

MINUTES (Corrected)
REGULAR SESSION
MAYOR and COMMON COUNCIL
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2006
6:30 P.M.

Minutes are a summary of the actions taken. They are not verbatim.
Public input is placed after Council motions to facilitate future research.
Public input, where appropriate, is heard prior to the motion.

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Mayor Gioia, Vice Mayor Baker, Councilors Hauser, Smith, Kovacovich, Parrish and Parry were present.

Also Present: Town Manager Bill Lee, Town Attorney Bill Sims, Law Student Rebecca Lumley, Finance Director Dane Bullard, Community Development Director Will Wright, Sr. Planner Nancy Buckel, Deputy Town Clerk Virginia Jones, and Recording Secretary Margaret Harper.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge was led by Councilor Parrish.

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) February 22, 2006 – Council Hears P&Z
- 2) February 15, 2006 – Regular Session

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

- 1) Special/Executive Session – March 8, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.
- 2) Joint Work Session with P&Z – March 8, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
- 3) Regular Session – March 15, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
- 4) Council Hears P&Z – March 22, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

c) **Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$1,942.00 to supply and install three exterior freeze-proof hose bibs at the new Marshal's facility.**

d) **Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$1,438.00 to add two new trash enclosure gates at the new Marshal's facility.**

e) **Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$2,367.00 to replace deteriorated roof sheathing on the new Marshal's facility.**

f) **Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$3,095.00 to modify the telephone service conduit from a 2" to 4" at the new Marshal's facility.**

g) **Possible authorization to sign an agreement with RBS Lynk to provide credit/debit card processing services for Town fees. The unbudgeted costs associated with this service is \$1,400 and will come from the General Fund Contingency unless Council chooses to defer the expenditure to the FY 06/07 budget year.**

H) **POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2006-676, A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERE, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ADOT) FOR A SMALL AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY.**

I) **POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF \$300 EXPENDITURE TO PAY FOR APPLIANCE PICK-UP FOR THE MARCH 11TH COPPER CANYON CLEAN-UP.**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda, with Items c), d), e), f) and g) pulled from that Consent Agenda, and the changes noted by Mayor Gioia.

Mayor Gioia requested the following corrections:

Minutes of February 22, 2006, Page 4, Item 8, direction to staff corrected to read, "**....gleaned from the discussion of this item, bring them back at the next Council Hears P&Z meeting, have additional public input, and Council could discuss whether or not to adopt a proposed ordinance.**"

Minutes of February 15, 2006, Page 3, "Bud Burness" should be "**Bob Burness.**"

Gioia also reminded all that for the Joint Work Session with P&Z scheduled for March 8, 2006 on Design Review, Casa Verde Consulting would really appreciate any ideas and photographs from Council and public.

In connection with the remaining items listed in the Consent Agenda, it was requested that Items c), d), e), f) and g) be pulled for separate consideration.

- 4.c) Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$1,942.00 to supply and install three exterior freeze-proof hose bibs at the new Marshal's facility.**
- 4.d) Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$1,438.00 to add two new trash enclosure gates at the new Marshal's facility.**
- 4.e) Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$2,367.00 to replace deteriorated roof sheathing on the new Marshal's facility.**
- 4.f) Possible approval of a change order in the amount of \$3,095.00 to modify the telephone service conduit from a 2" to 4" at the new Marshal's facility.**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council unanimously approved the additional expenditures in the amount of \$1,942.00, \$1,438.00, \$2,367.00, and \$3,095.00 for the changes that are required for the Marshal's facility, with the stipulation that staff check regarding the credit from the Qwest issue.

Addressing **Items c), d), e) and f)** the Council discussed and questioned why the changes being requested had not been addressed originally, as well as using funds from the CIP. Finance Director Bullard explained that the Marshal's Office has been and will continue to be funded by CIP expenditures; the reference to the General Fund contingency had been in error. There was detailed discussion regarding the addition of the hose bibs and use of well water, with input from the members and Marshal Dave Smith. Manager Lee explained the need for the remaining expenditures requested for the Marshal's office. The Council expressed disappointment and concern that those problems should have been foreseen. In regard to the change in the size of the telephone service conduit, it was suggested that there should be a credit back to the Town; Lee said that the Town would receive any credit due back, and asked for approval of the request contingent upon a possible credit.

- 4.g) Possible authorization to sign an agreement with RBS Lynk to provide credit/debit card processing services for Town fees. The unbudgeted costs associated with this service is \$1,400 and will come from the General Fund Contingency unless Council chooses to defer the expenditure to the FY 06/07 budget year.**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by Gioia, the Council unanimously voted to continue **Item 4.g)** for some additional research into the options available for this service.

It was pointed out that the request for approval of **Item 4.g)** appeared to be premature, after input from Cottonwood and Sedona, and that further research would be helpful, with consideration to be deferred until the FY 06/07 budget.

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

Marshal Dave Smith announced the kick-off meeting for the new Volunteers In Police Services (VIPS) program set for March 2, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will include a Power Point presentation and will be held at the Cliff Castle Lodge in the Jerome Room.

Jack Blum, Camp Verde Fire, said that the department is working forward on the annexation project to get all of the Town into the Fire District, including sending out a mass mailing to almost 500 properties notifying the residents of their fire protection status; realtors are being asked to pass along the information to buyers, and Council suggested that title companies also be given the information.

There was no further public input.

6. **Discussion, consideration, and possible authorization to purchase and equip two (2) patrol vehicles for the Marshal's Office in the amount of \$63,400.**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by Smith, the Council unanimously approved the purchase of two patrol vehicles for the Marshal's Office, a total request of \$63,400.

Marshal Smith explained that the one administrative vehicle approved along with the two patrol vehicles was no longer needed since the department now has a seized vehicle that is in relatively good condition. Two of the patrol vehicles need to be replaced, each having logged over 100,000 miles.

6.a **DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND POSSIBLE SELECTION OF THE LIMESTONE COLOR AND WHETHER IT SHOULD BE DRY STACKED OR OVER-GROUTED AND THE EXTERIOR COLORS FOR THE NEW MARSHAL'S OFFICE FACILITY.**

On a motion by Gioia, seconded by Hauser, the Council unanimously approved moving Item 6a to the appropriate time.

Manager Lee requested that the **Item 6a** be continued to the next meeting; the rocks have just been received and Mike will be able to get his work done on the rocks by then.

7. **Presentation by Camp Verde Fire District and Marshal's Office representatives concerning the similarity of street names Park Verde Road and Verde Park Drive. This may be followed by discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff to work with the residents on these streets to change one of the names.**

Staff was directed to pursue the procedure for the name change, check with the Fire Department and Marshal's Office regarding proposed names and bring back to Council with all the information necessary for a decision.

Manager Lee said that the Camp Verde Fire District had brought to staff's attention the concern over the subject street names. Jack Blum reviewed the history of those street names, and the problems caused by confusion in being directed to accident scenes at either Park Verde and Hwy 260, or Verde Park and Hwy 260. Blum suggested Cemetery Road as a new name for Verde Park if the Council decides on making a change, adding that it is a life-saving issue. There was a general discussion regarding the complexity of changing street names, with input from Nancy Buckel on the formal procedure, and work being done on creating an approved list of street names; the dispatch services for Camp Verde that are located in Sedona; concern about possible expense for the affected residents; Council

PUBLIC INPUT

Robert Johnson, Camp Verde, described a recent accident he had when he hit an elk on a drive from Verde Lakes toward Town late at night; the dispatcher did not know where Verde Lakes is. Marshal Smith confirmed that the 911 service **is located in Camp Verde.**

There was no further public input.

8. **Presentation by Joe Butner concerning the Historic Camp Verde to Payson Mail Trail. This may be followed by discussion, consideration, and possible approval of funding in the amount of \$3,000 to promote and dedicate the 52-mile Historical Mail Trail event that is scheduled for September 2006.**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by Gioia, the Council unanimously approved to fund \$3,000 for the Camp Verde to Payson Mail Trail event that is scheduled for September 2006.

Councilor Parrish explained that the program had been started by the Camp Verde Cavalry, and that he and Lynn Reddell have been working on it since 1998, with no funds. He then stepped down from the Council to **recuse himself from** the presentation. Mr. Butner reviewed the history of the original mail trail on horseback from Camp Verde to Payson, a distance of approximately 50-52 miles, beginning in 1884 and continuing until about 1914. Butner outlined the list of legislators and other dignitaries that are being invited to join in on the dedication; the goal for the dedication is September 8th, 2006. The Forest Service has advanced \$34,000 to date. Payson will match funds with Camp Verde. Butner described the anticipated expenses that will be incurred, not only in forming a non-profit corporation, but also for plaques identifying riders, the mail envelopes, and insurance, as examples. The tourism benefits of the Historic Mail Trail were stressed during the presentation and discussion. Town Attorney Sims confirmed that the Town has very broad latitude for designating the funds for tourism; tourism clearly fits within activities for economic development.

