MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CHINO VALLEY

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2013
6:00 P.M.

The Town Council of the Town of Chino Valley, Arizona, met for a Regular Meeting in the Chino Valley Council Chambers, located at 202 N. State Route 89, Chino Valley, Arizona, on Tuesday, July 23, 2013.

Present: Mayor Chris Marley; Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft; Councilmember Mike Best; Councilmember Linda Hatch; Councilmember Pat McKee; Councilmember Lon Turner; Councilmember Don Wojcik

Staff Present: Town Manager Robert Smith; General Services Director Cecilia Watts; Town Attorney Phyllis Smiley; Finance Director Joe Duffy; Police Chief Chuck Wynn; Lieutenant Vince Schaan; Police Officer Jody Villalobos; Magistrate John Walker; Town Engineer/Public Works Director Ron Grittman; Building Official Dan Trout; Associate Planner Dennis Price; Town Clerk Assistant Liz Hart; Town Clerk Jami Lewis (recorder)

1) CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; ROLL CALL

Mayor Marley called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Councilmember Hatch gave the invocation and Mayor Marley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) INTRODUCTIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS

3) CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Call to the Public is an opportunity for the public to address the Council 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 30 minutes per meeting. Council 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 speaker remarks.

Lee Dudley with Bright Star Mini Storage spoke about Council waiving park use facility fees for the organizations sponsoring Territorial Days and enforcement of the Town's sign ordinance with regard to the Days Inn.

4) RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC

Response to the Public is an opportunity for the Mayor to inform the public about how Town officials addressed matters raised during Call to the Public at a previous meeting.

a) Dust and speeding issues along M. A. Perkins Trailway and the Town chipsealing a portion of it.

Mayor Marley reported that the Engineering Department was currently developing its 2013 chipseal projects and M. A. Perkins Trail will be included in the ranking process for funding.

b) The dollar amount that triggers the public bidding requirement for Town purchases.

Mayor Marley reviewed the Town's general procurement regulations and comparisons to similar communities, and reported that competitive sealed bids were required for purchases over $20,000.

c) Reasons for a lack of additional shopping or another grocery store.

Mayor Marley reported that the main hindrance for additional shopping venues was a lack of infrastructure; the Town was addressing that, but it will take time.

5) CURRENT EVENT SUMMARIES AND REPORTS

This item is for information only. The Mayor, any Councilmember, or Town Manager may present a brief summary or report of current events, or ask a staff member to provide the same. Presentation on information requested by the Mayor and Council will be made and questions answered. No action will be taken.

Councilmember McKee reported on a recent Finance Committee meeting, at which the main discussion topic was the procurement code.

Councilmember Best reported on a recent Fire District meeting, at which the main topics were emergency planning, the fallen Granite Mountain Hot Shots, and a land swap between the District and the Town.

Mayor Marley reported that he had authorized an emergency expenditure of $84,000 last week to repair a gas leak at the north campus. He then presented his Mayor's Report, which pertained to the posting of notices per the Open Meeting Law.

a) Report from Mayor and Councilmembers regarding change of members on General Plan Committee. (Mayor Marley)

Mayor Marley reported on changes to the General Plan Committee membership since its inception in early 2012 and that Council will be addressing these changes formally on August 13.

b) Quarterly update on Municipal Court operations by Town Magistrate, Judge Walker.

Judge Walker reported on: the final total of accumulated Court monies being disbursed; N-Court debit and credit payment system being operational; Court staff exploring a life skills program for citizens; and a first quarter goal to develop a rough draft of core values for performance appraisals.

6) CONSENT AGENDA

All those items listed below are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. Any Councilmember may request to remove an item from the Consent Agenda to be considered and discussed separately.

Council set down item 6e.

