

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

**WHEN:** TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023

**WHERE:** CAREFREE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
33 EASY STREET, CAREFREE, AZ 85377

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

**Town Council Attending:**

Mayor John Crane  
Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer  
Sheila Amoroso  
Vince D'Aliesio  
Tony Geiger  
Stephen Hatcher  
Mike Johnson

**Town Council Absent:**

None

**Staff Present:**

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

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

Sharon Smith led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEM #1** Approval of the December 6, 2022 Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes.

**ITEM #2** Approval of the December 13, 2022 Town Council Special Meeting Minutes.

**ITEM #3** Acceptance into the public record of the December, 2022 paid bills.

**ITEM #4** Acceptance of the cash receipts and disbursements report for October, 2022.

**ACTION:** Agenda items were APPROVED as a single motion.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Kroyer.

SECOND: Council Member D'Aliesio.

VOTE: Approved 7-0.

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor John Crane	Aye
Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer	Aye
Sheila Amoroso	Aye
Vince D'Aliesio	Aye
Tony Geiger	Aye
Stephen Hatcher	Aye
Mike Johnson	Aye

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**ITEM #5 Call to the Public –**

Debra Morrow, of Carefree, appeared and thanked the Council for the installation of the speedbumps on Bloody Basin. She described the improvement in traffic volume and speed. She commented that additional informal counts and studies will continue.

ACTION: NONE.

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**ITEM #6 Current Events.**

- First Garden Seminar of 2023 being held on January 14, 2023
- Planning and Zoning Commission applications close January 13<sup>th</sup>. Members to be appointed by the Council on February 7, 2023
- New broadcasting and recording system installation in Town Council Chambers almost complete. Staff are recording the January meeting for posting to the website and YouTube Channel with the expectation that full live stream will begin with the February 7, 2023 meeting.
- Thunderbird Artists event in Town Center January 20<sup>th</sup> through January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

ACTION: NONE.

**ITEM #7 PUBLIC HEARING – Review and discussion regarding amendment to the Carefree, Arizona - Code of Ordinances (Town Code) related to the repeal and replacement of Article 6, Offenses, Chapter 6-8 Short-Term Rentals**

**Responsible Party Requirements and other Violations to align with recently passed state legislation. (Second Reading).**

**ACTION:** DEFER this matter to the February 7, 2023 Regular Town Council Meeting.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Kroyer.

**SECOND:** Council Member D’Aliesio.

**VOTE:** Approved 7-0.

<b>Voting Member</b>	<b>Aye/Nay</b>
Mayor John Crane	Aye
Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer	Aye
Sheila Amoroso	Aye
Vince D’Aliesio	Aye
Tony Geiger	Aye
Stephen Hatcher	Aye
Mike Johnson	Aye

**ITEM #8 PUBLIC HEARING – Review and discussion to approve the Village Center Redevelopment Plan.**

Presentation by Steve Prokopek and Matthew Klyszeiko of Michael Banker, International. Approved with an amendment to the Vision Statement on page 18. Replace “progressive: with “Forward thinking.” Staff were directed to draft an Executive Summary of the Village Center Redevelopment Plan.

**ACTION:** Agenda items APPROVED with direction to bring forth an EXECUTIVE SUMMARY at the next meeting along with an overview to arrive a more rigorous design review standards and tighter density control within the redevelopment area.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Kroyer.

**SECOND:** Council Member D’Aliesio.

**VOTE:** Approved 7-0.

<b>Voting Member</b>	<b>Aye/Nay</b>
Mayor John Crane	Aye
Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer	Aye
Sheila Amoroso	Aye
Vince D’Aliesio	Aye

Tony Geiger	Aye
Stephen Hatcher	Aye
Mike Johnson	Aye

**ITEM #9**      **Approval of an Application for Series 14 Club Liquor License for Desert Forest Golf Club, Scott Edward Szymoniak, as General Manager located at 37207 N, Mule Train Road, Carefree, AZ 85277.**

ACTION:      Agenda items APPROVED.

MOTION:      Vice Mayor Kroyer.

SECOND:      Council Member D’Aliesio.

VOTE:      Approved 7-0.

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor John Crane	Aye
Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer	Aye
Sheila Amoroso	Aye
Vince D’Aliesio	Aye
Tony Geiger	Aye
Stephen Hatcher	Aye
Mike Johnson	Aye

**ITEM #10**      **Adjournment.**

ACTION:      Agenda items APPROVED.

MOTION:      Vice Mayor Kroyer.

SECOND:      Council Member D’Aliesio.

VOTE:      Approved 7-0.


Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor John Crane	Aye
Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer	Aye
Sheila Amoroso	Aye
Vince D’Aliesio	Aye
Tony Geiger	Aye
Stephen Hatcher	Aye
Mike Johnson	Aye

**ADJOURNED AT 6:15 P.M.**

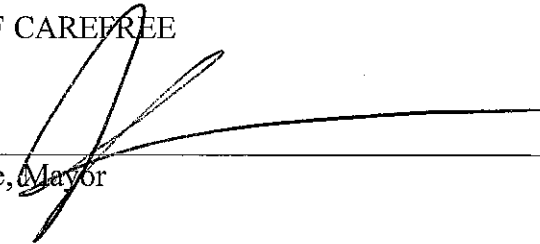
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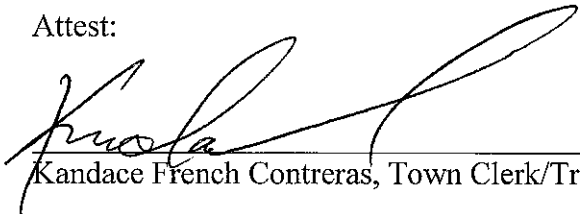
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Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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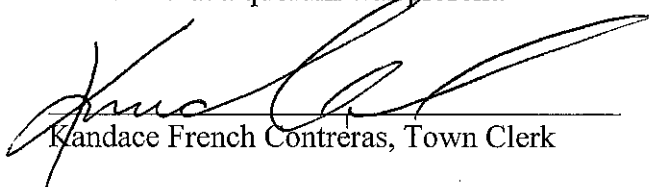
  
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John Crane, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk/Treasurer

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Regular Meeting of the Town of Carefree held January 3, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

  
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Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk