

**MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, April 17, 2008
6:30 P.M.**

Minutes are a summary of the actions taken. They are not verbatim.
Public input is placed after Commission 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 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Chairperson Mina, Vice Chairperson Heuman, Commissioners Nielson, Pastine and Sykes were present; Chatley arrived at 6:43 p.m.; Doering was absent.

Also Present:

Library Director Gerard Laurito, and Recording Secretary Margaret Harper.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was led by Pastine.

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 Commission so requests.

a) Approval of the Minutes:

1) Regular Session – March 20, 2008

b) Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:

1) Regular Session – May 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

On a motion by Pastine, seconded by Nielson, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

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

There was no public input.

6. Discussion, consideration and possible direction to council regarding the possibility of locating the new library building on the newly acquired 118 acre regional park site.

There was no action taken.

The discussion opened with the suggestion that the idea of locating the new library building on the 118-acre site be dropped at this time in favor of the downtown site. Among the main objections to the proposed park site were the distance of the borders from the highway and the drop in the topography that would limit the visibility of a building. There was also concern about the time that will be involved in the planning process alone. The members also discussed the advantages of both the current site and the downtown site, with the reminder that the Council has voted in favor of the current site. There was also some criticism of the Council not being able to make a final decision to get with the Library Commission and move forward. There was a recommendation that the fundraising efforts should proceed based on locating the library on the current site, and not necessarily commit to the new park site at this time. Member Sykes requested arranging a tour of the three sites for a firsthand look for those not familiar with the area. The members discussed the business that the Town will lose by using the downtown site; Amber Polo spoke from the audience asking if any decision had been made at the Council

meeting last night regarding the Rio Verde Plaza; after discussion it was decided that no member had an answer to her question.

The discussion returned to working on locating the library on the current site, but to keep the option open as to the new park site; the Commission can make its decision later. **Linda Harkness** joined in the discussion describing the access points at the park site that would require a paved road, plus there is no sewer and water; she also agreed with the Commission on keeping the attention focused on the current site while waiting to see the result of the planning on the park site.

It was decided that Nielson, Mina and Sykes will go out and tour the area to acquaint Sykes with the library sites discussed.

7. Discussion of "green" building sources, technology and funding.

On a motion by Sykes, seconded by Heuman, the Commission voted unanimously to continue this item to the next meeting.

8. Discussion and possible recommendation to council on any issues or questions that arose from the Council Work Session of March 12, 2008.

Library Director Laurito explained that the item had been included to give everyone the opportunity to make further comments on the subject Work Session. Mina spoke briefly on the issue of questions about the 501(c)(3); it was noted that Doering had some questions but he was not present tonight. There was some discussion of questions about a non-profit status and the requirements of the procurement laws; Mina said she is trying to get clarification from the attorneys.

It was decided to return this general subject to the agenda, with Mina and Laurito to make changes to the wording.

9. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the 2008 – 2009 Library budget.

Laurito referred to the tentative budget print-out he had included in the agenda; he reported that he was working on the Commission's request for a book drop. As well as a request for some additional equipment, Laurito noted that he was requesting an additional staff person for keeping the Library open on Mondays and extra hours during the week; he will be meeting with the Town Manager next Monday to discuss the proposed budget.

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

There was no public input.

11. Discussion and consideration of the Director/Staff Report.

Laurito reviewed highlights of his written report and recent activities, including the success of the Denim & Lace fundraiser that brought in approximately \$13,000; he reported that the Beaver Creek branch library will have to start paying rent for the building there, and outlined plans to form a group to solicit help from the residents in that area in order to keep the facility open. Suggestions were made for other funding possibilities that included contacting the Kiwanis and Mason clubs and perhaps organizing an annual golf tournament. There was also a request that Laurito look into funding for Nielson to purchase three signs to help advertise fund-raising efforts.

12. Commission Comments, Informational Reports, Activity Updates, and Agenda Item Requests:

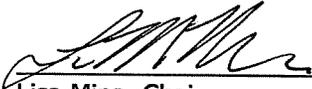
Mina suggested an agenda item for the next meeting to discuss a fund-raising golf tournament.

Laurito said that the Housing Commission will be coming to the Library Commission regarding their plans for the 5-acre parcel; an agenda item will be included for that presentation.

Item 8 will be returned to the agenda, with the wording revised; more information will be gathered in the interim.

13. Adjournment

On a motion by Mina, seconded by Heuman, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

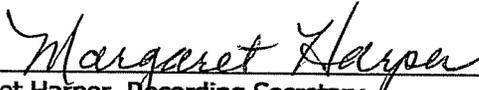


Lisa Mina, Chairperson

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and accurate accounting of the actions of the Library Advisory Commission of the Town of Camp Verde during the Regular Session of the Library Advisory Commission of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on the 17th day of April 2008. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 15th day of May 2008



Margaret Harper, Recording Secretary