MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019, AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE FLORENCE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 775 N. MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Walter called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Tara Walter, John Anderson, Karen Wall, Kristen Larsen, Michelle Cordes,
Absent: Bill Hawkins, Judy Hughes

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Walter called for a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Jose Maldonado, American Legion Post 9 Commander, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC Call to the Public for public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Town Council. Council rules limit public comment to three minutes. Individual Councilmembers may respond to criticism made by those commenting, may ask staff to review a matter raised or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the Council shall not discuss or take action on any matter during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PRESENTATIONS

Public Hearing to receive citizens' comments on an application received from Jose L. Maldonado, American Legion Post 9, for a Class B Bingo License, located at 441 N. Main Street, Florence, Arizona, and for Council recommendation for approval or disapproval of said license.

Ms. Lisa Garcia, Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk, stated that the Town Clerk's Office received a Class B Bingo License application. Staff posted the public hearing meeting notice at the location as well as provided notice to the applicant.

Mr. Maldonado stated that they are applying for the bingo license so they can put their bingo machines online. The bingo machines will help them fund their programs, which helps the community. These machines will replace how bingo games are held. The numbers on the bingo machine correlate to an actual bingo card.

Councilmember Wall inquired about the time.

Mr. Maldonado stated that the machines would be available from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm.

Mayor Walter opened the public hearing. There being no public comments, Mayor Walter closed the public hearing.

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Vice-Mayor Anderson, and carried (5-0) to forward a recommendation for approval of a Class B Bingo License for American Legion Post 9.

Public Hearing to receive citizens' comments on the proposed change to the existing wall and fence height requirements in Florence Gardens Units A through F and first reading of Ordinance No. 682-19.

Mayor Walter read Ordinance No. 682-19 by title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING CERTAIN USES OF PROPERTY WITHIN UNITS A THROUGH F OF FLORENCE GARDENS.

Mr. Larry Harmer, Community Development Director, provided a presentation, in which he outlined the following:

- Florence Gardens Overlay PZ-19-18
  - Community Development staff has been working with the Florence Gardens Manufactured Home Association regarding a request to change fence heights for:
    - Property line in the front yard
    - Golf course errant golf ball protection
  - Town Code and their HOA only restrict fence in the front property to three feet in height
    - Some residents have increased the fence height to four feet to enclose their animals
- Background/Proposal
  - There has been a request by Florence Gardens to permit a front yard fence/enclosure to be allowed at a height of four feet to allow for full usage of individual lots by pet owners within the community.
    Approximately 12 such fences currently exist within Florence Gardens.
  - There has been a request by Florence Gardens to allow a golf ball protection fence along the rear and side property lines for those lots adjacent to the Three Parks Fairways Golf Course.
  - Over past years, there have been several protection fences installed contrary to Town Codes and without structural engineering to ensure the stability of the fences.

- Typical Front Yard Examples

- Existing examples for four-foot fences
  - Approximately 12 four-foot tall fences have cropped up over the years; generally those lot owners have dogs and like the security of a higher fence.

- Ordinance Details
  - Ordinance No. 682-19 Salient Points
    - The maximum height of any fence in a required front yard shall be four feet, with no greater than two feet being opaque. The fence may be constructed of non-slatted chain link, split rail, wrought iron, or pickets. Natural or synthetic materials may be used. In rear and side yards, the maximum height shall be four feet. If chain link is used for the front, side and rear property lines, slats are not permitted.
    - The maximum height of a golf course screen fence for an interior side yard or rear yard is 18' and may be constructed of chain link or nursery screen material. If chain link is used, slats are not permitted. A Building Permit must be obtained from the Town of Florence prior to installation. A Building Permit application must be accompanied by appropriate engineering documentation.
- Public Outreach
  - Community Development staff met with residents and board members of Florence Gardens Manufactured Home Association

- Florence Gardens held a Citizen Meeting earlier in 2019 at Florence Gardens Community Center and approved the draft ordinance
- Advertisement posted in local newspaper per A.R.S. Statutes
- Public hearings at Planning & Zoning Commission and Town Council

- Findings
  - The Planning and Zoning Commission offers the following findings for the consideration by the Town Council:
    - The proposed amendments are consistent with the needs of the community and the Town.
    - The proposed amendments for Florence Gardens should facilitate ongoing development and use of private property community.
- Recommendation
  - The Planning and Zoning Commission forwards a recommendation for approval subject to conditions:
    - Any additional conditions deemed necessary by the Town Council.

