

**MINUTES  
REGULAR SESSION  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 473 S. MAIN STREET, ROOM #106  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2015 AT 6:30 P.M.**

Minutes are a summary of the discussion. They are not verbatim.  
Public input is placed after Council discussion to facilitate future research.

1. **Call to Order**

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

2. **Roll Call**

Mayor German, Vice Mayor Jackie Baker, and Councilors Bruce George, Carol German, Brad Gordon, Robin Whatley, and Jessie Jones are present.

**Also Present**

Town Manager Russ Martin, Parks and Recreation Coordinator Mike Marshall, Economic Development Director Steve Ayers, Library Director Kathy Hellman, Public Works Ron Long, Town Clerk Virginia Jones and Recording Secretary Lynn Riordan.

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 Planning & Zoning Matters – January 28, 2015
- 2) Regular Session – February 4, 2015
- 3) Executive Session – February 4, 2015 (recorded)

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

- 1) Friday, February 20, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. – Council/Manager/Department Heads Retreat
- 2) Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. – Executive Session-Manager Review
- 3) Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning
- 4) Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session
- 5) Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session
- 6) Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session
- 7) Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning
- 8) Friday, March 27, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. – Council/Manager/Department Heads Retreat

**c) Possible approval of Facilities Use Agreement for Salvation Army for a term expiring June 2018.**  
Staff Resource: Michael Marshall

**d) Possible approval of Facilities Use Agreement for Camp Verde Adult Reading Program for a term expiring June 2018.** Staff Resource: Michael Marshall

**e) Possible approval of proposed changes to the Town of Camp Verde Financial Operations Guide (FOG).** Staff Resource: Michael Showers

**f) Possible approval of proposed changes to the Camp Verde Library Policy and Procedures Manual.** Staff Resource: Kathy Hellman

On a motion by Councilor George, seconded by Vice Mayor Baker, the council unanimously voted to approve the Consent Agenda.

5. **Special Announcements and presentations:  
Yavapai Apache Nation presentation of a check to the Town from Gaming Funds pursuant to Section 12 (d) of the Nation's Gaming Compact.**

Chairman Thomas Beauty presented a check to the Town of Camp Verde for \$16, 874 from 202 gaming revenues (12(d) Yavapai Apache Nation Gaming Compact), stating there were no restriction on the fund presented to the Town and the Yavapai Apache Nation was pleased to present the funds for the benefit of the community. Chairman Beauty introduced new Yavapai Apache Council Member Billy Gardner. The Mayor and Council thanked Chairman Beauty and the Yavapai Apache Nation for their contribution.

6. **Call to the Public for Items not on the Agenda.**  
**Howard Parrish** addressed the Mayor and Council regarding local rumors that the Camp Verde Calvary had disbanded, stating the rumors were not true and that the Town would be represented by the Camp Verde Calvary in the Sedona parade next month.

**Tom Pitts** addressed the Mayor and Council regarding VVREO reminding them that they were invited to attend the seminar that begins on February 19 (tomorrow).

7. **Presentation, followed by discussion, by Clarkdale Community & Economic Development Director Jodie S Filardo regarding the results of the Verde Valley Gigabit Project Phase 1 Design Report commissioned by the Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization..**

Economic Development Director Steve Ayers introduced Jodie Filardo, Chairman of the Verde Valley Broadband Coalition and Treasurer of VVREO. Ms. Filardo gave a power point presentation to the Mayor and Council on the current progress of the Verde Valley Broadband Coalition and expressed the importance of Broadband installation and availability to the Verde Valley with respect to economic development and serving the education, business and residential community. Mr. Filardo encouraged the Council to assist the Verde Valley Broadband Coalition in the installation of conduit for Broadband along Hwy 260 during highway construction while the "trenches are open", as a large percentage of the expense of Broadband is obtaining easements, trenching, and installation of conduit. Councilors Whatley, Gordon and George, and Vice Mayor Baker stated concerns regarding the cost to the Town for installation of the conduit and obtaining Broadband services in Camp Verde. Ms. Filardo stated an exact amount is unknown at this time and this project includes the entire Verde Valley. Terry Drew, NACOG, has stated an interest in assisting with grant applications on behalf of Camp Verde to get the conduit installed during Hwy 260 construction. A funders meeting will be held in the Men's Lounge in Clarkdale on March 18, 2015, as funding this project will be a big challenge, but is necessary for the economic and educational growth in the Verde Valley. Mr. Ayres stated that funding, an initial investment of \$11,000 for Phase I, would be presented and requested when the budget process for 2015-16 begins.

8. **Presentation consideration, and possible authorization for Siemens Industry Inc. to provide and install the non-budgeted Video Detection System at the intersection of Finnie Flat Road and Cliffs Parkway for an amount not to exceed \$25,000. Staff Resource: Ron Long.**

On a motion by Vice Mayor Baker, seconded by Councilor George, the council unanimously voted to approve the request and authorize the expenditure to provide, install and program the non-budgeted Video Detection System at the intersection of Finnie Flat Road and Cliffs Parkway for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Public Works Director Ron Long, advised the Mayor and Council that the request to install a Video Detection System at the intersection of Finnie Flat Road and Cliffs Parkway was not in the budget, however, the loop detectors (installed under the road) have failed. Mr. Long stated that overhead loop detectors would detect traffic flow to adjust the length of the light cycle to keep traffic moving appropriately. Mr. Long indicated that because the under road loop detectors have failed, the Town receives ongoing complaints regarding the lack of performance of the light cycles. The Mayor and Council questioned the unbudgeted cost and life expectancy of the overhead video detection system. Mr. Long advised that the overhead video detection system could be completely installed and programmed for \$25,000 and would not require any road construction. The life expectancy of the overhead video detection system is about 10 years. Town Manager Russ Martin advised the Mayor and Council that the Public Works Department experienced savings from other line items in the current budget, specifically vehicle maintenance and leased equipment, that allowed for the expenditure of \$25,000 for the overhead video detection system. Councilor Gordon and Vice Mayor Baker inquired about the other intersections in Town and the current under road loop detectors. Ron Long advised that the Town is responsible for only two traffic lights in Town (Finnie Flat Road and Cliffs Parkway and Finnie Flat Road and Montezuma Castle); all other traffic signals are the responsibility of ADOT, with the Town only paying for power to service the lights. Mr. Long advised that he will be requesting funds for an additional overhead video detection system for Finnie Flat Road and Montezuma Castle intersection in the next budget year, and the overhead video detection system is easier to maintain, requires no road construction for installation or maintenance and is more reliable.

9. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff relative to proposed legislation by the 52nd State Legislature during its 1<sup>st</sup> Regular Session that convened on January 12, 2015.** Staff Resource: Russ Martin

Town Manager Russ Martin advised the Mayor and Council of current Bills pending in the legislature that may affect the Town, specifically with respect to revenue. The residential tax and TPT (construction) tax, which are supported by the Arizona League of Cities and Towns and it appears both are moving forward. Mr. Martin advised there were several Bills being considered that may affect or restrict firearms. The potential firearms Bills, if passed, may have a direct effect on the Town and the cost for security, particularly in public building and the courts. Additionally, a Bill regarding the effect of retail tax on rentals is being considered to change the requirement of going to public vote to establish sales tax on rentals. Mr. Martin advised that he would advise the Mayor and Council on how each of these Bills progressed and any affect is may have on the Town.

10. **Call to the Public for items not on the agenda.**

**Ed Lee** addressed the Mayor and Council regarding the Ollie (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) project, and stated how pleased he was with working with such a devoted and dedicated staff and Council in the Town of Camp Verde. Mr. Lee advised that upon completion of the new library, it will be the primary location for Ollie.

11. **Council Informational Reports.** These reports are relative to the committee meetings that Council members attend. The Committees are Camp Verde Schools Education Foundation; Chamber of Commerce, Intergovernmental Association, NACOG Regional Council, Verde Valley Transportation Planning Organization, Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee, and shopping locally. 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.

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Councilor Gordon stated that he attended the Buffalo Soldiers and the Fort Verde Ribbon Slashing. Mr. Gordon also thanked Mr. Lee for his support of ALI.

12. **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.

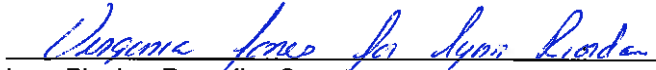
Town Manager Russ Martin advised the Mayor and Council that he has requested each Department Head attend the Council Work Session on February 20, 2015 to give the Mayor and Council an update on their departments progress and goals. The public is invited to attend.

13. **Adjournment**

On a **motion** by Councilor Gordon, seconded by Councilor Jones, the council unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.



Charles German, Mayor



Lynn Riordan, Recording Secretary

**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 February 18, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.



Virginia Jones, Town Clerk