

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

**Tuesday, August 25, 2015
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 Conference Room, located at 202 N. State Route 89, Chino Valley, Arizona.

1) CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marley called the meeting to order.

2) ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmember Lon Turner; Danielle Feller; R George Cooper; Paula Cooper; Annie Lane; Susan Cuka; Mayor Chris Marley (Chair)

Absent: Councilmember Mike Best; Todd League; Hans Vang

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Consideration and possible action to approve the September 23, 2014, public meeting minutes.

MOVED by R George Cooper, seconded by Councilmember Lon Turner to approve the September 23, 2014 meeting minutes.

Vote: 7 - 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 public comments.

5) OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

6) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Chino Horsemens Association involvement at Old Home Manor and the proposed equestrian area.

Susi Cuka reported on updates to the Chino Horsemen's Association and events governing their development, the Yavapai Junior Livestock Association moving their location focus to the Prescott rodeo grounds, two roping arenas opening in Chino Valley within the last 6-months, and dealing with multiple equestrian agendas the biggest hurdle being the ground due to footing preference. Therefore, the Chino Horsemen's Associations focus is equestrian showing. With sub-committees to expand on events. They are hoping to obtain the Old Home Manor facility. Board members are Susi Cuka, Gary Gang, Danielle Fetter, and Mitzi Conn. Proposed subcommittees: Trails around Chino Valley. Association name: Chino Valley Equestrian Association. Arena name pending approval: Susan B. Williams Event Center.

Mayor Chris Marley questioned naming the facility event center and use by multiple groups/events causing scheduling issues of the facility, and the Town not being involved in the day-to-day activities. Susi Cuka advised that the association would monitor the scheduling. With land available there is room for expansion and by focusing on horse showing the requirements for equipment is minimal and could easily be up and running. Tasks are filing for incorporation, 501C3, by-laws, bank account, meeting with Town attorney for contract requirements, and insurance requirements.

Councilmember Lon Turner advised he would contact Cecilia Grittmann on a fact-finding mission regarding insurance for any event wishing to use the Town's facilities.

George Cooper asked if anyone in the area has a show arena. Susi Cuka advised the Yavapai College Prescott has a show arena and Lynn of Freeman farms will be having shows there. The board discussed where the equestrian groups are currently practicing and having their events and the benefits of having the assorted events at the proposed arena.

Susi Cuka presented a time line of the proposed project with equestrian events starting by April or May.

Mayor Marley clarified that the Task meeting with the Town attorney should be meeting with the Town, manager or assistant manager, as the attorney has stated she is the attorney for the Town not the public. He suggested meeting with Cecilia Grittmann as Tasks are gelling. Boilerplate contract may be available on the web. The association would like ensure their association with the Town i.e.; is when the lease is approved does the association need to have every event approved by the town or is it their responsibility. Mayor Marley advised that could be addressed in the lease agreement. The Board discussed length of contract, cost of lease, time line possibilities, utilities, Town revenues, and assorted item.

7) **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by R George Cooper, seconded by Councilmember Lon Turner to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - 0 PASSED - Unanimously

Submitted this 23rd day of September, 2015.

By: *Amy Lansa, Town Clerk Assistant*