# ACTIONS TAKEN REGULAR SESSION MAYOR and COMMON COUNCIL TOWN OF CAMP VERDE COUNCIL CHAMBERS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2006 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) August 2, 2006 Regular Session
    - 2) July 26, 2006 Council Hears Planning & Zoning
  - b) Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:
    - 1) Council Hears P&Z August 23, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. **RESCHEDULED**
    - 2) Council Hears P&Z August 30, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
    - 3) Regular Session September 6, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
    - 4) Regular Session September 20, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
    - 5) Council Hears P&Z September 27, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.
  - c) Possible approval of the Yavapai County Library District Service agreement.
  - d) Possible approval of Arizona Engineering agreement for an "on-call service" rate increase. This is a budgeted item in the General Fund.
  - e) Possible award of bid for Project #06-026, 2006 Street Improvement Program to International Surfacing Systems for \$365,131.06, and authorization to execute the contract documents. This is a budgeted item in HURF.
  - f) Possible approval of the FY 06/07 Final Budget.

    On a motion by Kovacovich, seconded by Parrish, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved with the following changes: Item 4.e) pulled for discussion and a meeting scheduled for August 18, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.
  - e) Possible award of bid for Project #06-026, 2006 Street Improvement Program to International Surfacing Systems for \$365,131.06, and authorization to execute the contract documents; this is a budgeted item in HURF.

On a motion by Parry, seconded by Parrish, the Council unanimously approved the award of bid for Project #06-026, 2006 Street Improvement Program to International Surfacing Systems for \$365,131.06, and authorization to execute the contract documents; this is a budgeted item in HURF.

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

**Bob Womack** presented a signed petition to the Council and requested that he be allowed to read it into the record, as follows: "To the Honorable Mayor, Vice Mayor, Town Council Members, Community Development Department Staff, Planning and Zoning Commissioners and the fair minded Citizens of the Town of Camp Verde: The undersigned business owners regularly do business in Camp Verde's Central Business District and herein seek relief from an untenable circumstance created by one business entity known as 'Cowboy Corner.' Said business entity is in continuous violation of various town codes and ordinances and thus has created a nuisance involving the health and safety of individuals and the welfare of the business community as a whole. Please accept the signatures hereon as evidence that the undersigned business owners as a matter of record, do herein object to the continued flagrant violations of town codes and ordinances and the seeming inaction on the part of responsible officials. We do collectively herein implore those in positions of responsibility to act in haste and in good faith to correct the inequities and bring a swift and sure resolution to the problem at hand." The petition contained a total of 19 signatures. Mr. Womack recounted his own personal observations of what he described as "frankly scary" situations and incidents.

**John Teague** announced that he and his family have started the Jacob Teague Memorial Law Enforcement foundation in memory of their son; the purpose of the Foundation is to raise money for the police departments of Camp Verde, Cottonwood and Clarkdale, to benefit their canine

units. Mr. Teague described the proposed Board of Directors once the Foundation is set up, to include those police chiefs or their designated representatives.

**Jeffery Lewis** also commented on the problems being caused by the Cowboy Corner; he then expressed concern about the newly adopted animal ordinance as reported in the newspaper. Based on his understanding from the article, he suggested that the Council should readdress the issue of animal control.

**Charlotte Salsman** requested that the grand opening for the Marshal's Office be expanded to days that would allow more citizens the ability to attend, based on their work and volunteer schedules. She also displayed an issue of a newspaper that published pictures of wanted individuals listing their criminal charges and suggested that the Town of Camp Verde might consider such an approach if possible.

**Ginger Mason** also expressed her concern about that "person on Main Street" as well, saying that whatever the Town can do will be appreciated, adding that she also fears for her safety. Ms. Mason also invited the members to attend merchant meetings to see what is happening on Main Street. She will let the Council know when the next meeting is set.

There was no further public input.

6. Discussion, consideration, and possible recommendation to approve a liquor license application for the new owners of Gabriela's Mexican Food and Cantina located at 396 S. Main Street.

On a motion by Parry, seconded by Parrish, the Council unanimously approved the liquor license application for the new owners of Gabriela's Mexican Food and Cantina located at 396 S. Main Street.

There was no public input.

7. Discussion, consideration, and possible approval to designate proceeds from the special events beer garden tip jars to the Park Fund, which is used to fund park-related projects.

On a motion by Parry, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council unanimously approved designating proceeds from the special events beer garden tip jars to the Park Fund, which is to be used to fund park-related projects, and will be accounted for in the final figures for each event, as discussed.

There was no public input.

 Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of the budgets for the 8-19-06 Block Party and Pioneer Days scheduled for 9-16 & 17, 2006.

There was no action taken.

There was no public input.

9. Discussion, consideration, and update regarding recent meetings with ADOT and Yavapai County concerning SR 260 access management efforts.

There was no action taken.

There was no public input.

