

ACTIONS TAKEN
REGULAR SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2008
6:30 P.M.

4. **Consent Agenda** – All those items listed below may be enacted upon by one motion and approved as consent agenda items. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a separate item if a member of Council requests.

a) **Approval of the Minutes:**

- 1) Joint Meeting with YAN Tribal Council – October 28, 2008
- 2) Council Hears P&Z – October 22, 2008
- 3) Regular Session – October 15, 2008
- 4) Council Hears P&Z – September 24, 2008

b) **Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:**

- 1) November 12, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. – Special Session with RBF to consider Park Master Plan
- 2) November 19, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular/Council Hears P&Z COMBINED
- 3) November 26, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning – **CANCELLED**

c) **Possible authorization to pay the \$5,000 deductible to Southwest Risk to settle the litigation Davenport v. Town of Camp Verde. (Staff Resource: Carol Brown)**

d) **Possible approval of the Manager's Compensation Package (Staff Resource: David R. Smith)**

On a motion by Smith, seconded by Garrison, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved as presented, with the corrections to the Minutes of October 22, 2008 and October 15, 2008 noted; Garrison abstained from approval of the Minutes of October 22, 2008 since she was absent; Elmer abstained from approval of the Minutes of October 15, 2008 since he was absent.

Kovacovich requested a correction to the Minutes of October 22, 2008, as follows: Under Item 4.e), second paragraph, "Smith noted an oversight..." should state, "**Kovacovich** noted an oversight..."; also, Garrison pointed out that she was incorrectly reported in the Minutes of October 22, 2008 as being present; Gioia requested a correction to the Minutes of October 29, 2008, under Item 4, second paragraph, beginning, "The Mayor permitted open dialog between audience members and Mr. Kugler," should also indicate that Council had first participated and had their input; the notes included near the end of Item 4 should be removed; the paragraph above the notes should be amended to indicate that the discussion was about the lighting and lighting cost, not about the work force.

5. **Call to the Public for Items not on the Agenda.**

(Comments from the following individuals are summarized.)

Robin Whatley reported on the success of the Main Street Trick or Treat Halloween event Friday night; the businesses did a great job, and Ms. Whatley especially recognized the participation of both Mayor Gioia and Councilor Kovacovich.

Virginia Levy said she is requesting permission to operate a small one-horse carriage service, using a Shetland pony, for the Town of Camp Verde Main Street; she is a professional carriage driver from Atlanta, and believes the service would fit in with the rural theme of the Town. Ms. Levy added that the merchants have expressed enthusiasm for her idea. *Mayor Gioia invited her to meet with staff to discuss her request further.*

Amber Polo, as a Library volunteer, explained that she is planning a Read-In this Saturday to be participated in by Town celebrities, including Mayor Gioia, Marshal Smith, Mark from the press, Tracy Schmikowsky and Mary Taylor, Kathy Davis, Chip Norton, Debbie Barber, and Chip Davis, the County Supervisor will also be appearing. Ms. Polo said everyone is invited to come and enjoy the Read-In.

Howard Parrish wanted to remind everyone about the American Legion Veterans Day Parade event on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.; about 25 entries have been received to date.

There was no further public input.

6. **Council Informational Reports**

Smith offered congratulations to President-elect Obama and Biden; Smith said he was serving his country when President Kennedy was assassinated, and when Martin Luther King was killed. Smith said we have come a long way in 40 years; we should support our new President and hopefully all come together.

Garrison reported on completion of the NACOG Tourism event; it was a great success and very well received by those attending. Some of the attendance had been affected by the downturn in the economy, but the 56 people who came had some amazing information to share about their communities. Garrison congratulated Chip Norton on his win; the VIP's participated in the Halloween event, and they will be working with the Veterans Parade on Sunday. Garrison said she had attended all the meetings she had been scheduled to attend; there will be a Transportation meeting and all the information of dates and times have been given to the Council and the newspapers.

