

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE SR 89 UTILITY PROJECT CITIZEN COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWN OF CHINO VALLEY**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2013
5:30 P.M.**

The SR 89 Utility Project Citizen Committee of the Town of Chino Valley, Arizona, convened for a special meeting in the Chino Valley Fire District Administration Building, located at 1133 W. Road 3 North, Chino Valley, Arizona

Gary Warren called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Members present: Gary Warren (Chair), Don Wojcik, Art Castricone, John Adams, Bud Hanen, Paul Eguina, and Karri Bloom

Staff present: Town Engineer Ron Grittman, Finance Director Joe Duffy, Consultant Pat Walker, Town Manager Robert Smith.

Guest present: Councilmember Lon Turner, Councilmember Linda Hatch

3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC - No public comments.

4. OLD BUSINESS

4a. SR 89 Utility Funding Alternatives – Ron Grittman, Public Works Director, Pat Walker.

Ron Grittman recapped the project’s design plans and information on objectives for the committee:

- Staff recommendation of overall project total and prioritization list.
- Develops sufficient amount of customers to support a revenue bond
- Provide infrastructure for the core of Chino Valley
- Satisfies the Fann construction

Don Wojcik moved, seconded by John Adams to poll the committee to see if there is a majority in favor of going to Council with the resolution. Karri wanted to have Ron finish before approval of motion. The Chair restated the motion “Moved to poll the committee on making a recommendation to proceed forward to council with the bond”. Passed unanimously.

The committee voted on making a recommendation for the bond to go forward. Passed unanimously.

Ron Grittman continued with his presentation:

- He presented staffs’ recommendation for development
- Build in the priority that the committee recommends.

The question was raised regarding buying out Fann and the negotiations of Prescott’s water system before Council voting on the bond election. Ron Grittman clarified the items that need resolution before August 8. Robert Smith made a distinction between acquisitions of the Prescott water customers and Prescott’s water system.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5a. Discussion of process/formation of recommendation to Town of Chino Valley Council.
The committee discussed the information presented to them by staff.

5b. Committee's recommendations to Town of Chino Valley Council.
The committee discussed and made recommendations for Council presentation.
Art Castricone moved, seconded by Don Wojcik move forward in recommendation to Council to put on the ballot for \$9.5 million dollar general bond and allow them to discuss the \$4 million dollar revenue bond for the acquisition of the Prescott water system, the acquisition of the sewer treatment plant, and the construction of this project as far as those moneys will take us. The committee discussed placing caps on the revenue bond causing possible hardship. Art Castricone amended Don Wojcik seconded his motion to just limit the General Obligation Bond. Passed 6-1 opposed.

The committee discussed the area expansion plan.

Art Castricone moved, seconded by Don Wojcik to follow the priority list that staff recommended for as long as the funds last. Passed- 4, opposed- 2, Abstain-1

6. FUTURE AGENDA SUGGESTIONS

6a. Discuss next meeting times and agenda.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Don Wojcik moved, seconded by Paul Eguina to adjourn. Passed

Submitted this 21st day of April, 2014

By: *Liz Hart, Town Clerk Assistant*