Ms. Emily Webster, Florence Resident, stated that she resides in the Florence Gardens community, serves on the Board of Directors, and is Chairman of the Architectural Community. She expressed her appreciation toward the Community Development staff. She stated that discussions started with Dana Burkhart and Larry Harmer approximately two years ago. She stated that the overlay is a perfect solution. Their rules regarding lot development are in line with the Town's rules. This overlay will be the identified missing piece to handle fencing issues that they have. She stated that the Board of Directors and Architectural Committee strongly support its approval. She is pleased that the Planning and Zoning Commission forwarded a recommendation for approval as well.

Mayor Walter opened the public hearing. There being no public comments, Mayor Walter closed the public hearing.

Presentation on Give A Lift Program.

Ms. Carolyn Ballard, Recreation Programmer, provided a presentation, in which she outlined the following:

- Mission Statement
  - The Town of Florence Give-A-Lift program is dedicated to promoting independence and enhancing the quality of life to senior and disabled residents by providing a no cost means of transportation to medical appointments.
- Who We Serve
  - Florence residents who are at least 55 years old and those with a disability
- Services provided
  - All drivers are volunteers who have agreed to use their own vehicles to provide medical appointment transportation services. There is no cost to passengers for this service, although drivers may accept gas donations.
  - Volunteers are able to drive the handicap accessible vehicles at the Dorothy Nolan Senior Center for transporting those in need of wheelchair lifts.
- Program Funding

- October 1, 2018 – Sept. 30, 2019
- ADOT 5310 Mobility Grant was awarded for $14,000
- Town of Florence agreed to a 50% match

– Services began January 7, 2019
– 1st Quarter Performance Outcomes

	Volunteers	Hours	Miles	Trips
January	4	46.25	785	22
February	7	49	1010	32
March	5	43.25	719	32
Totals:	*8	138.5	2514	66

* Had 8 volunteers this quarter

– 2nd Quarter Performance Outcomes

	Volunteers	Hours	Miles	Trips
April	10	50.75	852	43
May	10	60.25	999	46
June	8	41.25	583	42
Totals:	*11	152.25	2434	131

* Had 11 volunteers this quarter

– Six Month Performance Outcome
  - January – June 2019 Totals:
    - 17 Volunteers
    - 290.75 volunteer hours
    - 4,948 miles
    - 217 trips
  - 36 Registered Clients
    - Average age: 74
    - Disabled: 15
    - Require wheelchair lift: 2
– Wonderful connections and friendships are happening
– Two clients have utilized the Senior Center vehicles for eight trips, totaling 431 miles
– Comment received
  - "I love this program. What would us old coots in Florence do without Give-A-Lift?" - Julia Montes
  - "The Florence Give-A-Lift Program has touched me in unexpected ways. Of course, I'm happy that I'm helping to provide a much needed service to seniors in my community, and that is personally fulfilling. What I did not expect are the connections I've made with some of the seniors and the stories we tell on our drives. Happy, sad, funny…but never boring. Life is an interesting ride! – Danielle Dupuy, Volunteer Driver
– Program Funding
  - October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020
  - ADOT 5310 Mobility Grant was awarded for $10,000
  - Town of Florence agreed to a 50% match, which includes a $5,628 in-kind match estimate for our volunteer drivers' hours
– Goal

- Increase number of volunteers to support ability to offer rides to service appointments (banking, social services, etc.) and/or shopping trips

Mayor Walter inquired what other things are being done to raise awareness.

Ms. Ballard stated that the volunteers range in age from 57 to 88 years of age. She stated that she attends many community development events. Many of her volunteers are from the Anthem subdivision and she attends their homeowner's association meetings and other events that she is invited to. She also passes out flyers and they spread the word by word of mouth.

