Engineering for the Williams and Johnny Streets Waterline replacement project in the amount of \$35,000. This project is funded through Community Development Block Grant. **Discussion and possible action**  
**Design and Engineering Contract for Williams and Johnny Streets Waterline Replacement Project APPROVED as presented**

V. **PALOMA SECURITY REPORT**

(This is the time Paloma Security may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented)  
**No Report**

VI. **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT**

(This is the time Chamber of Commerce may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented)  
**No Report**

VII. **MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS**

(This is the time Council Member's may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented except that an individual Council Member may ask that an item be placed on a future agenda)  
**Councilmember Chris Riggs spoke about the Gila Bend Shoot-off**  
**Councilmember Scott Swanson spoke about the Fox News feature aired last week**  
**Mayor Tommy Sikes spoke about attending the Butterfield Stage Days event**

VIII. **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

(This is the time the Town Manager may present a brief summary on current events. The Council may not propose, discuss, deliberate or take any legal action on the information presented except that an individual Council Member may ask that an item be placed on a future agenda)  
**Town Manager Katherine Valenzuela gave her report**

- IX. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC** (The procedures to follow if you address the Council are: Council requests that you express your ideas in three minutes or less and refrain from any personal attacks or derogatory statements about any individual. The Mayor will limit discussion whenever he deems such an action appropriate to the proper conduct of the meeting. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the Council may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Council, may ask Staff to review a matter, or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the Council shall not discuss or take legal action on any matters during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.)

**Resident Fred Hull read a statement/petition regarding the Butterfield Trail and South Main intersection.**

X. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(This is the time Council Member's may request items be placed on future agenda's)  
**Councilmember Chris Riggs requested a possible resolution for the State regarding Butterfield Trail and Main St. improvements. Councilmember Riggs also would like a work session regarding finances, ASRS missed payments and repeat issues.**  
**Mayor Tommy Sikes would like to have the Town Marshal item put back on the agenda.**  
**Vice-Mayor James Turner would also like to have the Town Marshal item on the agenda and**

would also like a work session on the Great Bend of the Gila.

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**  
**Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm**

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Beverly Turner, MMC  
Town Clerk

2/09/2023  
Date

Before 4:00 pm  
Time

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Town Manager Approval

Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Community Center lobby: 202 N Euclid**

**Family Resource Center: 308 E Pima**