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Mike Best to approve Consent Agenda items 6a, b, c and d.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

a) Consideration and possible action to accept resignation of Christopher Sage from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, effective July 8, 2013. (Jami Lewis, Town Clerk)

b) Consideration and possible action to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Donald E. Zelechowski, Certifed Public Accountant, for Sales Tax Audit Services in an amount not-to-exceed $10,000 for fiscal year 2013/2014. Funds to come from Capital Asset Replacement sales tax auditing line. (Joe Duffy, Finance Director)

c) Consideration and possible action to approve the annual Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the Establishment of Unified Emergency Management between the Town of Chino Valley and Yavapai County, and authorize payment of the annual dues in the amount of $4,651.00. Funds to come from non-departmental fund line item for Yavapai County Emergency Management IGA for Fiscal Year 2013/2014. (Jami Lewis, Town Clerk)

d) Consideration and possible action to accept Dedication of Public Roadway to the Town of Chino Valley from Donna Jones of a portion of Assessor's Parcel Number 306-18-009P containing 146 square feet, more or less, for the partial widening of Red Cinder Road as required by Zoning Stipulation No. 2 of Ordinance No. 13-769, which approved a zone change. (Dennis Price, Associate Planner)

e) Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of chip seal rock from Charter Material, LLC, in an amount not to exceed $80,000.00, for the fiscal year 2013/2014 chip seal program. Funds to come from Public Works Road Materials line. (Ron Grittman, Public Works Director)

Council asked about the Town stockpiling material for chipsealing, Charter Materials qualifying as a sole provider, and a possible problem with the company's LLC.

Mr. Grittman reported that:

- Staff based this recommendation upon a bid through Yavapai County, from which Charter agreed to honor the same rate.
- The Town would start stockpiling material in the coming winter, when it was cheaper.
- Although the term 'sole provider' was not being used in the legal sense, Charter was recommended in response to previous Councils' desires to use local business when possible, and Charter was the only supplier in Town.
- ADOT and Yavapai County had used Charter and had no issues with the LLC.

Town Attorney Phyllis Smiley advised that there were acceptable ways to handle local preferences and she was preping a memo on local procurement policies to guide Council.

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Mike Best to approve Consent Agenda item 6e.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

7) ACTION ITEMS

a) *Continued from July 9, 2013:* Consideration and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 13-771 approving a zone change from "CL" Commercial Light to "CH" Commercial Heavy for an approximately 1-acre parcel located at 3440 N. State Route 89, Chino Valley, AZ 86323 and further identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 306-04-028C. Applicant/Property owner: Mary DeWitt, Trustee for the DeWitt Family Revocable Trust. (Dennis Price, Associate Planner)

Councilmember Turner declared a conflict of interest, as his commercial property was in the formal notification area, and he stepped down from the dais at 6:35 p.m.

Mr. Price reported that:

- Council heard this item July 9 and postponed it due to several points of confusion.
- Staff, the town attorney, and the applicant cooperated to draft a third revision to the ordinance, which contained stipulations addressing screening of outside storage, maintaining a dust free surface for parking, maneuvering, and driveway areas, and providing landscaping at such time the existing building was expanded, remodeled, or renovated.
- These stipulations did not change the applicant's obligations that were recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission and required per the Unified Development Ordinance.
- Staff recommended approval of version 3 of the ordinance.

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Pat McKee to adopt Ordinance No. 13-771 approving the zone change from "CL" to "CH" for Assessor's Parcel Number 306-04-028C.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

Councilmember Turner returned to the dais at 6:38 p.m.

b) Discussion and possible action regarding the Town's current regulations pertaining to enforcement of property maintenance and weeds. (Councilmembers Hatch and McKee)

Councilmember Hatch reported that this item came about after she received numerous complaints about fire hazards from dry grasses after the Doce and Yarnell fires. She found that the previous code specified a weed height limit of 18 inches, while the current code was broad and allowed for a wide range of judgment. She then met with the police chief and fire marshal, who agreed to speak about the matter to Council.

Councilmember McKee added that based on past experience with a grass fire, she believed 18 inches was too high.

Fire Marshal Art Castricone and Police Chief Chuck Wynn reported that:

- The police department and fire district worked closely on two wildland fires this past year, and the two entities desired to address this matter cooperatively.
- The valley was rife with wild vegetation, which most residents preferred to dispose of through burning. However, the fire district generally had to ban burning during the most optimal time to do so, thus restricting citizens from the most affordable way to dispose of the vegetation.
- Possible solutions to address the matter were to: (i) identify Town-owned properties and bring them into compliance, setting an example for the rest of the community; (ii) set up countywide public education to encourage residents to burn before the ban and set up defensible space; (iii) fund a roving dumpster campaign after the burn ban; (iv) apply for a state lands mitigation grant, and (v) fill the Town's vacant code enforcement position. The highest priority should be to apply for the grant.
- As there was currently no full-time code enforcement officer, police staff will start with enforcement of government agencies, then address worst cases as they came to their attention. The two entities will focus on residential areas, leaving state and ranch lands alone, and will continue to team together in contacting citizens.
- Citizens could provide input to either of them at any time.

Lola Smith, resident, related her experience with code enforcement and spoke about properties in Town that were fire hazards. Due to the dangers of burning tumbleweeds, she believed the Town needed a new ordinance specific to them and should endeavor to enforce current regulations.

Councilmember Hatch invited citizens who desired to volunteer on this effort to contact her or Councilmember McKee.

c) Consideration and possible action to approve the following agreements:
i) Agreement to Transfer Responsibility for Transit Management from the Town of Chino Valley (through Chino Valley Transit) to Yavapai Regional Transit (YRT) effective October 1, 2013;
ii) Agreement between Yavapai Regional Transit, Inc. and the Town of Chino Valley, re: Lease of Vehicles for Transit Purposes, effective October 1, 2013;
iii) Agreement between Yavapai Regional Transit, Inc. and the Town of Chino Valley re: Lease of Transit Facilities, effective October 1, 2013.(Cecilia Watts, General Services Director; Councilmembers Hatch and McKee)

Acronyms used in this item:

ADOT (Arizona Department of Transportation)
CVT (Chino Valley Transit)
LTAF (Local Transportation Area Funding)
YRT (Yavapai Regional Transit)

Ms. Watts reported that:

- The Town had been operating a Transit system through CVT since February 2010 that was established via Resolution 10-925.
- CVT will be transitioning to the YRT regional system and had obtained an ADOT grant for funding. Previously, funding included the Town's share of LTAF II funds, other grants, advertising dollars received, fares received, staff time, and volunteer time.
- The first agreement will transfer total management of the Transit program to YRT. The Town will transfer any remaining balances in LTAF II funds and any funds remaining that were collected by or on behalf of YRT or CVT.
- The second agreement will lease the transit buses to YRT. The buses were titled in the Town's name and had been insured by the Town.
- The third agreement declared that YRT will enter into a separate license agreement to work on the rights-of-way for maintenance, repair and replacement of transit facilities--signs, shelters, sign posts, and benches--and also request agreements for facilities placed on private rights-of-ways.

Councilmember Hatch reported that per a letter from ADOT, the Town could transfer the buses to the 501(c)(3), and since the agenda packet was published, the first two draft agreements had been replaced by a single agreement. She suggested postponing this item to the next meeting, with the stipulations that the agenda item come from herself and Councilmember McKee, and that from here on, she, Councilmember McKee, Vice-Mayor Croft, and the town attorney will work with the transit group to expedite the matter. In addition, there was a second agreement that needed be on the next agenda as a separate item.

Ed Steinback and Ron Romley with the Transit group agreed to this proposal.

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Linda Hatch to postpone agenda item 7c until the next meeting, with the stipulations put forward by Councilmember Hatch.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

d) Consideration and possible action to approve the intergovernmental agreement between the Town of Chino Valley and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), in the amount of $100,000, for the Town's contribution to the construction of the proposed roundabout at Highway 89 and Kalinich Avenue, and the assigned construction and maintenance responsibilities as defined in the agreement. Funds to come from Roads Impact Fees. (Ron Grittman, Town Engineer)

Acronyms used in this item:
ADOT (Arizona Department of Transportation)
IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement)

Mr. Grittman reported that:

- On July 11, 2012, ADOT held two public meetings with local land owners in an effort to address issues relating to the construction of medians within SR 89 that will diminish the number of left turn movements. Landowners wanted an alternative to losing the left turn movement.
- On September 8, 2012, staff presented two alternatives to Council: construct Road 1 East from Road 4 South to Road 4½ South or to approximately Road 5 South, with a left turn configuration similar to the existing Road 3 South and SR 89 intersection.
- At this meeting, Council commented on safe access for Mr. Chontos' business; obtaining more information on costs. timeframes, alternatives, better maps, etc.; working with the local businesses; and considering the Road 1 East extension if the business community could accept ADOT's plan.
- On September 11, 2012, ADOT representatives presented the SR 89 project again, addressed Council's issues, and explained their position. Council's comments at this time were to avoid adversely affecting any businesses, if possible, and asking ADOT to consider stopping Road 1 East at a particular easement instead of at Road 5 South, and doing the acceleration lane there.
- On November 13, ~~2013~~ 2012 Council directed staff to proceed with creating a connection from Road 1 East to SR 89 at Road 5 South. The discussion also included installation and location of a roundabout. Mr. Stump with ADOT stated that although a roundabout would impact the project's budget, it would resolve the issues and improve circulation, and other property owners supported this concept. Council voted to support it as well.
- On January 8, 2013, Council approved Resolution 13-1003, endorsing ADOT 's intention to construct three roundabouts along SR 89 at Road 4 North, Perkinsville Road and approximately 1,000 feet north of Road 5 South (later named Kalinich Avenue).
- On March 12, 2013, Council approved sending a letter to the ADOT Transportation Board in support of the SR 89 Chino Valley Limited to Deep Well Ranch Road Project.
- The Capital Improvement portion of the Town's fiscal year 2013/2014 budget

*Scrivener's error on date corrected 11/17/14 and reported to Council on 12/9/14.

contained the Road 1 East extension project, including two east/west roadways between Road 1 East and SR 89, with a budgeted amount of $200,000.

- On July 9, 2013, Council and staff once again discussed how the decision was made to use Kalinich Avenue instead of Road 4½ South as the east/west connector. He did find, though, that he had not previously addressed the Town's $100,000 contribution toward the roundabout.
- The subject IGA, which outlined ADOT's and the Town's responsibilities, was the culmination of the above meetings. Most significantly, ADOT was asking that the Town assume maintenance of the right-of-way on everything that was not pavement, and that the Town contribute $100,000 to the roundabout's construction at SR 89 and Kalinich Avenue. The full estimated cost for the roundabout was $1.5 million.
- In past years, the Town was required to contribute half the amount of a project, but given the Town's economic position, its tremendous need, and the Town's willingness to take over maintenance, ADOT was willing to contribute much more than the typical 50/50 split.

Council asked about: the $100,000 keeping the Town from other needed roads projects; the $100,000 being in the new budget; the consequences if the Town could not build Road 1 East and/or Kalinich Avenue; the Town being able to prove it had the right-of-way for Road 1 East; the current bid schedule for ADOT's project and the cost to redesign it; the final draft date of the proposed IGA; the Town having to hire additional personnel to maintain the highway; and the Town being able to use impact fees received after this date.

Alvin Stump, ADOT Development Engineer, related that:

- Last fall, the project was already over budget due to design changes; but putting extra money up front now was cheaper than doing it later.
- ADOT had been working with Council on differing solutions and had told Council that it could not justify a fully controlled intersection without the Town's connecting road. Although they did not expect the normal 50/50 split, they still expected some participation from the Town, and if the Town decided not to approve the $100,000, he was not prepared to give an answer as to the final outcome.
- There would be a cost to redesign the project, and the project had already been advertised, with bids scheduled to be opened in September.
- The current IGA version was finaled two weeks ago.

Finance Director Joe Duffy added that:

- The Town had $1.8 million in impact fees for various road improvements, which were not broken out into itemized costs in the budget.
- Although the $100,000 expense will make it harder to fund the other road improvements, staff had put a buffer into the budget to allow the Town to spend any new incoming impact fees.

Town Manager Robert Smith stated that:

- ADOT was restricted from providing the final draft IGA until it had a completed design.

- The Town had income coming that was not in the budget, such as Prescott's past due amount for the water transportation tax or Sun Edison's allocation, which could help address these needs.

Mr. Grittman reported that he planned to bring over a maintenance worker from another division who had experience with heribicide applications and weed control, and his crews did not believe they would need additional staff.