Ms. Ballard stated that the volunteers are very dedicated. They are properly vetted and undergo background and vehicle checks. They go through an orientation as well. The clients are vetted as well to ensure that the volunteers are going to a safe environment. She stated that long lasting relationships between the volunteer and the client are formed. The clients are getting the companionship that they are missing.

Vice-Mayor Anderson inquires if they require proof of insurance.

Ms. Ballard stated that they obtain copies of their driver's license as well as their insurance card in their file.

Councilmember Cordes inquired if the vehicles have any magnetic signage indicating that they are part of the program.

Ms. Ballard stated that they do not have any signage. This has been previously discussions regarding magnetic signage and it is something that they will be doing in the future.

Presentation on Upcoming Special Events.

Ms. Alison Feliz, Recreation Coordinator, provided a presentation, in which she outlined the following:

- 2019 Fall Events and Sneak Peak at New 2020 Events
  - Demolition Derby
    - Saturday, October 5, 2019
    - Time: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
    - Charles whitlow rodeo grounds
  - Florence High School Homecoming Parade
    - Friday, October 11, 2019
    - 1:00 p.m.
    - Historic Downtown Main Street
  - Halloween Fright Fest
    - Third year to have it on Main Street
    - Add "Touch a Truck" event
    - Working with Chamber
      - Shop Local punch card
      - Hoping to boost economic development

    - Thursday, October 31, 2019
    - 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
    - Historic Downtown Main Street
        - Trunk or treat
        - Haunted House
        - Costume Contest
        - Bingo
        - Vendors
- Anthem Celebrates the Arts
    - Saturday, November 2, 2019
    - Time: 11:00 a.m.
    - Anthem Community Park Amphitheater
- Concerts in the Park
    - Saturday, November 9, 2019
    - Time: 3:00 p.m.
    - Anthem Community Park Amphitheater
- Relay for Life
    - Friday, November 15, 2019
    - Time: 6:00 p.m. to midnight
        - Changed hours
    - Aquatic Center Multipurpose Fields and parking lot
- Drive In Movie (New)
    - Aladdin movie
    - Will have crafts and vendors
    - Friday, November 22, 2019
    - Sundown
    - Community Center Parking Lot
- Junior Parada Parade and Rodeo
    - Thanksgiving weekend
    - Rodeo put on by the Posse
        - November 29, 2019 through December 1, 2019
        - May have carnival
    - Parade
        - Saturday, November 30, 2019
        - 10:00 a.m.
        - Historic Downtown Main Street
- Christmas on Main Street
    - Friday, December 6, 2019
    - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
    - Historic Downtown Main Street
- Jingle Bell Jog (New)
    - Partnering with Four Peaks Racing
    - Saturday, December 7, 2019
    - 8:00 a.m.
    - Start at Heritage Park and runs through Historic Downtown Main Street
    - Breakfast with Santa will take place after the run
    - Runners are encouraged to dress up in Christmas costume attire

    - Town will provide jingle bells to runner
- Arts in the Park
    - Saturday, December 7, 2019
    - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
    - Union Center Parking Lot
- Music Festival (New)
    - Modeling of their event after Queen Creek's event
    - Committee will be formed to vote on type of event to be the best fit for Florence
    - Date: to be determined - Spring
    - Time; to be determined
    - Historic Downtown Main Street
- Art Festival (New)
    - Similar to the 4th Avenue Event in Phoenix
    - Tentative date: Saturday, January 18 to Sunday, January 19
    - Time: to be determined
    - Downtown Historic Main Street
- Prison Break Run (New)
    - Partnering with Four Peaks Racing
    - Tentative Date: Saturday, March 21, 2019
    - Time: to be determined
    - Location: to be determined

Mayor Walter is exciting to see the Town bringing forward new events.

Vice-Mayor Anderson asked the Town work with the Posse to join forces for the music event.

Councilmember Larsen stated that she is looking forward to the music festival.

Councilmember Cordes inquired if there would be more than one event.

Ms. Feliz stated that the number of events will be dependent on the outcome of the Request for Proposals received.

Mayor Walter asked that the power point presentation be posted to the website and shared on social media.

CONSENT: All items on the consent agenda will be handled by a single vote as part of the consent agenda, unless a Councilmember or a member of the public objects at the time the agenda item is called.

a. **Proclamation declaring August 2019 as Drowning Impact Awareness Month.**

b. **Approval to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Pinal County through the Pinal County Sheriff's Office for usage of graffiti abatement equipment.**

c. **Approval to enter into a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Cooperation and Coordination Agreement with Pinal County.**

d. **Approval to enter into a contract with Day Auto Supply, aka Napa Auto Parts, through a Cooperative Contract through the Arizona Department of Administration Solicitation # ADSPO16-00005626, Contract # ADSPO16-129364, for aftermarket automotive parts and service, in an amount not to exceed $63,800.**

e. **Approval to enter into a contract with Pro-Tec Environmental Inc., to provide sewer line cleaning for CIP SU-94 Annual Sewer Line Cleaning Project, in an amount not to exceed $90,000.**

f. **Notice of Task Order/Change Order for WestLand Resources issued for On-Call Engineering pursuant to Council approved contract.**

g. **Approval to enter into a four-year contract with Piper Jaffray & Co. to serve as the Town's Financial Advisor.**

h. **Approval of accepting the register of demands ending June 30, 2019, in the amount of $3,725,237.59.**

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to approve the Consent Agenda, as written, with the exception of Item a and Item e.

e. **Approval to enter into a contract with Pro-Tec Environmental Inc., to provide sewer line cleaning for CIP SU-94 Annual Sewer Line Cleaning Project, in an amount not to exceed $90,000.**

Vice-Mayor Anderson stated that it was his understanding that staff would be doing its own sewer line cleaning once the Town purchased its own machine.

Mr. Chris Salas, Public Works Director, stated that the jetter truck was removed from the budget. The jetter trailer is not large enough to clean out large volumes of sewer. A large truck costs approximately $450,000 and is not a wise investment for the size of the community. It also takes too much personnel to run the equipment.

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Cordes, and carried to enter into a contract with Pro-Tec Environmental Inc., to provide sewer line cleaning for CIP SU-94 Annual Sewer Line Cleaning Project, in an amount not to exceed $90,000.

a. **Proclamation declaring August 2019 as Drowning Impact Awareness Month.**

Mr. Bryan Hughes, Community Services Director, and Mayor Walter read the proclamation.

Mr. Hughes stated that the American Legion Post 9 donated $300 to the Town for new life vests, which will purchase approximately 30 new life vests. He thanked Mr. Maldonado for the donation and Mr. Chase Hall, Aquatic Center Manager, and Mr. David Strayer, Fire Chief for all they do with regards to swimmers' safety.

Mayor Walter proclaimed August 2019 as Drowning Impact Awareness Month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 680-19:

Mayor Walter read Ordinance No. 680-19 by title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING THE HIGHWAY BUSINESS COMMERCIAL (B-2) ZONE CHANGE FOR ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 202-04-0530 (PLZ-19-19).

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to adopt Ordinance No. 680-19.

Ordinance No. 681-19:

Mayor Walter read Ordinance No. 681-19 by title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING CERTAIN NON-CONFORMING USES OF PROPERTY WITHIN UNITS I, II, III, & IV OF CALIENTE CASA DEL SOL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to adopt Ordinance No. 681-19.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval Hanna Earl's and Grace Diorio's resignations from the Florence Youth Commission.

Mr. Hughes stated that two Florence Youth Commissioners resigned. Staff is actively recruiting to fill those positions, hopefully with member from the Florence Teen Council. Two teens will be attending the League Youth Program later this month.

Councilmember Larsen wished both individuals well in their future endeavors. She encouraged other teams to apply to the Florence Youth Commission. It is a great opportunity to have a direct access to work with the Town Council and make very large decisions.

Mayor Walter stated that she appreciates their service.

On motion of Councilmember Larsen, seconded by Councilmember Wall, and carried (5-0) to accept Hanna Earl's and Grace Diorio's resignations from the Florence Youth Commission.

