

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale Held on Tuesday, December 20, 2006

A Special meeting of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale was held on Tuesday, December 23, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. in the Men's Lounge of the Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 North Ninth Street, Clarkdale Arizona.

Town Council:

Mayor	Doug Von Gausig (absent)
Vice Mayor	Jerry Wiley
Councilmember	Frank Sa Patricia Williams Curtiss Bohall

Town Staff:

Town Manager	Gayle Mabery
Town Attorney	Rob Pecharich
Ass't to the Town Manager	Janet Perry
Town Clerk	Joyce Driscoll
Deputy Town Clerk	Walt Good

Others Present: Public.

AGENDA ITEM: CALL TO ORDER –

Vice Mayor Wiley called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and noted that Mayor Von Gausig was absent.

AGENDA ITEM: PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment.

AGENDA ITEM: WORKSESSION REGARDING RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS

– A Worksession to discuss establishing a program in Clarkdale to recognize property owners who have made improvements to their personal property which enhance or beautify the community or model best practices for water conservation.

Deputy Town Clerk Good noted that Councilmember Sa requested this item. He presented some proposed certificates for the council's review and asked how the individuals would be nominated and who would do the research.

Discussion included the following issues:

1. Having water conservation and beautification of award categories and having commercial and residential award classes.
2. Doing awards quarterly at Council meetings.
3. Ideas included allowing the public to make nominations and allowing persons to nominate themselves.
4. Putting a picture of the property in the newsletter.

Councilmember Bohall asked if water usage was a public record and Town Manager Mabery responded yes, and then stated that it would be a large project for staff to review each user's records. Council said they would not want staff to do that and that nominations should come from individuals or others who have noticed a change. Beautification may be more difficult to decide but that it also should be on a nomination basis.

Council directed staff to draft some criteria to be brought back to them for another worksession.

Town Attorney Pecharich wanted to know if the Town could approach land owners about improving their property.

AGENDA ITEM: MAYOR'S ABSENCE – Consideration of granting permission for the Mayor to be absent from Town for a period greater than fifteen days, pursuant to Town Code Section 2-2-5.

Vice Mayor Wiley read the request for the Mayor to be gone in excess of 15 days. Discussion included not being comfortable with there not being a specific return date.

Councilmember Sa moved that the council accept Mayor Von Gausig's notice of absence through January 9, 2007, and if the Mayor is not back for that council meeting that this item be brought before the council for review again. Councilmember Bohall seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM: DISCUSSION AND CONSULTATION WITH DESIGNATED LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES REGARDING THE VERDE VALLEY RANCH DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT.

If authorized by a majority vote of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale, the Council may recess the meeting at this time and move into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3)-discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney of the public body; and A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4)-discussion or consultation with the attorney of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorney regarding the public body’s position regarding possible contract negotiations.

The Executive Session will be held immediately after the vote and will not be open to the public.

At 2:27 p.m. Vice Mayor Wiley moved to go into Executive Session. Councilmember Williams seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The public was excused.

At 2:40 p.m. Vice Mayor Wiley reconvened the Special Session.

AGENDA ITEM: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

– Listing of items to be placed on a future council agenda.

Councilmember Sa requested that the Town Code provision referring to council member absences to be brought to council for review.

AGENDA ITEM: ADJOURNMENT - With no further business before the Council and without objection the meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

APPROVED:

Jerry Wiley, Vice Mayor

ATTESTED:

Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk

SUBMITTED:

Walt Good, Deputy Town Clerk