

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
January 14, 2010**

*Magistrate Court/Council Chambers  
Town of Prescott Valley  
7501 E. Civic Circle  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314  
5:30 p.m.*

1. *CALL TO ORDER*
2. *INVOCATION*
3. *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*
4. *ROLL CALL*

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Skoog at 5:30 p.m. in the Magistrate Courtroom/Council Chambers. Pastor Don Tjiema of the Mountain Valley Church gave the Invocation after which he led the Pledge of Allegiance which was said in unison. The following Council members were present for roll call.

<i>Harvey Skoog</i>	<i>Mayor</i>
<i>Lora Lee Nye</i>	<i>Vice Mayor</i>
<i>Richard Anderson</i>	<i>Council member</i>
<i>Mike Flannery</i>	<i>Council member</i>
<i>Patty Lasker</i>	<i>Council member</i>
<i>Fran Schumacher</i>	<i>Council member</i>
<i>Harold Wise</i>	<i>Council member</i>

5. *ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS*
  - a. *Chamber of Commerce*

Chamber of Commerce Director Marnie Uhl introduced Ricky Henderson owner of the Redhouse Market Place and Danny Pruhs a Financial Advisor for Edward D. Jones. They each presented a little information about their particular business and expressed appreciation to council for the time to introduce themselves.

6. *CERTIFICATES*
  - a. *Plaque of appreciation to Cynthia Jones for 4 years of service on the Arts and Culture Commission*

Parks and Recreation Director Brian Witty explained that Cynthia Jones could not be in attendance tonight. Brian accepted the plaque and expressed Cynthia's appreciation for the recognition.

7. *COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS*

Vice Mayor Nye congratulated the Parks and Recreation department on a successful Polar Bear Splash event with 37 participants. Brian Witty thanked the sponsors and volunteers for their participation to make it so successful.

8. *CONSENT AGENDA.*

a. *Liquor Licenses & Permits*

(1) *Approving a new Series 12 Liquor License for Tailgaters Sports Grill and Il Primo Pizza & Wings located at 7160 E. Pav Way; Michael J. Stallone applicant*

b. *Authorizing the Mayor to sign an Amendment to the ADOT Motor Vehicle Division Electronic Data Access Agreement approved May 14, 2009*

c. *Accepting Homeland Security Grants and approving the proposed listed grant purchases*

d. *Accepting a renewal of the Governor's Office of Children, Youth and Families STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant requiring a 25% non-federal Town funding match and approving the affiliated expenditures*

e. *Approving Departmental Monthly Statistical Reports:*

*Community Development*

*Library*

*Parks and Recreation*

*Public Works*

*Town Clerk*

*Utilities*

Council member Schumacher made the MOTION, seconded by Council member Flannery, to approve all items on the consent agenda, by roll call vote. MOTION carried UNANIMOUSLY.

9. *UNFINISHED BUSINESS (FOR ACTION)*

A. *Consideration of approving the second reading, by title only, and passage of Ordinance No. 738 adopting the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code*

Town Clerk Diane Russell read **Ordinance No. 738** by title only for the second reading after which Mayor Skoog asked, "Shall the ordinance pass?" **Ordinance No. 738** passed UNANIMOUSLY.

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

a. *Consideration of appointing Michelle Tissot to an existing term on the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term with a renewal date of June 30, 2011*

Council members Flannery and Schumacher, and Vice Mayor Nye conducted interviews of applicants and recommend appointment of Michelle Tissot to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Council member Flannery made the MOTION, seconded by Council member Schumacher, to appoint Michelle Tissot to an existing term with a renewal date of June 30,

2011, by roll call vote. MOTION carried UNANIMOUSLY. Michelle expressed her appreciation for the appointment.

*b. Consideration of appointing Richard Patton to the Arts and Culture Commission for a term with a renewal date of June 30, 2011*

Council members Flannery and Schumacher, and Vice Mayor Nye conducted interviews of applicants and recommend appointment of Richard Patton to the Arts and Culture Commission. Council member Flannery made the MOTION, seconded by Council member Schumacher, to appoint Richard Patton to a full term with a renewal date of June 30, 2011, by roll call vote. MOTION carried UNANIMOUSLY. Richard thanked the Council for the appointment.

