## TOWN OF QUARTZSITE PRESS RELEASE

Candidates for the March 13, 2012 Special and Primary Election

Primary Election for the Office of Mayor

Ed Foster Jerry Lukkasson Jenny Mills

Primary Election for Council Member (2 open seats)

Sean Austin Starr Bearcatt Barbara Cowell (I) Jennifer Jones Bill Moore Mark Orgeron Robin Stawkey Dean Taylor

Joe Winslow (I) Patricia Workman

Special Election (Seat Vacated by Mayor Lizarraga)

Mike Jewitt (I)

## I - Incumbent

After consultation with the Secretary of State's Elections Department, the Town discovered that, unless context made it otherwise clear - as in the case with incumbents and mayoral candidates, the nominating petitions would be the sole determining factor in determining whether a candidate was running as a candidate in the regular council primary election or the special council primary election required by a change to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 9-235 and necessitated by the resignation of Jose Lizarraga to run for mayor in the August 2011 recall election, a candidate would be deemed to be running as a candidate in the regular council primary election. For this reason, the Town could not use statements obtained from candidates after turning in their nominating papers in determining which office they intended to seek and, instead, relied solely on the contents of the nominating papers submitted in making that determination.