

A Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the Town of Clarkdale was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, at 6:00 PM at Clark Memorial Clubhouse, Men's Lounge, 19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

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

Town Council:

Mayor Doug Von Gausig  
Vice Mayor Richard Dehnert  
Councilmember Curtiss Bohall  
Councilmember Bill Regner

Absent: Councilmember Patricia Williams

Town Staff:

Town Manager Gayle Mabery  
Community Development Director Sherry Bailey  
Human Resources/Community Services Director Janet Perry  
Acting Police Chief Troy Smith  
Utilities Director Wayne Debrosky  
Public Works Director Steve Burroughs

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. Lunch with John Kinnamon
2. Attended the Governor's Rural Development Conference giving a CSP presentation.
3. Attended Tempe Diplomat meeting at Councilmember Regner's home.
4. Attended a Clarkdale Sustainability Park Workgroup meeting with Kevin Dahl, National Parks Conservation Association, attended regarding the park and location near Tuzigoot.
5. Held a Clarkdale Sustainability Park public presentation.
6. Attended the Greater Arizona Mayor's Association meeting in Sedona and discussed their future regarding lobbying and legislative standpoints.
7. Attended Halloween in Town Park and pool fundraising barbeque which raised about \$800.
8. Participated on League of Cities and Towns interview panel for a new legislative director.
9. Attended the Clarkdale Boards & Commission training.

10. Participated in League of Cities and Towns board meeting and then the members of the Greater Arizona Mayor's Association met with them to discuss how the two groups could synergize efforts.
11. Met with the Clarkdale Sustainability Park Workgroup and Freeport McMoRan regarding their land.
12. Participated in Nature Conservancy workshop regarding the evaluation of policy options for water management in the Verde Valley, a study on the economic value of Verde River and management alternatives that might be instituted in the future.

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

The Town Manager reported on the following topics:

1. Pool fundraising is close to the \$20,000 donation mark.
2. Halloween report – 1842 in attendance was a record number which brought increased pro/con feedback from residents who were encouraged to attend Parks & Recreation meeting to participate in the event debrief.
3. Town offices closed for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving holiday.
4. Council meetings for this month scheduled for 11/9 and 11/16 as of this date.
5. Upcoming events are Visit with Santa on 12/4 and Made In Clarkdale begins with the 12/3 gala event.
6. The Clubhouse auditorium had ceiling insulation installed via grant funds.
7. Prop 203 on medical marijuana still not decided – based on the outcome will be on or off the 11/16 agenda.
8. Researching Clarkdale precincts election results resulted in interesting data which will be shared in upcoming Weekly Reports.

CAT/ VVTPO– A report regarding the Cottonwood Area Transit and the Verde Valley Transportation Planning Organization & other transportation affiliations. Councilman Bohall reported NAIPTA is taking over CAT/VVTPO January 1<sup>st</sup>; chip seal is installed in the new bus stop; CAT ridership is up. Attended the Rural Transportation Summit and attached an update in the packet.

COCOPAI – A report regarding the Coconino Yavapai Resource Conservation District. With Councilmember Williams absent, there was no report.

VVLPI – A report regarding the Verde Valley Land Preservation Institute. With Councilmember Williams absent, there was no report.

NACOG - A report regarding the Northern Arizona Council of Governments. Vice Mayor Dehnert reported that the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee stated that future funding is in doubt; Economic Development Council described the process of replacing Arizona Department of Commerce with the Arizona Commerce Authority to advise on rural economic business development strategies; there is a \$13,500,000 job training fund coming available; 'small business' will be defined as 5 employees or less; Head Start Program update; audit committee provided their report which was approved; regional council members reported on their local activities; discussion regarding solar and wind renewable energy.

NAMWUA - A report regarding the Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association. Mayor Von Gausig attended the meeting via phone with discussions regarding ADD Water

program which is a program with the Central Arizona Project and their attempts to increase their water portfolio and opportunities with outlying districts, joining up with them to increase Clarkdale's water portfolio.

VRBP – A report regarding the Verde River Basin Partnership. No report as meeting is next week.

WAC - A report regarding the Yavapai County Water Advisory Committee. Mayor Von Gausig attended WAC meeting. There was a discussion about a strategic planning retreat and the CYHWRMS Bureau of Rec appraisal level study.

VVREO – A report regarding the Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization. Councilmember Regner reported he had not attended the meeting, but By-Law amendments were adopted allowing nonvoting participation by affiliated government entities, appointed liaisons, economic, and community partners and that they must adhere to Board policies and sign a confidentiality agreement and any other such statements as may be required. Representatives are welcome to participate in Board meetings based on the agenda. Based on that he will be attending future meetings.

YCL – A report from the Yavapai College Liaison. Councilmember Regner reported at the Foundation meeting Dr. Horton, President of Yavapai College, announced he was seeking retirement; upcoming college events were announced.