*c. Public Hearing*

*Open Public Hearing*

*Proposed Minor General Plan Amendment (GPA09-003) changing the designation of approximately 16 acres located south of Long Look Drive and east of Glassford Hill Road from Town Center-Residential to Town Center-Mixed Use Low Intensity*

*Close Public Hearing*

Mayor Skoog opened the public hearing. Planner Joe Scott stated this public hearing is to take comment on a request by Fain Land and Cattle Company for a Minor Amendment to the *General Plan 2020* changing the designation of approximately sixteen (16) acres located south of Long Look Drive and eight hundred (800) feet east of Glassford Hill Road, from “Town Center- Residential” to “Town Center-Mixed Use Low Intensity”

The Prescott Valley *General Plan 2020* was adopted on January 17, 2002 and ratified by the voters on March 12, 2002. Specific land uses were described for the Prescott Valley Town Center in Section 4.3.2.2 of the *Plan*. However, it was anticipated that said land uses would be updated over time to reflect evolving market conditions and planning strategies. On January 8, 2007, the Planning and Zoning Commission considered a *Plan* change for about fifty-seven (57) acres in the Town Center that designated most of the remaining undeveloped land as Mixed Use Low Intensity / Mixed Use Limited Retail / Mixed Use High Intensity and Residential. This amendment reflected the intention of the property owner to place higher intensity uses north along Lakeshore Drive (across from the Civic Center) to create a main street and business core atmosphere near the Civic Center. Text changes allowed for a larger variety of retail businesses and facilitated mixed-use development in the Town Center, and enhanced pedestrian access to the entertainment district and Civic Center. The Town Council approved this change by Resolution No. 1483 on February 8, 2007. At that time, the subject sixteen (16) acres were designated Residential and located between an area on the west designated as Town Center-Mixed Use Low Intensity and the regional detention basin and planned soccer field on the east. All of this was west of the planned southerly extension of Viewpoint Drive from Long Look Drive to Civic Circle. Since then, there has been significant residential development on the east side of the planned Viewpoint Drive extension (Sungate Senior Villa Apartments Phase I, sixty four (64) units, and Sungate Senior Villa Apartments Phase II, fifty-four (54) units). Therefore, the property owners have asked to change the designation of these 16 acres on the west side in order to create a consolidated commercial parcel at the corner of Glassford Hill Road and Long Look Drive. By changing the *Plan* designation from Town Center- Residential to Town Center-Mixed Use Low Intensity, the current RCU-70 zoning could later be changed to C2-PAD similar to adjacent property.

A Traffic Impact Statement has been prepared to evaluate access points and required off-site improvements to public streets for such a consolidated commercial area. This has been evaluated by

Public Works and Engineering staff and would provide the basis for some of the conditions of approval for rezoning that staff would recommend for approval.

A neighborhood meeting was conducted on this proposed *Plan* Amendment and a related proposed Zoning Map Change as required by Town Code. Property owners within a one thousand (1,000) foot radius were contacted. There were no objections to the change in land use as requested. Then, a Public Hearing was held on December 14, 2009 during the regular meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Some concerns were expressed by citizens about future traffic and land uses, but it was determined by the Commission that such issues would be addressed at the time of rezoning. The applicant also agreed to meet with the citizens to discuss their concerns. At the close of the hearing, the Commission unanimously recommended approval and forwarded GPA 09-003 to the Town Council.

Council member Flannery asked Mr. Scott to explain what mixed use, low density is. Scott explained it allows for a wide range of commercial uses that would be allowed by the future zoning of the C2 PAD zoning like the Kohls and Frys stores. Community Development Director Richard Parker stated the significance of the zoning that could be placed there would be subject to council's subsequent legislative action which is not part of the subject tonight. The mixed use designation contemplates office as well as a variety of commercial uses that may be permitted there. There has not been other than a generalized site plan prepared. Council will be given the opportunity in the future to look at the zoning map change to have it fully vetted with the neighboring properties.

Mr. Mike Wiffey, agent, addressed the council saying that this is the next line in getting the right property zoning for the Town Center for a true mix of uses in that area. They will be back with the zoning case which provides a large buffer along Long Look.

Mayor Skoog closed the public hearing as no other comments were forthcoming.

- d. Consideration of authorizing the Mayor to sign **Resolution No. 1685** approving a Minor General Plan Amendment (GPA09-003) and to sign any agreement under Proposition 207*

Council member Wise made the MOTION, seconded by Council member Schumacher, to authorize the Mayor to sign **Resolution No. 1685** approving GPA09-003 and to sign any agreement under Prop 207, by roll call vote. MOTION carried UNANIMOUSLY.

- e. Consideration of authorizing the Mayor to sign **Ordinance No. 740** approving the proposed annexation of 2 acres generally located on 5<sup>th</sup> Street approximately 400 feet south of 6<sup>th</sup> Street for a proposed Veterans of Foreign Wars Lodge*

Planner Joe Scott stated this is a request by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Mingus Mountain Post #10227. This proposed annexation (ANX09-002) comprises approximately two (2) acres lying in Section 22, Township 14 North, Range 1 West, of the Gila & Salt River Meridian, Yavapai County, Arizona. The annexation is at the request of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mingus Mountain Post 10227. The subject property is generally located on 5<sup>th</sup> Street approximately four hundred (400) feet south of 6<sup>th</sup> Street, being immediately south of the Moose Lodge. The zoning designation of the subject property is currently RCU-2A under Yavapai County jurisdiction. Should the property be annexed, similar zoning of RCU-70 would initially be adopted by the Town. However, there has been a request to subsequently re-zone the property to RS-PAD immediately following annexation to allow construction of a new VFW Lodge.

A blank petition for annexation ANX09-002 was filed with the Yavapai County Recorder's Office on November 5, 2009, starting the necessary thirty (30) day waiting period prescribed in ARS §9-471. A public hearing was held on December 3, 2009, after statutory notice and public comment was received. Said notice included advertisement in the *Daily Courier*, site postings, and mailings to listed property owners and to the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors.

Once the thirty (30) day waiting period elapsed, signed annexation petitions were obtained from the owners of property that would be subject to taxation by the Town and representing more than one-half (1/2) of the owners of the real and personal property in the annexation territory, and one-half (1/2) or more in value of the real and personal property in the annexation territory. Those signed petitions were filed with the Yavapai County Recorder's Office on December 30, 2009. It is now proposed that this ordinance be adopted in accordance with ARS §9-471. This action is proposed as an emergency measure solely for the purpose of allowing the Ordinance to be adopted by a single reading under Town Code §2-05-030.

Richard Imburgia expressed appreciation to council for annexing this property to provide them the opportunity to build the VFW lodge.

Council member Schumacher made the MOTION, seconded by Vice Mayor Nye, to read **Ordinance No. 740** by title once as an emergency measure and place the same on final passage and approval any agreement under Prop 207, by roll call vote. MOTION carried UNANIMOUSLY.

#### *11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC*

*[The comments listed below are verbatim as stated by the speakers]*

##### 1. Jeri Kooiman – Chairperson PVEDF, Kooiman Realty, Kooiman Construction

Mrs. Kooiman noted that members of the Prescott Valley Economic Foundation, Chamber of Commerce, Arizona Senior Association, Central Arizona Partnership and Central Yavapai Fire District and business owners were present this evening. Among the people in attendance she saw people who have lost their homes, are ready to lose their homes and have lost their businesses. Their hopes and dreams are gone. She speaks in support of our elected leaders to bring jobs to our community and protect are economic strength, diversity and economic vitality. They ask that council educate themselves in form and investigate any and all industry and company that comes knocking at our doors. This is where opportunity lives and we are proud to say that. An opportunity for jobs is on our horizon right now. The State of Arizona may issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a corrections facility and Corrections Corporation of America may present Prescott Valley in their response to that RFP. PVEDF has been approached to present workforce and other information to CCA. This is their job. They would be remiss if they didn't follow up on every single lead and need for jobs in PV. Information has been provided to CCA that they hope will encourage job growth here. There has been a lot of misinformation about this issue that needs to be dispelled. Kooiman announced an opportunity for further information and education which was distributed to people as they entered the Council Chambers this evening. A tour of a CCA facility in Eloy will provide additional information and education on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in going may call PVEDF at 775-0032. January 28<sup>th</sup> at the Town

Council meeting, Elliott D. Pollack & Company will present a Financial Impact Report. In addition, a public information forum will be held February 9<sup>th</sup> at CASA.

