

**MINUTES OF THE BUDGET WORKSHOP  
OF THE CAREFREE TOWN COUNCIL**

**WHEN:** THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023

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

**TIME:** 3:00 P.M.

**Town Council Attending:**

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

**Town Council Absent:**

**Staff Present:**

Gary Neiss, Town Administrator; Jim Keen, Town Accountant; Stacey Bridge Denzak, Director of Planning and Zoning; Samantha Gesell, Planning Clerk; Mark Milestone, Town Engineer; The Honorable Tara Parascandola, Carefree – Cave Creek Municipal Court; Danielle Stutz, Court Administrator, Carefree – Cave Creek Municipal Court; Greg Crossman, Carefree Water Company Manager; Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk, Treasurer.

Mayor Crane called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**A TEM #1 Workshop to discuss Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget.**

Presentation by Gary Neiss including information on the budget as it pertains to the Communications Department and the Building Inspection Department.

Individual presentations by department staff or Carefree Water Company as follows:

Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk's Office  
Jim Keen, Accounting  
Stacey Bridge Denzak – Planning and Zoning  
Steve Prokopek, Economic Development  
Dennis Randolph, Code Enforcement  
Mark Milstone, Public Works Department and Engineering  
Danielle Stutz, Carefree – Cave Creek Municipal Court  
Greg Crossman – Carefree Water Company

Discussion by Town Council and staff. No action taken.

The following individual appeared and spoke:

John Mattes, Carefree, AZ opined about budget savings and alleging that four part time positions were increased to full time staff without a work study. He suggested reducing positions.

**ITEM #2**     **Adjournment.**

**MOTION:**     Vice Mayor Kroyer made a motion to adjourn.

**SECOND:**     Council Member D'Aliesio.

**VOTE:**         Approved 6-0.

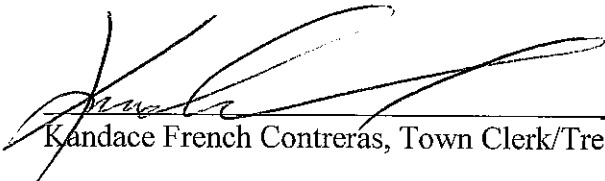
| Voting Member            | Aye/Nay |
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| Mayor John Crane         | Aye     |
| Vice Mayor Cheryl Kroyer | Aye     |
| Sheila Amoroso           | Aye     |
| Vince D'Aliesio          | Aye     |
| Stephen Hatcher          | Aye     |
| Mike Johnson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

***ADJOURNED AT 5:16 P.M.***


DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2023.

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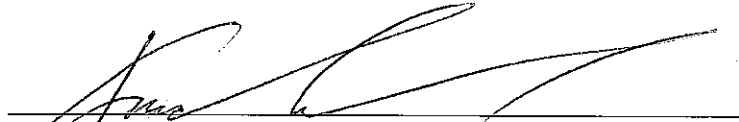
BY:

  
Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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John Crane, Mayor

Attest:

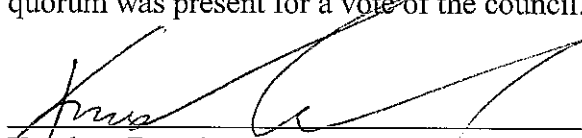


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Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk/Treasurer

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Budget Workshop held on May 18, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present for a vote of the council.



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Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk