

**MINUTES OF THE  
MAYOR'S AD HOC RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE  
OF THE TOWN OF CHINO VALLEY**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016  
4:00 P.M.**

The Mayor's Ad Hoc Recreational Committee of the Town of Chino Valley, Arizona, convened for a public meeting in the Council Chambers, located at 202 N. State Route 89, Chino Valley, Arizona.

Present: Mayor Chris Marley; Councilmember Susan Cuka; Councilmember Lon Turner; R George Cooper; Paula Cooper; Danielle Feller

Absent: Todd League; Hans Vang

**1) CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Marley called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**2) ROLL CALL**

**3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a) Consideration and possible action to accept the June 28, 2016 public meeting minutes.

MOVED by R George Cooper, seconded by Danielle Feller to accept the minutes.

**Vote:** 6 - 0 PASSED - Unanimously

- b) Consideration and possible action to accept the July 7, 2016 public meeting minutes.

MOVED by Councilmember Susan Cuka, seconded by R George Cooper to accept the minutes for July 7.

**Vote:** 6 - 0 PASSED - Unanimously

**4) CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

*Call to the Public is an opportunity for the public to address the Committee concerning a subject that is not on the agenda. Public comment is encouraged. Individuals are limited to speak for three (3) minutes. The total time for Call to the Public may be up to 15 minutes per meeting. Committee action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date, or responding to criticism.*

No one from the public spoke.

**5) OLD BUSINESS**

- a) Discussion and possible action regarding communication with Yavapai College.

Mayor Marley reported that he spoke with Yavapai Community College (YCC) President Penny Wills about the Town's contract with YCC and Ms. Wills' was amenable to working with the Town on it.

Councilmember Cuka and Mayor Marley discussed YCC's option to purchase additional property that was in the recreational area that could affect the recreational area plan. Mayor Marley believed the college did not use the option, but Councilmember Cuka stated that there were some with YCC that believed they did.

Mayor Marley stated that he would verify this matter with the town attorney.

- b) Discussion and possible action regarding the Motorsports proposal.

The Committee discussed possible locations for the motorsports proposal for 26 acres of use at OHM and how it would affect other current and proposed uses in the recreational area. Key points were:

- Possible locations were dependent upon the locations for shotgun sports and Model Aviators.
- The proposed design of the speedway included light poles, which the Model Aviators did not support near their flight path and line of sight.
- They could not consider the area that contained the Town's recharge ponds, as the Town may add more.
- The plan must allow for shared parking; ideally, parking would be in the middle of the recreational area, leaving more usable space for activities.
- Councilmember Turner reported that he spoke with Vicky Wilkinson, who owned nearby ranchland, and she had no objections to motorsports if it would be good for the Town.
- One possible solution was to ask YCC about the northwest corner of [square 3]. If that was not acceptable, Mayor Marley could ask the town manager about exchanging some land currently designated for the industrial park. This would be dependent upon the grant associated with the industrial park, which might be tied to a specific survey of land.

The group discussed items 5c and 5d during the above, then came back to item 5b.

Councilmember Cuka expressed concern that the current land use plan was taking activities conducive to the college further away and bringing activities less conducive closer. The group discussed moving the Equestrian Association (CVEA) around the college, thus opening up square 12 for the racetrack, 11 for parking, and 17 for RVs. This would only require a new survey and legal for CVEA and the need to verify if all of square 8 was available for them. The Committee preferred this option.

Ms. Feller stated that she would bring this proposal to the CVEA meeting on Thursday and inform Mayor Marley of the outcome.

Mayor Marley stated that he hoped to meet with Ms. Wills next Tuesday.

- c) Discussion and possible action regarding the Equestrian Association update.

Ms. Feller and Mayor Marley reported that:

- The property survey for their proposed lease was finished, so the lease could be signed in September.
- The Town had not yet indicated when they intended to vacate the current Public Works building.
- The proposed lease was for two years on the southern half of square 8 and five years on squares 11 and 12. This would give them time to improve it and see if it got off the ground. Eventually, the rodeo arena would be moved to square 11 or 12.

The CVEA preferred that the racetrack be on square 20, but that would leave no parking.

**d)** Discussion and possible action regarding the Model Aviators Club.

The Committee discussed the area that the Model Aviators desired to relocate to, and how that would accommodate the mud run. They noted that even though the Model Aviators Club was asking for a large parcel of land, the area they requested would be jointly used by other recreation groups.

**6) NEW BUSINESS**

**7) ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by R George Cooper, seconded by Danielle Feller to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

**Vote:** 6 - 0 PASSED - Unanimously

Dated this 16th day of August, 2016.

By: *Jami C. Lewis, Town Clerk*

Approved: September 27, 2016