

**MINUTES
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
REGULAR SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
473 S. MAIN STREET, SUITE 106
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.**

ZOOM MEETING LINK:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89287120079?pwd=aE5JU3ZyWWlkaHE0QjNkelBmL240QT09>

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 (absent), Jessie Murdock, Robin Whatley, Vice Mayor Joe Butner, and Mayor Dee Jenkins.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** Councilor Robin Whatley 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) Work Session– April 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
 - 2) Work Session– April 13, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
 - 3) Regular Session– April 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
 - b) **Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:**
 - 1) Work Session – Friday May 6, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.
 - 2) Work Session – Wednesday May 11, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
 - 3) Special Session – Wednesday May 18, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 4) Regular Session – Wednesday May 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
 - c) **Possible Approval of Resolution 2022-1089, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, establishing Mayor and Council Salary amount and Superseding Resolution 2013-880.**

Councilor Murdock informed Council that both she and Councilor Moore would be unable to attend the session on Wednesday May 18th as it conflicted with school graduations.

Mayor Jenkins stated that she will confer with the Town Manager but tentatively has plans to switch the date of the special session to the 11th.

Motion by Councilor Jackie Baker approve the consent agenda. Second was made by Councilor Cris McPhail.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Jackie Baker: aye

Councilor Cris McPhail: aye

Councilor Jesse Murdock: aye

Councilor Robin Whatley: aye

Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye

Mayor Dee 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))

Sheri Hauser presented to Council and represented the Chamber of Commerce. She had attended the Verde Lakes Spring Festival and had been invited to represent local business at the Circus. The Chamber website hit 4k a month. The Chamber is considering a tourist kiosk in Camp Verde. The monthly chamber updates have been a hit. The next meet and greet is scheduled at JT's Bistro on the 19th of May at 4 PM. Attendees can bring a bottle of wine for the wine raffle.

McKenzie Rogers presented for APS on Fire Mitigation. There was a prepared slideshow on Wildlife Preparedness and Response. Fire risk reduction measures include preparation, mitigation, and response with reliability and safety being their top priorities. Wildfire is unpredictable and nearly 6000 acres burned last year primarily due to lightning strikes. APS activities that reduce risks include: maintaining and clearing right of ways annually, patrolling and correcting issues in high fire risk areas, inspecting overhead equipment annually, and creating defensible space around power poles. APS is also leveraging technology and have installed 3500 fault indicators which will signal service technicians to go to a location. These are non-communicating devices, so it still important for the public to call and report any issues. They also encourage the public to call if they happen to notice that a fault indicator is lit up. APS has a team of fire mitigation specialists on staff for the area.

APS has several Customer programs available on APS.com. Including the right tree, right place program which details how to safely plant trees to shield the look of power lines. Creating fire defensible space around homes is also available online.

APS will send letters to all customers in the area. The letters include safety and fire wise tips as well as a notice that customers could experience longer than normal outages during fire season. It is important to APS that the public understand that although reliability is a core value safety will be prioritized. The public is invited to download the APS app for an outage map and they may also sign up for text alerts. It is important to understand that APS doesn't automatically know when there is an outage. Please call to report them. APS will also be auto enrolling customers with a valid phone number and email on file in the alert system. Customers can call or go online to update their information. In the event of sustained outage APS will set up ice stations to provide ice for freezers. The public should know that by keeping their fridge closed food will remain fresh up to 8 hours and up to 24 hours in the freezer.

6. Discussion, Consideration and Possible Direction to staff on the selection of a Dump Truck Purchase for the Wastewater Division, not to exceed in the amount of \$175,975.00. Staff Resource: Chet Teague

Russ Martin presented for Chet Teague. He recommended delaying this agenda item until after the meeting scheduled for Friday. This would allow further discussion on what is better for both the department and organization as well discuss with the streets options that the equipment will impact.

7. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Approval of Awarding Quote # 18-123DP to MUSCO Sports Lighting, LLC in the amount of \$701,503.00. Staff Resource: Russ Martin and Dorie Blair

Mr. Martin stated that this item was put into the session for the opportunity for public feedback. The item had been discussed with Council a few weeks ago.

Mayor Jenkins wanted to understand how the contract services the lights that are not being installed right away including the tennis and pickle ball court lights.

Mr. Martin stated that the contract with Tierra includes the installation on those courts as well. The contract will begin before the courts will be completed.

Motion by Councilor Jessie Murdock to award Quote # 18-123DP to MUSCO Sports Lighting, LLC in the amount of \$701,503.00. Second was made by Councilor Cris McPhail.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Jackie Baker: aye
Councilor Cris McPhail: aye
Councilor Jesse Murdock: aye
Councilor Robin Whatley: aye
Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye
Mayor Dee Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

8. **Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval to order five (5) - 2023 Chevy Silverado Police package units the Second week of May 2022 for the Marshal's Office up to \$70,000 per vehicle not to exceed \$350,000.00.** Staff Resource: Corey Rowley

Lieutenant Dan Jacobs presented. The Department is asking for authorization to order five vehicles in May of this year. The vehicles would not go into production until 2023. The Department is replacing Chevy Tahoe's with over 100k miles.

The window to order the vehicles is limited and last year was about a week. This year it is the second week of May, so the approval is needed right away.

Mayor Jenkins inquired if the cost in the agenda item represented only the base price.

Lieutenant Jacobs stated that the price includes the outfitting. The prices could fluctuate, but if the amount exceeds the \$350,000 requested the Department can look at dropping a vehicle.

Councilor Whatley wanted to know what would be happening to the 2013 Tahoe's currently in use since the Town may be able to make some money by selling them.

Lieutenant Jacobs stated that they would likely keep four as swing units so if a vehicle is out for repair there is a backup available. The department has also removed the markings off an older unit which is in use by investigations. Another is being utilized as a volunteer vehicle and they would like to have a second volunteer unit. Any vehicles that can no longer be used by the Department can be auctioned.

Motion by Councilor Jackie Baker to order five new patrol trucks. Second was made by Councilor Cris McPhail

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Jackie Baker: aye
Councilor Cris McPhail: aye
Councilor Jesse Murdock: aye
Councilor Robin Whatley: aye
Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye
Mayor Dee Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

9. **Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval of the annual renewal of Resolution No. 2015-939, for High View, LLC's Mining Conditional Use Permit, which states "A Resolution of the Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona, Yavapai County, on Use Permit 20150033, an application**

submitted by Joe Link – agent for the owner Aultman Land & Cattle III & IV, LLC of a portion of Parcel 403-15-002Y, and a portion of 403-15-003C. The Use Permit will allow an operation that will mine, quarry and extract natural resources from the property which will be a total of 195.33 acres. The property is located on State Route 260 at milepost 214.27 on Parcels 403-15-002Y & 403-15-003C". Staff Resource: John Knight

John Knight presented. The agenda item is in reference to an aggregate mining operation whose permit started in 2015. The operation is in the last phase which is reclamation. The item is asking for a one year extension to finish the clean up and get the area properly compacted. Once a formal notice of reclamation is done the operation has one year to clean it up. The goal is to get the property ready for new development. The reclamation needs to be certified as properly done and the applicant is in attendance with their engineer via Zoom to answer any questions.

Mayor Jenkins asked for an explanation of the reclamation process and details of the verification process.

John Knight stated that the operation included 40 to 50 open pits and the verification requested was primarily that the ground has been properly compacted for future use. They have asked that the applicant submit tests for review that the area has been properly compacted. At the current time Mr. Knight was unsure if all the requested items had been submitted, but assured Council that the Department and the applicant are working on obtaining all verifications.

Councilor Baker thanked Mr. Knight for the letter he had drafted and sent to the applicant which explained the procedure going forward, because the reclamation is so important.

Vice Mayor Butner wanted to understand what steps the Community Development Department was taking to make sure that this project doesn't become a point of concern and asked if the Department was performing inspections.

Mr. Knight explained that the Department has requested engineer tests that confirm the compaction, but has not conducted inspections at this point.

Vice Mayor Butner asked if the Department had plans to start inspecting.

Mr. Knight confirmed the department plans to inspect. They had visited the site which led them to determine that something needed to get done. Mr. Knight felt it was important to consider the Town's liability down the road and wanted to reduce any potential issues that may evolve into a lawsuit. He is asking that Council approve the extension in order for the company to complete the job and reclamation process.

Vice Mayor Butner requested that the applicant explain to Council how the project is to be brought up to speed in order to give Council a level of comfort in approving the request.

Troy O'Dell stated that the projects requirements were for the operation not to go below the level of the highway and that the area be returned to a certified buildable parcel. The density requirement was 95% dry density to the satisfaction of a soils engineer which was registered in state of Arizona. The area is mapped vertically and horizontally to show adequate compaction was done to certify as buildable. Otherwise they would have to record as the area as unbuildable forever. The optimum moisture and density need to show that there will be no future issues with buildable space.

Jeremy Bach stated they are working with Western Technologies and Engineering & Testing Consultants. They also worked with a structural engineer to certify the initial project.

Craig Baker stated that one area did not test at 95% and they are going to rework and retest there. They have been adhering to the requirements for the two agencies they are privately working with. They feel comfortable with how they are going about the reclamation. It is in their best interest to ensure the reclamation is correct and without future issues. When the area is developed with new builders they will also have a requirement to perform an additional environmental test.

Dugan McDonald stated that he had no technical view to add to the previously presented information. He wanted to take an opportunity to thank staff for their presentation and the members of council for the opportunity to be heard.

Troy O'Dell stated that the scope of work for the engineer needed to be revised in order to map the certification. There is some mapping that is incorrect and is being corrected. They are sending the details every two weeks to ensure correct information. They do not want to leave any unbuildable area.

Cheri Wischmeyer said parcels have changed two or three times since the resolution originally passed, but the resolution has not been updated. When she was trying to research this agenda item it took the whole week to down information because of this issue. She commented that Mr. Knight did a good job on the outline, but it doesn't address the historical data. She commented that excavation and reclamation should have been a detailed plan originally filed with the Town in 2015. She has not been able to locate the plan in researching the information. State mining laws indicate that reclamation plans have to be detailed. She would like to know if there is one and why not if there isn't.

Mr. Knight remarked that Ms. Wischmeyer brought forth some good points. The parcel numbers have changed. The reclamation plan was filed in 2016 with the Town, but could not recite the specific details.

Mayor Jenkins asked if a copy of the reclamation plan could be provided and inquired on the proper procedure for the parcel numbers.

Town Manager Martin stated that the parcel would tie to the original through the County. Everything ties back to the original one that is traced and would chain back

to those titles and numbers.

Vice Mayor Butner recommended that the history be put in the record.

BJ Ratlief Community Development Planner stated that they do have the entire history, but it is not a simple chain. It splits and merges. It is part of the Town record and the Department is happy to provide it as part of the record.

Mr. Martin recommended adding it to the motion.

Motion by Councilor Jessie Murdock to approve Resolution No. 2015-939 as presented with the addition of current updates and ties and chains of the title history and parcel number changes to current as of today, for High View, LLC's Mining Conditional Use Permit. Second was made by Councilor Baker.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Jackie Baker: aye
Councilor Cris McPhail: aye
Councilor Jesse Murdock: aye
Councilor Robin Whatley: aye
Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye
Mayor Dee Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

10. **Approval of Ordinance 2022-A466 AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, YAVAPAI COUNTY, GRANTING GRANTING TO UNS GAS, INC. AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS, LESSEES AND ASSIGNS, CERTAIN POWERS, LICENSES, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, PRIVILEGES AND FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN IN TOWN OF CAMP VERDE, STATE OF ARIZONA, AS NOW OR HEREAFTER CONSTITUTED, A TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OF GAS MAINS, PIPELINES AND RELATED APPURTENANCES FOR THE TRANSPORTING, SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF GAS INTO, OUT OF, AND THROUGH SAID TOWN, AND FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF SUCH GAS TO SAID TOWN, ITS INHABITANTS AND OTHERS, INCLUDING CUSTOMERS INSIDE, BEYOND, AND OUTSIDE OF THE LIMITS OF SAID TOWN; AND TO USE THE STREETS, AVENUES, EASEMENTS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, ALLEYS, HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS, AND BRIDGES IN SAID TOWN FOR SUCH PURPOSE FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS; AND PRESCRIBING IN CONNECTION THEREWITH CERTAIN RIGHTS, DUTIES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS HEREIN MENTIONED; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT TO SAID TOWN OF A PERCENTAGE OF CERTAIN REVENUES OF GRANTEE FROM ITS OPERATIONS THEREIN.** Staff Resource: Russ Martin

Mr. Martin remarked that there are two processes for this agenda item one approving the ordinance and the second is to place it in front of the public for approval. It is

being presented now because of the timing with the election schedule. He explained that raising 2% to 3% would allow the Town to take 1% and put it towards lines or something that is a benefit to the utility. There are some changes to the contract the Town Attorney was able to negotiate because of his experience with these contracts. Section 2-2 details that relocation for public benefit expenses would be covered through the company as opposed to the current contract that requires any changes to be made at the sole expense of Camp Verde. The new contract also does not have a courtesy requirement. There are a few people available to answer questions from Unisource.

Vice Mayor Butner remarked that it sounded like the town attorney approved of the contract, but the box that should be marked to show this had no x. He asked for confirmation that the town attorney has reviewed and approved.

Mr. Martin confirmed that both the Town Attorney and the Unisource attorney had approved and noted that the box was missing the check.

Mayor Jenkins inquired on the areas within the town of Camp Verde that are serviced and asked about their plans to expand service.

Duncan Jakes Verde Valley District Manager for Unisource stated that there are high pressure services along Highway 260 and the transfer point is behind the cement plant. Also serviced is the first subdivision off horseshoe bend area and the cut off is behind the Comfort Inn. The town is supplied from that cut off point. There are some other scattered services around the corner part of Camp Verde. The Fire Department on Cherry Creek Road also has service. They would be happy to work with residential and commercial developers on expansion specifically along the 260 corridor.

Councilor Whatley noted that there is service to the Town Library, but not to her home nearby three houses down on Blackridge Road.

Duncan Jakes stated that the company has considered working on plan or idea to get service across the bridge in order to supply the School. Private residents can pay for an extension if they are within a certain distance from line.

Councilor Murdock requested more information on the details in crossing the river for service to the Public Schools and Pool. She inquired if there were particular challenges in crossing the river.

Duncan Jakes didn't have specific plans available but was aware of the site and the bridge curves. The crossing can be complicated and expensive. They would need to route the service either underneath or to side. Underneath river would be quite an expensive pour and require a steel casing and that the service pipe would inside. There were studies in the past on costs. Mr. Jakes is new to the district and this would be on his plate to start looking at. Contracts can be complicated and they determine for the projects individually how costs are absorbed.

Mayor Jenkins remarked that she was unaware of which areas were serviced by natural gas Camp Verde and not did not know anyone personally who was serviced by them until tonight.

Motion by Councilor Jackie Baker to approve Ordinance 2022-A466 as presented. Second was made by Councilor Jessie Murdock.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Jackie Baker: aye
Councilor Cris McPhail: aye
Councilor Jesse Murdock: aye
Councilor Robin Whatley: aye
Vice Mayor Joe Butner: aye
Mayor Dee Jenkins: aye

Motion carried 6-0.

11. **Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Direction to revise Town Attorney job description and language of a possible advertisement.** Staff Resource: Russ Martin.

