MINUTES TOWN OF CAMP VERDE REGULAR SESSION MAYOR AND COUNCIL 473 S. MAIN STREET, SUITE 106 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

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

- 1. Call to Order Mayor Dee Jenkins called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
- 2. Roll Call. Council Members Jackie Baker, Cris McPhail, Marie Moore, Jessie Murdock, Robin Whatley (absent), Vice Mayor Joe Butner, and Mayor Dee Jenkins.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance Councilor Cris McPhail led the pledge.
- 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) Regular Session-April 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
 - b) Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:
 - 1) Work Session Wednesday April 27, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
 - 2) Regular Session Wednesday May 4, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
 - 3) Work Session Friday May 6, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.
 - 4) Work Session Wednesday May 11, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
 - 5) Regular Session Wednesday May 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
 - c) Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Ratification of Staff's application to acquire Congressionally Directed Funding of \$2,100,000 of a \$2,357,429 projected project cost to repave Old Highway 279. The Town's projected match would be \$257,429. Staff Resource: Russ Martin

Motion by Councilor McPhail to approve consent agenda without item 4c. Second was made by Councilor Jackie Baker.

Councilor Moore called for some name corrections to the minutes and a correction to p.16 paragraph 5 to state that she had not attended an event but had been invited to attend.

Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton confirmed the items had been corrected.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: aye Councilor McPhail: aye Councilor Moore: aye Councilor Murdock: aye Vice Mayor Butner: aye Mayor Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

Councilor Baker commented that the stretch of road on agenda item 4D is traveled heavily by sand and gravel trucks. She wanted to understand how other organizations would be contributing to the efforts including the Yavapai Apache Nation.

Mr. Martin explained that agenda item 4D represents the beginning of consideration of funding. They were encouraged to include a match in order to show the importance of the item. If it looks like funding may go through then all interested parties would help determine the details including any financial contributions from the Yavapai Apache Nation. There is one section of 279 in a wash where a culvert would eliminate any issues of washing out the road in the future. It would be an extra 25% to install the box culvert.

Councilor Murdock stated that she believed Staff would exhaust all options to get money to the table if this funding was obtained.

Motion by Councilor Murdock to approve the ratification of Staff's application to acquire Congressionally Directed Funding of \$2,100,000 of a \$2,357,429 projected project cost to repave Old Highway 279. The Town's projected match would be \$257,429. Second by Councilor Moore.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: aye
Councilor McPhail: aye
Councilor Moore: aye
Councilor Murdock: aye
Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye

Mayor Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

5. Call to the Public for items not on the Agenda. (Please complete Request to Speak Card and turn in to the Clerk.) Residents are encouraged to comment about any matter NOT included on the agenda. State law prevents the Council from taking any action on items not on the agenda. At the conclusion of an open call to the public, individual members of the public body may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the public body, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the public body

shall not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. (Pursuant to ARS §38-431.01(H)

No cards from public.

6. Special Announcements and Presentations:

 Proclamation – Declaring Friday April 22, 2022 as Camp Verde's Arbor/Earth Day Celebration 2022

Mayor Jenkins proclaimed Friday April 22, 2022 as Camp Verde's Arbor/Earth Day Celebration

Presentation – Quarterly Report of Risk Management

Heather Vinson Risk Manager provided Council a quarterly summary document for the Department. Workman's Compensation claims have lowered from 10 to 3 and property claims from 1 to 0. The department is consistently attending trainings to get up to date on credentials and awareness for project and safety management. During COVID they were able to test 41 within the town with supplies from the County. County is no longer available as a resource for COVID supplies. The Department has resumed bi-monthly safety meetings and there have been two this quarter. A CIP master tracking sheet was created to communicate with other departments on where they are on projects. The tracking sheet includes 13 different projects with information on who is leading them. The Department is also responsible for the creation and maintenance of the risk register for the Town. The document is an ongoing record of solutions to mitigate potential exposures for the Town. The Department is speaking with Red Cross who will do a site inspection next week and other NGOs including a large animal transport. The Department is excited to be working with the new HR Director who is scheduled to begin in May.

Mayor Jenkins wanted to hear which CIP projects would be started or completed in the next quarter.

Jim Waters CIP Project Manager mentioned that there are several up and running including the Box T and Grief Hill Trailhead projects. There have been meetings on Grief Hill Trail head with the Forestry Service to discuss which issues will be addressed by them and which will be done by the Town. The demolition of the old Circle K is ready to go and just needs contracts signed. It has been necessary to go through Prescott Valley and Prescott contractors to bid for jobs.

Councilor Baker asked about the training budget line item going from \$750 to \$3k and additional staffing requirements for the Department.

Ms. Vinson explained that the budget is now accommodating two staff members. The two roles require a certain level of certifications and there are two other yearly conferences which are somewhat required for the Department. No additional

staffing is being requested at this time.

Councilor Moore inquired on the status of a bid for court security.

Mr. Waters stated that per City Policy they would need to advertise and take bids. It would be over 106k. The design was completed in the last two weeks.

• Presentation - Quarterly Report of Finance

Mike Showers Finance Director mentioned that this was not the best month to present because of how the reporting lands. He made a recommendation to have his next report in August to have less adjustment explanations. Total revenue on the report YTD shows 6.9 million. It is actually 7.7 million. These are not errors it is just how the report is done. Operating transfers to the debt service fund which reduces revenue and the revenue budget. The revenue budget showed 7.3 million and the revenue actual is 7.7 million although it is not reflected correctly in the reporting.

Department line items noted included building department line 510 the number is above budget at 222k which means there are a lot of projects moving. Expenses are about 800k under budget through February. There are a number of departments fairly close to their budgeted numbers. Human Resources were not able to do budget adjustments. 250k of budget money is sitting in HR for those budget adjustments. That will show most departments under budget until the adjustments are made. 29k of expenses was shifted to un-departmental. Risk management has one extra check to the prosecutor in February. It is actually under budget and the adjustment will be made for the quarter. Information Technology is under budget. Services cost approximately 18k per month. Estimate 72k of expenses through the rest of the year and there is 90k budget. Maintenance is a bit over budget by 10k. Building Department costs should start to come down a bit in March. The Marshal's Department is 250k under budget. Special Events is 9k over budget this quarter due to the costs of Fort Verde Days in first quarter. A big part of activities for the year costs hit in the month of February and there is one event left. Special Events should be good shape for rest of year. HURF was slightly over budget by approximately 1k. There are large line items in the budget that haven't been touched yet, so they are working to control spending here. The Sewer section expense includes in the budget 5 million for grant and other items that may not happen. Revenues are 19k over and the General Fund is 1 million to positive through February.

Mayor Jenkins has asked for financial report quarterly report to Council on a regular basis. There is a need to determine the best timing to look at the numbers. Code on financial reporting appears in three different places monthly for accounting, the manager keeping Council apprised, and the Clerk gathering, publishing, and reporting. Council may wish to see the information in a different format that clarifies the information and a cash disbursement revenue list.

Mr. Showers explained that the grouping of accounts which is shown on a monthly basis may be a better marker to view. The Department is caught up at this point and everything being entered is a current project. Some revenues and special revenue

funds can be confusing, but were included for questions. It may be preferable to look at expenses and revenues from an operational standpoint. Grants and other items that may not happen can be looked at separately.

Mayor Jenkins commented that viewing the financial reporting helps Council understand and make financial decisions.

Councilor Baker requested that Council determine how to present the information in a simple format and recommended that while they do the budget they can determine how best to present the information.

Presentation – Quarterly Report of Economic Development

Economic Development Director Steve Ayers went through the short term and long term goals of the Department and provided a handout to Council in Power Point paper format. The Department joined ECONA, a business attraction driven organization for the Northern Arizona area. They are also involved with Northern Arizona Healthcare which opens the opportunity to network with other organizations of that size. Companies currently coming to the Town include: La Quinta, Marriott, and Tractor Supply. Sinagua Malt a technology driven business, which is a 8000 sq ft facility whose owner is interested in manufacturing and owns over 50 patents, is also coming into Town. The Department has created a new business information packet for businesses interested in coming into Camp Verde.

The Department has received an 8K grant to create a trail guide. There are currently fourteen trails included in the first guide. Local First Arizona signed an agreement for Verde Grown. Camp Verde was featured in Green Living magazine in Phoenix. Camp Verde does more production than anywhere else in the state.

The Department is utilizing Placer.ai real time data to determine where folks are going and what they are doing in Town. The company utilizes 10% of all cell phones and extrapolates data using an algorithm to build out numbers. During events there is a huge jump in certain data sets, such as, how many people were in front of the gym. Utilizing historical data can help determine the increase of event attendees such as the Pecan and Wine festival this year which reflected a 70% increase over last year. Additionally, the Department will be revamping the https://visitcampverde.com/ website.

Moscato is scheduled for a June opening and they will hold a gala at the Archaeology Center prior to.

Verde River Access and Trails initiatives include the 106k grant for Box T and 220k for Grief Hill. Parson river front will be ready for development in fall. The area will need to be surfaced to make it functional.

The Affordable Housing Sycamore Apartment project is delayed for a year because they were unable to prove the zoning was in place. There is a revitalization plan by next year to speak to these relative to the Opportunity Zone.

In regards to workforce opportunities the Department met with the superintendent and principal in order to identify opportunities for collaborative programs between districts.

BRIC (Business Resource and Innovation Center) has had the big screen television installed. They hosted 11 of the 13 grass fed meat producers for a local round table discussion of local producers at the facility. The Department is also working with the AZ Cattle Growers Association for a processing facility in Camp Verde.

Yavapai County signed a contract with Altice for broadband expansion.

Sean Brooks recently spent two weeks working on a 22 million dollar grant and Mr. Ayers commended him and the Department for their support during the time consuming process.

Councilor Moore inquired whether a tasting room would be available in the Sinagua Malt facility that is planned.

Mr. Ayers explained that the facility is a manufacturer for the raw malt only, but the Department is looking at attracting a partner for a tasting room.

Councilor Moore offered to provide Mr. Ayers with a USDA direct contact for meat processing.

Mr. Ayers stated that meat processing is a billion dollar industry. He noted that there are four current producers and small producers need to come back to the Town.

Vice Mayor Joe Butner inquired if Mr. Ayers was personally involved with Sinagua Malt.

Mr. Ayers stated that he is involved with the venture, but wanted to ensure Council that he offers the organization the same service as anybody else.

Vice Mayor Joe Butner confirmed that the statement about Camp Verde having more production than anyone in the state was for wine.

Mayor Jenkins remarked that the Departmental Updates were a new addition for the departments to come before Council to let the public and Council know what is going on within the individual departments. It is a way of letting the public know what we are doing and questions can be followed up with later.

Mayor Jenkins called a five minute recess at 7:31 PM.

Mayor Jenkins called 7:37 pm

Mayor Jenkins wanted to correct an early misstatement. The Clerk compiles monthly reports which can be searched for on the website.

7. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Adoption of the 2022 Focused on Success Camp Verde 5-Year Community and Economic Development Strategic Plan. Staff Resource: Steve Avers

Economic Development Director Steve Ayers presented the Focused on Success Arizona sponsored program. Everything runs concurrent with the Town's General Plan. The plan was facilitated by a number of individuals and groups. Steering Committees are listed in the Acknowledgments. By participating in the program the Town can ask for 3-5k per year funding from APS. This is the third plan from the Town with the first in 2004, 2015, and now 2022. The Departments seeks an endorsement for the plan to move towards getting it printed.

Councilor Baker commented the first was around 96-97, but Council put it on the shelf and didn't want to do anything with it. In the currently presented plan she noted that there wasn't a particular focus on affordable housing. She has been told that businesses will look at this issue when deciding where to locate.

Mr. Ayers responded that the Department learned a lot about the processed that affordable housing developers go through in order to apply while working with Sycamore Vistas. The burden is on the community. This revitalization plan and other things the Department is working on will incrementally get the Town to a point where building those facilities will be successful. A regional housing study has been passed out to many developers. At least four other projects want to come in to satisfy that need.

Businesses look at what is a marketable base including the cost of rentals, and size. The market is changing rapidly and not getting better. 72% of the people who live here drive elsewhere to work. Light manufacturing will impact some of the communities.

Motion by Councilor McPhail to adopt the 2022 Focus on Success Camp Verde 5-Year Community and Economic Development Strategic Plan. Second was made by Councilor Moore.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: aye Councilor McPhail: aye Councilor Moore: aye Councilor Murdock: aye Vice Mayor Butner: aye Mayor Dee Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

8. Approval of Commercial Pool Repair to replace pool heater in the amount of \$54,514.82.

Jeff Kobel Maintenance Manager requesting approval of \$54541.82 was approved for 60k. The retailer honored the price from original bid. The work has been completed. Mr. Kobel is asking Council for an approval to pay the invoice.

Councilor Moore wanted clarification about why if the request was approved in CIP there is a request for approval again.

Town Manager Russ Martin clarified that there were some steps missed along the way that required this item to come back through Council for an approval as the amount was \$50k.

Councilor Baker clarified that Mr. Kobel believed it was okay to go through with the expense because it was authorized for CIP.

Mr. Kobel understands where he went wrong and the process has been discussed with him to eliminate future issues.

Motion by Councilor Cris McPhail to approve Commercial Pool Repair invoice 24479 dated March 8th, 2022 in the amount of \$54514.82. Second was made by Councilor Jessie Murdock.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Jackie Baker: aye Councilor Cris McPhail: aye Councilor Marie Moore: aye Councilor Jesse Murdock: aye Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye Mayor Dee Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

9. DISCUSSION CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2022-1088 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA, ESTABLISHING HOURS OF OPERATIONS, SUPERSEDING 2021-1082. Staff Resource: Kathy Hellman

Kathy Hellman would like an adjustment to the library hours for operational reasons. The adjustment would move forward opening to an hour earlier and closing an hour earlier.

Motion by Councilor Baker to approve resolution 2022-1088 a resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, establishing hours of operations, superseding 2021-1082. Second was made by Councilor McPhail.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: aye Councilor McPhail: aye

Councilor Moore: aye Councilor Murdock: aye Vice Mayor Butner: aye Mayor Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

10. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Appointment of Councilmembers to develop the ordinance to update the Town Code to reflect the Town Marshal position changes. Staff Resource: Russ Martin

Town Manager Russ Martin suggestion is that Council come up with the ordinance changes necessary and bring them forward. Staff is requesting at least three Council members prepare those ordinances.

Councilor Baker requested an explanation of the difference in code from when Council did supervise the Marshal's department. She inquired about what needed to be discussed and changed around in the code from what it was before.

Mr. Martin stated that the duties, accountabilities, authority in the Town Manager and Marshal part of the code to make sure they have the proper authorities. It is important that Council determine those authorities.

Councilor Baker recommended that Council discuss this item in work session. Council could look at the code before and see what needs to be changed.

Mayor Jenkins recommended focus on the portions of the code that would be impacted by the change with full Council in a work session with support of the Town Attorney.

Vice Mayor Butner would like to view what the code looked like before the Marshal was placed under Town Manager and remarked that Council needs to do this task together.

Councilor McPhail would like access to other agencies documents that have a similar structure.

Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton stated that as far as she knows there are no other municipalities in the State where the Marshal or Chief operates under Council. The Clerk's office will research to see what is available.

Councilor Baker suggested going through the League of Cities and Towns. Updating town code will be brought back to Council.

Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton confirmed that changes to town code goes before Council for ordinance. She has not been able to find any Chief of Police or Marshal that operates under Council, but will research further.

11. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval of Tierra Verde Builders (TVB)

Change Orders 7 & 8 for the Camp Verde Sports Complex. Staff Resource: Ron Long

Town Manager Russ Martin will be presenting. Public Works Director Ron Long will be retiring and working remotely for a time to make the transition. Council will be informed when a date is certain and there will be an opportunity to thank Mr. Long for his long public service.

Change orders 7 & 8 are being presented to council. The contract was given to Tierra was based on low bids comparative to other contractors. There will be another change order coming to Council for the installation of the lights. The bidding and cost environment for construction is all over the place and a bid can't be obtained until the Town is ready to install. There will probably be a change order 10 to close out.

The initial contract was revised to be \$3.3 million. The original was close to \$4 million and it was value engineered back to \$3.3. Since then there has been change orders within the policies. Some have come before Council because of the amounts.

The Town has paid 3.5 million. There is about a half of a million dollars' worth of work still to get done. The electrical installation has went up from the bid amount.

Mayor Jenkins inquired if any of the 169k in electrical conduit installation was part of the original 3.3 million contract.

Public Works Analyst Dorie Blair stated that the prices came in almost one million over the estimate. The differences were because of inflation.

The Alt 2 Completion in CO-8 is not a sports playing area. It is a passive play area which would be filled in to connect the sodded areas and the baseball fields. The bid includes dirt work, soil, soil amendment, pipework sprinkler heads, controls, and sod itself.

Councilor Moore asked about the size of the Alt 2 area in question.

Mr. Martin did not feel it was as large as price would indicate and estimated it at around 3 acres. Mr. Martin recommended taking that portion out of change order 9 and looking at completing the section with town staff or another option down the road.

Mayor Jenkins confirmed that the change order could be modified.

Council discussed the Re-mobilization, Contractor Mark Up, Bonding, and Sales Tax for the two change orders. Also discussed was the delay caused by not giving Staff direction on the two change orders. Removing Alt 2 from the bid would not be taking out any playable field areas from the Sports Complex.

Mr. Martin recommended Council give Staff direction to sign 7 and 8 not to exceed 300k. Mr. Martin can bring back change orders exactly through a communication to Council.

Shannalee Brady who is on the football and cheer board would like to express the desire to get the fields playable as soon as possible. Their initial tour was in 2019. She supports the fields getting done as quickly as possible to be playable for the children and have a space for them to learn safely.

Motion by Councilor McPhail to direct Staff to proceed with change order 7 as presented, to remove alt 2 all together, and the two change orders shall not exceed 300k. Second was made by Councilor Murdock.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: aye Councilor McPhail: aye Councilor Moore: aye Councilor Murdock: aye Vice Mayor Butner: aye Mayor Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

12. Selection by Drawing to determine the order of how each candidate's name will appear on the 2022 Election ballot. Staff Resource: Cindy Pemberton

This agenda item required no action taken or discussion from Council. Ms. Pemberton utilized the public meeting to draw by lot the names listed on the ballot. The draw will begin with Mayor and then Council Members. This is how the 2016 election cycle was done. 2020 was not done because there was the same number of candidates as seats. In this election there are more candidates than seats. Council received a letter of concern from a member of the public. The Clerk is choosing to select from a lot because Camp Verde is a one district and precinct. Direction from the County Elections Department instructs one precinct jurisdictions to do so since they cannot rotate for one precinct. The selection will be made by lot for that reason. Marshal Rowley is to pick names.

Mayoral Race:

Reason Shipley Dee Jenkins

Council Candidates:

Marie Moore Robin Whatley Robert Foreman Wendy Escoffier

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Shannalee Brady requests that the agenda for Town Council Meetings be posted in more places. The Facebook page is visited often and would be a great platform. If that is not something to consider maybe an email list that if signed up then members of the public would receive agendas.

14. Council Informational Reports. These reports are relative to the committee meetings that Council members attend. The Committees are: Copper Canyon Fire & Medical District, Yavapai College Governing Board, Yavapai Apache Nation, Intergovernmental Association, NACOG Regional Council, Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization (VVREO), League Resolutions Committee, Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool, Verde Valley Transportation Org, Verde Valley Transit Committee, Verde Valley Water Users, Verde Valley Homeless Coalition, Verde Front, Verde Valley Steering Committee of MAT Force, Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board, Phillip England Center for the Performing Arts Foundation. In addition, individual members may provide brief summaries of current events. The Council will have no discussion or take action on any of these items, except that they may request that the item be placed on a future agenda.

Councilor McPhail continues to attend Yavapai Apache Meetings. Earth Day will be a joint event this year on Saturday April 23rd from 10 am -12pm at the Veterans Park. A one hour video is accessible on internet. Council McPhail also continues to attend the truancy committee and teen game night.

Mayor Jenkins attended the Verde Valley Mayor and Manager's meeting and the Camp Verde fundraiser on the 15th held at rodeo grounds on Good Friday. She was invited to the Sedona Chamber for mixer at Archaeology Center which had a huge turnout. She believes the public will be very impressed with the facility if they haven't already toured it.

15. Legislative Update

The last two Friday meetings were canceled for clerks and finance. Updates will be forwarded to Council.

16. Manager/Staff Report Individual members of the Staff may provide brief summaries of current events and activities. These summaries are strictly for informing the Council and public of such events and activities. The Council will have no discussion, consideration, or take action on any such item, except that an individual Council member may request that the item be placed on a future agenda.

Marshal Rowley stated a lot of things happened in town since last session. Four lives

were saved and incidents included CPR, house fires, and shooting. Truancy meetings have been a great success and the Department has accomplished all visits. They located some addresses which were empty fields. Marshal Rowley wished to express his appreciation for the school, MATFORCE, and volunteers. They will be going out again on Wednesday and will be collecting signatures for summer school eligibility.

Town Manager Russ Martin stated that the water company should be closing at the end of May. The ACC administrative law judge turned in his report. The approval to dissolve the certificate to allow the Town to proceed is scheduled for the 16th or 17th of May. By June 1st they should be responsibility ready and prepared. There is going to be a major construction project on I17 which is utilized by over 12k people traveling to Phoenix. There is a lot of information for the project available online including timeframes. The constituents need to know that those lanes will hopefully make things better, but there will be a lot of construction over the next few years.

Mayor Jenkins spoke with the District Supervisor James Gregory about the current fire situations. They have been given notice that the fire may head toward the Dewey Humboldt area. Both fires have a type one team. She has asked the supervisor to keep Camp Verde apprised of what can be done as a community to assist.

17. Adjournment Mayor Dee Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 9:05 PM.

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Mayor Dee Jenkins	
	Attest: Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton

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 Regular Session of the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on April 20, 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of 7022.

Cindy Pemberton, Town Clerk