

**(Corrected) MINUTES
TOWN OF CAMP VERDE
REGULAR SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
473 S. MAIN STREET, SUITE 106
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 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 6:32 p.m.
2. **Roll Call.** Council Members: Jackie Baker, Wendy Escoffier, Robin Godwin, Cris McPhail, Jessie Murdock, Vice Mayor Marie Moore, and Mayor Dee Jenkins.

Also Present. Town Manager Tedmond Soltis, Town Attorney Trish Stuhan, Town Clerk Cindy Pemberton, Assistant Clerk Jadie Edwards and Recording Secretary Mary Frewin

Break: 6:33 p.m.

Resume: 6:38 p.m.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** Councilor Murdock led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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 the Council requests.

a) Approval of the Minutes:

- 1) Special Session – August 9, 2023
- 2) Regular Session – August 16, 2023
- 3) Special Session – August 23, 2023

b) Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:

- 1) Executive Session – Wednesday October 4, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.
- 2) Regular Session – Wednesday October 4, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 3) Special Session – Wednesday October 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 4) Regular Session – Wednesday October 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 5) Regular Session – Wednesday ~~September 20~~ **November 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.**

c) Approval of Resolution 2022-1119 A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona amending the 2023 Meeting Dates and Times for Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings and superseding Resolution 2022-1102 Staff Resource: Michael Marshall

On a motion by Councilor Escoffier, Seconded by Councilor McPhail, Council moved to approve the consent agenda with a few corrections to the minutes.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye
Motion Carried 7-0.

- 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))

Julie Fernatt spoke in support of the Camp Verde Library and the Librarians.

Susan Fisher spoke regarding code penalties. She received a ticket for putting a fence up without a permit. However, she didn't know that a permit was required for a fence. She recommended that the Town find a way to educate the public on codes/permit requirements in case there are others, like herself, who are not aware.

Jack Wilborn spoke regarding the status of Camp Verde as a Dark Sky Community. He would like to be contacted with an update.

Llama Habern spoke in support of the Camp Verde Library and the Librarians.

Robert Stacey Barker spoke regarding banter on social media related to the Town of Camp Verde topics. He would like to see things de-escalated. He feels this banter is ridiculous and needs to stop. Additionally, Mr. Barker shared that he has deep roots in Camp Verde and would like to see the Town continue with their original western culture.

6. Special Announcements and Presentations:

- **Proclamation Declaring the Month of October as Fort Verde State Historic Park Month.**

Mayor Dee Jenkins proclaimed October as Fort Verde State Historic Park Month. She made a change to the last paragraph and read it out loud.

Joining the Mayor for the proclamation was Sheila Stubler, Park Manager, and Ranger Ben. Sheila recently celebrated 20 years at Fort Verde. Ms. Stubler spoke about Camp Verde's Western Heritage and thanked the Town and volunteers. Ms. Stubler called for a

moment of silence in honor of the volunteers who have passed away.

- **Update on Water Master Plan and Overall Water System.** Resource: Jeff Low

Utilities Director Jeff Low introduced, Rob Brant of Waterworks Engineering, the company that was awarded the bid for the Camp Verde Water Master Plan and GIS Development.

Mr. Brant and Mr. Low provided a presentation and updated the Council on the Camp Verde water system, including immediate improvement needs, current operation statistics, and an update to the Town on geographic information system for the water system.

Mr. Brant shared with Council that the draft of the Water Master plan was submitted to Mr. Low and his staff a few weeks prior. Comments from Mr. Low and staff have been received by Mr. Brant.

Mr. Brant's PowerPoint touched on these main points-

- Water Master Plan Update
- Design Criteria
- Future Facility Siting
- Well Siting Study
- CIP
- Funding Sources
- Town Code
- Lead Copper Service Line Study
- GIS Update
- Water Standard details
- System overview.

A main point made was that peak demands will not be met if a well is lost. Additionally, it is being planned that all wells will need arsenic treatments.

Following Mr. Brants presentation, Council asked him and Mr. Low questions.

Councilor Escoffier asked if the impact fee per single family home would be paid for, by developers as they're coming in upfront before homes are built. Mr. Low said it would be paid when they get their building permit, for whoever is building the home.

Vice Mayor Moore asked how long the arsenic treatments last and how often they need to do them. Mr. Low said their existing treatment systems have a media and approximately every 1-2 years the media is changed out. He estimated that a media was several thousand dollars, up to \$100,000.00 depending on size, which needs to be considered and placed into the operational budget from here on out.

Vice Mayor Moore inquired if they had included Out of Africa because they're planning to do a partnership with them. Mr. Low said they've been contacted by Wyndam Hotel, who is working with Out of Africa to do a hotel. In the same area, there will be the UofA meat processing facility. Both of them talked about sharing a well, in which the Town will

also participate in.

Mayor Jenkins wondered if it's the responsibility of the Town to dig up service lines to see what the material is. Mr. Low said it's every Town in the nation.

Councilor McPhail shared that it's important to Council that the Town be viewed in a professional light as it pertains to water standards. She thought the details were wonderful and appreciated the quality of the work. Mr. Low credited Bruce Connolly, Town Engineer.

- 7. Summary of Current Events.** The Town Council and the Town Manager may provide brief summaries of current events and activities. These summaries are strictly for informing the public of such events and activities. The Council will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take action on any such item, except that an individual Council member may request that the item be placed on a future agenda. Summaries may include 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.

Mayor Jenkins shared information that was decided during the Special Session, after the Executive Session since Council Cannot make decisions in Executive Session. The first topic was regarding the Ordinance. on Sexual Oriented Entertainment and Sexually Explicit Material. The Council directed staff not to act on that type of Ordinance. Additionally, they made a motion to direct the Town Manager to work with the Library Director on a procedure for the relocation of books.

Mayor Jenkins congratulated Sheila Stubler for her 20 years of service at Fort Verde Historic Park. She shared positive information about Sheila and how she been an asset to the Town and the Fort.

Mayor Jenkins continued to attend monthly meetings with the Yavapai Apache Nation. Additionally, she attended a WIFA Zoom meeting. On 9/11/23 the Mayor spoke at the American Legion ceremony. Every other Monday she meets with Mayors from surrounding communities. She urged the Town to check out the events in surrounding communities, as they are wonderful events. Mayor Jenkins shared that Rainbow Acres' 50th Anniversary is Thursday 9/21/23, and The Verde Valley Sanctuary is celebrating 30 years.

Councilor Godwin attended the last school board meeting. She also echoed what Mayor Jenkins said about Rainbow Acres. She shared some background information on Rainbow Acres and how far it's come in 50 years. She shared that on the 29th of September there will be a regional Bocce Ball tournament held at Parkside Church.

Councilor McPhail attended the meetings for the Yavapai Apache Nation. She shared that the land trade application has been submitted. She said the Frame Tech agreement was ratified recently. Staff have been working closely with the Nation to keep rates the same. Additionally, she shared that the whole Council went to the League of Cities and Towns. She enjoyed this conference. Councilor McPhail shared that the tree advisory committee did some landscaping at the Economic Development Building. She continues to go to Teen Game Night on Thursdays. She said National Night Out will be on October 3rd from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. She shared that The Old Guys are fixing up the playhouse at the library. Lastly, she attended the Sustaining Flows Council.

Vice Mayor Moore shared that she has been attending her daughter's volleyball games. She urges the Town to support the Town youth sports. She also shared that there are three (3) more Saturdays for the Camp Verde Farmers Market.

Councilor Murdock had nothing to share.

Councilor Escoffier attended the NACOG meetings. She shared that HeadStart are closing sites because of lack of employees. She also toured the University of Arizona meat processing facility in Tucson with Councilor McPhail. She is excited about the one that will be here in Camp Verde, as she found the one she toured to be wonderful and very clean. She shared that the Yavapai Junior Rodeo took place recently here in Camp Verde and she heard that it was a good time. Lastly, she attended the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Conference, which she found to be very informative.

Councilor Baker attended the NACOG meeting.

Mayor Jenkins additionally shared that at the League Meeting she spoke in front of 90 other Cities and Towns to present a Resolution to amend the legislation on improvement districts. It was unanimously passed. It still had to go to a meeting of all Mayors, and it too passed unanimously. Now, it goes to the Legislators.

Town Manager Ted Soltis shared that he's attended many meetings in his short time and he's confident that between Council, Staff, and Camp Verde residents, they can move Camp Verde forward.

8. Approval and Award of FY24 Pavement Preservation Project to Cactus Asphalt in an amount not to exceed \$600,000. Staff Resource: Martin Smith

Capital Improvements Project Manager, Martin Smith shared with Council the breakdown of the \$600,000 that Council had previously approved for FY24 pavement preservation project. Staff would like to partner with Cactus Asphalt, as they have a long-standing relationship with them.

Councilor Godwin wondered if a speed bump could be put in on Glenrose, a location in which she has heard has had some rough traffic violations. Mr. Smith said that speed bumps can be problematic because they complicate the maintenance projects. He suggested talking to Commander Jacobs about posting an officer out there. He recommends contacting the Marshal's Office with her concerns.

Councilor Murdock asked Mr. Smith to give an update on where they would be chip sealing as well as how much linear feet they would be sealing. Mr. Smith shared that it would be approximately 120,000 sq yards and the roads they would be sealing are located between Quarterhorse Ln and Old Church Rd.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Moore, Seconded by Councilor Godwin, Council moved to award the FY24 Pavement Preservation Project to Cactus Asphalt in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilor Baker: Aye
- Councilor Escoffier: Aye
- Councilor McPhail: Aye
- Councilor Murdock: Aye
- Councilor Godwin: Aye
- Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
- Mayor Jenkins: Aye

Motion Carried 7-0.

9. **Approval of staff to submit a FEMA FY2023 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Notice of Intent (NOI) grant application to the Arizona Department of Emergency Management Agency in an amount of \$1,084,340.00 for West Clear Creek Flood Mitigation Study. Staff Resource Jeff Low**

Utilities Director Jeff Low shared background information on the West Clear Creek flooding. Floods have led the road to be closed and have damaged the road over the last few decades. There has also been debris built up over time. The last flood study took place in 1984, so it's probably not very accurate.

He shared the goal of the West Clear Creek Study would entail improvement on Verde Lakes Dr. roadway and culvert crossing for approximately .4 miles of transportation corridor. The task would comprise of Phase 1 project scope of work including field reconnaissance, data collection, supplemental ground survey, technical exploration, preparation of design plans and support of design documents, meeting and coordination, public outreach, and project management. He said they do have the possibility to get it down from a 25% match to a 10% match. The in-kind matches will be the areal topography, 2D flood modeling, and future Yavapai County flood control funds, and staffing.

Once the grant has been awarded, he said there's a very significant possibility that they'll get the construction phase grant as well. Mr. Low shared that it will be not only what they need to do to fix the issue, but also a design on how to fix it and most of the time these grants roll into construction.

Councilor Baker wondered about this being a non-budgeted grant. Mr. Low said he talked to Mr. Showers, as he knows it wasn't budgeted. They get flood control funding every year. Their portion of the grant match could come from their flood control funds, and it will

take place over a 3-year timeline.

Councilor Escoffier felt that this is a great opportunity to get funding for this area, as FEMA said in 1994, they were done with that area.

On a motion by Councilor Escoffier, seconded by Councilor Baker, Council moved to approve staff to submit a FEMA FY2023 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Notice of Intent (NOI) grant application to the Arizona Department of Emergency Management Agency in an amount of \$1,084,340.00 for West Clear Creek Flood Mitigation Study.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye
Motion Carried 7-0.

- 10. Public Hearing followed by Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval for Job # ~~25306~~ #253062, a Liquor License Application for Acquisition of Control for Alcantara LLC-Alcantara Vineyards and Winery located at 3445 Grapevine Way, Camp Verde, AZ 86322 Staff Resource: Cindy Pemberton**

Ms. Pemberton shared that the Clerk's Office received an application from the Department of Liquor License and Control on August 16, 2023. Per state law, it is not required to post at the site's location because it's an acquisition of control. There are no fees associated with an acquisition of control and the applicant and staff have not received any comments or concerns from the public related to this application.

Mayor Jenkins opened the public hearing at 7:52 p.m.
Mayor Jenkins closed the public hearing at 7:52 p.m.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Moore, seconded and amended by Escoffier Councilor, Council moved to recommend approval to the state liquor license and control for Job #253062, a Liquor License Application for Acquisition of Control for Alcantara LLC-Alcantara Vineyards and Winery located at 3445 Grapevine Way, Camp Verde, AZ 86322

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye

Motion Carried 7-0.

- 11. Public Hearing followed by Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval for a Class 10 (Beer and Wine)) Liquor License Application #249322 for Family Dollar #25150 located at 633 Finnie Flat Road, Camp Verde, AZ 86322. Staff Resource: Cindy Pemberton**

Ms. Pemberton shared that the Clerk's Office received an application from the Department of Liquor License and Control on August 3, 2023. Per state law, they posted the application at the site's location for the required 20 days. The Clerk's office has not received any comments or concerns from the public related to this application.

Mayor Jenkins opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m.
Mayor Jenkins closed the public hearing at 7:55 p.m.

On a motion by Councilor Escoffier, seconded by Vice Mayor Moore, Council moved to recommend approval to the state liquor license and control for a Class 10 (Beer and Wine)) Liquor License Application #249322 for Family Dollar #25150 located at 633 Finnie Flat Road, Camp Verde, AZ 86322.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye

Motion Carried 7-0.

- 12. Public Hearing followed by Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Approval of a Class B Bingo License for American Legion Post 93 located at 286 S 3rd Street, Camp Verde, AZ 86322. Staff Resource: Cindy Pemberton**

Ms. Pemberton shared that the Clerk's Office received an application from the American Legion Post 93 regarding a class B Bingo License. There are no fees associated with a Bingo License. The Clerk's office has not received any comments or concerns from the public related to this application.

Mayor Jenkins opening the public hearing at 7:56 p.m.
Mayor Jenkins closed the public hearing at 7:56 p.m.

Councilor Escoffier inquired if Council should approve this or are they recommending approval to the Department of Revenue. Town Attorney Trish Stuhan shared that they are recommending approval.

On a motion by Councilor Escoffier, seconded by Councilor Baker, Council moved to recommend approval to the Arizona Department of Revenue to approve the Class B Bingo License for American Legion Post 93 located at 286 S 3rd Street, Camp Verde, AZ 86322 and have the designated authority of the town sign the endorsement.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye
Motion Carried 7-0.

- 13. Public Hearing followed by Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Approval of a Class B Bingo License for Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6739 located at 277 W State Highway 260, Camp Verde, AZ 86322.** Staff Resource: Cindy Pemberton

Ms. Pemberton shared that the Clerk's Office received an application from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6739 regarding a class B Bingo License. There are no fees associated with a Bingo License. The Clerk's office has not received any comments or concerns from the public related to this application.

Mayor Jenkins opened a public hearing at 8:00 p.m.
Mayor Jenkins closed the public hearing at 8:00 p.m.

On a motion by Councilor Escoffier, seconded Councilor Baker, Council moved to recommend approval to the Arizona Department of Revenue to approve the Class B Bingo License for Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6739 located at 277 W Highway 260, Camp Verde, AZ 86322.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye
Motion Carried 7-0.

Break: 8:02 p.m.

Resume: 8:12 p.m.

14. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Approval of a Town of Camp Verde “Code of the West”. Staff Resource: Ted Soltis

Town Manager Ted Soltis shared with Council that this item was brought forward by a group of residents: Nancy Higginbotham, Georgia May, Jessica Oium, and Mary Phelps. Mr. Soltis shared with Council that there were a few changes made to the document that were brought up by the attorney. He said that this would be a living document, that will be updated periodically.

Town Manager Soltis turned it over to Mary Phelps. Ms. Phelps shared with Council the history of the creation of this document. She hoped this document would give a true and accurate picture of the rural living in Camp Verde, Arizona. She said it's in no way trying to change the codes or the zoning.

Blue Cards:

Cheri Wischmeyer strongly recommended that the Council not approve this. She gave reasons to Council as to why she felt this way.

Claudia Hauser spoke in support of the Code of the West. She was very impressed with the document. She asked if the Town of Camp Verde has easement on private citizens' properties for trails. She also did not feel the wording was correct regarding the irrigation ditches. She would be happy to help re-write this section. She feels it's helpful to incoming residents, and to herself, a long-time resident.

Jordy Weaver is in favor of this item, though she did not speak.

Christa Brunori spoke in support of the Code of the West. She found it to be a very helpful document. She hopes they make it very accessible for people.

Pete Roulette spoke in support of the Code of the West. He likes that it can be modified. As a realtor, he finds this to be very useful in his occupation.

Mayor Jenkins asked Mr. Soltis about technical changes. As those occur, will that require Council coming back to get those updated, or will those changes happen within staff? Mr. Soltis told her that they would approve the basic document, but they will make sure they keep it up to date.

