

**(Corrected) MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 473 S. MAIN STREET, ROOM #106
WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2014 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 7:10 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

Also Present

Town Manager Russ Martin, Library Director Kathy Hellman, Finance Director Michael Showers, Sanitation District Director Jan Grogan, Barbie Bridge, and Recording Secretary Lynn Riordan.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor German led the pledge.

4. Consent Agenda

a) Approval of the Minutes:

- 1) Council Hears Planning & Zoning Matters – June 25, 2014
- 2) Regular Session – June 18, 2014
- 3) Special Session – June 13, 2014
- 4) Special/Work Session – Jun 11, 2014

b) Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:

- 1) July 23, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning Matters **CANCELLED**
- 2) July 30, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session
- 3) August 6, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. - Regular Session
- 4) August 13, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session
- 5) August 20, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session **CANCELLED**
- 6) August 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning Matters

c) Approval of request \$18,725 from the FY 2013/14 Contingency Budget line item into the Maintenance Department to cover replacement of the pump at Butler Park and tree trimming and maintenance on Town-owned property on McCracken Lane. Staff Resource: Mike Showers

d) Authorization for the Library to open on Mondays and extend operating hours on Fridays and Mondays at no additional cost. Staff Resource: Kathy Hellman

e) Authorization for the Marshal to submit a grant to FY 2014-2015 Arizona Companion Animal Spay and Neuter Committee in the amount of \$20,000. This grant requires no match and will be used for sterilizing dogs and cats. Staff Resource: Marshal Gardner

f) Direction to the Arizona Department of Revenue to remove the 007, 008, and 009 business class lines from the Town's Transaction Privilege Tax (TPT) Report. These codes do not apply and do not change the Model City Tax Code. Staff Resource: Mike Showers.

On a motion by Councilor Gordon, seconded by Councilor George, the Council unanimously voted to approve the Consent Agenda, excepting item 4 c, and cancelling meetings set on July 23, 2014 4 b)1 and August 20, 2014 4 b)5.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Baker, seconded by Councilor George, the Council unanimously voted to cancel July 23, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning Matters meeting and August 20, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session meeting.

After discussion, on a motion by Councilor George, seconded by Councilor German, the Council unanimously voted to approve 4 c - Approval of request \$18,725 from the FY 2013/14 Contingency Budget

line item into the Maintenance Department to cover replacement of the pump at Butler Park and tree trimming and maintenance on Town-owned property on McCracken Lane.

Councilor George and Vice Mayor Baker stated concerns over the \$8,000 expense for tree trimming and cleanup of town property, questioning why the Town Maintenance Department could not have completed this task without incurring such a large fee. Councilor Whatley asked if the cleanup had been initiated by a citizen complaint, and what the continuing costs will be to maintain the area. Martin responded that the area that needed to be cleaned up was completely inaccessible, even on foot, due to the overgrowth. Additionally, it created a fire hazard, the Town did not have the specialized equipment or manpower needed to complete this task, and now that the cleanup has been completed, the Town Maintenance Department can keep the area maintained so that future expenses such as this could be avoided. Russ Martin advised that indeed a citizen complaint did initiate this project. Mayor German stated that if the Town expects their residents to keep personal property maintained, the Town should do the same.

5. **Special Announcements and presentations**

Mayor German announced Proclamation declaring August 1 through August 31, 2014 as "Drowning Awareness Month".

Councilor George read the Proclamation in its entirety.

6. **Call to the Public for Items not on the Agenda**

Sebra Choe and six members of the Teen Advisory Board (Library), Isaiah, Billy, Travis, Angel, Macey and Bailey, addressed the Mayor and Council with gratitude of continuing support of the T A D and Library and spoke in support of the new Library project.

Bob Burnside addressed the Mayor and Council stating opposition to the FY 2014-15 Budget. Mr. Burnside's primary concern was use of the contingency fund for non-emergency matters.

Cheri Wischmeyer addressed the Mayor and Council stating she felt the Council did not appropriately listen to or address public concerns presented regarding the FY 2014-15 Budget.

Mayor German apologized on behalf of the Council to anyone that felt the Mayor or Town Council did not listen to his or her concerns or consider their concerns.

7. **Consideration, and possible appointment of a member to the Planning & Zoning Commission to the term that expires in January 2017. Applicants are James Binick, Alan Buchanan, Bob Burnside, and Theresa Helm. Staff Resource: Deborah Barber.**

On a **motion** by Councilor German, seconded by Vice Mayor Baker, the Council unanimously voted to appoint

Bob Burnside to the Planning & Zoning Commission (term expires January 2017).

Jenna Owens advised the Mayor and Council that James Binick and Alan Buchanan could not be present tonight to address the Council. Bob Burnside addressed the Mayor and Council. Theresa Helm addressed the Mayor and Council.

Mayor German stated that four residents, Bob Burnside, James Binick, Alan Buchanan, and Theresa Helm, had applied for appointment to the Planning & Zoning Commission, that this volunteer position is time consuming, and that each applicant was well qualified.

8. **Public Hearing, followed by discussion, consideration, and possible approval of the FY 2014/15 Debt Levy Certification to Yavapai County in the amount of \$810,043, acting as the Trustee to the Camp Verde Sanitary District. Staff Resource: Mike Showers.**

On a **motion** by Vice Mayor Baker, seconded by Councilor Gordon, the Council unanimously voted to approve

the FY 2014-15 Debt Levy Certification to Yavapai County as proposed.

Mike Showers advised the Council and public that the evaluation for the Debt Levy is less than last year.

Public Comment: Susie Burnside stated the information provided is misleading, as the Town may be collecting less as the property values may have decreased, however, the tax burden/debt levy for the Sanitary District assessment to property owners has increased from \$3.50 per \$100 of value to \$3.95 this year.

9. **Public Hearing, followed by discussion, consideration and possible approval of the “Town of Camp Verde FY2014-15 Sewer Fees”.** Staff Resource: Mike Showers.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Baker, seconded by Councilor George, the Council unanimously voted to approve the Town of Camp Verde FY 2014-15 Sewer Fees, with deletion of the development fee.

Mike Showers advised the Sewer Fees remain the same as last fiscal year, no increase/no decrease.

Public Comment: Susie Burnside stated the development fee is not appropriate but still shows on the schedule. Russ Martin advised that it might be appropriate to remove the development fee as it has not been used, and is currently not being used, as it would only apply in a development agreement.

10. **Public Hearing, followed by discussion, consideration, and possible approval of Resolution 2014-921, a resolution of the Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona, Yavapai County, renaming North River View Drive in Camp Verde due to confusion with two other names the same in Yavapai County and in the Camp Verde Fire District.** Staff Resource: Jenna Owens.

On a motion by Mayor German, seconded by Councilor German, the Council voted 4-3 to deny Resolution 2014-921 – renaming North River View Drive in Camp Verde, with Councilors Gordon, George and Whatley opposed.

Jenna Owens presented a Power Point presentation showing the locations of the three streets/roads that currently have the same name in the Camp Verde area, two are located in the county outside the Town limits with one located within the Town Limits.

Russ Martin advised that the residents of North River View Drive have presented several letters and one petition in letter form stating disapproval of renaming North River View Drive.

Steven Mach, Yavapai County Development Services, addressed the Council in support of renaming two of the current Verde River Drive, North River View Drive in the Town Limits, and one in the county, stating the county is recommending renaming of these two streets/roads with the least amount of residents being negatively affected and for the intent to alleviate medical/emergency services and mail delivery confusion and possible delayed services.

Terry Keller, Camp Verde Fire District Chief addressed the Council in support of the proposed renaming of North River View Drive due to potential location confusion and potential delayed response time with respect to medical/emergency services.

Kristie Gagnon, Camp Verde Fire Marshall, addressed the Council in support of the proposed renaming of North River View Drive due to potential location confusion and potential delayed response time with respect to medical/emergency services.

Joshua Garrett, interim Camp Verde Postmaster, addressed the Council in support of the proposed renaming of North River View Drive due to potential location confusion with respect to mail/package delivery.

Public Comment: William Graft addressed the Council opposing the proposed renaming of North River View Drive.

Carrie McCarter addressed the Council opposing the proposed renaming of North River View Drive.

Peggy Murdock addressed the Council opposing the proposed renaming of North River View Drive.

Teresa Rose addressed the Council opposing the proposed renaming of North River View Drive.

Discussion: Councilor Gordon stated the Town inherited many flaws when it became incorporated, and having three roads/streets in this area may create a health and safety issue in addition to a potential liability issue with the Town knowing this problem exists and not taking steps to remedy the problem.

Councilor Whatley stated concerns, based on a letter from Tony Ketchum, regarding health and safety and emergency services being dispatched to a wrong location, which apparently has happened in the past. Councilor German stated appreciation for all of the comments and concerns presented, however there is only ONE River View Drive within the Town limits therefore there should not be any confusion with the one street/road, and the county should address potentially renaming the two streets/roads located in the county.

Councilor George concurred with Councilor Whatley stating concerns regarding emergency services being dispatched to a wrong location and creating delayed response time, and stating the county is proposing renaming one of the two River View Drives located in the county, outside of the Town limits. The Council, per ordinance, has the ability to change any road/street name within the Town limits.

Mayor German advised that all three River View Drive's were named by the county prior to the Town becoming incorporated. If a resident or community wants their street or road renamed it requires 51% of consensus of the residents on that street, however, the Council does not per ordinance. Mayor German stated he believes the Council should show loyalty to the Town and its residents and preserve the wishes of the Town's residents, not just do what the county requests. The Fire District and the county need to work out any potential problem.

Vice Mayor Baker stated she concurs, the Council's primary responsibility is to its residents.

Councilor Whatley stated concerns advising that loyalty to the residents' wishes is not addressing the potential health and safety issues and believes that taking no action to make changes may be unethical.

Councilor Jones stated that each River View Drive has unique street numbers with North River View Drive being 1800-1900, South River View Drive being 5600-6600 and East River View Drive being 2200-2400, therefore, any potential location confusion should be minimal.

11. **Update and discussion of the Library Committee's work on issues related to design, construction and price.** Staff Resource: Russ Martin.

The Mayor and Council direct staff to continue the bid process for the Library project.

Russ Martin presented to the Council a packet regarding the current Library project. The low bid has been rejected, and staff and the architect, Joel Westervelt, continue to work on the new plans and specs with hopes to have a completed pricing range, plans and specs to be available to put out to bid in September. Russ Martin recommended to the Council that the Library project remain in this direction and not be changed to include a Construction Manager managed project. Joel Westervelt and Ron Long concur stating changing the current plans would cause a substantial delay and possible increase in pricing.

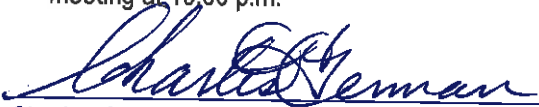
12. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to staff or the Mayor relative to possible participation in the proposed Verde Valley Advisory Committee to the Yavapai College District Board as submitted by Yavapai College Verde Valley District Board Representatives.**

On a motion by Vice Mayor Baker, seconded by Councilor German, the Council unanimously voted to have this matter placed on the Regular Session Agenda for August 6, 2014.

Councilor German stated she and the Mayor met with Board Members and it was suggested that each community have representatives appointed to Advisory Committee, including members from each area high school and the county with a suggested core group of 20 committee members. Action on this matter is not requested today and Vice Mayor Baker is requesting that each Council Member review the information provided by Albert Filardo and have this matter placed on the Agenda in August.

Albert Filardo addressed the Council stating the Verde side of Yavapai County has experienced a decline in educational services from Yavapai College, with more than 465 classes being offered in the Verde in 2006 with a decline to 100 classes being offered in 2014. With a substantial portion of the college revenue coming from Verde Valley property owners and little offered for Verde Valley residence, there is a considerable disservice to the residents of the Verde Valley.

13. **Call to the Public for items not on the agenda.**
None.
14. **Council Informational Reports.** None.
15. **Manager/Staff Report**
Russ Martin stated the Mayor and Council were invited to the Aquaponics open house and the Cornfest was scheduled for this coming weekend.
16. **Adjournment.**
On a **motion** by Mayor German, seconded by Vice Mayor Baker, the council unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 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 July 16, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 10th day of August, 2014.



Debbie Barber, Town Clerk