

**MINUTES  
REGULAR SESSION  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
473 S MAIN STREET, SUITE 106  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 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 6:30 p.m.
  
2. **Roll Call**  
Mayor Charles German, Vice Mayor Jackie Baker, and Councilors Carol German, Bruce George, Jessie Jones, Brad Gordon, and Robin Whatley were present.  
  
**Also Present**  
Town Manager Russell Martin, Marshal Nancy Gardner, Community Development Director Mike Jenkins, Assistant Planner Jenna Owens, Building Official and Safety Officer Robert Foreman, Fort Verde Park Manager Sheila Stubler, Town Clerk Deborah Barber, and Recording Secretary Saepyo Choe.
  
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) Regular Session – July 16, 2014
    - 2) Special Session – July 16, 2014
    - 3) Work Session – July 09, 2014
  - b) **Set Next Meeting, Date and Time:**
    - 1) August 13, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. – Joint Work Session P&Z Commission
    - 2) August 20, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session - **CANCELLED**
    - 3) August 27, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning Matters - **CANCELLED**
    - 4) August 27, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session
    - 5) September 03, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session
    - 6) September 10, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. – Work Session
    - 7) September 17, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session
    - 8) September 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. – Council Hears Planning & Zoning Matters
  - c) **Possible approval to send a letter to the Prescott National Forest requesting they prioritize a multi-use trail that will run from I-17 along an alignment that includes SR 260 & Old Hwy 279 between Camp Verde and Cottonwood.**  
Staff Resource: Steve Ayers
  - d) **Possible approval of the Streetlight Maintenance Agreement, Streetlight Pole Use License Agreement and Streetlight Energy Agreement with Arizona Public Service (APS), with authorization for the Mayor to execute the three agreements on behalf of the Town.** Staff Resource: Ron Long

On a motion by George, seconded by Vice Mayor Baker, Council voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Item 4a1, pulled for discussion.

On a motion by Whatley, seconded by Baker, Council voted unanimously to approve Item 4a1, with the correction to Item 8, July 16, 2014 Regular Session minutes, under Susie Burnside's comments, which should say "rate of," instead of indicating a "percentage."

5. **Special Announcements and presentations:**

- **Presentation of a plaque to Ms. Pat Davis – Operations Manager for National Bank of Arizona in appreciation of their generous donation of furniture to the Town of Camp Verde Community Development Department.**  
Staff Resource: Jenna Owens

Jenna Owens presented a plaque to Ms. Pat Davis for the National Bank of Arizona's donation of furniture to the Town of Camp Verde.

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

Rob Witt stated that now is not the time to raise taxes. A repeal would only take 199 signatures, and he anticipates a successful repeal if Council approves a tax increase. He thanked Council for all their work and stated that he appreciates the difficulty and weight of their responsibilities.

7. **Public Hearing, followed by discussion, consideration and possible recommendation of approval of Series 13 liquor license application (Domestic Farm Winery) for White Hills Winery LLC located at 348 S. Main Street, Suite 17, (The Horn) Camp Verde, AZ.** Staff Resource: Deborah Barber

On a motion by George, seconded by German, Council voted unanimously to approve of Series 13 liquor license application (Domestic Farm Winery) for White Hills Winery LLC located at 348 S. Main Street, Suite 17, (The Horn) Camp Verde, AZ.

Debbie Barber explained that the notice was posted for the required 20 days, with no comments from the public. Steve Goetting said he hopes to open in two weeks.

8. **Presentation by Sheila Stubler regarding an update on Fort Verde State Park.**

Sheila Stubler distributed 2015 event calendars, and announced: a veterans' discount program for 50% off at all state parks, the beginning of brick-making for the \$50,000 adobe stabilization project, the planting of new trees at Fort Verde, and improved reviews / popularity on TripAdvisor. Interested volunteers may call 928) 567-3275 or stop by the Fort.

Stubler showed a slideshow presentation set to music of Fort Verde Events, which thanked volunteers, featured a variety of events, highlighted community involvement, improvements to the park, and expressed appreciation for Council's support.

Councilor German thanked Stubler for her dedication and leadership, by which all the wonderful events were made possible.