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval to contract with Fortiline, Inc., through the City of Phoenix Contract Solicitation # IFB 15-158, Contract # 4701004826 Water Elbows, Fitting, Pipe, Shafts, Flanges, etc., to provide parts for water and wastewater projects, in an amount not to exceed $250,000.

Mr. Salas stated that this will allow staff to purchase parts when needed. It will also be used to outfit the water barn, once constructed. It will also allow staff to react quickly to unforeseen projects. The contracts were already competitively bid by a larger city, which allows the Town to work through the procurement.

Vice-Mayor Anderson inquired from what fund will the be used.

Mr. Salas stated that it would be funded from the operations line item 326.

Mayor Walter inquired how much money was utilized last year from the $250,000.

Mr. Salas stated that it was less than $30,000. It allows the department to operate more efficiently. The purchases are for items within the budget.

On motion of Councilmember Larsen, seconded by Councilmember Wall, and carried (5-0) to approve the contract with Fortiline, Inc., through the City of Phoenix Contract Solicitation # IFB 15-158, Contract # 4701004826 Water Elbows, Fitting, Pipe, Shafts, Flanges, etc., to provide parts for water and wastewater projects, in an amount not to exceed $250,000.

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval to enter into a Professional Services Contract with Coolidge Engine and Pump, for deep well and well pump maintenance, in an amount not to exceed $300,000.

Mr. Salas stated that this was an internal solicitation, specific to Florence. Coolidge Engine and Pump have serviced Florence for over 20 years and was through individual items. Most communities for water and wastewater have these types of job order contracts (JOCs). Most JOCs are for vendors who are 60+ miles away from Florence and do not service Florence. The Town did its own solicitation and received three bids in which two were rejected and not considered.

Mr. Salas met with Coolidge Engine and Pump and negotiated pricing. He explained how he audited some of Coolidge Engine and Pump's projects to determine if the Florence was receiving the lowest price, even though they were using a JOC. The result is that the Town is getting a better price than the competitive low bid price.

Councilmember Wall inquired if this contract can be made available to other communities in the area. She likes that the Town is utilizing more local businesses.

Mr. Salas stated that the language was included to be cooperative. Purchases will be expensed from the Water Budget, Well Preservation Program and Well 5 CIP.

Vice-Mayor Anderson asked that the amount of bids received be included in the Request for Council Action. He inquired how can the Town enter into other agreements with local businesses in neighboring communities.

Mr. Billingsley stated that staff encourages the use of local contracts. He stated that they use cooperative agreements with Pinal County. Staff is mindful of public dollars and be a good public fiduciary.

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to approve entering into a Professional Services Contract with Coolidge Engine and Pump, for deep well and well pump maintenance, in an amount not to exceed $300,000.

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval to enter into a contract with Ellison Mills Contracting LLC, utilizing Job Order Contract # 0816-14, through the City of Casa Grande Public Works On-Call Maintenance and Repair Services, in an amount not to exceed $300,000.

Mr. Salas stated that this contractor was the low bid contractor for the Town's 12 -Inch Downtown Phase 3B Project. Their prices are competitive and Coolidge Engine and Pump is a good working partner with the Town. Staff has multiple projects planned for this contract.

Mr. Salas stated that Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) inspected the Town's collection system. It was determined that some manholes have deterioration. The cost to repair the manholes is estimated at $260,000. Due to the other planned projects, it is necessary to increase the request from $300.000 to $500,000 for this contract. This will primarily be used for repairs around the wastewater plant.

Councilmember Cordes inquired which budget the expenses will be expended from.

Mr. Salas stated that the expenses will be operational as most projects will be maintenance type projects. The Well 2B will be charged to the CIP line item.

Mr. Salas stated that the ADEQ inspection was not known in the last budget year, they will have to revise the projects and may need to move some to the following year. Some large projects may come under budget which may help defray the costs for the inspection.

Mayor Walter inquired how the additional $200,000 proposed expense will impact the Town.

Mr. Billingsley stated that there is not an option to not do the repairs to the manholes. They will use funds allocated for operation and maintenance expenses as well as from the Well 2B project. He stated that the project is an Enterprise Fund project which there is funding for; however, he would be more concerned if it were to be allocated from the General Fund.

