

**Minutes of a Regular Session of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale
Held on Tuesday, September 10, 2013**

A Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale was held on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 6:00 P.M. in the Men's Lounge of the Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Von Gausig.

Town Council:

Mayor Doug Von Gausig

Councilmember Bill Regner

Vice Mayor Richard Dehnert

Councilmember Curtiss Bohall

Councilmember Rennie Radoccia

Town Staff:

Town Manager Gayle Mabery

Town Clerk/Finance Director Kathy Bainbridge

Community Services/Human Resources Director Janet Perry

Community Development/Economic Director Jodie Filardo

Utilities/Public Works Director Wayne Debrosky

Deputy Clerk Mary Ellen Dunn

PUBLIC COMMENT – The Town Council invites the public to provide comments at this time. Members of the Council may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.01(G), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. Persons interested in making a comment on a specific agenda item are asked to complete a brief form and submit it to the Town Clerk during the meeting. Each speaker is asked to limit their comments to five minutes.

Ruth Wicks, Clarkdale resident – Thanked council for service and announced Clarkdale Historical Society 2013 Living Legacy of Clarkdale event on September 22, 2013 from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Jim Elmer, Clarkdale resident – thanked the Town of Clarkdale for cooperative efforts with the Fire District. Fire truck restored by Clarkdale resident for Fourth of July Parade – thanked staff and Town for help on this project. Elmer presented Town with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Andy Vircsik, Clarkdale resident – concerned about Town's color map that designated allowable areas for cell phone towers. Vircsik presented council with packet on a study of these towers.

REPORTS

Current Events – A brief summary of current events. The Council will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter in the summary.

Mayor Von Gausig's Report –

8/14/13 – Wrote and sent letter to the Arizona Commerce Commission objecting to new solar

- rate tariffs
- 8/15/13 – Met with Mayor Diane Joens of Cottonwood to discuss better coordination of activities between Cottonwood and Clarkdale
- 8/17/13 – Spoke at Western Rivers Action Network at the Highlands Center for Natural History
- 8/20/13 – Attended the Arizona Forward water committee meeting
Met with Elva Coor
Met with Ken Strobeck at the Arizona League of Cities and Towns
- 8/21/13 – Attended the Arizona Forward Board of Directors quarterly meeting in Flagstaff;
- 8/22/13 – Attended Hot Topics Café Community Committee meeting at Museum of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff;
Met with new Regional Economic Development Director at Yavapai College, Alexandria Wright;
Attended Intergovernmental Meeting in Jerome
- 8/23/13 – Met with Penny Wills at Yavapai College;
Attended Arizona Sci-Tech call-in meeting
- 8/24/13 – Water trail grooming at Verde River @ Clarkdale
- 8/27 – 30/2013 Attended and presided at Arizona League of Cities and Towns annual conference
- 9/2/13 Spoke with Jennifer Stokes, Opinions Editor from the Arizona Republic regarding writing 150 words on what I would like to see in Arizona by 2020
- 9/3/13 – Met with representative from Crossroads at Mingus about what needs to be coordinated
- 9/4/13 – Attended Arizona League's Sci-Tech kickoff event
- 9/6/13 – Conference call with American Rivers about Brewers Tunnel Diversion;
Spoke with class from Prescott College (Wetlands Ecology class) about what Clarkdale is doing
- 9/9/13 – Met with Jodie and Gayle regarding partnering with SEDI
- 9/10/13 – Attended Arizona Forward water issue committee – working on white paper on the true costs of water

Vice-Mayor Dehnert's Report –

- 8/14/13 – Participated in the Community Health Improvement meeting at Verde Valley Medical Center – an on-going program presented by the Yavapai County Health Department; – a comprehensive survey done to address ways to improve all over health in Yavapai County community
- 8/22/13 – Attended NACOG Regional Council meeting;
Attended – intergovernmental meeting in Jerome
- 8/27/13 – 8/30/13 Attended League of Arizona annual conference
- 9/10/13 – Attended VA Mental Health Summit – Yavapai County, Flagstaff and Kingman people discussing services available for veterans for mental health services

Promoting event at Garrison Park on September 21, 2013 - Recovery Celebration 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. - free lunch and over a dozen booths with information on services

Councilmember Bohall's Report –

- 8/16/13 – Attended grand opening of Michael Turner's exhibit;
Clarkdale Fire Dept. collected green Mohave rattlesnake from yard
- 8/23/13 – Attended the intergovernmental meeting in Jerome
- 8/24/13 – Attended Clarkdale's Concert in the Park
- 8/26/13 – Phone visit with former Clarkdale resident, Vesta Northcross who turned 105 on
August 23, 2013
- 8/27 – 30/13 Attended the League of Arizona annual conference
- 9/5/13 – Participated in the screening committee for PSPRS Local Board member

Councilmember Regner's Report –

- 8/22/13 – Attended the Verde Valley intergovernmental meeting in Jerome; presented
information regarding rooftop solar installations and metering
- 8/24/13 – Participated in a river grooming trip
- 8/27 – 30/13 Attended the League of Arizona annual conference – carried Clarkdale flag in 14th
Annual Parade of Flags
- 9/5/13 – Submitted personal comments to Arizona Corporation Commission
- 9/9/13 – Attended Yavapai College Foundation – Greater Verde Valley Chapter meeting
- 9/10/13 – Attended the dedication of Chuck Mabery Pavilion at Yavapai College

Councilmember Radoccia's Report –

- End of month – American Institute of Architects in Chandler – highlight was Rural Arizona –
emphasis on Verde Valley and Old Town Cottonwood
- Attended Yavapai College Foundation meeting
- Attended the Chuck Mabery Pavilion dedication at Yavapai College

Town Manager Mabery's Report –

Announcements:

- October 9th - join with Clarkdale people at upcoming VVREO Economic
Development Breakfast Series from 7:30 – 10:30 a.m. Sedona Hilton
- September 22nd - Clarkdale Heritage Society Museum Living Legacy
Ellen Yates' work with Lynda Zanolli to develop water education curriculum in
partnership with Clarkdale-Jerome School

Discussed Community Assistance Team that come together and problem solve regarding issues
with frequent users of the Fire, Police Department services. The team has developed statistics
related to calls from one particular residence. There is a comprehensive effort of agencies and
groups to help with the needs of this individual.

Organizational Reports – Reports regarding regional organizations.

CAT/ VVTPO – Cottonwood Area Transit and the Verde Valley Transportation
Planning Organization & other transportation affiliations. No report.

NACOG - Northern Arizona Council of Governments.

Vice Mayor Dehnert reported on the August 22, 2013 meeting:

- Executive Director reported that agency wide NACOG would see cuts of about \$2.1 million (8% of total agency budget) resulting in the elimination of 25 positions from their workforce; also resulting in a reduction direct client services.
- Jesse Rodriguez, Director of Headstart, reported that their program was cut by almost \$800,000 under the federal sequester, resulting in closure of classrooms; pre-service training for the school year was cut back to one day from 2 ½ days
- Terri Drew, from the Economic Development Council, reported NACOG has been named Large Organization of the Year by the Arizona Association of Economic Development; also named an innovator in rural economic development for its Business Assistance Center and the broadband expansion project
- Legislative update from Kevin Adam – reported that in June, the State Legislature passed an \$8.8 billion budget based on modest but constant revenue growth. However, HURF funding from the state gas tax has been stagnant and revenues are at 2004 levels with no expectation of increase. He added that over the past 12 years, \$1.7 billion in HURF funds have been raided.
- Community Development Block Grant approved \$264,219 for the Town of Clarkdale; CDBG funding is down 40% over the last 4 years.

NAMWUA - Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association.

Councilmember Radoccia reported on the August 16, 2013 meeting:

- Regional Water Augmentation Authority (HB 2338) is going away
- Letter was written to Senator McCain from NAMWUA members regarding rural water supply program and requesting funding for rural communities in water studies, etc. Copies went to other legislators.
- Gave report on Laurel Lacher's presentation to the Clarkdale Town Council
- There was an election and the same board members were re-elected for next term

VRBP – Verde River Basin Partnership. No report.

VVLP – Verde Valley Land Preservation.

Councilmember Radoccia reported on the September 9, 2013 meeting:

- “River Runs Through Us” art show is moving to Camp Verde on Saturday, September 14th and then moving to Clarkdale in November
- New budget disclosed
- Received letter about October 5th and 6th overnight river trip

WAC - Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee.

Mayor Von Gausig reported on the Middle Verde WAC meeting on August 21, 2013:

- Firmed up mission regarding policy that might help reach sustainable water supplies and Verde River

VVREO – Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization. No report.YCL – A report from the Yavapai College Liaison.

Councilmember Regner reported on the meeting September 9, 2013:

- Dean Perey reported that enrollment is down 5.5% on the Verde Valley Campuses; a 10 year master plan that evaluates facility usages and provides scenarios for future use
- Viticulture and Enology program to remain on Verde campus
- Culinary Arts program – survey of businesses in the Verde Valley which will determine potential employment opportunities for graduates
- District governing board met on Clarkdale campus September 10th
- Dedication of Chuck Mabery Pavilion was September 10th – there are 3 upcoming functions in Pavilion
- Arizona Science and Technology Festival will be held March 28, 2014
- Search for new Vice President is down to three finalists
- Director of Sedona film school has resigned and a transition plan is being formulated

- Julie Larsen resigned from the Yavapai College Foundation, Greater Verde Valley Chapter

CONSENT AGENDA - The consent agenda portion of the agenda is a means of expediting routine matters that must be acted on by the Council. All items are approved with one motion. Any items may be removed for discussion at the request of any Council Member.

- A. Approval of Minutes of the Common Council** - Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 13, 2013 and Special Meeting August 6, 2013.
- B. Claims** - List of specific expenditures made by the Town during the previous month. August, 2013 check log and PPE dated 8-10-2013 and 8-24-2013.
- C. Board and Commission Minutes** – Acknowledgement of receipt of minutes and draft minutes of the previous month’s Board and Commission Meetings.
Board of Adjustments Notice of Cancellation of meeting August 28, 2013
Design Review Board minutes of the meeting held August 7, 2013 and Notice of Cancellation of meeting September 4, 2013
Planning Commission minutes of the meeting held August 20, 2013
Parks and Recreation Committee minutes of the meeting held August 14, 2013
Municipal Property Corporation minutes of the meeting held August 28, 2013
- D. Special Event Liquor License** - Approval of a recommendation to the State Department of Liquor License and Control to approve a Special Event Liquor License for the Yavapai College Foundation fundraising event to be held on October 18, 2013 from 12:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m. at 601 Black Hills Drive, Clarkdale, AZ
- E. Special Event Liquor License** - Approval of a recommendation to the State Department of Liquor License and Control to approve a Special Event Liquor License for the Yavapai College Foundation fundraising event to be held on October 18, 2013 from 12:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m. at the Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale, AZ Placeholder
- F. Yavapai County Free Library District Library Service Agreement**– Approval of the 2013-2014 Yavapai County Library District Library Service Agreement with the Town of Clarkdale.

Councilmember Radoccia moved to approve Consent Agenda A – F as presented.
Councilmember Regner seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORT REGARDING THE 2013 LEAGUE OF ARIZONA CITIES AND TOWNS ANNUAL CONFERENCE – Discussion regarding information gathered at the 2013 League of Arizona annual conference.

Mayor Von Gausig, Vice Mayor Dehnert, Councilmembers Regner and Bohall and Town Manager Mabery attended the 2013 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference. This is an informational discussion with the Council relating to the information they received and the sessions they attended during the conference.

Mayor Von Gausig:

- President of the League
- Moderated the Cost of Water session which was well-received at the League and well attended
- PSPRS Rural Policy Forum – there is a lot of concern about municipalities and PSPRS funds – there could be a future where cities and towns are only collecting money for PSPRS

Councilmember Bohall:

- Working lunch sponsored by the Central Arizona Project. Discussed plans for upgrading Navajo Generating Plant to comply with EPA mandates.
- Wildfire Management and its Impact on Arizona's Economy: A Rural Perspective – Speakers provided different perspectives on forest management.
- Transportation Options and Needs: There was a discussion about how local government and private sector can cooperate on transit-related development. Sustainable transportation and land use integration study were discussed.
- Legislative report: Discussion and recap of the 2013 legislative session and what's ahead in 2014.
- Effective Mayor, Council, and Manager Relationships: Town Manager Mabery presented in this discussion.
- Energy Efficiency Roadmap for Cities and Towns: All speakers were affiliated with ASU Global Institute of Sustainability. Discussed the creation of the Energy Efficiency Idea Guide for Arizona and how its creative options can help cities and towns move ahead with energy efficiency measures.
- Arizona Cities @ Work Breakfast: A collaborative effort among Arizona's cities and towns to educate, inform, and engage residents to learn more about the work that local governments do daily.
- Becoming a Superb Ambassador for your Municipality

Vice Mayor Dehnert:

- General session with Michael Crow.

• Legislative Report

Councilmember Regner:

- Community Futures: Leveraging Development Trends to Build Community
- Fundamentals of Local Government: Municipal Bonding and Financing
- Legislative Report and Look Ahead to 2014 Legislative Session
- Building and Maintaining Effective Mayor, Council and Manager Relationships
- State Agency Update: ASRS/PSPRS/EORP Arizona's Pension Systems for Cities and Towns

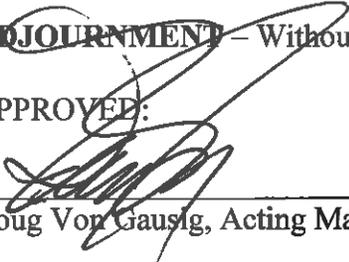
This is discussion only, no action is required.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - Listing of items to be placed on a future council agenda.

- Councilmember Radoccia would like a worksession on smart metering on next regular agenda

ADJOURNMENT – Without objection, Mayor Von Gausig adjourned the meeting at 7:29 P.M.

APPROVED:



Doug Von Gausig, Acting Mayor

ATTESTED/SUBMITTED:



Kathy Bainbridge, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Clarkdale, Arizona held on the 10th day of September, 2013. I further certify that meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 9th day of October, 2013.

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Kathy Bainbridge, Town Clerk