Councilor German requested item #9:

9. **Discussion, consideration, and possible approval of the framework and selection process for the Verde Valley Advisory Council to the Yavapai College District Board as submitted by Yavapai College Verde Valley District Board Representatives.**

On a motion by German, seconded by Baker, Council voted unanimously to approve the framework and selection process for the Verde Valley Advisory Council to the Yavapai College District Board as submitted by Yavapai College Verde Valley District Board Representatives.

German announced that the YAN has passed same resolution as Camp Verde and Sedona. Albert Filardo of the Yavapai College Board helped create the framework and selection process. Cottonwood City Council has adopted the framework and selection process and has submitted names for the Advisory Council. Camp Verde will need to submit names as well, and candidates must submit letters of interest and qualifications by September 30, 2014. Mr. Filardo plans to recommend appointing a community member to be a board representative, instead of a Member at Large, due to the extent of their contribution.

10. **Quarterly Report presentation and possible discussion of the Board of Adjustments & Appeals and the Planning & Zoning Commission.** Staff Resource: Jenna Owens

Mike Jenkins reported a summary of Planning & Zoning meetings from the last quarter--April through June--which included one Regular session, six Work Sessions, and two Special Sessions. There were no Board of Adjustments meetings last quarter. He highlighted the recommendations to Council for approval: 1) Michael Hough's request for a zoning map change for a property at the end of Main Street to go from C2-4 to C3; 2) Gary and Jacque Tulin's use permit for their RV park; 3) Use permit proposal for Jackpot Ranch; 4) Zoning map change for Tierra Verde LLC's 24.95 acres from R1L and R1 to C2 commercial; and 5) Zoning map change for I-17 Cottonwood Properties LLC's parcel west of Wendy's to go from C2-4 to C3. Jenkins stated that getting busier is an indicator that good things are happening.

11. **Presentation by Alix Rogstad of the Arizona State Forestry Division, followed by discussion and possible direction to staff to work with the Arizona Forestry Division to fulfill the requirements of and submit an application for a "Tree City USA" designation, a program of the Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters. Staff Resource: Steve Ayers**

On a motion by German, seconded by Gordon, Council unanimously approved to direct staff to work with the Arizona State Forestry Division and bring back to Council the requirements prior to submitting an application for a "Tree City USA" designation.

**Presentation:**

Steve Ayers introduced Town contracted employee Mary McCarthy, working sustainable projects; and Alix Rogstad to present the Tree City program. Rogstad gave a slideshow presentation explaining the environmental and financial benefits of trees, the organizational structure, history and scope, and the requirements of the program. The program began in 1976, has 3500 recognized communities participating nationwide in all states, and 135 million people live in a Tree City. It provides a framework for community planning, helps communities reach its tree-planting goals, and is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, USDA Forest Service, and National Association of State Foresters.

Requirements include: 1) a Tree Board or department which has the power to facilitate tree-management and plant selection; 2) a Tree-care Ordinance, which may be lumped in with an existing Landscape Ordinance, 3) an annual investment of at least \$2 per capita, as verified by an annual report, and 4) an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

There are 25 Tree Cities in Arizona; and Prescott Valley is the only Tree City in Yavapai County. Chances of being awarded a grant are high due to the small pool of competition. Trees City USA is a long-term investment linked to improved economic development and environmental education.

**Discussion:**

Council concerns centered around cost, bureaucracy, and the Tree-care Ordinance. Vice Mayor Baker recommended adding this as an Agenda Item to a Work Session for discussion before application approval. Staff explained that the Tree Board would likely operate at the community-level, as an advisory body to the Town Council, so that bureaucracy would be a non-issue. Ayers and Town Manager Russ Martin confirmed that the Town already invests more than \$2 per capita annually on trees. Ayers asked for direction to continue research and come back with a proposal that will not negatively affect the community, financially or bureaucratically, assuring that an application would not be submitted until Council-approved. Martin stated that each community has the flexibility to decide how strict to make the ordinances, affirming the importance of protecting personal property rights. Whatley appreciated the program as an "organized effort," and George requested an Invasive Species List for guiding the Tree Board. Gordon was in favor of steering clear of unduly strict Tree Ordinances.

**Public Hearing:**

Steve Goetting, having served on a Tree Board, warned that they may be prone to hyperactivity--necessitating a system of checks and balances that ensure their initiatives do not get out of hand.

Rob Witt shared his experience of doing construction in Scottsdale, which resulted in an extra \$24,000 in expenditures to replace trees, due to the city's strong Tree Ordinance. He cautioned Council to use careful wording so that the Ordinance will not penalize people, but have a positive community impact.

12. **Discussion, consideration and possible approval of Resolution 2014-927, a resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona supporting and authorizing the Camp Verde Historical**

**Society in planning for the Town of Camp Verde Sesquicentennial Celebration. Staff Resource: Steve Ayers**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by George, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution 2014-927, a resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona supporting and authorizing the Camp Verde Historical Society in planning for the Town of Camp Verde Sesquicentennial Celebration.

Steve Ayers explained the founding of Camp Verde 150 years ago, and introduced Nancy Floyd, board member of the Camp Verde Historical Society. Nancy Floyd explained that the Society would act as the umbrella organization responsible for the Celebration, but that they would need a lot of support. Ayers reported Mary McCarthy's idea to have a 150th anniversary logo contest, and the intent to add an anniversary event to Fort Verde Days, stating that many have already expressed interest in helping with the project. He explained that McCarthy's degree is in presenting history to the public, and that he hopes to leverage her expertise as much as possible during her tenure. Ayers affirmed that planning should begin immediately.

13. **Discussion, consideration, and possible direction to the Manager to vote for Vice-Mayor Baker and one other candidate to serve as a Trustee Board Member on the Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool (AMRRP) board. Note: Candidates and their resumes are available online and in the Clerk's Office. Staff Resource: Russ Martin**

On a motion by Jones, seconded by German, Council unanimously approved voting for Vice Mayor Jackie Baker and Jerome Chief of Police Allen Muma, to serve as Trustee Board Members on the Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool (AMRRP) board.

Whatley asked for Vice Mayor Baker's recommendation. The Vice Mayor stated that most of the Candidates were new, and that all the applicants were highly qualified. She recommended naming Jerome's Fire Chief Allen Muma.

Council took a 10-minute recess at 7:42 p.m. and resumed at 8:42 p.m.

14. **Public Hearing, discussion, consideration and possible approval of Resolution 2014-926, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, declaring a certain document filed with the Town Clerk and entitled "Adoption of the 2012 International Code Council Codes, (ICC) and Related Public Codes" to be a public record of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona, amending Town Code, Chapter 7 – Building, Article 7-1, Section 7-1-100 – Town of Camp Verde Technical Code Amendments and Article 7-2 – Administrative Building Code, Section 7-2-101- General, through Section 7-2-111 – Fees. Staff Resource: Michael Jenkins**

On a motion by Baker, seconded by George, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution 2014-926, a Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona, declaring a certain document filed with the Town Clerk and entitled "Adoption of the 2012 International Code Council Codes, (ICC) and Related Public Codes" to be a public record of the Town of Camp Verde, Arizona, amending Town Code, Chapter 7 – Building, Article 7-1, Section 7-1-100 – Town of Camp Verde Technical Code Amendments and Article 7-2 – Administrative Building Code, Section 7-2-101- General, through Section 7-2-111 – Fees.

**Presentation:**

Michael Jenkins introduced Building Official Robert Foreman. Foreman explained that "ICC" is a bit of a misnomer, as they are American codes, simply named "International" as a marketing tool to appeal worldwide. The proposal consists of updates to the 2006 codes. The process of adapting the codes for Camp Verde has been extensive: the department has worked on the project for 16 months, held many public meetings, published articles, sent out 400 postcards to a variety of local building professionals, has conducted thorough research, and considered input from local builders. Next year, the Town will receive its Insurance Service Organization (ISO) Rating, which sets the local insurance rates. It is important not to fall more than two code cycles behind, as such would cause insurance rates to go up. It is also important to stay consistent with Northern Arizona--Coconino County, Yavapai County, Payson, and Prescott. The biggest update was the change from Climate Zone 4B to 2B, which makes it easier for builders, requiring fewer materials for ceilings. There is some flexibility when it comes to enforcing codes, as long as there is written justification. He explained that when natural disasters hit Haiti, 250,000 people died, whereas as in Chile, the fatality rate was less than 100, and he ascertains strong building codes to be a factor in the difference. He stated that the 2012 codes give builders more flexibility; that an Energy Conservation Code is required, and that

they chose one that is financially reasonable and practically achievable. Mr. Foreman affirmed that Codes are for facilitating safe building, which is important for the Town and community, and he thanked Kendall Welch for her dedication and proficiency.

Discussion:

Councilors Gordon, George, and Commissioner Greg Blue attended many of the meetings, and commended Mr. Foreman and Welch for all their prep work and for incorporating a considerable amount of public input. Mr. Foreman affirmed that the State will adopt an Energy Conservation Code for the Town, if the Town does not adopt one for itself, and that the Town can always review and reconsider any codes that present a problem.

Council asked what role Planning & Zoning played in adopting codes. Staff answered that in 2009, the Town used a consultant service that produced the final product, which went straight to Council for approval, without a recommendation from Planning & Zoning. This time the Codes are homegrown, and have come straight to Council for consideration.

Councilor George stated that having attended the meetings, he is happy with the recommendations. Gordon and Foreman recognized the Camp Verde Fire Department for playing an important role in the process, explaining that the Fire District has to adopt the same Codes due to the way that Town and District jurisdictions are aligned.

Public Hearing:

Commissioner Blue affirmed Mr. Foreman and Welch's dedicated efforts, the education presented to the community and the public's opportunities for expressing concerns. As a licensed residential and commercial contractor, he assessed that Camp Verde has the best Building Codes out of all the local communities.

Rob Witt stated that increasing regulation is at odds with boosting economic development, and asked Council to be cautious about following the lead of other communities. Long codes are not preferable. He cited a professional example of having to install an electrical outlet behind a door for a two-foot wall, stating that such is the result of extensive codes.

Rick Tackitt from Camp Verde Water System, said he attended the meetings to protect the water companies, and that Mr. Foreman was responsive to their concerns. Foreman whittled out some superfluous requirements in response to their input and Tackitt appreciated the successful collaboration.

John Bassous, a local contractor, lauded Mr. Foreman for great communication, stating that the team did a great job adapting the codes to the Town's needs. Foreman is a great inspector and uses reason, but will not be around forever. Successors may be more rigid in their interpretation and enforcement, so the wording is still very important. Homes built under past codes are structurally sound. New codes and more codes result in higher building costs that get passed onto the clients, meaning that in the end, the consumer loses out and bears the brunt of the change. He recommended at a minimum not raising the permit fee.

Resident Susie Thompson, who is in the process of building a home, stated that she prefers the peace of mind that her house is being built safely, to standard, and is willing to pay for such.

Discussion:

Mr. Foreman affirmed that the 2012 codes are less restrictive and that he would have the authority to waive any requirements with proper justification. He stated that Camp Verde rates at the top for its willingness to work with the customer without sacrificing safety.

Mayor German stated that it is the Council's duty to ensure codes are safe, but user-friendly. Councilor Whatley was pleased to discover how involved contractors and builders were in the process of updating the Building Codes, stating that the fact should be widely publicized to help change public perception.

Vice Mayor Baker thanked the Staff and Public, saying she felt reassured the codes have been adapted to the Town's needs, while maintaining adequate flexibility. Councilor German asked if there would be additional fees with the new updates and Foreman assured that the Fee Structure was a separate issue that would come back later for consideration.

15. **Public Hearing, discussion, consideration and possible approval of Ordinance No. 2014-A401 an ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona adopting by reference the 2012 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL (ICC) CODES including the 2012 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE (IBC) including APPENDIX J – GRADING; 2012 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE (IECC); 2012 INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE (IEBC); 2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE (IFC) including APPENDIX B – FIRE FLOW REQUIREMENTS, APPENDIX C – FIRE HYDRANT LOCATIONS AND DISTRIBUTION, and APPENDIX D – FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADS; 2012 INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE (IFGC) including APPENDIX A – SIZING AND CAPACITIES OF GAS PIPING, APPENDIX B – SIZING OF VENTING SYSTEMS SERVING APPLIANCES EQUIPPED WITH DRAFT HOODS, CATEGORY 1 APPLIANCES AND APPLIANCES LISTED FOR USE WITH TYPE B VENTS, APPENDIX C – EXIT TERMINALS OF MECHANICAL DRAFT AND DIRECT-VENT VENTING SYSTEMS, and APPENDIX D – RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR SAFETY INSPECTION OF AN EXISTING APPLIANCE INSTALLATION; 2012 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE (IMC) including APPENDIX A – CHIMNEY CONNECTOR PASS-THROUGHS; 2011 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE (NEC); 2012 INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE (IPC) including APPENDIX F – STRUCTURAL SAFETY; 2012 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE FOR ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS (IRC) including APPENDIX M – HOME DAY CARE – R-3 OCCUPANCY, APPENDIX N – VENTING METHODS, and APPENDIX Q – ICC INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE ELECTRICAL PROVISIONS/NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE CROSS REFERENCE; 2012 INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE (ISPSC), and RELATED PUBLIC CODES and adopting by reference the Town of Camp Verde TECHNICAL CODE AMENDMENTS amending the Town Administrative Code, Chapter 7 – Building, Articles 7-1, Section 7-1-100 and Article 7-2, Section 7-2-101 – General through Section 7-2-111 – Fees. Staff Resource: Michael Jenkins**

On a motion by Whatley, seconded by George, Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance No. 2014-A401 an ordinance of the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Camp Verde, Yavapai County, Arizona adopting by reference the 2012 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL (ICC) CODES including the 2012 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE (IBC) including APPENDIX J – GRADING; 2012 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE (IECC); 2012 INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE (IEBC); 2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE (IFC) including APPENDIX B – FIRE FLOW REQUIREMENTS, APPENDIX C – FIRE HYDRANT LOCATIONS AND DISTRIBUTION, and APPENDIX D – FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADS; 2012 INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE (IFGC) including APPENDIX A – SIZING AND CAPACITIES OF GAS PIPING, APPENDIX B – SIZING OF VENTING SYSTEMS SERVING APPLIANCES EQUIPPED WITH DRAFT HOODS, CATEGORY 1 APPLIANCES AND APPLIANCES LISTED FOR USE WITH TYPE B VENTS, APPENDIX C – EXIT TERMINALS OF MECHANICAL DRAFT AND DIRECT-VENT VENTING SYSTEMS, and APPENDIX D – RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR SAFETY INSPECTION OF AN EXISTING APPLIANCE INSTALLATION; 2012 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE (IMC) including APPENDIX A – CHIMNEY CONNECTOR PASS-THROUGHS; 2011 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE (NEC); 2012 INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE (IPC) including APPENDIX F – STRUCTURAL SAFETY; 2012 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE FOR ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS (IRC) including APPENDIX M – HOME DAY CARE – R-3 OCCUPANCY, APPENDIX N – VENTING METHODS, and APPENDIX Q – ICC INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE ELECTRICAL PROVISIONS/NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE CROSS REFERENCE; 2012 INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE (ISPSC), and RELATED PUBLIC CODES and adopting by reference the Town of Camp Verde TECHNICAL CODE AMENDMENTS amending the Town Administrative Code, Chapter 7 – Building, Articles 7-1, Section 7-1-100 and Article 7-2, Section 7-2-101 – General through Section 7-2-111 – Fees.

There was no public input.

16. **Discussion, consideration and possible direction to the Mayor to vote yea or nay on the following 2015 Resolutions of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns. Note: a full copy of the proposed resolutions are available online and in the Clerk's Office. 1) Enhanced Municipal Services Districts; 2) Revenue Allocation District; 3) Encourage development of commercial and industrial zoned areas primarily through property tax incentives; 4) Make retention and detention basins eligible for operations and maintenance cost payments through and Improvement District; 5) Establish a mechanism enabling local government to create renewable energy and conservation Financing Districts; 6) Stop future sweeps of Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) allocated to AZ cities and towns and to restore HURF funding to FY 2008 levels; 7) HURF revenue study committee to develop recommendations for new or expanded revenue streams; 8) Authorize municipalities to use a sampling method to determine population estimates and**

housing vacancy rates for mid-decennial population estimates; 9) Restore AZ Housing Trust Fund; 10) Restore the AZ State Park Heritage Fund; 11) Appropriate \$20 million to the Greater AZ Development Authority (GADA) infrastructure fund, restoring its original statutory mandate and pre-FY 2008 funding level; 12) Include one representative from both a large city and a small non-metropolitan city on the PSPRS and ASRS Boards; 13) Explore mechanisms to improve public safety pensions that create an economically sustainable retirement system, such as including one representative from both large and small cities; 14) Make the requirements for annexation more simple and flexible; 15) Place reasonable limits on the frequency of requests for public records and on requests that are overboard or abusive; 16) Ban the use of a cell phone, smart phone or similar data devices with one or both hands while driving a motorized vehicle, except in the case of an emergency; 17) Permanently allow cities and towns to calculate the majority of votes cast for a municipal office based on the number of votes cast for that office; 18) Allow the State of AZ to partner with cities and towns for the operation and maintenance of AZ State Parks under long-term leases; 19) Reduce the shortage of health care professionals in AZ, including addressing the issue of residency; 20) Pass legislation or engage in other activities that support and advocate for resources to improve Arizona's ports of entry with Mexico and related infrastructure; and 21) Support the long-term retention of Arizona's military installations. League Proposed Resolutions: 1) Support legislation to preclude ADOT from requiring cities & towns to completely indemnify ADOT in order to obtain access to certain federal funds; and 2) Support legislation to streamline the implementation of development impact fees including, but not limited to expansion and clarification of allowable uses, shorter implementation time frames, and reduction of complexity and ambiguity.

Council gave Mayor German direction to vote yea on all the 2015 Resolutions of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns, and League Proposed Resolutions, as stated in the Agenda Item.

**Discussion:**

Council asked for clarification on items #14 and #18, then agreed with all the recommendations; with the exception of Councilor German on #14 due to its conflict with State legislation. Gordon asked if the Marshal's office could enforce no-texting-while-driving with the general law against "distracted driving," to which she replied "No." Marshal Gardner explained that if texting was a factor in an accident, it could be used to accuse a driver with causing the accident, but that otherwise, they cannot enforce "no-texting" without a law.

**Public Hearing:**

Tom Pitts stated that the AZ State Park Heritage Fund needed to stop sweeping funds and implement balance in its system. He also recommended shared residency between hospitals and working together to address the shortage of health care professionals.

**Discussion:**

Mayor German reported that improvements to the AZ State Park Heritage Fund are underway, which will make distributions more equitable.

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

Tom Pitts reported positive strides being made at the Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization (VVREO) meetings, which Councilors Whatley and Jones have attended. They revisited the discussion of raising taxes and reviewed positive projects in the region. He is inspired, in response, to start a committee in Camp Verde to bring the business district back to life.

**18. 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.

German: Requests making the "Verde Valley Advisory Council to Yavapai College" an Agenda Item for the August 13, 2014 Joint Work Session, for the approval of four candidates. Comfest was so well-attended that Hauser's Farm ran out of corn!

Jones: Attended the Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization (VVREO) meeting.

Baker: Regrets missing the VVREO meeting and National Night Out due to prior commitments.

Whatley: Attended National Night Out, thanked the volunteers and Russ Martin; had the first day of school at American Heritage. She attended the VVREO meeting, was impressed at the productivity, felt welcomed as individuals and Town representatives, and thanked the citizens who attended.

George: Attended National Night Out, and thanked the volunteers who made it successful.

Gordon: Attended the Fire Department's budget meeting, Cornfest, BJ Davis' Fish and Aquaponics tour, and Verde Front. The latter is discussing all the trails and amenities from Sedona to Fossil Creek. He stated that he wished he could have attended the VVREO meeting, and that it is a great asset to the Valley.

Mayor German: Attended the Water Advisory Committee, and thanked all the volunteers of Cornfest and National Night Out.

19. **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.  
There was no Manager/Staff Report.

20. **Adjournment**

Mayor German adjourned meeting at 9:13 p.m.



Charles German, Mayor

  
Saepyo Choe, 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 August 6, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4 day of September, 2014.



Debbie Barber, Town Clerk