There was no public input.

9. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff to enter into a contract with Arizona Engineering for the Finnie Flat area drainage study in the amount of \$45,912.** Staff was directed to move forward with a contract with Arizona Engineering for the design and study, and continue pursuing all possible funding from Yavapai County.

Manager Lee said he is requesting clarification on what Council would like to have done in order to move forward on the subject study. He reviewed the two studies that had been done by the County, the first of which has been used by Arizona Engineering since they had felt comfortable with that. The existing drainage ditch is restricted to only a limited reconfiguration, and staff recommends that the proposed contract be entered into at this point. The Council discussed with Lee the proposed construction and the maintenance of the right-of-way. The cost of construction will be available when the engineering is completed, and County Flood Control will be asked for additional dollars to build what they designed; the funds will be asked for in next year's budget from the County. Lee added that staff has cleaned out the area as requested by Council.

PUBLIC INPUT

Robert Johnson spoke again to add to his comments on **Item 7** regarding calls to dispatchers late at night with the suggestion that one should request to talk to a dispatcher in Camp Verde.

There was no further public input.

10. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff to gather information regarding a voter-approved sales tax that could be used to fund projects such as the library, arts, acquisition of open space and development rights, and formation of historic districts.**

Staff was directed to pursue information for discussion on establishing a Quality of Life Tax.

Lee said that at the last retreat there had been a discussion about how to fund some of the subject items that seemed important to the citizens, and Lee had suggested that the citizens themselves be asked for input and be allowed to vote on such a tax. Lee asked for formal direction to staff from Council to start exploring the idea of a tax to help funding development rights, parks issues, historic districts, the library, arts, and many other things that could be

looked at. Lee wanted to know if there was interest from the Council on having staff pursue the issue. It was generally agreed that it would be helpful to have public input and it should be a public decision to make, and that a property tax was out of the question. It was also suggested that such a tax would be able to provide amenities that would enhance the Town's economic development future, and could help preserve farmlands through acquisition of development rights.

PUBLIC INPUT

Robert Johnson, Camp Verde, said that there should be a tax on new construction, add a percent or so, and then take it off as soon as the impact fees came on.

George Young, Camp Verde, said that no matter what you name it, a tax will be dollars out of his pocket. A sales tax would spread the cost over a wider area than just a property tax. He expressed concern over what he perceived as the use of tax funds for projects other than what it had been understood they were intended for. He requested a specific criteria for the money generated by the subject tax and that the Town be held strictly accountable to the public.

There was no further public input.

Prior to considering Items 11 and 12, the Council agreed to address the remaining items for the convenience of the public.

11. **Discussion or consultation with the Town Attorney to consider Council's position or instruct the attorney regarding its position in settlement discussions regarding the Eberhard v. Town of Camp Verde litigation.**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council voted unanimously to go into Executive Session on both Items 11 and 12.

12. **COUNSEL BRIEFING ON THE STATUS OF THE MILLWOOD SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT APPROVAL.**

Action on Item 12 was taken at the same time as Item 11 above.

A recess was called at 8:04; the meeting was called back to order at 9:09 p.m.

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

There was no public input.

14. **Advanced Approvals of Town Expenditures**

There were no advanced approvals of Town expenditures.

15. **Manager/Staff Report**

There was no Manager/Staff report.

16. **Council Informational Reports**

Mayor Gioia reported on a meeting with the Stewards for Public Lands attended together with Councilor Smith and staff from the Town, and agency personnel, retired and active, from the Forest Service, and outlined the many offers of help from all the attendees. Gioia pointed out that there will be a \$100 reward for catching anyone violating the no-dumping regulations. Everyone was invited to attend March 11 at 8:00, meeting at the end of what is known as the shooting range on Copper Canyon. Refreshments will be available as well as gloves.

17. **Adjournment**

On a motion by Kovacovich, seconded by Gioia, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



Tony Gioia, Mayor

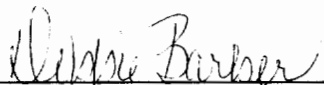


Margaret Harper, Recording Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and accurate accounting of the actions of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde during the Regular Session of the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on the 1st day of March 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 13 day of March, 2006.



Debbie Barber, Town Clerk