Mr. Martin is requested that Council provide him with details on the draft they would like to see for the City Attorney. Once enough direction is obtained he will redraw and bring it in for a formal approval. Depending on what is decided code issues may need to be changed and that may delay bringing it back to Council. The current Attorney will continue to work with the Town through the transition. The changes have an expected timeline of approximately July.

Councilor Baker noted that current part time attorney has a salary of roughly 65k for 16 hours for week. The starting salary is now showing approximately 95k and asked if was anticipated to be that much.

Mr. Martin stated this rate was based on current part time rates for that form of service provided. The Town's current rate is lower than average.

Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton has a statement from Council Member Moore who was unable to attend the meeting but wished to speak to item. Her statement read, "I would like to consider some type of verbiage to be included along the lines of expected to attend regular council meetings, special, and executive session meetings in person or remotely to advise Council on any legal question and/or receive assignments to research. I understand the town code would need to reflect this as well, but I think it is important to include the description under the responsibilities or duties if that is the route Council is looking to move forward in. I do feel the town attorney should be present and available at our meetings."

Councilor Whatley felt the Town is going to be paying the town attorney a whole lot more to attend all sessions and recommended considering special and executive sessions. The Town would need to increase the budget for the Town Attorney as

attorneys generally bill by the hour.

Councilor Murdock asked if it was the wish of Council to go from a contracted service to an hourly on site attorney.

Vice Mayor Butner noted that he would like to see a range of money depending on how the attorney is hired. He recommended between 55k-95k depending on qualifications and time spent with an hourly basis option.

Councilor Baker asked on the range for an attorney who was a full time employee and noted that there would likely be a benefits requirement.

Mr. Martin stated that generally above 16 hours requires retirement and benefits. More than 16 hours would also impact overhead. He noted he saw the position as something similar to the judge. Mr. Martin is looking for the particular items Council is looking for in the position. The current Attorney would probably do what Council was requesting in a contract. If Council decides to go with a contracted position they could negotiate with a candidate or an LLC for a pool of attorneys. The advertisement is the key component to it and they need to put out an advertisement to get started. The advertisement gives the concept of the role but doesn't define the specific nature of the contract. The best candidate may or may not be local which means that the specifics of the contract may be determined based on the selected candidate.

Mayor Jenkins has been very thoughtful about an attorney attending meetings. She feels that there are times when an attorney's perspective should be available during meetings.

Councilor Murdock recommended hourly while they're in attendance with a ceiling on payout. She felt it was important that the candidate have experience with a background in municipal city law and provide services that align with the Town's needs.

Mayor Jenkins also felt that someone more accessible was required.

Councilor Baker noted that the Town hasn't spent much this budget year on attorney's fees, but the attorney hasn't been on the phone with Council. She remarked that Council could request that the current attorney attend.

Mr. Martin remarked that in his past experience he worked with a Council that had a contract attorney there every meeting and some of this time felt wasteful. Mr. Martin stated that he believed Council wanted a certain number of hours and to be prepared be in attendance two days a week. He requested clarification on the structure Council wishes to look for.

Mayor Jenkins stated up to 16 hours or something similar.

Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton remarked that emails and calls to the Town Attorney from staff are roughly 3k-5k per month. She wanted to ensure that Council takes into consideration the amount of work being done by this role outside of Council.

Mr. Martin stated he would bring back what he believed he heard with the Town possibly willing to accept a contracted LLC.

Councilor Baker commended Marie Moore's statement and noted that she would want the attorney present for meetings.

Councilor Murdock felt that Mr. Martin should receive more direction from Council. She disagreed with having the attorney attend every meeting and felt some items could be tabled which may need an attorney's presence. There is a range differences between an individual contract and LLC including hours and range.

Councilor McPhail was more inclined to do an hourly rate rather than have hours dictated. She would like to see an option to have attorney available as requested with a preference for billing per job rather than once or twice a week requirement. She is also interested to have the attorneys give a listing of services they would be able to provide.

