

**ACTION MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CAREFREE TOWN COUNCIL**

**WHEN:** TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021

**WHERE:** ZOOM WEB <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3229729660>

MEETING ID: 322 972 9660

**TIME:** 5:00 P.M.

**Town Council Attending:**

Mayor Les Peterson

Vice Mayor John Crane

Vince D'Aliesio – (*Left at 5:15*)

Tony Geiger

Stephen Hatcher

Cheryl Kroyer

**Town Council Absent:**

Michael Krahe

**Staff Present:**

Gary Neiss, Town Administrator; Michael Wright, Town Attorney; Stacey Bridge Denzak, Director of Planning and Zoning; Stephen Prokopek, Economic Development Director; Kandace French, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Mayor Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Stacey Bridge - Denzak led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEM #1 Approval of the January 5, 2021 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes.**

Approved with a unanimous vote of 5 – 0.

**ITEM #2 Acceptance of the cash receipts and disbursements report for November, 2020.**

Approved with a unanimous vote of 5 – 0.

**ITEM #3 Accept and consent to the formation of the Rio Verde Foothills Domestic Water Improvement District.**

Pulled for discussion and presentation by the General Manager of the Carefree Water Company, Greg Crossman.

Approved with a unanimous vote of 5 – 0.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**ITEM #4 No one submitted comments for Call to the Public**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**ITEM #5**      **Current Events.**

Mayor Peterson announced that a Fire Service Review Committee will be appointed to review fire service for the Town of Carefree. The Rural Metro Fire contract expires in 2022.

**ITEM #6**      **Discussion to amend the *Carefree Town Code*, to protect the health, safety, and welfare by prohibiting the use, possession, sale, and smoking of marijuana on publically owned or controlled property and only allow recreational marijuana sales within a medical marijuana facility holding a dual license. Public comments will be taken. (*First Reading*).**

Presentation only. No action taken.

**ITEM #7**      **Review, discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2021-01 accepting a grant from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to the Carefree Fire Department.**

Approved with a unanimous vote of 5 – 0.

**ITEM #8**      **Presentation by Robin Cochran, new Executive Director of the Foothills Caring Corps, regarding the past, present and future services to the Foothills communities.**

Deferred until the meeting of the Carefree Town Council on March 2, 2021.

**ITEM #9**      **Update regarding the January 15-17, 2021 Thunderbird Artists' 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Carefree Fine Art & Wine Festival and the March 12 – 14, 2021 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Carefree Fine Arts Festival.**

Presentation only. No action taken

**ITEM #14**      **Adjournment.**

Approved with a unanimous vote of 5 – 0.

The meeting ended at 5:49 p.m.

DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2021.

TOWN OF CAREFREE

By: Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk