

**MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF CAMP VERDE**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**473 S MAIN STREET, SUITE 106**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019 at 6:30 P.M.**

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

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor German called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Mayor Charles German, Vice Mayor Dee Jenkins, Councilor Jessie Murdock, Councilor Robin Whatley (via conference call), Councilor Bill LeBeau, Councilor Joe Butner and Councilor Buck Buchanan were present.

**Also Present:** Town Manager Russ Martin, Deputy Town Clerk Virginia Jones, and Recording Secretary Jennifer Reed.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor German 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) Council Hears P&Z Matters – January 23, 2019
- 2) Special Session – January 30, 2019
- 3) Executive Session – January 30, 2019 (recorded and on file)

**b) Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:**

- 1) Friday, February 8, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. – Special and Executive Sessions
- 2) Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session (canceled)
- 3) Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session
- 4) Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears P&Z Matters
- 5) Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session

**c) Approval of Ordinance 2019-A441, an Ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona approving submission of Escrow Papers to the Title Company, for the Purchase of 4.4 Acres of Real Property located in Yavapai County and described in Exhibit A. [Staff Resource: Steve Ayers]**

Councilor Butner would like to pull Item 4.c) from the consent agenda to discuss.

**Motion** was made by Councilor LeBeau to approve the consent agenda by pulling Item 4.c) and cancelling the meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Second was made by Councilor Butner. **Motion** carried unanimously with Mayor German, Vice Mayor Jenkins, Councilors Whatley, Murdock, LeBeau, Butner and Buchanan approving.

Councilor Butner explained that he had called Mr. Ayers about Item 4.c) earlier in the day and would like to have him give an explanation for the record. Mr. Ayers explained this is the Ryall Canyon Trail Project, where the Town is purchasing 4.4 acres on Salt Mine Road. The Forest Service had designed and built a trail but the only way to get to it is to trespass through this piece of private property. Mr. Ayers explained to the property owner that he thought the town could get a Motorized Vehicle Grant to cover the cost. The Town applied for and received the grant for \$211,000.00 which will cover the cost of the purchase of the property plus all of the funding that is needed to build out a trailhead. There are also in-kind donations to cover costs. There will be no additional cost to build it out. Item 4.c) covers the purchase contract for the property. Phase 1 is done, and they are now ready to close. Mr. Ayers reviewed the costs associated with the project. The grant money is already in the bank.

Vice Mayor Jenkins asked what the economic impact is for this project and how will it help the economy. Mr. Ayers said they didn't do an economic study on the trail system at this point. He went on to explain Council will see in the budget this year the Urban Upland Planning. This will take into account what a trail system will mean to the community.

Vice Mayor Jenkins said it is important to understand how these trails will affect the economy so they can continue to support these kinds of things.

Mayor German asked how many trails are in the Town's incorporated area. Mr. Ayers explained an inventory is being conducted on the trails now. Within ten miles of this building there are forty-two trails. He spoke on building them into a network.

**Motion** was made by Councilor Butner to approve of Ordinance 2019-A441, an Ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona approving submission of Escrow Papers to the Title Company, for the Purchase of 4.4 Acres of Real Property located in Yavapai County and described in Exhibit A. Second was made by Councilor Murdock. **Motion** carried unanimously with Mayor German, Vice Mayor Jenkins, Councilors Whatley, Murdock, LeBeau, Butner and Buchanan approving.

#### **5. Special Announcements and presentations.**

There were no special announcements and presentations.

#### **6. Call to the Public for items not on the Agenda. (Please complete Request to Speak Card and turn in to the Clerk.)**

Town Marshal Corey Rowley spoke about the Marshall's Community Council. He is looking for a wide range of community volunteers to serve on this council for a 6-month term. It will be on the website in March, with the meetings to start in April. He wants to get a good feel about what is happening in the community. Vice Mayor Jenkins asked how many people is he looking for? Mr. Rowley said 6-7 people. They will serve for 6 months and then look for another 6-7 citizens to sit for another 6 months.

Sheila Stubler passed out the Buffalo Soldier Event flyer scheduled for February 16<sup>th</sup>. There are three games of vintage baseball scheduled along with Dutch-oven demonstrations, and Apache Indian Scout presentations. Ms. Stubler also wanted to thank the American Legion Riders who put together the Welcome Home Veterans Event.

Carol German (Yavapai College) invited Council to the reception for Dr. Rhine on February 21<sup>st</sup> from 4pm-6pm at the Sedona Center. She said it is important that all councils and city

managers from the Verde Valley attend. It will show the Verde Valley really cares and will hopefully help economic development. Ms. German went over the schedule for the evening. She said there will be no politicking, just a meet and greet, welcome to the Verde Valley and to show the Verde Valley cares.

American Legion Representative Bill Gray spoke on the Welcome Home Vietnam Vets Day. He explained this event usually rotates in the communities, but Sheila Stubler stepped up and volunteered the Fort to hold this event this year. Mr. Gray said that Ms. Stubler and new Marshal, Rowley have been great supporters for this event. Mr. Gray introduced John McDowell who handles graphics, advertising and the police presents during the event. Mr. Gray is letting Council know what is happening. There is a meeting scheduled for 3 p.m. tomorrow afternoon at American Legion Hall to continue planning the March 30<sup>th</sup> event.

**7. Business. Legal action can be taken.**

**7.1 Discussion and possible appointment of Council members as Town Representatives and alternates to Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization (VVREO) and Phillip England Center for the Performing Arts boards. (continued from 12/19/18 meeting) [Resource: Council]**

Verde Valley Rio holds four meetings per year, at 10 a.m. on Fridays at the County Building in Cottonwood. Councilor Murdock has served before and wouldn't mind attending the meetings as the liaison. Mayor German will serve as an alternate.

Phil England Board meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 4:30pm. Councilor Whatley will serve as the liaison for this Board. Councilor LeBeau will serve as the alternate.

**8. Call to the Public for items not on the agenda. (Please complete Request to Speak Card and turn in to the Clerk.)**

There were no comments from the public.

**9. Council Informational Reports.**

Mayor German- Phil England Center is holding a Big Band concert Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 7pm.

Councilor Buchanan attended the Economic Leadership Conference in Prescott. He said there was a very nice turnout by executives. He encourages all Council members to attend.

Councilor Butner would like to see a monthly report from the Finance Director on future agendas. He would like to have it in advance of the meetings for review. On January 30<sup>th</sup> he attended the MATForce Meeting. He said it was a good meeting, and a good program, Marilee Fowler will be receiving an award at the White House in a month. He went on to say this program is in practically in every school in the county except for Camp Verde Elementary School and Middle School. He will try to persuade them to put it in the school.

Councilor Murdock attended the Camp Verde Marshal's Office Award Banquet. This banquet recognizes officers and the jobs they do in the community. Ms. Murdock thanked the Officers for everything they do in the community.


**10. Manager/Staff Report**

Town Manager Russ Martin stated he will try to reschedule Judge Schlegel for the meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup> since the cancellation of the February 13<sup>th</sup> Work Session in which he was planning on attending.

**11. Adjournment**

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.


  
Mayor Charles German

Attest:   
Town Clerk, Judy Morgan

**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 Council Meeting of the Town Council of Camp Verde, Arizona, held on February 6, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

  
Judy Morgan, Clerk