Vice Mayor Butner noted that the Town should take advantage of current technology and felt there was a benefit to Zoom where expressions can be viewed as opposed to phone call attendance. Vice Mayor Butner believed that it was important to have an attorney attend every meeting via Zoom. He stated that the initial advice on the front rather than clean up on back end was invaluable. The range of time and money would need to be negotiated depending on experience. He noted that a lawyer had recently applied for a judicial position and felt there were hungry young lawyers with their own offices who were not working for an LLC. He desires to obtain applicants and work a deal out to the advantage of the Town. He felt that the Town needs an attorney at meetings.

Mayor Jenkins noted that Council can't predict when an attorney's advice would be needed and noted that there have been meetings when she thought there was no issue and had wished one had been available.

Mr. Martin ended by stating he will focus on the advertisement to bring back to Council and not the job description at this time.

12. **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 A.R.S. §38-431.01(H))

No comments from public.

- 13. 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 attended via Zoom the Harbor Day Celebration with the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Suspension where one of our citizens was awarded Arizona state forester of the year. When it comes in the mail we will have her come before us and to congratulate her. She also attended the Library Volunteer Dinner, continues participation on the truancy committee, at the Circus she was the MC for two minutes, and attended the Spring Fest at Verde Lakes Ponds. She offered a thank you to Mike Marshall and Lori Webb who were there all day long and brought games and collected feedback on what to do in the future. She ended with a commendation to maintenance whose hard work was evident at the event.

Councilor Baker attended the Library Volunteer Dinner and remarked on how great they were at honoring their volunteers. The event was very lovely and she can't say enough praises for Library and everyone that helps out and works there.

Mayor Dee Jenkins attended the PSPRS meeting, the Friends of the Verde River at Salt Mine Wine, the Spring Fest at Verde Lakes, and the fair which was really nice this year. Sunday, she attended an event for Equine Evacuation of Yavapai county with James Gregory District Supervisor. They currently have a couple of locations on other side and are trying to establish one over here. It is an all volunteers, top notch organization and they could use any financial support that anyone can give. The May 3rd budget and finance meeting was cancelled due to lack of business.

14. Legislative Update

Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton had no updates for Council.

- 15. 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.

Corey Rowley stated that the funding for the vehicles was at a critical time and they needed every dollar in the amount awarded. He also confirmed that if the installation goes higher the Department will find a way to sacrifice a vehicle so they do not go over the amount. Publicly thank Benson and Jim Jacobs whose professionalism and

guidance has been stellar. Truancy program was brought before tribal council and was well received. They had several inquiries on who was going to tribal lands to knock on doors. Ultimately they were open to integrate and satisfied. Lieutenant Jacobs handled the truancy for last school year and they had kids gone for 65 days who came back as a result of the visits. The visits also really helped out summer school. The vision will continue over the summer, but the program will look different as focus will be on developing for the next school year.

Town Manager Russ Martin stated that the Prescott forest service is at stage 1 as of tomorrow morning. Fires are still allowed but caution is imperative. This is early in the year, but there has been insufficient moisture. This affects Copper Canyon Trailhead, Beasley Flats, and Hayfield draw. Julia Kaiser, the new HR representative for the Town, starts Monday. There will be a work session meeting at 8:30 AM Friday morning which should be three hours or less and the public is invited to attend.

Mayor Jenkins remarked that a citizen had requested the Town agendas be posted on social media. She has been in contact with the Economic Development Department and they are very supportive of that request. There is a meeting scheduled to finalize an agenda for posting on Facebook and Instagram. The Town was happy to respond to the request.

Councilor Murdock offered a commendation to Amethyst Lowrey who performed the Heimlich maneuver on a student who was choking on a piece of candy at the Middle School.

Mr. Martin stated that the June 1st meeting was canceled.

16. **Adjournment** Mayor Dee Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 8:11 PM.



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 May 4,, 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 13th day of June, 2022



Cindy Pemberton, Town Clerk