

RESOLUTION 06- 27

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF DEWEY-HUMBOLDT, ARIZONA, ADOPTING A PROCESS FOR FILLING THE CURRENT VACANCY ON THE DEWEY-HUMBOLDT TOWN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes (Sec. 9-236) requires that the Council fill any vacancy on the Council; and,

WHEREAS, a vacancy was created by the resignation of Mayor Tom Hintze on June 30, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, such vacancy shall be filled for the period of time remaining in the unexpired term ending in May of 2007; and,

WHEREAS, the Council has requested, and received, letters of interest from qualified individuals within the Town; and,

WHEREAS, a detailed process for the selection is not included in State Statutes or the Town's Code.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Dewey-Humboldt hereby adopts the following selection process for purposes of filling the existing vacancy on the Council:

Town Council Members received eight letters of interest for consideration by the deadline of 5:00 p.m. July 28, 2006,

That at their Regular Meeting of August 1, 2006, all eight applicants were nominated by the Council to be interviewed,

Interviews of applicants will be held in a public meeting with, however, no provision for public comment on the interviews or applicants. Upon completion of the interviews, all candidates will be included on ballots for voting by the Council. Candidates will be interviewed in two groups of four in Work Sessions. After the second set of interviews, the Council will convene into a Special Council Meeting for purposes of voting and selecting a Council Member.

Each Council Member will vote by paper ballot and may indicate their first, second and third choice from the eight candidates. Staff will tabulate the results assigning 3, 2 and 1 points to the first, second and third choices on each ballot.

If any candidate receives a first choice vote from 4 or more Council Members, they will be declared the winner. If not, then;

If tabulation of the results indicates that any candidate received more points than any other candidate, they will be declared the winner. If not, then;

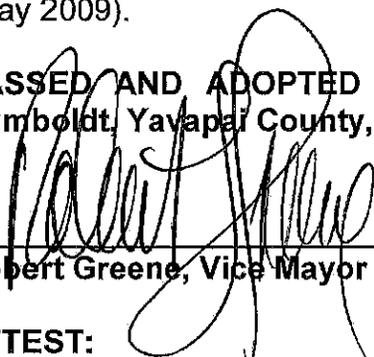
If there is a tie between two or more of the highest scored candidates, the candidate with the highest number of voters supporting them, will be declared the winner. If not, then;

If there is still a tie between two or more of the highest scored candidates and the highest number of voters supporting them, a new ballot will be developed with just the 'tied' candidates on the ballot. If there are only two, the voters will select one candidate as their choice. If there are three or more, voters will indicate their first choice (2 points) and second choice (1 point) and the winner will be determined based on a repeat of this process.

The successful candidate will be sworn in at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting following the election. Following the filling of the Council vacancy, the full Council will select an interim Mayor from the seven Council members by paper ballot. Any Council Member selected as the interim Mayor will serve in that capacity only until the swearing in of the directly elected Mayor in May of 2007 at which time they would return to their former council position for their remaining term (if any).

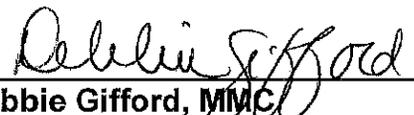
For the Primary Election in March 2007, candidate petitions are due in the Town Office no later than December 14, 2006. Any existing Council Member that files to run for the position of Mayor in that election, that is serving a term that ends in May of 2009, will, if elected Mayor, serve the two year term for that position. A vacancy would exist on the Council at that time that would need to be filled through an appointment process. If not elected, they will return to their Council member seat for the remainder of their term (May 2009).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the Town of Dewey-Humboldt, Yavapai County, Arizona, this 15 day of August, 2006.



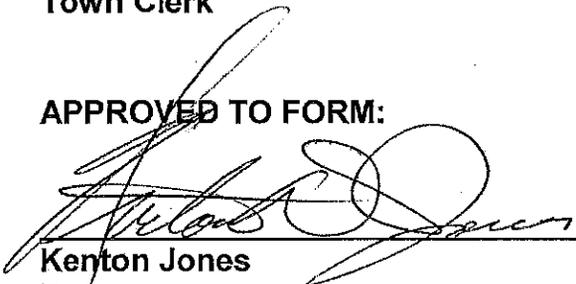
Robert Greene, Vice Mayor

ATTEST:



Debbie Gifford, MMC
Town Clerk

APPROVED TO FORM:



Kenton Jones
Town Attorney