

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
May 9, 2013**

Library Auditorium
7401 E. Civic Circle
Prescott Valley, Arizona 86314

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Skoog called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION - PASTOR KIRK ANDERSON, EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Anderson gave the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Anderson led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

4. ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Mayor Tjiema, Mayor Skoog, Council Member Lasker, Council Member Mallory, Council Member Nye, Council Member Anderson, and Council Member Whiting.

5. SCHEDULED ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

a. Yavapai Soccer Club

John Sterling, President of the Yavapai Soccer League, stepped up to the podium with 12 players and two assistant coaches, Craig Hacker and Jim Workman. Sterling thanked the council for the support they give to their 100 person league. The Yavapai Cup was expanded from one weekend to two weekends (a girls weekend and a boys weekend) with 190 teams participating benefitting the town economically (approximately \$3.5 million). He estimates there were about 5,000 players in town not counting the support staff and parents with them. They are going to grow the event even bigger next year. Team members presented Mayor and Council members with Yavapai Cup T-shirts and pins. About 800 players play in the league. This league is in the top 5 as far as size goes, definitely the biggest in northern Arizona.

Tarkowski said Mayor and Council really need to take a bow because back in the 1990's they approved a progressive parks policy stipulating free use of the town park fields if it is for kids, for all kinds of games,. That is not a policy shared universally around the rest of Arizona or the country. As a result these players are able to play at a reduced price since additional charges for

field use are not passed along to the youth players. Both John Sterling and his wife are very involved with soccer. It takes a lot of time to run a volunteer organization and a certain skill set. To continue to be of the robust nature that league has been for all of these years is a tribute to the Sterling's talent. Great job.

b. Chamber of Commerce

Marnie Uhl Chamber of Commerce CEO introduced Steve and Kathy Aldridge owners of 'A-Six Floors'. Steve said they have a new family owned local business in Prescott Valley and gave an overview of the services they provide.

Marnie introduced Director Jody Drake and Board member Lauren Millet of the 'Blue Rose and Heritage Center'. Drake stated that Prescott Valley is as unique and diverse as the land it grew out of. Glassford Hill, Fitzmaurice Ruins, Village of Massicks and Lynx Creek all combine to give PV a rich history. Blue Rose and Heritage Center will provide a place for the community to take pride in its past, to build its future and express its present. The Center will celebrate its grant opening Saturday 10:00 a.m. at 7200 2nd Street behind Ace Hardware – a no charge event. Millet said they are looking to help Prescott Valley take back its roots. Center hours are 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. hours.

Marnie announced the upcoming May 18th Battle of the Bands, A \$4.00 entry fee will be charged at the gates which open at noon with music from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. The Chamber is also taking applications for the June 15th Prescott Valley Days with the theme "A Salute to America's Heroes".

6. PROCLAMATIONS

a. Hospital Week

Town Clerk Diane Russell read the proclamation which was presented to John Amos of YRMC. John thanked the Mayor for the recognition. He stated that the facility is 7 years old and has had a lot of successes. They have grown from 260 staff members to 415 today. The physician group consisted of 104 in 2006 and is now up to 192 physicians. YRMC has expanded the emergency department, added a dedicated pediatric unit, a family birthing center and transitioned the neonatology services to a level 2 nursery. They are introducing hyperbaric room care service providing additional support for this area. They feel honored and privileged to be the primary health care facility in the community.

Mayor Skoog said we are honored and privileged to have the hospital here. We are the only community in the state that has a general hospital, rehab hospital and mental health hospital in northern Arizona.

Amos stated he really applauds the town for supporting youth programs and the fact that council has made facilities available free of charge to the programs is a huge deal. Amos coaches youth sports and it is a big deal. Amos commented that, "Our children are where it starts and they will be taking care of us down the road".

b. Police Week

Town Clerk Diane Russell read the proclamation after which it was presented to Interim Police Chief James Edelstein. Council member Anderson said a week is not enough time [to express our appreciation]. Council member Nye stated how safe she feels in this community as she travels by herself and never takes their protection for granted. Council members Lasker, Mallory, Whiting, agreed we don't have enough time in a day to say thank you to the officers for protecting our communities, keeping the community safe and secure. Thank you. Vice Mayor Tjiema commented that "when citizens see them, they may not want them there. But when we see you, we want you there. Thank you for the professionalism you use in serving this community." Mayor Skoog added that we have an all-star police department.

Edelstein thanked Council for recognizing this day and week. There are not a lot of professions in the world where each day a wife, a husband, a brother, a parent doesn't send someone off to work knowing that they may not return. That is what police officers do every day. This day isn't just about the officers who lost their lives, it is also about the family members that are left behind and it honors the sacrifices that they make and the sacrifices that their families make every day when they entrust their loved ones to the PVPD's hands. At the PVPD they do everything they can to get the officers home to their families. Recently they started a program that is being pushed state wide by the Arizona Association of Police Chiefs and Arizona Police Officers Standards and Training Board called "Below 100". That program is about reducing the number of police officers who lose their lives to below 100. Nation-wide 120 officers were lost in 2012 which is better than numbers in the past. The PD will achieve this through such things as reminding officers to wear their seat belts, slow down, wear a vest, remember what is important now and keep their mind in the moment and reminding them that complacency kills.

Council member Nye commented that Edelstein is wearing a shroud for another officer killed in the line of duty on May 6, Tim Huffman with DPS.

7. CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

a. Interim Police Chief James Edelstein for 15 years of service

Town Manager Larry Tarkowski commented that the plaque and certificate are in the mail. Tarkowski said that James has worked for 4 different police chiefs over his 15-year career with the Town. He has changed and grown professionally and seen similar changes in the department. He has been instrumental in working through a number of those changes and assisted in making this department a more modern and professional PD. One thing that tells you about an individual is how they interact with family. James' son was one of soccer players who came forth tonight. The son showed his father tremendous respect and that told one heck of a story. Mayor Skoog thanked him for his good service and encouraged him to keep it up.

8. COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

No comments were forthcoming.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. *Approval of Minutes of the April 25, 2013 council meeting*
- b. *Approving a new Series 12 liquor license and interim permit for the Tuscan Kitchen located at 8930 E. Valley Road; Johvonn Joseph Zito, applicant*
- c. *Approving an Agreement with The Mercer Group, Inc. in the amount of \$18,900 (along with up to \$10,000 for expected recruitment expenses), plus the related budget transfer from the Contingency Fund*
- d. *Approving Accounts Payable for April 13 thru 26, 2013*

Council Member Mallory made the MOTION, seconded by Council Member Nye, to approve all items listed on the consent agenda, by electronic vote. MOTION carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10. NEW BUSINESS (FOR REVIEW, COMMENT, AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. *Consideration of authorizing the Mayor to sign Resolution No. 1831 approving FDP13-006 (Mandalay Model Homes), AND to sign any agreement under Proposition 207*

Planner Ruth Mayday stated that Jim Reed, acting on behalf of Mandalay Homes, has brought forward Final Development Plan (FDP13-006) for Council to consider approval of the site and construction of two (2) model homes and associated off-street parking on three (3) lots in Unit IIA of the Pronghorn Ranch master planned community. The subject parcel was annexed into the Town of Prescott Valley upon the adoption of Ordinance 453 on February 25, 1999, which also gave the parcel a zoning classification of RCU-70, and approved the Antelope Village (now known as Pronghorn Ranch) Master Plan and Preliminary Development Plan, among other things. The property was assigned a number of zoning classifications upon the adoption of Ordinance 486 on May 25, 2000, which included R1L-PAD (Residential; Single Family Limited; Planned Area Development). The Planned Area Development process as set forth in Article 13-19 of Town Code allows for Model Home complexes, including off-street parking as part of an approved Final Development Plan.

Jim Reed (project manager) and Bill Hamid (manager and broker) said Mandalay has been in business since 1999 based out of Phoenix. They have been building in the area since 2010 in Pronghorn Ranch with some construction in Yavapai Hills. Last year they built 30 homes in Pronghorn Ranch. They have seen some success and hope to provide Pronghorn, in addition to the entire community, with some growth opportunities. They are introducing an entirely new product line. Plans range from the mid 1,400 up to almost 3,000 square feet.

Hamid said that Mandalay Homes will be building the most energy efficient homes that PV has ever seen. Mandalay's tag line is "Healthy, efficient living". Mandalay built Gordon Estates, the most energy and water efficient, air purification certified community in the entire country. They

are looking to take things to a whole new level of quality of life and product. Prices for their product range from the \$180,000 - \$190,000 up to the \$400,000 mark.

Council member Nye thanked Mandalay for bringing the diversity of products to this area, which is commendable given that it is also risky. Nye thanked them for the trust they are showing in this community.

Hamid stated that across the board, this town is pleasurable to work with, very helpful and makes it enjoyable to do their job. Models are under construction. They are working on ten homes right now with a total of 20 expected within the next eight weeks. They expect to be starting two new homes a week for the next couple of months with a current ratio of 50:50 spec versus presold homes. There is apparently no trend as to where folks are moving from.

Council Member Nye made the MOTION, seconded by Vice Mayor Tjiema, to authorize the Mayor (or in his absence, the Vice Mayor) to sign Resolution No. 1831 approving FDP13-006, AND to sign any agreement under Proposition 207, by electronic vote. MOTION carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

b. Consideration of approving an Inter-Governmental Agreement with the City of Prescott for use of 7.5% of the Glassford Hill Communication System facility to enhance their public safety services

Utility Director Neil Wadsworth said the City of Prescott has expressed an interest in using 7 or 8 percent of the communication tower built on Glassford Hill about a year and a half ago for emergency services. Prescott will pay for the maintenance and upkeep of the site and the Town of Prescott Valley will get the benefit of the communication link to the Prescott Regional Communication Center. That direct link will save us from having to pay for a separate T1 carrier line which costs about \$7,000 annually.

Prescott Deputy Police Chief Andy Reinhardt expressed appreciation for the cooperation for which they always benefit. The City of Prescott and Town of Prescott Valley have an excellent working relationship. Having access to PVs site will allow them to put up a microwave which the other site does not have.

Prescott Fire Chief Dan Fraijo said this is a great sample, and pleasure to him, to bring these communities together.

Council member Nye commented that the citizens are the real winners in this. Town Manager Tarkowski commented that this facility has been long in coming. He complimented the representative from the City of Prescott as they have worked long and hard to make regional dispatch work; we are true partners in regional dispatch. This is just another manifestation of that showing the cooperation between the City of Prescott and Town of Prescott Valley. The citizens/tax payers are the beneficiaries of greater public safety. Council member Whiting agreed and said hopefully it is another model for municipalities that may want to partner with us in the future. It is mutually beneficial. Vice Mayor Tjiema appreciated the fact the PRCC has looked at the problems they were having with dispatching and the different glitches that were going on and

that this is a tremendous fix for regional communication for emergencies. This was something that was a real problem in the 9/11 tragedy that our nation suffered when the communications were all splintered. Having a central dispatch like PRCC would certainly remedy the glitches that they saw back there. He applauds the efforts that have been made to bring regional communication of emergency to the table and see the improvements as well. Mayor Skoog added that you just can't beat regional cooperation.

Wadsworth added that if Council approves this tonight, it will be taken for consideration by the City of Prescott Council on Tuesday.

Vice Mayor Tjiema made the MOTION, seconded by Council Member Lasker, to approve the Inter-Governmental Agreement with the City of Prescott for use of 7.5% of the Glassford Hill Communication System facility to enhance their public safety services, by electronic vote. MOTION carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- c. Consideration of awarding a construction contract to Earth Resources Corporation in an amount up to \$187,818.44 for the Long Look Drive Pavement Replacement Improvements project (CIP # S351) and approving an amendment to the Town Engineer Agreement for Dava & Associates in an amount of \$19,570.00

Public Works Director Norm Davis stated this request is for short area of base and asphalt replacement of Long Look Drive between Glassford Hill Road and Lone Cactus Drive that does receive quite a bit of traffic. In December the design contract was awarded to Dava and Associates to do a set of construction plans for this job. The funding source is the Highway User Revenue Funds which is the fund used to provide street maintenance. Earth Resources is currently constructing and will be paving the current project on Viewpoint and Long Look in the next few weeks. Earth Resources was also the low bidder for this contract with a recommendation from Dava and Associates to award it to them. Dava and Associates will provide the construction services overseeing the road work. A pathway will be added along the north fence along with this project. The job will be started the day after Memorial Day after school is out for the summer and anticipate it being completed by the end of the fiscal year.

Council Member Whiting made the MOTION, seconded by Council Member Anderson, to award a construction contract to Earth Resources Corporation in an amount up to \$187,818.44 for the Long Look Drive Pavement Replacement Improvements project (CIP # S351) and approving an amendment to the Town Engineer Agreement for Dava & Associates in an amount of \$19,570.00, by electronic vote. MOTION carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Council member Whiting stated that he and the other Council members received a nice letter from Chris and Rick McCune commending the Norm Davis's work in the community and how proud Council is to have him as our representative in the community.

- d. Consideration of approving an Agreement for Professional Services with Shephard Wesnitzer, Inc. for engineering design and construction administration services in an amount not to exceed \$38,340.00 for the Loos Drive Widening Project Phase III (CIP #S339.3)

Deputy Town Manager Ryan Judy said tonight's requested action is for the receipt of two grants that will be used for a combined project on Loos Drive, Phase II and Phase III. The Department of Housing approved the combination from which the Town will glean several benefits. We will get better bids as it will be a higher dollar project. It will be a better construction project as it will be seamless and we will get a better finished product. It will also be less inconvenient for residents as the jobs will be done at one time. The bad news is it will cause a delay in Phase II until Phase III catches up with the design on Phase II. Construction should begin about September. Richard Aldridge of Shephard Wesnitzer commented his company is looking forward to this project and appreciate the work. This project will make it safer for the kids going to school in that area.

Council member Nye said she is glad this project is about to go forward especially as the road gets closer to the S curves at Ranger which are especially dangerous at night. Vice Mayor Tjiema said this is one of the premier parks in town and these improvements will enhance citizen's experience even more. Judy added that this will be our third and fourth project in this area and will have invested about \$1.4 million in improvements for the residents.

Aldridge added that for an engineering firm, working with PV's staff is wonderful.

Council Member Whiting made the MOTION, seconded by Council Member Mallory, to approve an Agreement for Professional Services with Shephard Wesnitzer, Inc. for engineering design and construction administration services in an amount not to exceed \$38,340.00 for the Loos Drive Widening Project Phase III (CIP #S339.3), by electronic vote. MOTION carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Jeanine Tolley, as a DUI victim, came forward to formally recognize and thank the PVPD for the Mobile Command for DUI saturation patrols. Tolley announced that another DUI saturation patrol will be held May 25th for Memorial Day at Sam's Club with DPS, Prescott PD, PVPD and YCSO. Some officers are always present. She also thanked Town Manager Tarkowski for facilitating the two road signs at Florentine and Robert Rd. and another near SR89 as they encourage the public to call 911 for possible DUI and/or erratic drivers.
2. John Ramsey said he appreciates Council passing the IGA for the sharing of the communication tower as it does boost safety for the citizens. He lives on a small street in Diamond Valley which is an unincorporated area in the County. It is also the only access to the Glassford Hill towers. This 600 foot of road with seven houses along it is maintained by those property owners. The trucks park on this small street and the traffic up to the tower is ruining their road. The property owners want to pave or update their road or do whatever they can, but they are concerned because of the number of agencies that use it for emergency services. Their log shows that CYFD, PVPD, Prescott police department and Miles Radio travel up there numerous times a week. During inclement weather which affects the towers, these entities are up and down the street all day long. It is hard for the property owners to maintain the road with that amount of traffic. He is

requesting an agreement for some assistance from Prescott Valley and the County in maintaining the road.

Tarkowski stated that Prescott Valley was made aware of this today from a phone call from Joe Huot (Yavapai County) to Neil Wadsworth. Neil will get back to Joe Huot to make sure that we not impacting that piece of county road.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Tjiema made the MOTION, seconded by Council Member Whiting, to adjourn the meeting, by electronic vote. MOTION carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Mayor Skoog adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Diane Russell, Town Clerk

Harvey Skoog, Mayor

STATE OF ARIZONA)
COUNTY OF YAVAPAI) ss:
TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNCIL MINUTES

I, Diane Russell, Town Clerk of the Town of Prescott Valley, Arizona, 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 Prescott Valley, held on Thursday, May 9, 2013.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this May 15, 2013

Diane Russell, Town Clerk