

Regular Meeting–April 15, 2015

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tularosa met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 7:00 P. M. in the Court Conference Room of the Public Safety Facility located at 609 St. Francis Drive, Tularosa, New Mexico.

Present: Mayor Ray S. Cordova
Trustee Patrick A. Garcia
Trustee Ronald Cooksey
Trustee John “Ray” Telles

Absent: Trustee Robert Sainz

Also present was Village Attorney Jefferson Rhodes, Dianna Brusuelas–Guilez Village Clerk as well as Grants Coordinator Richard Gutierrez.

At 7:00 P. M. Mayor Ray S. Cordova called the meeting to order asking that all rise and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the Flag of the State of New Mexico.

1. Consideration of Agenda and Consent Agenda

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Trustee John 'Ray' Telles seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

2. Unscheduled Correspondence and Public Comments (3 minutes)

None

3. Gilbert Gaston–Requesting street closure and extra Police patrol for the St. Francis Fiesta, May 1, 2 and 3, 2015

Mr. Gilbert Gaston presented the fiesta schedule to the Mayor and the Board asking the village for help with police patrol, waiving the noise ordinance and blocking of the streets during the St Francis fiesta.

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to approve with a second by Trustee John 'Ray' Telles.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

4. Steven Chavez–Requesting a new Ordinance–Rehabilitation Center Business License (copy attached)

Mr. Steven Chavez came before the board to request a new ordinance regulating Rehabilitation Center business licenses. Mr. Chavez presented the board with a written copy of what he would like contained in the ordinance.

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to allow village attorney Jefferson Rhodes to go over the request for ordinance. Trustee Ronald Cooksey seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

5. Telesfora Segura–Allow trailer at 1006 Marshall

Ms. Telesfora Segura asked the Mayor and the Board to allow placement of a trailer at 1006 Marshall. It was noted that Ms. Segura had already placed the trailer at 1006 Marshall and that it doesn't meet code. Ms. Segura asked the Board for a chance to update her trailer. It was asked by Trustee Ronald Cooksey if she came to the village and get required permits. The response was that she did not know she had to get permits. Ms. Segura was asked what year her trailer was, her response was 1987. Ms. Segura was informed that the year of trailer did not meet the ordinance requirement of 12 years. Trustee Patrick Garcia said his concern was that it did not meet code and offered the option of contacting Habitat for Humanities for help in building a home or remodeling a mobile home. Ms. Segura said she would contact Village Clerk Dianna Brusuelas–Guilez to get the information on Habitat for Humanities.

6. Clara M. Hernandez–Allow placement of mobile home on property on Posey Lane

Clara M. Hernandez explained which lot she planned to place her mobile home on and showed pictures of the mobile home she plans to move. Ms. Hernandez said it is the mobile home on Higuera which used to belong to the Trammels. Ms. Hernandez was asked if there was enough property to place the mobile home there. Village Clerk Dianna Brusuelas–Guilez said her office has checked with the County Assessors office and that there is 12,000 sq. feet of property and the villages requirement is only 6,000 sq. feet per residence.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles then moved to allow the placement of the mobile home. Motion was seconded by Trustee Ronald Cooksey. Ms. Hernandez was reminded to go to the office and obtain all the permits necessary.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye, Trustee Telles, aye.

Motion carried with all members present voting in the affirmative.

7. Requesting continued participation as an active member of the South Eastern New Mexico Economic Development at \$1,000.00 per year

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to continue participation as a member of the SENMEDD at \$1,000.00 per year. Trustee Ronald Cooksey seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee, Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

8. Approval of Resolution 2014–2015–21 Open Meetings Act Resolution

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to approve Resolution 2014–2015–21 Open Meetings Act Resolution. Trustee John 'Ray' Telles seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee, Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

9. David Shields–Bohannon–Huston–Bid award recommendation for Water System Improvements to RMCI, Inc. in the amount of \$1,072,500.00

Mr. David Shields representing Bohannon–Huston made recommendation to the Mayor and the Board of Trustees to award the Water Systems Improvements bid to RMCI, Inc. who came in at the lowest bid and has worked on the villages water plant before.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles moved to accept David Shields recommendation. The motion was seconded by Trustee Patrick Garcia.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

10. Approval of Proclamation–Proclaiming the month of April “Fair Housing Month” within the Village of Tularosa

Mayor Ray Cordova read the proclamation to everyone present.

