

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale
Held on Tuesday, June 8, 2010.**

A Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale was held on Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at 6:00 PM at Clark Memorial Clubhouse, Men’s Lounge, 19 North Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER - Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Von Gausig.

Town Council:

Mayor Doug Von Gausig
Vice Mayor Richard Dehnert

Councilmember Patricia Williams
Councilmember Curtiss Bohall
Councilmember William Regner

Town Staff:

Assistant Town Manager Janet Perry
Utility Director Wayne Debrosky

Public Works Director Steve Burroughs
Community Development Director Sherry Bailey

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING VICE MAYOR WILEY

The mayor and council members thanked Jerry Wiley for his service.

OATH OF OFFICE - Administration of Oath of Office to Councilmembers-Elect Bohall and Regner.

Judge Cipriano administered the Oath of Office to Councilmembers-Elect Bohall and Regner.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-MAYOR - Designation of one Councilmember to be Vice-Mayor.

Councilmember Bohall moved to appoint Councilmember Dehnert as Vice Mayor.
Motion seconded by Councilmember Williams. Motion approved unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE – Administration of the Oath of Office to Town Magistrate Ronald Ramsey.

Judge Cipriano administered the Oath of Office to Town Magistrate Ronald Ramsey.
Mayor Von Gausig thanked Judge Cipriano for his service.

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.

There was no public comment

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT – A report from the Mayor on current events.

1. Conducted magistrate interviews with Councilmember Dehnert and Town Manager Mabery.
2. Attended a Clarkdale Sustainability Park (CSP) workgroup meeting.
3. Attended an Arizona League of Cities and Towns board meeting.
4. Met with Community Development Director Bailey, Utility Director Debrosky and Town Manager Mabery about the Highlands development wastewater.
5. Attended Sustainability Park and WAC meetings.
6. Attended a quarterly Greater Arizona Mayors Association meeting where they established new bylaws and talked more about the mission of the group, which is to be an advocate for the good of all of the communities in Northern Arizona and to establish a voice at the state legislature.
7. Held a CSP presentation at University of Arizona in Tucson with their architecture, water resources and sustainability people. They came away with good ideas about a technology advisory group.
8. Attended a Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization/Verde Valley Regional Energy Group meeting about bringing renewable energy to the Verde Valley.
9. Met with Magistrate Ramsey about his contract.
10. Met with Steve Biasini, John Tobias, Fred Goldman, Community Development Director Bailey and Utility Director Debrosky about the future of the Highlands development, their wastewater treatment, since they will need treatment for the 45 lots they have sold, and how Clarkdale could improve its disposal of wastewater.
11. Held CSP presentation and had 8-9 participants who gave us new ideas about what works.
12. Attended Intergovernmental meeting with the Yavapai Apache Nation.
13. Attended Sustainability Park group meeting.
14. Attended Technical Working Group for the Bureau of Reclamation Appraisal Level Study which is trying in the second phase of the study to identify what kind of a water supply we have everywhere.
15. Met with Gerard Meyer who is a member of the Verde Rio Energy Group about the future of renewable energy in the Verde Valley and opportunities for regionalism.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT – A report from the Town Manager on current events.

1. The Library will close on June 25th and reopen on July 1st. The Yavapai Library Network is updating the circulation software for all of the Yavapai County libraries during the closure.
2. Fourth of July planning is in progress and there are still some volunteer slots available

CAT – A report regarding the Cottonwood Area Transit – No meeting, but councilmember Bohall reported that funding for public transportation has been reduced. They are expecting bus service to continue as it is until October and then some decisions may need to be made.

COCOPAI – A report regarding the Coconino Yavapai Resource Conservation District - Draft minutes are attached.

VVLPI – A report regarding the Verde Valley Land Preservation Institute. Meeting minutes are attached.

NACOG - A report regarding the Northern Arizona Council of Governments – No meeting.

VVTPO – Report regarding the Verde Valley Transportation Planning Organization & other transportation affiliations – Councilmember Bohall stated that there was sad budget news at the last meeting. There are no decisions yet on the affects to Clarkdale. The state is working on 89A on the other side of Mingus Mountain.

NAMWUA - A report regarding the Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association – No meeting.

VRBP – A report regarding the Verde River Basin Partnership – Councilmember Regner attended the Verde River Basin Partnership Coordinating Committee meeting where they discussed that their new direction should not start until their original issues are dealt with and they discussed their original structure, continuing to try to define themselves.

WAC - A report regarding the Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee – Mayor Von Gausig attended the Water Advisory Committee meeting where they considered whether they would support an appraisal level study for the Upper Agua Fria River basin. They decided that since they lack baseline data, it is not the time to do an expensive Bureau of Reclamation study. They will continue to consider an abbreviated study.

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 May 11, 2010 and Special Meetings held May 13, 2010 and May 25, 2010.

B. Claims - List of specific expenditures made by the Town during the previous month. May check log and PPE 5/08/10 and 5/22/10

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 - Cancelled

Design Review Board - Cancelled

General Plan Update Committee - Cancelled

Library Advisory Board minutes of the meeting held May 6, 2010

Parks and Recreation Board minutes of the meeting held May 12, 2010

Planning Commission - Cancelled

D. Clarkdale-Jerome Lions Club Facilities Use Agreement – Approval of the 2010-2011 Reimbursement Agreement for the use of Town Facilities by the Clarkdale-Jerome Lions Club.

E. Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce Facilities Use Agreement – Approval of a 2010-2011 Facilities Use Agreement for the use of Town Facilities by the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce.

F. Authorization for the Mayor to Sign a Letter Of Support for Qwest Communication's Broadband Submittal For ARRA Stimulus Funds – Letter of Support for Qwest Communication for their submittal of a Broadband stimulus fund application for the underserved and unserved areas of the Verde Valley.

Councilmember Williams pulled Item C. Mayor Von Gausig pulled Item E. Vice Mayor Dehnert pulled Item F.

Vice Mayor Dehnert moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items A, B, and D as prepared by staff. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bohall. Motion approved unanimously.

It was noted that the Heritage Conservancy Board liaison was off work and the minutes of their meeting were unavailable before this meeting. Councilmember Williams moved to approve Item C – acknowledgement of receipt of minutes and draft minutes of the previous month's Board and Commission Meetings. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Dehnert. Motion approved unanimously.

Mayor Von Gausig requested that the signator be changed to the vice-mayor so that there is no appearance of a conflict. Vice Mayor Dehnert moved to approve Item E - the 2010-2011 Facilities Use Agreement for the use of Town Facilities by the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce with the proposed change of Town Signator to Vice Mayor Dehnert. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bohall. Motion approved unanimously.

Vice Mayor Dehnert questioned whether this was a competitive application and if there were other applicants. It is competitive and there are other applicants. Vice Mayor Dehnert moved to approve Item F – authorization for the Mayor to sign a letter of support for Qwest Communication's Broadband submittal for ARRA Stimulus Funds. Motion seconded by Councilmember Williams. Motion approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

SWIMMING POOL DONATION - Acceptance of an \$8,500 donation from Gantry Constructors, Inc. and discussion of a fundraising campaign for the re-opening of the Clarkdale Pool for the 2011 swim season.

Councilmember Williams moved to accept the \$8,500 donation from Gantry Constructors, Inc. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Dehnert. Motion approved unanimously.

Vice Mayor Dehnert moved for staff to work with the Parks & Recreation Commission to develop a fundraising campaign with a goal to raise \$75,000 to open the pool for the 2011 season. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bohall. Motion approved unanimously.

2010 SPIRIT OF CLARKDALE AWARD NOMINATIONS - Discussion and consideration of the review committee recommendations to Council on the 2010 "Spirit of Clarkdale" nominations.

Mayor Von Gausig read the list of nominations, as follows:

**Spirit of Clarkdale 2010
Review Committee Nominations**

The following individuals and organizations are recommended by the Spirit of Clarkdale Committee to receive a Spirit of Clarkdale Award.

Award Category- Property Beautification

Nominee: Edith Lindner, Clarkdale Resident

The Lindner home has been upgraded through extensive property maintenance, placement of drought resistant plants, and the addition of a traditional wrought iron fence.

Award Category - Neighborhood Programs/Events/Projects

Nominee: Clarkdale Fire District

The Clarkdale Fire District has been instrumental in achieving successful and safe Town events. They have participated in all our major events, including the 4th of July Celebration, Halloween, Santa visits Clarkdale and Cities and Town Week. Their professionalism and expertise helped ensure that these events were fun and safe for the community.

Nominee: Verde Valley Ambulance, Cottonwood

Verde Valley Ambulance has participated and supported special events in Clarkdale including the 4th of July Celebration, Halloween and Cities and Town Week. They have provided an ambulance and emergency personnel to the town in order to ensure a safe and fun community event.

Nominee: Robyn Prud'homme Bauer, Clarkdale Resident

Ms. Bauer has enhanced the quality of life in Clarkdale by bringing the Bountiful Baskets Cooperative Food Program to the Town of Clarkdale residents. This program supplies exceptional fruits and vegetables at a very low cost.

Award Category – Community Volunteerism

Nominee: Nick Hunseder, Clarkdale Resident

Mr. Hunseder generously volunteered his time and expertise in the field of web design to the Town. He was asked to create a website for the Clarkdale Sustainability Park. He did

so and then proceeded to tutor staff in the development of the site. His initial design was instrumental in this project and the enthusiasm that he brought to this project propelled it forward so that there is now a CSP web site.

