

**ACTIONS TAKEN
REGULAR SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, JULY 18, 2007
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) There are no minutes for approval.

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

- 1) Council Hears Planning & Zoning – July 25, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.
2) Regular Session – August 1, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.
3) Work Session – August 8, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.
4) Regular Session – August 15, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.
5) Council Hears Planning & Zoning – August 22, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

c) **Possible approval of the contract between the Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Camp Verde.**

On a motion by Hauser, seconded by Kovacovich, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved as presented, with the exception of Item 4.c).

4.c) **Possible approval of the contract between the Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Camp Verde.**

On a motion by Hauser, seconded by Smith, the Council unanimously approved the contract between the Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Camp Verde, with the changes noted.

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

Johnny Guthrie, City Attorney for Cottonwood, introduced himself and said that they have an open door policy for the Legal Department, and offered their cooperation and said he would also like to be able to call on the Camp Verde attorneys.

Brenda Hauser displayed the new issue of Arizona Highways and the 4-page article on the Mail Trail, with pictures of Howard Parrish, among others. Parrish is recovering well from heart surgery performed today, and will be going home Thursday.

Gioia said he will look into the necessary steps to take to change the Agenda format to insert the Council Informational Reports item near the beginning of the Agenda in the future as a courtesy to the public.

There was no further input.

6. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff regarding the process to allow for development of government facilities required for the provision of utilities and public services within the Town of Camp Verde.**

There was no action taken.

Staff was directed to pursue the subject process and the construction of policies within the zoning ordinances and any other part of the Town Code that needs to be addressed in order to facilitate public facilities in an expedient manner in the Use Permit process.

PUBLIC INPUT

James Bullard, Camp Verde Water Company, commented that there is a State Statute that allows water utilities to operate in any place, and believes that the Statute would cover the Fire Department as well.

Nancy Floyd wanted to know how long it will take for the planned changes to the existing Special Use Permit provisions. *Attorney Woodford estimated hearings by the Planning & Zoning Commission and the Council; two meetings.*

Jim Bullard, P&Z Commissioner, questioned the comment in the Staff Report stating that the Commission was apprehensive about Use Permits; only two people had objected.

There was no further public input.

7. **Discussion, consideration, and possible selection of a new auditing firm for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.**

There was no action taken.

Staff was directed to contact the four firms agreed upon and request submission of bids within two weeks, to include what they are going to charge and what they will provide in their audits.

There was no public input.

8. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff to establish a procedure for making Town donations to local entities or groups. There is \$32,000 budgeted in the FY2007/08 CIP budget under Organizational Donations.**

There was no action taken.

There was no public input.

Prior to considering Items 9, 10 and 11, the members agreed to move ahead and address Items 12 through 15 first.

9. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff regarding the purchase of Camp Verde Water System. Note: Council may vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to ARS §431.03.A7 for discussions or consultations with designated representatives in order to consider Council's position and instruct representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale, or lease of real property.**

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

There was no further action taken.

There was no public input.

10. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff concerning the Development Agreement with Steve Coury. Note: Council may vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to ARS §38-431.03.A.4 for discussion or consultation with the attorney in order to consider Council's position and instruct the attorney 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 Hauser, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council voted 5-1 to go into Executive Session; with a 'no' vote by Smith.

There was no further action taken.

There was no public input.

11. **Discussion with the Finance Director concerning his performance review for the period covering Sept 2005 through Sept 2006, followed by discussion, consideration, and possible approval of a merit salary increase. This is a budgeted item in the**

General Fund. Note: Council may vote to go into Executive Session pursuant to ARS §38-431.03 (A)(1) for discussion or consideration of assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body.

On a motion by Hauser, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council voted 5-1 to go into Executive Session; with a 'no' vote by Smith.

On a motion by Smith, seconded by Kovacovich, the Council unanimously approved a 2.5 percent merit salary increase for the Finance Director, retroactive to September 1, 2006.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ray Floyd commented that the Council is wrong by doing this ten months after it should have been done; effort should be made to give a review in a timely manner.

There was no further 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 of Town Expenditures.

14. Manager/Staff Report

Lynda Moore distributed copies of a written financial report on the Crowdad Festival showing a net loss of \$19,349.01. Moore reported that the merchants were very happy with how the event helped their businesses. Moore also said that a retreat for the P&R Commission is being planned to address events, whether they are for recreation or for tourism. Moore reported that the merchants were very happy with how the event helped their businesses. The Council suggested that the Parks & Rec Commission also discuss getting more sponsorship support from the merchants in future events.

15. Council Informational Reports

Smith commended the All Stars who showed very well in the State Championship. Also, the Learning Center received an award for being No. 1 in the State.

Garrison wanted to advise the Council that she will be absent on August 15th; she will be the Governor's Rural Development Conference. She plans to attend training conferences and bring back to share as much information as possible.

Elmer encouraged everyone to go to Chamber of Commerce meetings; the next meeting is scheduled for next Thursday. He will miss the Council meeting of August 22 because of his company meeting in Phoenix.

Hauser commented on her attendance at today's meetings, including the VWA and WAC.

Gioia also reported on the Verde Watershed Association and the Sonoran Institute's Study; the resolution that Camp Verde is fostering to the League of Cities & Towns regarding protection of the watershed and the rivers has been mentioned in that Study. Gioia added that the Corn Festival was huge, with great corn from Hauser & Hauser Farms.

A recess was called at 8:20 to go into Executive Session; the meeting was called back to order at 10:31 p.m. at which time further action was taken on Item 11.

16. Adjournment

On a motion by Hauser, seconded by Garrison, the meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m.