2. George Orlik – Mr. Orlik commented that over two years ago there was an attempt to put in a 2,000 inmate prison here, prompting him to walk the highway with a sign which he again did on December 23 and 24. He feels this is a violation of the Constitution of the United States ‘cruel and unusual punishment’. If a state arrests someone and incarcerates them, they should stay in that state. We are looking at a 5,000 inmate prison/concentration camp and he didn’t know that this existed in this democracy. This is the second time this has been brought up. He would not have moved to this town if there was a prison. Now a prison is going to be rammed down our throat because some landowner wants to sell land. It appears that PVEDF who we pay \$244,000 a year to bring these economic schemes to the table like a piece of road kill. I don’t think we should pay them a penny. I think if people have land they want to sell and develop they should find commercial real estate brokers to do it and not on the back of a town that needs money for its people with disabilities, the needy and the poor.
3. Lisa Imburgia – Mrs. Imburgia got her information off the internet from the City of Eloy. Eloy shows a 74.4 percent Hispanic population not that that should make a difference in this subject of a prison. Eloy has five large CCA prisons. Eloy lives at 31.9 percent of its residents below the poverty level. You tell us the prison is all for good jobs. With these five prisons only six of the town residents have these good jobs. The pay scale ranges from \$14,600 to \$29,300. These are jobs you say are good. Some of our Town Council, the Town Manager and Gary Marks are calling this good work opportunities for the people of Prescott Valley. Gary Marks and our Town Manager make five (5) times that amount. That’s a good job. She went to Eloy because she wanted to see this prison that one would not recognize as a prison unless they drove into the parking lot. You see these ugly gray buildings with 15 to 20 foot high fences and rolls of razor steel three deep across the top and bottom. This was a heartbreaking, ugly sight and visible for miles away. She has pictures of it and the fortified homes nearby. A huge bail bonds man sign was posted. Before being escorted away from the area, they had an opportunity to talk to some of guards. Not one of them lived in Eloy; most live in Tucson or Phoenix. Upon asking one guard if he would like to have a prison in his town, he responded what kind of a question is that, you are here because you don’t want it in your town. According to the National Institute of Corrections, the vast majority of prison guards live 15 to 30 miles outside of the community that houses the prisons. They don’t want their families located near a prison. This is in all states they do not spend their wages in the local communities, real estate prices affected negatively throughout the community not just around the prison. This should cause concern for all citizens in the quad city area. There is an influx of families, friends and related parties to the inmates into the community. These people for the most part are of questionable character, do not have regular jobs and access public services for food, services and housing. In short they are an economic drain to the local community. Minor crime and misdemeanors increase dramatically and it affects the whole community. Prisons have a net negative impact on sewer and water services. Councils having lunch tell people this will not affect you. But according to the people who have done studies, this will affect everybody. Gary Marks, Larry Tarkowski, Mayor and any Council member that think that we really need the CCA prison people to educate us. I wish he would take a second thought on that. The people in Prescott Valley can read and we don’t need to be brainwashed. An attempt to do damage control articles

appeared in the newspaper passing blame for this near hysteria. The blame really lies with you. Why is Gary Marks giving this little talk next session? Why did you drop this ugly bomb on us four days before one of the biggest holidays of the year? [Mayor Skoog announced that the five minute timer went off.] You were doing all you can to discourage people from telling you what you don't want to hear and should already know. No prison in Prescott Valley.

4. Elmer Caldwell – Mr. Caldwell stated that the last speaker pretty well covered what he had to say with a few exceptions. He was pleased to see the letter to the editor in the Courier and that council said they were going to look into this before any final decisions were made. The facts that he uncovered are completely different from the fact sheet he received upon entering the meeting tonight. One thing is not even mentioned is what will the impact be on our water and sewer system? He loves this town and doesn't believe this project is in our best interest. The voters have elected the council to do a job - he challenges them to do that job represent the citizens the way they should be represented and don't listen to the interests of special interest groups.
5. Jason Segweig – Mr. Segwieg said he has lost his business, is in the process of losing his home and with his family of seven children is very discouraged at the lack of job opportunities that this town has to offer. Short of moving back to Phoenix where there are more jobs he will welcome this prison and will be the first to stand in line to apply for a job whether the income is \$14,600 or \$29,000 - it offers full benefits. I like this community, have lived here for six years and would like to see this economic development come to our town.
6. Chuck Bordenaze – Mr. Bordenaze said two years ago he spoke on this and said Gary Marks should be fired then for even considering something like this. Mayor Skoog said he would appreciate it if he doesn't try to attack any individual and speak to the issue. Mr. Bordenaze told the Mayor not to interrupt and to let him finish. These jobs and construction money they claim ... is fairy dust. These companies have contractors and suppliers who ... If you think they are going to open a 5,000 bed maximum security prison with employees from this town, you got another think coming. Those employees are coming from other institutions they are not going to open jobs like that to people who have no experience in correction. There might be a hundred jobs that come in here like that – maybe. The big thing this is all about is money. Money for the people who want to sell the land, all about money for the Town of Prescott Valley that they get from the federal government and all about money for the people who are in control. It has nothing to do ... in his opinion this is the first time, it's kind of ironic that you say you want to help people and give them jobs but, and that's what you are using is an emotional thing to cover up what you are really trying to do. Jobs is an emotional issue. I feel sorry for the gentleman that just spoke. It's tough luck, but this is not the right thing to do and the wrong way to go about it.
7. Carm Staker – Mrs. Staker expressed concern regarding lack of jobs in our community. I have lived here 31 years and worried about it for many years. When I first came here most of our young people had to go down to the valley to find a job. You just heard a young man speak a few minutes ago about the need for jobs and the fact that he had lost his business and losing his house. It is so important for us to do everything we can to enable our young people and people who are not young to be able to find jobs here. I urge you to support this correctional facility issue. You have my support.

8. Nicholas Donsky – Mr. Donsky read a letter to the editor published in the Daily Courier – *The Top Ten Reasons Why the Town of Prescott Valley Needs to Build a 5,000 Bed Prison Off Fain Road on Fain Land*. 10. Property values in town aren't low enough, 9. Another small town beat us out of the toxic nuclear waste dump, 8. When the family, friends, business associates and family gang members come to town to visit the inmates the sale of chocolate cakes, metal files and drugs will sky rocket, 7. Additionally the sale of video cameras, motion detectors, security systems, security doors, security windows and fire arms and ammo will increase the town's sales tax revenue, 6. Revenue from the prison can offset the doubling of Prescott Valley police force in courts, 5. Locals will never miss the approximately 840 acre feet of water that the prison will flush every year, 4. Economic recessions are temporary, but prisons last forever, 3. Johnny Cash Jr's new song Prescott Valley Prison Blues will turn the town into a tourist mecca for country/western bands, 2. We can change the name of the town to Prison Valley, 1. Because of the colossal financial mismanagement of the Entertainment Center and the Event Center, both the Town of Prescott Valley and the Fain Signature Group really, really need the money.
9. Mary Mallory – I do support the prison and everyday at my job I have people coming to look for work. When that last gentleman said tough luck, we have an obligation to help the people in this community with keeping their house, finding work and feeding their family and they want to work. So if there is something here that will work and help the people, your neighbors' right down the street they need work then we need to look at this seriously. There are pros and cons to everything but attacking and badgering each other will not get the job done. We need to come together and work together and find a solution that will put people back to work and help us. We are here to support people so that is what we should do, support each other. I am for this prison. I encourage everyone to look into all the details and go forward and get a lot of knowledge because that is what I am going to do. I am tired of telling people, no; I don't have a job for you. We have to do something.
10. Susan Orlick – I just want to say that the last person who spoke I understand how she may feel about jobs. Jobs are important to keeping our community alive. But that doesn't mean we sell our souls. It doesn't mean that the jobs that you bring in are going to be from this community. No one has specifically said, 'Wow we are going to have this amount of jobs and they are going to be permanent'. And we are going to have the safety of our community at the same time. We cannot sell Prescott Valley, it's not right! Two years ago, we said to you council, please don't put a 2,000 or 3,000 minimum security prison, I believe at that time. And we said; please don't put that in our community. We don't want it and we are asking you not to entertain it. And two years ago, my husband stood there with a sign and people came and said, yes and no and ultimately you agreed that that was not what Prescott Valley residents wanted. It doesn't seem right to elect you again because you seemed to agree with most residents here and then have you turn around and bring in the topic again. It almost feels like a betrayal; it feels like to me ... I am totally frustrated, I decided to stay here because my Town Council said okay. They listened to me they listened to others and we simply asked for this not to be brought up and again it comes up. It doesn't seem right for you to take that trust that we had in this being a dead issue and bringing it up again. We all moved here not because we wanted to be in a prison town. If we wanted to do that we would move to Eloy or some other place where those jobs and those people want to work and they want to work in a prison. And if that is where they want to be they

should be there, but we were here first and it doesn't feel fair nor right to expect the Town Council to bring in perhaps, according to some statistics, six jobs for a prison that will have a detrimental impact on everyone's lives even people who work in a prison don't have very good mental health when they get out. As people who live here, you all live here do you want to live in a prison town? Don't sell our and your souls for six jobs, it doesn't seem worth it. And it's a violation of trust and I just don't think it is fair. As my mother once said, it's just not nice, it's plain not nice. Thank you.

11. Brad Wiggins – I represent Correction Corporation of America. You are to be commended tonight for starting this process. This is a process that I have seen hundreds of communities be involved all across the nation. This is the beginning of public education and public awareness processes a description of what the project will entail talking about the many positive impacts that CCA has experienced in the other 66 communities where we are located including here in Arizona where as other individuals have said, we are operating 5 facilities in Eloy and 2 in Florence. Pinal County has been shown to be one of the, if not the, fastest growing counties in America. A great part of that has to do with that fact that CCA is located there and operating correctional facilities. There is so much that goes into developing a correctional partnership. We recognize Prescott Valley and this area as a location that might be ideally suited to CCA in response to the Request for Proposals that the State of Arizona is anticipated to be releasing. This could be a huge project for CCA and a huge project for Prescott Valley. The construction budget is expected to be around \$200,000,000.00. There is anticipated to be 350 to 400 construction jobs – tradesman, skilled and unskilled, carpenters, electricians, and the whole nine yards. The construction time frame is expected to run about 18 months or so. After completion the facility will have over 400 full-time jobs with a very competitive wage, health benefits, 401K plans and an opportunity to see individuals that live here have a job or individuals that may have moved away come back to an employment opportunity. There have been a lot of things said here tonight that do not ring true that I encourage to continue doing your own due diligence on CCA. We have been conducting tours as we said additional tours will be conducted. I encourage anyone that is here in the audience tonight that would like to go on a tour of CCA's facilities to either go through PVEDF. I will make cards available people can contact me. The reason that CCA has grown to being in nineteen states and the District of Columbia – we have over 17,500 staff nation wide and 82,000 inmates in our system. The reason we have grown to this point is because we understand the importance of partnerships and working with the local communities, being good stewards of those communities and I ask you to give us this opportunity to present our information, continue doing additional tours and I'll be happy to answer any questions. I would ask that you allow another forum to take place in which I will be happy to address every point, point-by-point. We are currently evaluating Prescott Valley against other communities in the state, and I will say to you that CCA is committed to moving forward with the public awareness project is because we understand that this is a fantastic community where staff are going to want to live and work and raise their families.
12. Richard Imburgia – The gentlemen stated his name but he didn't tell us where he lives. Can you do that please? Mr. Wiggins responded that he lives in Nashville, Tennessee where CCA's support center is located. Mr. Imburgia stated he knows there is a prison in Nashville. How far do you live from the prison?

Town Manager Larry Tarkowski and Mayor Skoog attempted to bring the discussion back to order.

Mr. Imburgia said he wants to know how far he [Mr. Wiggins] lives away from the prison. Is he within sight of the prison? Is he within walking distance? When the sirens go off to let you know there is a disturbance there, can he hear 'em? These are the questions... he says he will answer any questions. I want him to come up and answer these questions to me.

Town Manager Larry Tarkowski asked Mr. Imburgia to address the council, as per state law. If you want to have some answers to those questions there will be other forums I heard Mr. Wiggins and also PVEDF talk about having some open discussion.

Mr. Imburgia asked if on these tours, would they be able to get off this bus and go into a local business like my wife and I did and talk them people. Mayor Skoog said the town is not sponsoring the tours, the .... Mr. Imburgia said he [Mr. Wiggins] should come up and tell us all this so that the people that are here can make up their mind whether they want to go not. If it is going to be to their advantage to where they can get answers to their questions from people that actually live in these towns, I think they should be able to do that.

13. Katrina Gabriel Lopez - I am a sophomore attending Bradshaw Mountain High School and I am in support of this prison.
14. George Orlick – I'd like to bring some personal experience to this. It's not so much a matter of a prisons, it's the matter of a concentration camp prison. I was a New York City Policeman, I started in 1968 – 21 years and I put over 200 people away. In those times we had the ability for these people to gain some kind of rehabilitation from local clergy, local legal aid and family support. If we ship people all across this country, I mean we have people Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan who have fallen through the cracks. Alcoholism, drug addiction. Sending them 8 – 10 states away to put them in a massive 5,000 prison warehouse is absolutely Nazi. I can't believe it, what's next - gas chambers? You gonna start that ... this is a for profit organization they are going to want to keep their prisoners in prison as long as possible to make the maximum amount of money for their stock holders. And I think it is erosion of American democratic values.
15. Michelle Monger – It took us a really long time to find this city. To have a safe place for my kids. We had just moved from a place that had a prison seven miles from my house. They would take bus loads of chain gangs put in our back yards to pull weeds with one sheriff. You cannot tell me this is the most sensible thing for jobs. Everybody that moved there was all gang related every single one of them. Gangs were pushing people out of their homes so their gang families could move in. So they could be with their gang families in the prison. Nothing there is safe. My daughter was bullied and pushed into a corner in the bathroom from parents and children, the parents were in the prisons... you know because she was white and she was... not that it is a racial thing... but their dads and moms were in prison and because she had nice clothes and what have you. This is just a completely wrong... if you guys do this we'll have to move again. This is completely uncalled for. I should have spoke last time you guys had this. I have a four year old and a sixteen year old and they are prospering here so well. And if you do this, no one is going to prosper. Nobody. I have seen what happens with a prison is near someone's town. Graffiti. We had shotguns in our backyard. I mean there is

16. Tom Steele – My first thought when I heard this come up was the people just told you two and half years ago what this was like. We filled up the chamber and outer chamber over a 2,000 bed minimum security prison. The fact is, CCA is a for profit corporation. They have a 50% average turnover rate per year because they pay just enough to hire people, give them minimal amount of training, they save money with staffing levels, they save money by cutting back. They will have an infirmary, but we will have their dental cases, and surgery cases and health issues. Those people will be escorted off to our local hospital and dentists and doctors. It has been noted in records, that friends get guns to these people and there are shot outs and escapes on these occasions. Even if not, they have to be isolated in the hospital and space is created for them to come in. The entire town is going to be within five (5) miles of this prison. It is going to be lit from dusk to dawn every day of the week. We are going to have to live with that if you do it. And we are going to be reminded of that every time we down Fain from either direction. There would almost have a sign there that says, ‘Caution, do not pick up hitchhikers – prison area’. And whether there is no breakouts or not, the fear will be constant and I am certain that Gary Marks and the Chamber of Commerce will not be able to put on their brochure, ‘Wow come to Prescott Valley, we’ve got the largest prison in the State of Arizona.’ You’ll be happy to know that we’d do that. So I ask you to think long and hard, last Friday I left a package on each one of your, well in front of the office cause the office was locked. And I also left packages for senior staff that was the opposite side of what you are going to hear from CCA. They are sales people. You got their PR people here tonight. They are sales people. Okay. I have been both in sales and I have been in purchasing and I know you are gonna’ get a song and a dance, but when you sign the paper that’s when the deal stops. So I hope you read all the information available, and that you listen to the people of Prescott valley and that this telephone survey that you are going to make of the town, I hope it is done properly and sufficient that you people listen to what we are going to say and you do the right thing for all the people. There will be very few people who will come out of this well. The construction will come out of another state or possibly Maricopa. The provisioning will be so huge that it will come out of Maricopa County or out of state. There will be at most on their average of 27% local hires if they hire 400 people. That’s 108 jobs. There is prisoner abuse, it’s excessive – 40% higher than it is in any other state prison or federal prison. There is guard abuse. There is lawsuits from the ACLU and others for violation of civil rights and a lot of those burdens will fall unto us because a private prison is not protected as state prisons are from lawsuits. They will enjoin the town and county as well. It costs about \$10,000 a day to track down an escapee. And those costs will not be borne by CCA; they will be borne by the taxpayers of Yavapai County. So I ask you to think long and hard, deliberate, and just do the right thing.
17. Ryan MulCahey – I was in your meeting last week and I had a little background in some things but I read the Elliot Pollack report about bringing jobs to a town. That report specifically says, “Core jobs, companies that bring other companies”. So for every one job that hired, you are going to hire 2 or 3 by attracting other businesses. The question I have is the future. Once it is here, Eloy only grew by adding more prisons. We need to look hard at the future, I know they have trouble bringing jobs here, cause everyone does across the country. But if you bring the prison here, their job is going to be 10 times harder in the future. So we will really limit our opportunities in the future. I

think we can do better. I moved here and our motto was the shining star of northern Arizona. This sounds like settling and an act of desperation – personal feelings.

18. Lisa Imburgia – One of the things that the gentleman from the CCA didn't tell us that I did see on line, this prison company wanted to be global. They had problems and they weren't financial then. I don't remember exactly what they were then. But they were not good. Not only in one country England, but Australia. They were asked to leave according to the articles that I read on line. Just today I read an article where a prison in California closed, CCA moved out, but CCA had a prison in California. Now if we build this prison and they decide to move out are you going to be a guard and go fill in until we find somebody to take over the prison? A state or federal prison would never go out of business and leave a town high and dry. CCA will. They go for 4 and 5 year contracts. You are going to go for a 20 year bond to bring in infrastructure. You are not going to get a 20 year contract out of them. Because every time their contract is renewed they are going to ask for more money for each prisoner. Now I found this on line, you guys all have internet. You can all find the same thing – everything I'm telling you I found on the internet.

Mayor Skoog stated we are starting to get repeats here and we would like some fresh information if there is any.

19. I had to a statement because a lot of this is based on economic development. I'm from Seattle WA. In 1971, the Boeing Co., the largest single employer in the Seattle area laid off 65% of the people. Within 3 months, you could drive out I-5 south at the city limits there was a huge billboard that said 'the last person to leave Seattle, please turn out the lights. Two years later, it was one of the hottest economies in the country. Think about that.

Mayor Skoog asked if there is no further comment, I would ask for an adjournment. I want to thank you folks for coming and expressing your thoughts. I understand there will be opportunities through the Economic Development Foundation for an educational forum.

Mr. George Orlick indicated he wished to speak again. Mayor Skoog commented that he has already spoken twice and asked him to keep it short.

20. George Orlick – I am curious, I'm just wondering if this prison would come in and require so many hundreds of acre feet of water, would that then be justification for the Big Chino pipeline which would allow range land owners who own thousands of acres to then develop commercial industrial or residential? I came over here on Glassford Hill Road and I noticed that behind the Glassford Hill Apartments a number of buildings that look worse than the army barracks I served in, in Fort Dix New Jersey. I'm just wondering if this whole thing might be scam.

## *12. ADJOURNMENT*

Vice Mayor Nye made the MOTION, seconded by Council member Wise, to adjourn the meeting by roll call vote. MOTION carried UNANIMOUSLY. Mayor Skoog adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Diane Russell, Town Clerk

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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, January 14, 2010. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this January 25, 2010

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Diane Russell, Town Clerk