Councilmember Wall inquired what is wrong with the collection system.

Mr. Salas stated that there is a deterioration in the concrete in some of the manholes which can allow for infiltration and exfiltration. They need to shore up the manholes by coating the manholes. Another requirement is an operational manual which he is currently working on.

Mayor Walter inquired if they have been worked on in the past and what is the average age of the manholes.

Mr. Salas stated that he is unaware if an inspection of the manholes was ever done, as it was not a requirement in the past. Some of the manholes date back to the 1930s.

Vice-Mayor Anderson inquired if they will be reading meters. It was his understanding that the Town was moving away from manual reads of meters.

Mr. Salas explained that meter reading is listed in the scope of work; however, they will not be reading meters.

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Cordes, and carried (5-0) to approve entering a contract with Ellison Mills Contracting LLC, utilizing Job Order Contract # 0816-14, through the City of Casa Grande Public Works On-Call Maintenance and Repair Services, in an amount not to exceed $500,000 (an increase of $200,000 over what was originally requested).

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Billingsley wished Chief Hughes and Mr. Harmer a Happy Birthday.

Mr. Billingsley stated that 35 building permits for single family homes were issued last month. This is the highest total since July 2009. They may exceed the totals of 2008.

Mr. Billingsley stated that the Town set a number of records with regards to revenue and attendance and new programs for the Aquatics Center. The Kids Club was successful and they are transitioning to the Hanging After School Program. The After-School Program, which was previously provided by the Town is now being offered by the Florence Unified School District. The Town was asked to provide a low-cost solution which evolved to the Hanging After School Program. To date, they have 36 students enrolled. He stated that there will be additional activities added per the request of the parents. They now have an arts and music program, sports program and coding program.

Mr. Billingsley stated that D. R. Horton has begun construction of their model homes on Hunt Highway. They have a total of 305 lots.

Mr. Billingsley stated that the Town will continue to work with Central Arizona College to provide a Workforce Education Business Series. They will make some adjustments to offer business training and options for local business and government employers.

Mr. Billingsley stated that the paving project on First Street is complete. This should help with the drainage issues that previously existed.

Mr. Billingsley stated that the statewide numbers are looking good in terms of revenues. He and Benjamin Bitter, Assistant to the Town Manager, attended a talk by a well-known economist who believes Arizona's economy will continue to grow in the next year, followed by a stagnation period next year and then a correction similar to that in 2000 where property values normalized.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Community Development
Community Services
Courts
Finance
Fire
Police
Public Works

The Department Reports were received and filed.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

CALL TO THE COUNCIL – CURRENT EVENTS ONLY

Councilmember Wall is pleased with the results of the Give-A-Lift Program and is happy that they have two more years of funding. She stated that there is a growing need and is supportive of the program. She encourages others to volunteer.

Councilmember Larsen is pleased with the upcoming events.

Councilmember Cordes stated that peanut butter and jelly drive is still ongoing and asked everyone to participate. She stated that businesses have challenged eachother and it is nice to see both the public, private and school sectors participating.

Vice-Mayor Anderson thanked the American Legion Post 9 for inviting the Town to participate. He stated that even though it was warm, they had a nice turn out.

Mayor Walter stated that she appreciates everyone who gives to the community.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

For the purposes of discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body and/or legal counsel pursuant to A.R.S. Sections 38-431.03 (A)(3), (A)(4) to consider its position and instruct its representatives and/or attorneys regarding:

Town's position and instruct its attorneys regarding Arizona Department of Environmental Quality proceedings, related to Water Quality Appeals Board Case No. 16-002, including appellate proceedings to reviewing courts.

Town's position and instruct its attorneys regarding pending litigation in Maricopa County Superior Court: Town of Florence v. Florence Copper, Inc. CV2015-000325, including counterclaims.

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Wall, and carried (5-0) to adjourn to Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Cordes, seconded by Vice-Mayor Anderson, and carried (5-0) to adjourn from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, and seconded by Councilmember Wall, and carried (5-0) to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

Tara Walter

Tara Walter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Florence Town Council meeting held on August 5, 2019, and that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk