MINUTES
WORK SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS · 473 S. Main Street, Room #106
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes are a summary of the discussion. They are not verbatim.
Public input is placed after Council discussion to facilitate future research.

Note: Council member(s) may attend Council Sessions either in person or by telephone, video, or internet conferencing.

1. **Call to Order**
Mayor German called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**
Mayor German, Vice Mayor Baker, and Councilors Whatley, George, Jones, and German were present. Council Gordon was absent.

Also Present:
Town Manager Russ Martin, Finance Director Michael Showers, Public Works Director Ron Long, Public Works Analyst Deborah Ranney, Town Clerk Deborah Barber, and Recording Secretary Marie Moore.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
Mayor German led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Update and discussion of the Town's current financial status.** Staff Resource: Mike Showers

Town Manager, Russ Martin introduced the Financial Quarterly Report and advised Council this was an overview of the status and this topic will come before Council for further discussion on February 12, 2014.

Finance Director Michael Showers presented the Financial Report, which is attached and becomes a permanent part of this record.

Public Works Director Ron Long presented the Mid-Year Public Works Projects Status and Financial Report, which is attached and becomes a permanent part of this record.

Public Input:

Bob Johnson, referred to the January 8, 2014 Work Session and advised Council of a discussion he was involved in with a retired forest service employee regarding the statute requiring a property owner to maintain a certain amount of water retention on their property.

Ken Church, a Verde Lakes resident, inquired if Council would be considering the requirement of $325,000 to meet the granting agency's requirement for the Verde Lakes drainage project.
Town Manager, Russ Martin advised that the Town would be seeking half of the required funding from Yavapai County and the other half would need to be considered in the upcoming budget.

5. **Discussion regarding future involvement and efforts in Camp Verde's Adopt A Road and ADOTs Adopt a Highway Programs. Staff Resource: Russ Martin**

Martin advised the Council of the need for the Town's involvement with roadside cleanup and indicated the time and resources required for this project.

Councilor Whatley recommended the Town search out a volunteer group that might be willing to participate.

Councilor George expressed his desire for the Council members to adopt a highway, which in turn would ensure the participation of future council members.

Councilor German conveyed her support to the idea, recommended the Town contact the Stewards of Public Lands for assistance, and suggested utilizing the County Free Dump Day for large items collected.

Public Works Analyst Deborah Ranney, confirmed the Town has worked in conjunction with the Stewards of Public Lands in the past by using the dump truck for large items and paid the landfill fees, but was unsure of the status of the organization.

Mayor German stated he would like to see more involvement from the local schools and business owners.

Staff Marie Moore recommended contacting the Municipal Court and utilizing the Defendants who are unable to pay their Court fines.

6. **Discussion regarding Mayor's involvement in economic development.**

Mayor German indicated his desire to utilize his resources in the help of economic development for the Town.

Councilor George inquired about proper protocol for the Mayor or any Council member when producing a letter or engaging in communication prior to Council approval.

Councilor German indicated that she feels all Council members should be able to encourage economic development opportunities for the Town.

Town Clerk Deborah Barber, advised Council members to refer to the policies and procedures for direction on proceeding with written letters or statements without prior Council approval.

7. **Adjournment**

On a motion by Councilor Baker, seconded by Councilor Whatley, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm.

Jackie Baker, Vice-Mayor

Charles German, Mayor

Marie Moore

Marie Moore, 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 Special/Work Session of the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on January 8, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 21 day of Feb, 2014.

Deborah Barber

Deborah Barber, Town Clerk