

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
May 18, 2011  
6:00 p.m.

Council: Eric Baca Mayor, Connie Hunt and Susan Silva

Excused: Dan Muth and Ron Thebeau

Staff: Steve West Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Tim Shaffery Legal Counsel, Mike Nuttall Police Chief, Sharon Pinckard Community Services, Suzanne Ely and Patricia Ballejos.

Public: Norene Kurtze, Kelly Mooney and Amanda Weaver with Erin Collins and Associates, Herb Hogie ACSO and Sheriff Joseph Dedman, Eva Wilson and Doyle Shamley, Supervisor John Lee and C County Manager Delwin Wengert, Dave and Amy Pulsifer, Katie Wood, Joe Dodman, Jennifer Lund and Chamber Director Becki Christensen.

1. Mayor Baca called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with a quorum present.
2. Councilmember Hunt led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Participation: Supervisor John Lee addressed the council regarding the reopening of Lyman Lake for the summer. He asked them to consider partnering with the county and several other entities to fund \$21,800 to re-open the lake. He said this amount is half of what it cost last year and hopes that in a few years the economy bounces back and the State Parks will reopen Lyman Lake. He said they were asking for up to o \$2000 from each entity. He thanked the council for allowing him to address them under public participation.

4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Manager West said he submitted a written report in their council packets.

Councilmember Silva commented on how the front office looks saying that the staff did a really good job and it looks really good. .

Chamber Director Christensen reported she attended Arizona Highway Trade Show along with 5 other chamber directors of our region. She reminded the council that the monthly Mixer would be held at the Safire Restaurant from 11:00 am until 1:00 p.m. in partnership with Microsoft Community and will be giving away software. She said she would use help when they begin moving into the new building.

Chief Nuttall reported they purchased a new vehicle through the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and they received a stipend from the 100 Club to purchase body armor for the officers.

Community Services Director reported they had lost 3 pieces of equipment at the center. They lost a convection oven, ice machine and an oven. She said she received approval for a mini grant to replace the equipment. She also reported she ordered and received candy for Halloween and Christmas. She also reported the county had delivered a new 12 passenger van to the senior center today. She also presented letters written by some of seniors regarding what's important to them about the senior center and some excerpts from a survey they did as well.

5. Consent Agenda:

- a. Consider approval of the April 06, 2011 regular council meeting held at 6:00pm
- b. Consider approval of the April 20, 2011 regular council meeting held at 6:00pm
- c. Consider ratification and approval of accounts payable for the month of May 2011.

Susan Silva/Connie Hunt motion to approve consent items 5a – 5c.



from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to obtain new vehicles. A K9 Tahoe for drug interdiction and a Tahoe for traffic enforcement. He said his department has seized over a million dollars in cash through their K-9 drug interdiction unit. They formed a Sheriff's Posse to support search, rescue and other operations in the northern Four Corners of the State and there are ongoing meetings regarding an effort to start helicopter patrols utilizing Federal grant funds.

The Sheriff's Office will be acquiring 12 new vehicles purchased through RICO funds, and he's in the process of applying for a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area designation. This designation would provide funding to assist in combating illegal drugs in Apache County. He reviewed 2010 ACCENT report giving the number of arrests, drugs and money seized through traffic stops. He said drug traffickers are using all kinds of methods to transport their drugs including airplanes. When asked how much of the RICO funds they actually receive he said they get 80% of the drug money and it's shared with the local police agencies. (The Sheriff's complete report is attached and part of the official minutes).

10. Lyman Lake request for funding assistance to reopen Lyman Lake for the 2011 summer.

Mayor Baca reminded the council this item had been presented earlier and called for a motion.

Susan Silva/Eric Baca motion to approve \$2,000 to help with the reopening of Lyman Lake.

Vote:	Ayes:	None
	Nays:	None

The motion died.

Eric Baca/Susan Silva motion to approve \$1,000 to help with the reopening of Lyman Lake.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca Susan Silva
	Nays:	Connie Hunt

11. Apache County Natural Resources Coordinator Doyle Shamley gave a brief update on the actions taken and upcoming plans coming out of non government organizations.

Mr. Shamley said that the alliance we formed has grown to 9 counties in the region and approximately 20 Natural Resource Conservations Districts saying that Senator Kyl is also becoming more involved. He noted that a lot of drug activity is occurring because they are using the Natural Resource Agencies against us. The Border Patrol and D.E.A. have been told they can't access habitat areas and this is where the trafficking is occurring. He said they were able to pralmagate hearings on the floor of Congress 3 weeks ago and now have 40 Congressman backing fixes to those problems. He received a call from the Washington Fish and Wildlife Service saying they will be coming out in June to discuss settling the listings on the land grabs in our back yard for various habitat and species. He then briefed them on the National Planning Rule and the status of the 219.7 "Coordination" Statute. He reiterated that our back yard was under attack.

12. Resolution 2011-R006: Discussion and action regarding adopting Resolution 2011-R006 amending the Town Fee schedule.