Nominee: Jim Elmer, Clarkdale Resident

Mr. Elmer is has been nominated for his participation in a variety of volunteer efforts. He has been a key member of the Clarkdale Cancer Kickers for many years and this year once again, he was the backbone of the event, supplying tents, doing the set up, giving tirelessly throughout the year to make this a very successful event. He has worked with the students of Mingus Union High School, helping to organize the High School Hot Rod Club. He has mentored students, helping them to learn to work together, raising funds for their club. Mr. Elmer is also the Chairman of the Clarkdale Fire District Board of Directors.

Nominee: Paul Green, Cottonwood Resident

Mr. Green has been a part of many organizations which have benefited residents of Clarkdale. He has volunteered for the Clarkdale Concerts in the Park through the Lions Club, Clarkdale Cancer Kickers, St. Vincent De Paul which provides food and help with utilities to Clarkdale residents and he has joined the community effort to maintain areas of SR 89A. Through his efforts he has contributed to improving the quality of life in Clarkdale.

Nominee: Locy Rogers, Clarkdale Resident

Mr. Rogers has been a tireless volunteer, helping residents and sharing his time in maintaining town facilities. Residents are grateful for his help with snake removal, yard cleaning, removal of beehives and help with dangerous hornet nests. Many people have benefited from his kindness. Currently Mr. Rogers has been doing maintenance on the Valley View Cemetery. He has filled a need for the town in doing this work.

Nominee: Uribe Family, Clarkdale Residents

Over the years and up to the present, the Uribe family have been an integral part of the children's 4th of July parade. The family has provided a water station on the parade route which has been invaluable in making the parade a safe and fun event for the whole community.

Nominee: Vineyard Christian Fellowship, Clarkdale

At the 2009 Old Fashioned 4th of July celebration, 25 members of the Vineyard Fellowship contributed their time, energy and enthusiasm to make this event a great success. They took on both organizational and hands on tasks that were previously done by the Town Crew. They filled the gap with set-up and take-down of the event. They also volunteered at the Santa in Clarkdale event with participation by 8 members of the Fellowship. Once again, they made this a wonderful event for the children and whole community.

Nominations not approved by the Spirit of Clarkdale Committee

Lisa Hancock was nominated for Property Beautification/Historical Preservation of her home. The Committee felt that this property has been improved over the past year but the project is not complete.

Councilmember Williams moved to approve the recommendations submitted by the Spirit of Clarkdale 2010 Review Committee. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Dehnert. Motion approved unanimously.

WORKSESSION ON A PROPOSED ADDITION TO THE MUSEUM BUILDING – Discussion and direction to staff regarding the Museum Board’s proposal for an addition to the museum building.

Mary Lu Estlick, a Clarkdale Historical Society and Museum board member, stated that they needed additional space for paperwork, photo copies, and permanent records. This addition is a low cost sort-term solution.

Discussion included the following issues:

1. Whether an inventory of the spaces in Town buildings has been done to determine best uses.
2. Expanding the proposed addition at the entrance on the east side of the museum building.
3. Architectural detail standards.
4. State Historic Preservation Office
5. Desire to keep the Museum in the building.
6. An extension off the Police Department.
7. Access to the Town Archive space downstairs from the museum by the Museum board members.
8. Staffing of the Museum is usually two people at a time.
9. Inconvenience and insecurity of using off-site storage.

Mayor Von Gausig directed staff to investigate additional solutions and come back to Council with them.

CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY REMODEL UPDATE – A project update on the Clark Memorial Library interior remodel.

Public Works Director Burroughs updated the Council on the grant; what has happened so far, where we’re at and where we are going with it. The Town was able to reroof the Library/Administration building and address some structural issues by tying the back wall into the roof before addressing the interior. Working through the Mohave Contract, Mr. Walters will be working up the final bid for the interior work. We received a grant for upgrading the HVAC system in the Clubhouse which has allowed some changes in the library plan, eliminating meeting space in favor of a larger kid’s corner. A second small conference room has been added. The space for the future restroom will not be completed in order to reduce the current budget. The work will start after school starts in the fall and will take about 30 days. Moving the books, shelving and furniture will be done by volunteers.

Discussion included the following issues:

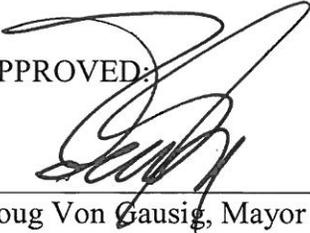
1. The project is part of the grant project.

2. Working with the Mohave Educational Contract, which is a government entity similar to a state procurement contract, allows the Town to hire contractors without going out to bid. Contractors are prequalified by competition.
3. Desire that whoever is at the library front desk can see the kid's corner.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - Listing of items to be placed on a future council agenda.
No future agenda items

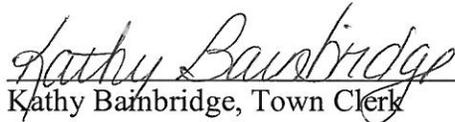
ADJOURNMENT Without any further business, the Council adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

APPROVED:



Doug Von Gausig, Mayor

ATTESTED/SUBMITTED:



Kathy Bainbridge, Town Clerk