**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 October 12, 2010 and Special Meeting held October 26, 2010.
- B. Claims** - List of specific expenditures made by the Town during the previous month. October check log and PPE 10/9/10, 10/22/10 & 10/23/10.
- 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 meeting notice for October 27, 2010  
Design Review Board minutes of the meeting held October 13, 2010  
General Plan Update Committee minutes of the meeting held October 5 & 19, 2010  
Library Advisory Board minutes of the meeting held October 7, 2010  
Parks and Recreation Board minutes of the meeting held October 13, 2010  
Planning Commission minutes of the meeting held October 5 & 19, 2010
- D. Agreement between the Town of Clarkdale and the Arizona Department of Fire, Building and Life Safety, Office of Manufactured Housing To Enforce Installation Standards** – Approval of an Agreement with the Arizona Department of Fire, Building and Life Safety, Office of Manufactured Housing to enforce installation standards.
- E. Approval of a Letter of Support for the Designation of the Black Canyon**

**Wilderness Area in the Prescott National Forest** – A letter encouraging the Prescott National Forest to adopt wilderness status for the area known as the “Black Canyon” area.

Councilmember Regner pulled Consent Agenda Item A.

Vice-Mayor Dehnert moved to accept the Consent Agenda items B-E as prepared by staff. Motion seconded by Councilmember Regner. Motion approved unanimously.

**A. Approval of Minutes of the Common Council** - Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 12, 2010 and Special Meeting held October 26, 2010.

Councilmember Regner requested that the October 12<sup>th</sup> minutes regarding the VVREO report be revised to “the VVREO organization is discussing amendments to their bylaws to allow for and define the participation of designated liaisons from municipal governments from whom they have sought recognition”. After discussions with Mayor Von Gausig, Councilmember Regner agreed to just taking the word “voting” out of the minutes.

Councilmember Regner moved to approve the Consent Agenda Item A with the removal of the word “voting” from the VVREO report on the October 12, 2010 minutes. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Dehnert. Motion approved unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND TOWN OF CLARKDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY STABILIZATION GRANT AWARD – Discussion and consideration of an Agreement with the Governor’s Office of Economic Recovery for a Public Safety Stabilization Grant award in the amount of \$35,000 for a fully equipped police cruiser for the Clarkdale Police Department.**

Sgt. Troy Smith explained that on September 8, 2010 Governor Brewer authorized the utilization of State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF) allocated from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 to fund \$10,000,000 to the Public Safety Stabilization Program. The funds must be used to support the capacity of local public safety agencies to provide basic public safety activities during this unprecedented economic recession. Grant applications were due in on September 17, 2010.

Grants are for a twelve month period which expires on September 30, 2011 and are renewable. Eligible funding levels were based on population as follows:

- Counties, Cities, Towns, and Tribal Nations with populations over 500,000-\$200,000 to \$500,000.
- Counties, Cities, Towns, and Tribal Nation with populations between 150,000 and 499,000-\$100,000 to 199,000.
- Counties, Cities, Towns, and Tribal Nations with populations under 149,000 and independent Fire Districts regardless of population – up to \$99,000.

The Allowable Costs are:

- Personnel Overtime and Associated Backfill Cost

- Part-Time Personnel
- Travel, Per Diem and Lodging
- Vehicle and Equipment Purchases and Rentals
- Fuel Cost and/or Mileage Reimbursement
- Equipment

On September 15, 2010 the Clarkdale Police Department submitted a grant request for \$70,000 to purchase two fully equipped police cruisers to replace the old out dated and over mileage cruisers. On October 16, 2010 the Clarkdale Police Department learned that it was awarded \$35,000 for one fully equipped police cruiser.

Councilmember Bohall moved to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Governor's Office of Economic Recovery and the Town of Clarkdale Police Department for a Public Safety Stabilization Grant award in the amount of \$35,000 for a fully equipped police cruiser. Motion seconded by Councilmember Regner. Motion approved unanimously.

**CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF ARIZONA, THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE – Discussion and consideration of the Contract with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for DUI Task Force overtime, DUI education, Portable Breath Test Units (PBT's), and PBT mouth pieces in the amount of \$7,855.48.**

Sgt. Troy Smith explained the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) requested submission of grant proposals relating to highway issues from state, county, municipal, university, tribal, and non-profit agencies for the 2011 Federal Fiscal (FY) Year which commences on October 1, 2010 and ends on September 30, 2011.

The FY 2011 Highway Safety Plan specifically targeted the following enforcement areas and proposals addressing these areas were given priority:

- Impaired Driving
- Speed and Police Traffic Services
- Occupant Protection (safety belts)

Proposals were also accepted that address the following program areas:

- Accident Investigation
- Emergency Medical Service
- Motorcycle Safety
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety
- Traffic Records

In February, 2010, the Clarkdale Police Department submitted a grant application in the amount of \$48,582.76 for DUI Task Force overtime, DUI education, Portable Breath Test Units (PBT's), PBT mouth pieces, and one fully equipped police vehicle.

In October, 2010, the Clarkdale Police Department was awarded \$7,855.48 for DUI Task Force overtime, PBT's and PBT mouth pieces.

Councilmember Regner moved to approve the Contract Between the State of Arizona, through the Governor's Office Of Highway Safety and the Town Of Clarkdale for DUI Task Force

overtime, DUI education, Portable Breath Test Units (PBT's), and PBT mouth pieces in the amount of \$7,855.48. Motion seconded by Councilmember Bohall. Motion approved unanimously.

