



**SUMMARIZED MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE
TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025 AT 3:00 PM**

(To listen to the full audio of the meeting, please visit www.clarkdale.az.gov – agendas & minutes)

Members Present: Mayor Prud'homme-Bauer, Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder, and Council Members, Lisa O'Neill, Marney Babbitt-Pierce, and Laura Jones

Other Municipal Officials Present: Susan Guthrie, Town Manager; Charity Brooks, Town Clerk; Joni Westcott, Parks and Recreation Director; D.K. Green, Grants Manager; Ruth Mayday, Assistant Town Manager; Brittney Earles, Finance Manager; Chell Smart, Parks and Recreation Assistant Manager and Town PIO; Randy Taylor, Police Chief

Zoom: Two members of the public were present.

Audience: Approximately 18 members of the public were present.

1. CALL TO ORDER - *Mayor Prud'homme-Bauer called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.*

2. ROLL CALL – *All members present.*

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Austin Jackson – Clarkdale resident. Feels historic integrity in Clarkdale is important. Does not want to see LED lights throughout Clarkdale. Suggests that the Town research 'soft' LED lights or other lighting.

Wendy Jackson – Clarkdale resident. States that neighbors are unhappy with new lighting in Selma Mongini park and the colors of the new park structures.

Jim Midkiff – Pool contractor. Would like the Town to consider changing pool setbacks to 5' as opposed to 10'.

4. REPORTS

A. Current Events – (submitted electronically)

A brief summary of current events. The Council will not propose, discuss, deliberate, or take legal action on any matter in the summary. Reports submitted electronically:

- Mayor's Report
- Vice-Mayor's Report

- Councilmembers' Reports

5. REPORTS

Departmental Reports (submitted with Council packet) –
Summary of written reports from Town Departments and other agencies:

- Building Permit Report
- Grants Report
- Magistrate Court Report
- Parks and Recreation Report
- Police Department Report
- Verde Valley Humane Society
- Water and Wastewater Report
- Finance Report

6. REPORTS

A. Organizational Reports – (submitted electronically)

- VTPO – Verde Valley Transportation Planning Organization
Meet next week. Group is working on a new format.
- NACOG - Northern Arizona Council of Governments
Meeting on Thursday.
- NAMWUA - Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association
Attended the Water Utility Leadership Forum.
- TPAC – Transportation Policy Advisory Council
Will share minutes when available.
- VFLC – Verde Front Leadership Council
Next meeting on July 30.
- Sustaining Flows Committee
Friends of the Verde River received a grant for \$150,000.
- Yavapai Communities for Young Children
Met in May. Working on second project.
- Vulnerable Road Users SHSP Emphasis Area Team
No meeting.
- NACOG Community Action Board (CAB)
No meeting. Shared Community Needs Assessment with the Council.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are of a routine nature or have been previously studied by the Town Council at a work session or during a New Business discussion. They are intended to be acted upon in one motion. Council members may pull items from consent if they would like them considered separately.

Clerk Note: Item C pulled from consent by Council Member Jones for further discussion.

A. Approval of Minutes

Consider and act upon the draft minutes from the regular meeting held on May 27, 2025.

B. Emergency Dispatch Services Agreement

Consider and act upon an Emergency Dispatch Services Agreement with the City of Cottonwood.

C. Ordinance #439 - Implementing SB1182, Construction Hours Preemption

Consider and act upon Ordinance #439, amending Clarkdale's Town Code to align with the provisions of SB1182, Construction Hours Preemption.

Item pulled by Council Member Jones for further discussion to clarify the time frames for construction.

Action: Approve Ordinance #439, amending Clarkdale's Town Code to align with the provisions of SB1182, Construction Hours Preemption with year-round weekday hours of 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Concrete pour can begin at 4 a.m. during the weekday and authorize the Mayor, Town Attorney and Town Clerk to execute all documents.

Motion: Council Member Jones

Second: Council Member O'Neill

Vote: Approved 5-0

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer	Aye
Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder	Aye
Council Member Lisa O'Neill	Aye
Council Member Marney Babbitt-Pierce	Aye
Council Member Laura Jones	Aye

D. Friends of Clark Memorial Library Annual Facility Use Agreement

Consider and act upon the 2025-2026 Facility Use Agreement for the use of Town facilities by the Friends of Clark Memorial Library.

E. Clarkdale Historical Society and Museum Facility Use Agreement

Consider and act upon the 2025-2026 Facility Use Agreement for the use of Town facilities by the Clarkdale Historical Society and Museum.

F. Mingus Gem and Mineral Club, Inc. Facility Use Agreement

Consider and act upon the 2025-2026 Facility Use Agreement for the use of Town facilities by Mingus Gem and Mineral Club, Inc.

G. Made in Clarkdale, Inc. Facility Use Agreement

Consider and act upon the 2025-2026 Facility Use Agreement for the use of Town facilities by Made in Clarkdale, Inc.