MOVED by Councilmember Don Wojcik, seconded by Councilmember Linda Hatch to direct staff to hire a licensed registered surveyor to document the fact through investigating plats and deeds whether or not that the Town had the right-of-way to build the Road 1 East extension between Roads 4 and 5 South before continuing with the IGA.

Town Attorney Phyllis Smiley advised that a title report, not a survey, would give the information he desired.

Mr. Smith added that perfecting the easements and obtaining a legal analysis of property values was a normal part of the project process.

Council asked about ADOT waiting for the Town's new roads before starting their own project, the result of legal action, and changing the roundabout from Kalinich to Road 4½ South.

Mr. Stump stated that:

- ADOT's project had to be under construction first in order to generate the millings for the Town's project, and the agreement provided that the Town will connect to the highway six months after project completion.
- Without an approved, signed IGA, ADOT could not start the project.
- Moving the roundabout and Kalinich to Road 4½ South would require a new project and funding for the roundabout; it would not change the widening project into Prescott.

Council discussed the Town being able to sign the IGA before knowing about the rights-of-way and the options to purchase or condemn needed right-of-way.

Vote: 2 - 5 FAILED

NAY: Mayor Chris Marley
Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft
Councilmember Mike Best
Councilmember Pat McKee
Councilmember Lon Turner

Council asked how the $100,000 would be used and about a $10,000 increase to the cost of constructing Road 1 East. Mr. Grittman stated that the $100,000 could only be used for capacity expansion. Extending the Town's road system to connect with ADOT's will benefit the Town by adding capacity to the southeast portion of the transportation system. The extra funds for the road extension was to cover the cost of equipment rentals needed.

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Mike Best to approve the intergovernmental agreement between the Town and ADOT in the amount of $100,000 for various financial, construction, and maintenance responsibilities as defined in the agreement.

Vote: 4 - 3 PASSED

NAY: Councilmember Mike Best
Councilmember Linda Hatch
Councilmember Don Wojcik

e) Review and possible action regarding the Town's various Council-appointed bodies. (Jami Lewis, Town Clerk)

Town Clerk Jami Lewis presented an overview of the Town's public bodies that contained members appointed by Council and then reviewed changes recommended by either staff or committee chairs.

Standing Committees

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Public Safety Retirement Board, and Senior Center Advisory Board: No changes recommended.
- Transit Advisory Committee: As this was scheduled to separate from the Town when Chino Valley Transit was fully operational as a non-profit entity on October 1, 2013, staff will need to confer with ADOT as to the disposition of Resolution 11-952, which established the committee.
- Roads and Streets Committee: Appoint Mayor Marley and Councilmember Wojcik to fill two councilmember vacancies.

Citizen Ad Hoc Committees

- General Plan Committee: No changes recommended.
- SR89 Utility Project Committee: (i) Retain the committee and re-activate it when work resumed on the bond project; (ii) Amend the Committee Charter to indicate meeting frequency as "as needed;" and (iii) Determine process to replace Councilmember Wojcik.

Mayor's Ad Hoc Committees

- Alternative Energy Committee: Repeal Resolution 11-974, as the committee was not fully established.
- Flood Control Committee: Amend Resolution 11-973, Section 4, and Charter to indicate meeting frequency as "as needed."
- Water Stewardship Committee: Repeal Resolution 11-972, as the committee was not fully established.
- Revenue Options Committee: Revoke the Charter, as this committee was not fully established and its objective was no longer needed.

Council/Staff Ad Hoc Committees

- Legal Services Review Committee: Dissolve committee, as it met its objectives.
- Magistrate Evaluation Committee: (i) Retain committee to assist with the magistrate's annual evaluation; (ii) Rename committee to reflect expanded scope authorized by Council on March 27, 2012; (iii) Appoint Councilmembers McKee and Wojcik to the committee; (iv) Redefine committee as a Council subcommittee.
- Program Review Committee: Retain committee; (ii) Amend charter to indicate meeting frequency as "annually and as needed;" and (iii) Redefine committee as a Council subcommittee, with the town manager and finance director as liaisons.