Trustee Ronald Cooksey moved to approve proclaiming April “Fair Housing Month” within the Village of Tularosa. Trustee Patrick Garcia seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye.

Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

11. Approval of Agreement between the Village of Tularosa and Utility Project Inspector Wade Moore

Mr. David Shields introduced Wade Moore to the Mayor and the Board. Trustee Patrick Garcia said if Mr. Shields recommends him he felt comfortable in hiring Mr. Wade Moore.

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to approve the agreement between the village of Tularosa and Wade Moore. Trustee John 'Ray' Telles seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

12. Executive Session as per section 10–15–1 (H) of the Open Meetings Act possible amendment or assignment of Cell Tower lease and approach to increasing revenues therefrom by sale or lease

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to go into executive session as per section 10–15–1 (H) of the Open Meetings Act discussing a possible amendment or assignment of the cell tower lease. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ronald Cooksey.

Mayor Cordova stated that only those subjects announced for closure would be discussed in the closed session.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees adjourned into executive session at 7:47 P. M.

The meeting reconvened at 8:12 P. M. with Mayor Cordova stating that the matters discussed in the closed session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to allow Village Attorney Jefferson Rhodes to contact American Tower to discuss and negotiate compensation or a longer term for the tower on village property. Trustee Ronald Cooksey seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Cooksey, aye. Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

13. Old Business

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles asked about the progress of the 2nd Main Fire Station. Richard Gutierrez gave an update saying it was coming along.

Mayor Cordova spoke to Robert Baca the Mayordomo of the Tularosa Community Ditch Corporation who requested allowing the Tularosa Community Ditch to use the ram-jet if the TCDC would repair the tank and refurbish the unit. It would still belong to the village. Trustee Patrick Garcia asked the village attorney if there could a Memorandum of Agreement between both parties. The response was yes. Trustee Garcia said he would prefer it remain on village property and then let the ditch corporation use it. Mayor Cordova suggested having a Memorandum of Agreement prepared and then bringing it before the board.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles asked about the auction? Mayor Cordova said the auction would possibly take place in May.

Trustee Ronald Cooksey said that there was a fire behind Lowe's and the fire department used the fire hydrant by the Laundry Mat and that the valve on the hydrant broke off and it's been several months and has not been repaired. Mayor Cordova said they were in the process of replacing a different hydrant and they would also look into that one. Trustee Cooksey thought it might just be the key on the bottom of the hydrant. Trustee Cooksey said the fire men had to string out hoses all the way from Posey Lane. Village Clerk Dianna Brusuelas-Guilez said there was a list of non-working fire hydrants that should be addressed because of the liability. Mayor Cordova asked Richard Gutierrez to get a work order started to fix the two fire hydrants in question.

14. New Business

Trustee Patrick Garcia asked the Mayor when the second employee would be coming on board. Mayor Cordova responded that it would be the 23rd of April.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles asked about cleaning the property where Wells Fargo Bank was. Mayor Cordova asked village clerk Dianna Brusuelas-Guilez to make a note of that and talk to the Chief of Police on that. Trustee Patrick Garcia brought up the property near Subway and the Godfrey Chavez property where the semi-truck ran into but said he would get with Sergeant O'Conner on that.

Trustee Patrick Garcia asked if the sewer issues on Higuera and 8th St. and Hagee Lane were taken care of. The response from Richard Gutierrez was no that they were working on some requirements from the New Mexico Environment

Department.

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15. Adjourn

Trustee Ronald Cooksey moved to adjourn. Trustee John 'Ray' Telles seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P. M.

Ray S. Cordova, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dianna R. Brusuelas-Guilez, Village Clerk

The written minutes are the official minutes of the meeting. The recorded Compact Flash are part of the minutes only for interpreting any ambiguity in the written minutes. When the minutes are approved and signed the written minutes are the official minutes of the meeting.

Minutes approved by The Board of Trustees at the Regular Meeting of May 20, 2015.