Vice Mayor Moore found this document to be very helpful. She feels it's a condensed version of the general plan and gives people great information on the town. She doesn't feel like it's a negative document. Her recommendation would be that they create a QR code for it. Overall, she supports the document.

Councilor Escoffier shared that she talked to another realtor about the document, and that person felt that it was a helpful document, that she too would share with her clients. This realtor also said that she felt the document had a negative slant to it. Councilor Escoffier felt that there are parts of the document that are not accurate, when you look

at the Town as a whole. She too feels there is a negative slant within it. She had several concerns about it and the way things were worded.

Vice Mayor Moore stated that she lives on a dirt road within the Town, which will never be paved or maintained by the Town. She feels the document is helpful to communicate to newcomers that those roads do exist within Camp Verde. She feels that though it's not a blanket statement for the entire Town, there are areas in Camp Verde that are relevant to a lot of this information.

Councilor Escoffier said that's less than ½ % of the roads in the Town, and it paints a picture that there are many unpaved roads within the Town.

Councilor Escoffier appreciates what has been done with the documents, but feels it needs to have some changes to wording and clarifications because as it stands, it doesn't fit the whole community. She wondered if it was a legal binding document. She shared that when a similar document was approved in Wickenburg, and in the following 10 years after approval, their population increase was only about 1,200.

Councilor McPhail wanted to be clear that this document doesn't supersede the general plan or any codes or ordinances. It's merely guidance.

Ms. Stuhan shared that, legally, she provided a couple of statutory clean ups to Mr. Soltis. She said that even though it says 'code', it's not a legal document. It's a historical guidance. She doesn't have any concerns legally.

Councilor McPhail felt there could be some refinement in the document and wondered about the mechanism to do that.

Mr. Soltis said to give him any recommendations. He said it's a living document, and they will continue to make changes to it as needed, which he doesn't feel would be very difficult. Should the Council approve it, the changes that would be made including phone numbers, addresses, etc.

Councilor Godwin thanked the ladies who created the document. However, she feels that it was incredibly unwelcoming and negative. She feels it's common-sense information that she doesn't feel needs to be written down.

Councilor Baker thanked the ladies who created the document. She didn't view it negatively; however, she did hear that the real estate business was not happy with it. She wondered if the Chamber of Commerce could be the ones to pass it out. She suggested that they align it with the 9-character areas that are in the general plan.

Councilor Murdock found the document to be very helpful, however, she felt that some wordsmithing needed to be done to give it a more positive and welcoming sense. She supports the document, but feels it needs some cleanup.

A Zoom comment from MYLOW was shared and said: "Does this document have a disclaimer/disclosure stating that it's not Town code, etc.?" Mayor Jenkins said that doesn't make any reference to being official to the Town.

Ms. Stuhan said they could make a disclaimer if they wanted to, but there is nothing legally binding it to the Town.

Councilor Murdock wondered if they could acknowledge it as an informational marketing document.

Mr. Soltis said he needs to get a sense of what Council wants to do. He understands that there are changes that need to be made. He recommended that they take a vote.

Council Continued to discuss amongst themselves whether the Code of the West was the appropriate avenue to take for the Town of Camp Verde.

On motion by Vice Mayor Moore, seconded by Councilor Murdock, Council moved to direct the Town Manager to work on revision of the Code of the West to return to Council for review and adoption in a timely manner.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Nay
Councilor Escoffier: Nay
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Nay
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye

Motion Carried 4-3

15. **Discussion, Consideration and Possible Approval of Resolution 2023-1118 , A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, authorizing the Town of Camp Verde (“Town”) to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Yavapai County Flood Control District (“District”) for financial contributions from the District to the Town of Camp Verde Fiscal Year 2023-2024; and authorizing the Mayor and Staff to take any all steps necessary to accomplish the above. Staff Resource: Jeff Low**

Mr. Low Shared with Council the Yavapai County Flood Control District provides annual funding to jurisdictions within the county that request flood control related projects. The Utilities Department has requested funding for this budget year for a variety of projects. He provided Council with a list of these projects. Not all the projects will be completed, but this will give Staff an opportunity to choose. They will be receiving \$155,000, as he spent too much money the previous year. This item will be on the County Board of Supervisors agenda on October 4th.

Vice Mayor Moore wondered if they base the amount of money, they get on what the Town received last year. Why would it matter that he spent too much money last year?

Mr. Low said it’s based on how much property tax they receive, unless you request more money for big projects you’d like to get done. They will at least get \$155,000 this year, and in future years they will likely get more.

