

PRESCOTT CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
(AS REGIONAL COUNCIL OF  
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS)  
JUNE 7, 2006

A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE PRESCOTT CITY COUNCIL, IN THEIR ROLE AS MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2006, at StoneRidge Club House in the StoneRidge Development, Prescott Valley, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER

Dinner was served between 5:30 p.m. and 6:15 p.m., and the meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor Simmons  
Councilman Bell  
Councilman Blair  
Councilman Lamerson  
Councilwoman Suttles

ABSENT:

Councilman Roecker  
Councilman Luzius

STAFF:

Connie Tucker

PRESCOTT VALLEY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Harvey Skoog  
Mike Flannery  
Lora Lee Nye  
Fran Schmacker  
Harold Wise

STAFF:

Larry Tarkowski  
Ryan Judy  
John Munderloh  
Dan Schatz

CHINO VALLEY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Karen Fann  
Joel Baker  
Jim Bunker  
Ron Minnich  
Virginia Reid  
Dorothy Schmidt

STAFF:

Bill Pupo

DEWEY-HUMBOLDT COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Tom Hintze

YAVAPAI COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tom Thurman

YAVAPAI-PRESCOTT INDIAN TRIBE STAFF PRESENT:

Jim Noe

1. Update on Fire Awareness

Supervisor Thurman provided an update on fire awareness, and reported that the storm Tuesday night had started eight fires in Yavapai County, with one fire causing the evacuation of approximately 30 people, including him and his family. Supervisor Thurman also reported that the Prescott National Forest would impose a Level 3 alert on June 8, which would ban motorcycles, ATV's and all camping except in designated campgrounds in the forest. Mayor Fann added that she learned that in the event of a large fire in the Prescott/Prescott Valley area, evacuees would be sent to Ash Fork and Kingman, with Chino Valley used as a staging area for fire crews and medical personnel.

2. Pronghorns

Mayor Fann reported that she had received several calls regarding the pronghorn and their displacement due to development. She asked each entity to appoint a staff member to coordinate with each other and the AZ Department of Game and Fish and develop options for the pronghorn. Mayor Fann suggested that the region look at requiring antelope corridors in new developments to help the movement of the herd. There were no objections.

3. #211 Information Pool

Assistant Town Manager Judy informed the gathering that Prescott Valley had purchased software to assist callers to city hall and direct them to the proper department. They were also looking at equipment for a 211 information line as a “one-stop shop” for callers to try and decrease the number of times a caller is transferred throughout the town system.

4. Photo Enforcement

Police Chief Schatz discussed the Town’s plans for red-light and speed cameras along Highway 69. Chief Schatz said the red-light cameras would be placed at the two intersections with the highest accident rates and the Town would position two fixed cameras along the highway, as well as purchasing a camera van that could be used anywhere. Chief Schatz explained that the company they were contracting with developed the program so that it was cost neutral to the Town, and included the additional costs to the Town and the magistrate court in the fee structure. Chief Schatz added that in one three-hour test period, a speed camera had clocked more than 700 vehicles doing more than 11 mph over the posted speed limit on Highway 69 at the entrance to the Town.

5. Update on Central Yavapai Metropolitan Planning Organization

Mayor Fann reminded everyone of the CYMPO/ADOT Transportation Board reception scheduled for June 22 at N’awlins restaurant.

6. Regional Water Updates by Community

Water Resource Manager Munderloh discussed the IGA that is before each of the councils regarding the creation of the Upper Verde Watershed Coalition to address the concerns regarding the pumping and importation of water from the Big Chino aquifer. He also reported that the conceptual design report for the Big Chino pipeline project is scheduled to go to the Prescott City Council in late June or early July. Discussion followed on a strategy to place the facts before the public regarding the effect of pumping on the Big Chino, with the consensus that once the updated information is released the area communities would join together in an effort to educate the public on the implications of the new information. Chino Valley Town Manager Pupo also informed the group that he asked his Water Resource Director to write a letter to the USGS asking if they had verified the conclusions in Laurie Wirt’s report on the Big Chino, and if the report was officially sanctioned by the USGS, since Ms. Wirt had made presentations on her report while wearing her USGS attire. Mr. Pupo said he would share any response with the other communities.

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The next meeting will be hosted by Yavapai County.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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ROWLE P. SIMMONS, Mayor

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ELIZABETH A. BURKE, City Clerk