 Discussion, consideration, and update of meeting with State Parks, Office of Tourism, State Preservation Office, local merchants, and Out of Africa Wild Animal Park concerning economic development and other matters. There was no action taken.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

**Jeffery Lewis,** in regard to discussions about proposed economic development efforts, said that he does not see the Town capitalizing on what is already in place, and especially does not see the Chamber of Commerce doing anything to assist attracting folks to the downtown area. He also questioned what he perceived as past promises made by Lee to the merchants that were not kept in connection with the Farmers Market and sidewalks.

**Lynda Moore** explained the problem of changing the location of the Farmers Market due to the refusal of the participating individuals to relocate to another area as had been hoped by staff.

There was no further public input.

11. Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff to apply for a permit from ADOT to block off Main Street on September 9, 2006 from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for the Mail Trail dedication.

Staff was directed to apply to ADOT to pursue a permit to block off Main Street on September 9, 2006 for those four hours, 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

**Charlotte Salsman** announced that the cost of the Banquet would be \$30 single, or \$50 for a couple.

**Robert Johnson** asked about the route for the Mail Trail; Councilor Parrish outlined and discussed the route with Johnson.

There was no further public input.

### The Council agreed to address Items 13 through 16 prior to Item 12.

Discussion with the Town Attorney regarding contract stipulations with Stroh Rogers Architects, Inc. Note: Council may vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to ARS §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4) for discussion or consultation for legal advice and discussion or consultation with the attorney in order to consider its position and instruct its attorney regarding its position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation.

On a motion by Kovacovich, seconded by Parrish, the Council unanimously voted to go into Executive Session.

A recess was called at 7:40 p.m. to go into Executive Session; the meeting was called back to order at 8:20 p.m.

Vice Mayor Hauser stated that the Town will proceed as discussed, with Councilor Parry to contact the architect who has tentatively agreed to participate on the air conditioning unit; staff was directed to prepare a press release accordingly.

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

**Kathy Davis** was allowed to readdress Item 10 in order to add her suggestions including publicizing Fort Verde because its authenticity is what makes it so special. Ms. Davis described the brochure published by the State of Texas on the Forts of Texas as an example of looking at a statewide approach to its forts. Her concern was that putting things into Fort Verde that are not authentic, as had been earlier suggested, would detract from the real mission of the Park. Ms. Davis added numerous other suggestions to broaden the tourist activity and economic

development, in cooperation with the Park Service and Forest Service. Hauser briefly discussed some of the suggestions further with Ms. Davis.

**Ginger Mason** wanted to add to Ms. Davis' ideas regarding Item 10, saying that at the recent meeting with Out of Africa personnel they were adamant about wanting to give back to the community that has supported them. They have suggested creating and reserving space for a 3-D model to use for directing tourists to Camp Verde and its attractions.

**Charlotte Salsman** commented on the heavy traffic at 260 and Salt Mine Road and the problem with the weeds that have grown to a height that impairs visibility, asking if the Town could request ADOT to take care of that.

**Jeffery Lewis** also commented on the weeds in town; he personally has spent time cutting down weeds on Town property because he was tired of looking at them. He added that the city could do a better job of taking care of the problem.

There was no further public input.

## 14. Advanced Approvals of Town Expenditures

a. Possible approval of \$4,998.83 to Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool. This is the Town's 20% portion of the legal fees in the case of Eberhard v. Town of Camp Verde. This is a budgeted item in the General Fund.

On a motion by Kovacovich, seconded by Parry, the Council unanimously approved \$4,998.83 to Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool.

On a motion by Parry, seconded by Hauser, the Council unanimously approved the expenditure of \$12,200 for special equipment for the Marshal's patrol cars.

Lee explained that Item a. sets forth the Town's portion of the legal fees now being requested by Southwest Risk in connection with the Eberhard lawsuit.

Following action on Item 14.a., Finance Director Bullard advised that an amount had originally been requisitioned through purchase orders in March of 2006 some emergency equipment to be added to patrol cars. That equipment arrived in June and the invoice was received this past week. It was budgeted as a CIP item in the 05-06 budget. Staff is requesting authorization to pay the invoice using 06-07 funds in the amount of \$12,200; in effect, the funds that would have been spent last year is being spent in this fiscal year.

# 15. Manager/Staff Report

Lee gave an update on the meeting that Councilors Parrish, Parry and Smith had with Congressman Renzi and Lee's contact with Senator Kyl's office regarding the park issue. A meeting is set up with Kyl's staff for this coming Monday to include Councilors Baker and Smith as well as the City Manager and a Council member from Lakeside-Pinetop who are experiencing similar difficulties with the Forest Service in trying to acquire land. Lee said that staff has put together a packet of milestones since 1988 in trying to acquire park land, in the hope of impressing upon the Senator that assistance is needed. Lee said he met with the new Superintendent of Schools today to wish him well with his new position, and they talked about park issues as well.

# 16. Council Informational Reports

Parry requested that the members try to carpool to go to Phoenix for the League of Cities conference, and there was some discussion regarding that request; Lee made suggestions regarding using town vehicles and coordinating times, which led to further discussion.

Hauser reported on the \$150,000 grant received by MATForce to be used by both sides of the County for planning and identifying problems. She added that she would make available the recent articles on the river systems to those who had not read them.

# 17. Adjournment

On a motion by Parry, seconded by Parrish, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.