Council Committees

- All Committees: (I) Designate as 'subcommittees' to clarify that they consist solely of council members; and (ii) Amend all Committee Charters to indicate the meeting frequency as "as needed."
- Appointments Committee, Economic Development Committee, and Finance Committee: No other changes.
- Public Safety Committee: Possibly amend Charter, under Committee Purpose, to reflect the changes made when the Roads and Streets Committee was formed from this committee.
- Public Safety and Water and Utilities Committees: Repeal Resolutions 04-697 and 04-699, as they no longer reflected the current membership of those committees.

Other Bodies

- Board of Adjustment, Planning and Zoning Commission, Industrial Development Authority, and Municipal Property Corporation: No changes recommended.

Council requested that staff notify the current members of the SR 89 Committee that the Committee might be needed again and then address its membership when the time came to re-activate it.

Councilmember Hatch related that the Magistrate Evaluation Committee could be continued to assist with the magistrate's annual evaluation process and contract renewals. Mayor Marley requested to remain on that committee and Councilmember Wojcik did not object. They also agreed to change the committee's name at a later time.

MOVED by Councilmember Linda Hatch, seconded by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft to appoint Mayor Marley and Councilmember Wojcik to the Roads and Streets Committee.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Mike Best to amend the SR 89 Utility Project Committee Charter to change Meeting Frequency to "as needed."

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Mike Best to direct staff to prepare resolutions to Repeal Resolutions 11-972 and 11-974; direct staff to prepare amendment to Resolution 11-973, Section 4, and Charter to indicate meeting frequency as "as needed;" and revoke the Revenue Options Committee Charter.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

MOVED by Councilmember Linda Hatch, seconded by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft to dissolve Legal Services Review Committee; retain Mayor Marley and appoint Councilmember McKee to the Magistrate Evaluation Committee, and change the committee designation from Ad Hoc to Council Subcommittee; and amend the Program Review Committee Charter to indicate meeting frequency as "annually as needed, change the committee designation from Ad Hoc to Council Subcommittee to assist the Finance Subcommittee, and appoint the town manager and/or finance director as staff liaisons.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Linda Hatch to designate all Council Committees as Council 'Subcommittees;' direct all committees to amend their Charters to indicate the meeting frequency as "annually and as needed;" direct the Public Safety Committee Chair to amend its Charter Purpose; and direct staff to prepare a resolution repealing Resolutions 04-697 and 04-699.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

f) Consideration and possible action to authorize the Mayor on behalf of Council to sign a letter to the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors supporting the Williamson Valley to Chino Valley connector road. (Mayor Marley)

Craig Brown, Yavapai County District 4 Supervisor, and Mike Willett, Yavapai County Assistant Public Works Director, reported that:

- At Council's previous meeting, Supervisor Brown asked for the Town's input on the draft plan for a connector road between Williamson Valley and Chino Valley. At this point, the County was looking to get the project on paper, as funding will take years to obtain.
- After further study and ranking of drainage issues, utility conflicts, private versus state land matters, and costs, route "2b"--starting at the old Nancy Drive area and continuing all the way to Chino Valley via Center Street--scored the highest. Most of this road would be on state trust land.
- Thus far, the County had received no negative comments from the community once the proposal was explained.
- They believed the project was important for the community, as it will help with emergency services, accommodate future growth, and increase economic development for the Town. The recent Doce Fire demonstrated that another connector would have been helpful when Outer Loop, the primary escape route, almost had to be closed.

Mayor Marley commented that he heard negative comments from some citizens on Brenda Trail, and he believed the money could be better used to maintain the present roads.

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Linda Hatch to authorize the Vice-Mayor to sign letter of support to the Board of Supervisors regarding the Williamson Valley to Chino Valley connector road.

Vote: 6 - 1 PASSED

NAY: Mayor Chris Marley

8) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice and discussion with the Town's attorneys on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

9) ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Vice-Mayor Darryl Croft, seconded by Councilmember Don Wojcik to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED

Chris Marley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jami C. Lewis, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION:

I 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 Chino Valley, Arizona held on the 23rd day of July, 2013. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 10th day of September, 2013.

Jami C. Lewis, Town Clerk