**UPDATE ON THE AMENDED GENERAL PLAN TIMELINE – An update regarding the process and timeline for approval of the General Plan.**

Community Development Director Sherry Bailey explained at the second council work session on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October it was agreed that staff, the Planning Commission Chair and the General Plan Update Committee Chair would research and submit to Council the new timeline for the General Plan consideration. This new timeline will put review and approval back on track and allow the addition of a chapter addressing the importance of education and schools to the future of Clarkdale. The following timeline is the best option:

- November 8, 2011 election, ratification by the voters
- August 12, 2011 election language submittal to the county
- July 26, 2011 council approves the General Plan and call for an election
- May 12, 2011 sixty (60) day review period starts
- May 10, 2011 worksession before council
- April 19, 2011 Public hearing and approval by Planning Commission
- March 15, 2011 Joint Meeting General Plan Update Committee and Planning Commission
- February 21 and March 21, General Plan Update Committee review and approval
- November 2010 through February 15, 2011 Focus group meets

This schedule allows the staff to make the changes from the two worksessions to the general plan and gives everyone time to develop and write the new chapter. It also more than meets the extended deadline established by the state.

**WORKSESSION ON THE HIGHWAY 89A SIDEWALK AND ROUNDABOUT PROJECT – A worksession for Council to discuss enhancements for the roundabouts in the SR 89A sidewalk project.**

Public Works Director Steve Burroughs explained Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is requesting input on the enhancement (Art Work) for the roundabouts as part of the SR Highway 89A Sidewalk Project. The art work would be located at Cement Plant Road and Clarkdale Parkway, Centerville Road and Valley View Road, Lisa Street and Lincoln Drive with the roundabout being shared by the City of Cottonwood at Scenic Drive and Groseta Ranch Road.

The request from ADOT is for Clarkdale to choose the type and theme of art work that would be displayed in each roundabout. Two possible options for art work are, selection from a catalog of existing pieces or a call-for-sculptors/artist, either way, to be funded by the Project of Opportunity Funds. These pieces will need to be completed and ready for installation by the project contractor no later than February, 2011.

Staff contacted ADOT requesting other options for usage of the enhancement funds due to the short time frame to produce original art work and the limited availability of appropriately themed “off the shelf” art work. One option being considered is the Town would decline any roundabout enhancements, and in its place, ADOT would use the funds to develop two formal bus stops, Lisa Street and Centerville Road. If approved, the funds would be used to construct paved pull-off for the bus and a pad to install the shelter.

This project is fully funded through a Federal Closeout Project of Opportunity Funds source of \$1,415,250.00. Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) estimates that each roundabout will have approximately \$50,000 for development.

Staff met with Cottonwood staff to discuss options; Cottonwood staff will be discussing the project at their next regular Council meeting.

Clarkdale staff had always expressed a desire to go through a “Call to Artists” process in order to have unique projects designed that capture the uniqueness of the community. When the short time frame with ADOT became apparent, Public Works Director, Steve Burroughs, contacted ADOT to determine whether we could redirect the funds for the roundabouts into other types of “enhancements” (like transit bus shelters and further widening of the sidewalks) and recently learned that ADOT would allow that to occur.

Town Manager Mabery described staff’s dilemma of wanting to do the selection/decision process justice which the current timeframe would not allow, and to use the monies available now for enhancements, focusing on future grant funds for landmark pieces in the roundabouts.

The Mayor asked about the opportunity for bike lanes and Public Works Director Burroughs described the inability to install and widen the area as needed along the whole stretch along with the challenges of partial multi-modal situations.

Councilmember Dehnert suggested an artifact from the Clark Mansion be used, possibly the door archway or another item, as an ‘entry’ to the Town.

The main discussion points by Council were:

- A concern that the short time frame would not leave enough time to create unique projects that were representative of the community and involved local artists.
- A concern that, with the current economic climate, it was more prudent to spend the money on usable capital projects (like transit pullouts, bus shelters and widened sidewalks) instead of artwork.
- There was at least one member of the Council who was concerned that artwork can be distracting for drivers, particularly tourists, and could cause safety concerns.
- A desire for better bicycle access (through widened sidewalks), even in partial stretches (acknowledging that there probably weren’t enough funds and that there were design challenges, to widening the sidewalks to 10 feet for the entire length of the project).

It was noted that any current bus stops in the project under consideration could possibly accommodate school buses also.

The Council was supportive of having \$10,000 in improvements for each roundabout, consisting of a concrete base (so that we could add public art at a later date, if and when additional grant funds become available) and a short, decorative wall that would surround the base. The remaining \$50,000 per roundabout could then be used for enhancements to sidewalks and additional transit/bus shelters on 89A. Staff was directed to continue work towards a non-art enhancement project with the funds currently available. The Mayor surmised that Cottonwood Council will be discussing same item, both will coordinate.

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

**ADJOURNMENT** - Without any further business, the Council adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

APPROVED:

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Doug Von Gausig, Mayor

ATTESTED/SUBMITTED:

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Kathy Bainbridge, Town Clerk