



**MINUTES
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
SPECIAL SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
473 S. MAIN STREET, SUITE 106
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025 at 5:00 P.M.**

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

1. Call to Order

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

Councilor Brian Bolton (arrived at 5:03 p.m.), Councilor Robert Foreman, Councilor Robin Godwin (arrived at 5:12 p.m.), Councilor Jessie Murdock (arrived at 5:09 p.m.), Councilor Patricia Seybold, Vice Mayor Wendy Escoffier and Mayor Marie Moore.

Also Present

Town Manager Miranda Fisher, Town Attorney Amy Chan, and Town Clerk Leah Rhodes.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilor Foreman led the Pledge.

4. Presentation from APS on the August 2025 power outage incident and the utility's approach to emergency management. Staff Resource: Town Manager Miranda Fisher.

Town Manager Fisher stated that Arizona Public Service (APS) will be providing a recap of the microburst incident that led to the power outage which impacted a large majority of the Town as well as an initial review of general emergency preparedness. Frank Sanderson and Brittan Wilson from APS provided an overview of the August 24, 2025, power outage affecting several distribution lines. Mr. Sanderson discussed how APS monitored and anticipated the potential impacts of the microburst, including the types of damage that could occur. Additionally, Mr. Sanderson outlined the procedures followed by APS crews in responding to power outages. Mr. Wilson reviewed the safety measures implemented to restore electricity to affected residents.

Additionally, Mr. Wilson emphasized the importance of customers keeping their contact information current to ensure they receive timely alerts and updates from APS.

Council Members expressed concerns regarding where residents would go in the event of a town-wide power outage, what contingency plans are in place, and whether the Town has facilities available to accommodate residents in need.

Town Manager Fisher stated that Public Works Director Ken Krebbs, and Acting Town Marshal Daniel Jacobs are working on an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) at this time, which will provide an overview of how the Town responds in all those situations. Town Manager Fisher noted that there will be another work session in spring 2026 to do a more in-depth review of how the Town and its partners prepare for emergencies and what the community can do to be more prepared. Additionally, Town Manager Fisher shared that staff will be required to complete mandatory FEMA National Incident Management System (NIMS) training courses.

Town Manager Fisher, Public Works Director Krebbs, Frank Sanderson and Brittan Wilson responded to questions from the Council.

5. Presentation from Chief Johnson with the Copper Canyon Fire and Medical District on the potential joint powers agreement between Verde Valley and Copper Canyon Fire Districts and update from Town staff on ways the Town can support the Fire District. Staff Resource: Town Manager Miranda Fisher.

Copper Canyon Fire and Medical District Chief Daniel Johnson led the discussion and provided an overview of a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), which both districts are currently evaluating. A JPA is a fire authority that allows two or more fire districts to combine leadership, emergency response, and administrative functions while maintaining individual taxing authority. Chief Johnson discussed the distinctions between cost savings and cost avoidance, highlighted opportunities for operational improvements, emphasized community partnership engagement, and outlined how cost-sharing under the JPA could enhance services while balancing local control with increased service efficiency.

Mayor Moore noted that when Chief Johnson and the Cooper Canyon Fire and Medical District Board last presented to the Council, they asked if there were any ways that the Town could assist them financially, especially with regard to RVs and not receiving adequate property tax for the number of individuals served on one parcel. Mayor Moore requested that Town Manager Fisher provide an update on what the Town has determined.

Town Manager Fisher shared the following updates:

- If the Town were to limit RV stays to 30 days or less, it is possible that the county may then view those properties as commercial rather than residential. Town Manager Fisher explained that only the county can determine a property's designation and therefore, even with the 30-day limitation, there is no guarantee that the county will change the taxing designation from residential to commercial.
- The Town could seek to change zoning to require all RVs lots to be separate; however, Town staff have concerns about the larger implications of changing yard and bulk standards to smaller minimum lot sizes since that would apply to all zones. Town Manager Fisher stated that staff will be assessing the possibility of an RV overlay district though, which could include modified yard and bulk standards. Town Manager Fisher also shared that through a Planned Area Development, minimum lot sizes

could be modified.

- The Town can charge impact fees that would be a pass through to the district. Impact fees must be used for new infrastructure and CIPs. During the Town's development impact fee study, the possibility of charging impact fees for the fire district will be assessed.
- Under Planned Area Developments or Development Agreements, the Town can request developers consider setting aside land for the fire department for their current or future needs.

Town Manager Fisher responded to questions from the Council.

6. Adjournment

Mayor Moore adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.



Mayor Marie Moore



Attest: Leah Rhodes, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Town Clerk Leah Rhodes, 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 Session of the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on November 5, 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 20 day of November, 2025.



Leah Rhodes, Town Clerk