Councilor Escoffier wondered if this amount represents all the flood control tax dollars that the community puts into Yavapai County. She would like to get every dime that they put in. Mr. Low said the tax money also goes to flood control, who manages the flood plains in the Town.

Councilor Escoffier would like to figure out how much tax dollar money Camp Verde is putting into flood control.

Councilor Baker said included in the total amount is a large portion from FEMA since they are a Flood District.

On a motion by Councilor Baker, Seconded by Vice Mayor Moore, Council moved to approve Resolution 2023-1118 , A Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, authorizing the Town of Camp Verde ("Town") to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Yavapai County Flood Control District ("District") for financial contributions from the District to the Town of Camp Verde Fiscal Year 2023-2024; and authorizing the Mayor and Staff to take any all steps necessary to accomplish the above.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye
Councilor Escoffier: Aye
Councilor McPhail: Aye
Councilor Murdock: Aye
Councilor Godwin: Aye
Vice Mayor Moore: Aye
Mayor Jenkins: Aye
Motion Carried 7-0.

- 16. Public Hearing followed by Discussion, Considerations and Possible Adoption of Ordinance 2023-A483, and Ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona for a Zoning Map change from R1L-35 to C2 for approximately 0.96 acres, specifically, described in Exhibit A (currently parcel 404-28-051A), located at 26 West Salt Mine Road, Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai Arizona. Staff Resource: Cory Mulcaire**

This agenda item was tabled to a later date.

- 17. Discussion, consideration and possible approval of Resolution 2023-1116, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona approving Use Permit 202300310, A Use Permit application for Cinda and Criselda Rajkovic for veterinary services office located at 3455 North Prospectors Lane (parcel 403-18-001K). Staff Resource: Cory Mulcaire**

Cory Mulcaire, Assistant Town Planner, shared that Cinda and Criselda Rajkovic applied for a use permit to relocate their veterinary service clinic from Sedona to Camp Verde. In that process they also operate a 501-C3 animal rescue, mostly focusing on alpacas and llamas. Because of this, they would like to increase their animal count for that purpose.

When they get larger animals, they work with Animal Guardian Network, who already has a use permit through the Town. They also rescue wildlife from Game and Fish to rehab them. They will then turn them over to Running W Wildlife in Cornville. Their property is on 3.5 acres, and both sides of it are surrounded by the Forest Service. Their primary residence will be the second floor of the home. On the property are also K-9 rescue pens, as they also rescue wolves.

Each animal has shade, shelter, and water on the property, as Cinda and Criselda have many resources for these animals. They are requesting a use permit because a use permit is required for veterinary services in the RR 2 A district.

This use permit has gone through all the proper avenues to come before Council. Additionally, two neighbors spoke out recommending approval for them. Specifically, one neighbor had to call on Cinda for an animal emergency. The proposed conditions were sent to Council, with one minor change. Planning and Zoning will be allowed on the property to investigate complaints. Staff and the Commission recommend approval of this permit.

Mayor Jenkins asked about the form she's seeing and inquired why it doesn't have an attorney sign off. Town Attorney Trish Stuhan said that she reviewed it.

Councilor Escoffier wondered about the Forest Service land around it. She said it is land that's in the Yavapai Apache exchange. She wondered if Ms. Mulcaire had reached out to them about this use permit. Ms. Mulcaire said they did reach out to the forest service, but not the Nation because they don't show as owners of the land because the exchange has not been finalized.

Councilor Escoffier's only concern is that the Yavapai Apache Nation would be opposed to increasing animal count on property that is adjacent to property they owned.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Moore, Seconded by Councilor Baker, Council moved to approve Resolution 2023-1116, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona approving Use Permit 202300310, A Use Permit application for Cinda and Criselda Rajkovic for veterinary services office located at 3455 North Prospectors Lane (parcel 403-18-001K).

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Baker: Aye

Councilor Escoffier: Nay

Councilor McPhail: Aye

Councilor Murdock: Aye

Councilor Godwin: Aye

Vice Mayor Moore: Aye

Mayor Jenkins: Aye

Motion Carried 6-1.

18. **Adjournment** Mayor Jenkins adjourned the meeting at 9:24





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 September 20th, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 12th day of October, 2023.

Cindy Pemberton

Cindy Pemberton, Town Clerk