Action: Approve consent agenda items A, B, D, E, F and G as presented:

Motion: Council Member O'Neill

Second: Council Member Babbitt-Pierce

Vote: Approved 5-0

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer	Aye
Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder	Aye
Council Member Lisa O'Neill	Aye
Council Member Marney Babbitt-Pierce	Aye
Council Member Laura Jones	Aye

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Clarkdale-Jerome School District 6th Grade Art Contest Winners

The Council recognized the winners of the Clarkdale-Jerome School District 6th Grade Art Contest - "Hopes and Housing."

B. PUBLIC HEARING - Resolution #1737 - Truth in Taxation - Setting Forth the Intent to Raise the Property Tax Levy

The Council held a Public Hearing to take public comment regarding Resolution #1737, setting forth the Town's intent to levy primary property taxes in the amount of \$.13443 per hundred of assessed valuation (\$1.3443 per thousand of assessed valuation.)

Town Manager Susan Guthrie gave a presentation on Truth in Taxation and the final budget.

There were no public comments.

C. Resolution #1737 - Truth in Taxation - Setting Forth the Intent to Raise the Property Tax Levy

Consider and act upon Resolution #1737, setting forth the Town's intent to levy primary property taxes in the amount of \$.13443 per hundred of assessed valuation (\$1.3443 per thousand of assessed valuation.)

Action: Approve Resolution #1737 with a roll-call vote, setting forth the Town's intent to levy primary property taxes in the amount of \$.13443 per hundred of assessed valuation (\$1.3443 per thousand of assessed valuation.) and authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute all documents:

Motion: Council Member Babbitt-Pierce

Second: Vice Mayor Hunseder

Vote: Approved 5-0

Voting Member – Roll Call Vote	Aye/Nay
Mayor Robyn Prud’homme-Bauer	Aye
Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder	Aye
Council Member Lisa O’Neill	Aye
Council Member Marney Babbitt-Pierce	Aye
Council Member Laura Jones	Aye

D. PUBLIC HEARING - Resolution #1738 - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Final Budget Adoption

The Council will hold a public hearing to take comments from the public regarding Resolution #1738, adopting the Final Budget in the amount of \$47,384,536 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, per A.R.S. 42-17105 (A) as published.

Public Hearing:

Allen Spence – Clarkdale resident. Asked 'how do we know that we get all sales tax that is due?'

Town Manager Susan Guthrie stated that the Town can cross reference their information with the State.

9. ADJOURNMENT TO SPECIAL MEETING FOR BUDGET ADOPTION ACTION

Mayor Prud’homme-Bauer temporarily adjourned the regular meeting and called the special meeting to order at 4:14 p.m.

A. Resolution #1738 - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Final Budget Adoption

Discuss, consider and act upon Resolution #1738, adopting the Final Budget in the amount of \$47,384,536 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, per A.R.S. 42-17105 (A) as published.

Action: Approve Resolution #1738, adopting the Final Budget in the amount of \$47,384,536 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, per A.R.S. 42-17105 (A) as published and authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute all documents:

Motion: Council Member Jones

Second: Vice Mayor Hunseder

Vote: Approved 5-0

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor Robyn Prud’homme-Bauer	Aye
Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder	Aye
Council Member Lisa O’Neill	Aye
Council Member Marney Babbitt-Pierce	Aye

Council Member Laura Jones	Aye
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Mayor Prud'homme-Bauer adjourned the special meeting without objection at 4:20 p.m.

10. RESUMPTION OF REGULAR MEETING - Immediately following the Special Meeting, the Council will resume the Regular Meeting.

Mayor Prud'homme-Bauer resumed the regular meeting at 4:20 p.m.

A. Resolution #1739 - One Big Beautiful Bill Act

Discuss, consider and act upon Resolution #1739, opposing the disposal of Bureau of Land Management and National Forest System Lands included in the proposed One Big Beautiful Act Bill.

Action: Approve Resolution #1739, opposing the disposal of Bureau of Land Management and National Forest System Lands and authorize the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute all documents:

Motion: Council Member Babbitt-Pierce

Second: Council Member O'Neill

Vote: Approved 5-0

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer	Aye
Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder	Aye
Council Member Lisa O'Neill	Aye
Council Member Marney Babbitt-Pierce	Aye
Council Member Laura Jones	Aye

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Town Council did not propose items to be placed on a future agenda.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Action: Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Council Member Babbitt-Pierce

Second: Council Member O'Neill

Vote: Approved 5-0

Voting Member	Aye/Nay
Mayor Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer	Aye
Vice Mayor Debbie Hunseder	Aye

Council Member Lisa O'Neill	Aye
Council Member Marney Babbitt-Pierce	Aye
Council Member Laura Jones	Aye

Mayor Prud'homme-Bauer adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:32 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer, Mayor

ATTESTED/SUBMITTED:

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Charity Brooks, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION AND ATTESTATION

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 Clarkdale, Arizona held on the 24th day of June 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Date approved by Town Council: July 8, 2025

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Charity Brooks, Town Clerk