Kovacovich thanked all the citizens and families who came out for the Friday night Halloween celebration; everyone had a good time.

German said that he had requested two items to be put on the Agenda for the meeting of November 19th; one on how to proceed on the 15 acres, and the other regarding information gleaned from a meeting with the School Superintendent.

Elmer requested Mayor Gioia to read his letter to the public. Gioia said he would after he gave his report.

Gioia invited the community to attend the Veterans Day Parade; everyone has been working hard to make it a success. NACOG has sent a letter of thanks for the recent tourism event; they were thrilled with the "red carpet" put out for them by the Town. Gioia thanked the merchants for the Trick or Treat on Main Street successful event, commented on other area events and the re-opening of a business in a new location and how the Main Street event benefited them. Gioia added a reminder to shop locally to support the businesses.

Gioia then read the letter from Greg Elmer that outlined the pressures on his personal and business life, particularly in light of the current economic situation, all of which have led him to make the sad and difficult decision to resign as a Council member, to be effective November 30, 2008. Gioia added that he was deeply sorry to receive the notice.

Councilor Elmer requested Item #7:

7. **Chamber of Commerce presentation of accomplishments and activities during the first quarter, followed by possible discussion with Council. Discussion may include an invitation to the Chamber to continue quarterly reports to the Council.**
There was no action taken.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mary Taylor, President of the Chamber, commented in response to a question from the Council on including links to the Parks that they come to the Board meetings monthly, so there is continual correspondence with them on the State and National Parks.

There was no further public input.

8. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to the Manager relative to the following flood insurance options 1) Cancel the 'contents and building' for the former Marshal's Office and 2) Increase the library's 'contents' to the maximum allowable coverage of \$500,000, at an additional expense of \$1,915. (Staff Resource: Carol Brown)**
On a motion by German, seconded by Smith, the Council unanimously voted approval to cancel the flood insurance on the "contents and building" for the former Marshal's Office and to increase the library's 'contents' to the maximum allowable coverage of \$500,000, at an additional expense of \$1,915.

There was no public input.
9. **Discussion, consideration, and possible approval to reclassify the Animal Shelter Operator position to an Animal Control Officer position to increase the number of days and hours an Animal Control Officer is available to the public. (Staff Resource: David R. Smith)**
On a motion by Smith, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council unanimously approved to reclassify the Animal Shelter Operator position to an Animal Control Officer position to increase the number of days and hours an Animal Control Officer is available to the public.

There was no public input.

10. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction/guidance to the Manager relative to the Town investing**

funds to prepare a 'Master Lease' Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Town-owned Rio Verde Plaza property.
(Staff Resource: Michael Scannell)

A motion by German that Council proceed with its original decision and do nothing with the building, other than to test the tile for asbestos, was withdrawn for lack of a second..

Staff was directed to compose a letter for transmittal to Mr. Eggstaff thanking him for his interest in the matter and indicating that the Town will not be proceeding with the issuance of an invitation for bid, wishing him well and thanking him for his interest in the Town of Camp Verde; the decision about the building stands from prior action, that is not changed, but simply closes out the communication that Mr. Eggstaff began; the letter should be drafted and sent out in the next day or so.

There was no public input.

Councilor Garrison requested item #11:

11. **Update, discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff relative to the use of the timer during meetings.**

Staff was directed to continue to use the timer for the public input, and Council will continue to police themselves.

There was no public input.

12. **Call to the Public for Items not on the Agenda.**

There was no public input.

13. **Advanced Approvals of Town Expenditures**

a) **There are no advanced approvals.**

There were no advanced approvals.

14. **Manager/Staff Report**

Scannell said that Ron Long, the Public Works Director, sent a communication to the Town Council dated October 22, 2008 regarding the discussion on asphalt mixing; and if Council wants any action over and above what he has reported, to please let the Manager know.

15. **Adjournment**

On a motion by Kovacovich, seconded by Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.