



# Staff Report

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**Agenda Item:**            **HEARING OFFICER APPOINTMENT** – Consideration and possible approval of the appointment of Town Magistrate Cipriano as the Town’s water service Hearing Officer.

**Staff Contact:**            Janet Perry, Assistant Town Manager

**Meeting Date:**            April 22, 2008

**Background:**

Clarkdale Water Code Section 19-3 ‘Conditions of Service; Appeals’ calls for a Hearing Officer to render decisions on appeals made by a system customer. During Council’s worksession discussions on this matter, a preference for Town Magistrate Harry Cipriano to fill this position was noted.

Judge Cipriano has since agreed to serve as the Town’s water service Hearing Officer. Judge Cipriano’s current employment contract with the Town contains no restrictions to his ability to serve in this additional capacity. Any demands posed by this responsibility should be easily worked in to Judge Cipriano’s existing schedule. If, however, this task should warrant a greater time commitment, modifications to the Judge’s schedule will be considered as needed.

**Recommendation:** Approval of the appointment of Town Magistrate Cipriano as the Town’s water service Hearing Officer.