

## **Regular Meeting – August 17, 2016**

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tularosa met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 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 Robert L. Sainz  
Trustee John 'Ray' Telles  
Trustee Deanna M. Montoya

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

At 7:05 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 Robert Sainz moved to approve the Agenda and the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Patrick Garcia seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

### **1A. Unscheduled Correspondence and Public Comments (3 minutes)**

None.

### **2. Information: U. S. Department of Labor sets salaried employees earnings to \$47,476.00 effective December 1, 2016**

### **3. Henrietta Stockel-Otero Public Lands Alliance-Information**

Ms. Henrietta Stockel introduced a colleague of her's named Chris Jones who also belongs to the Otero Public Lands Alliance. Ms. Stockel said this was a new organization headquartered in Alamogordo and is dedicated to the preservation of public lands and leaving them accessible to citizens. Ms. Stockel explained that there is a move to transfer public lands away from the Federal Governments and handing them over to the States. The Mayor and the Board of Trustees were invited to a National Public Lands Day, September 24, 2016 at the Valley of Fires State Park near Carrizozo.

Mr. Chris Jones stated that if the lands were transferred to the control of the states would mean over exploitation or sales to private entities some who could be foreign corporations to derive maximum monetary optimum. Mr. Jones said that New Mexico is a great tourism state because of its natural resources and they feel very strongly that if these lands are put up for sale to the highest bidder we would soon see no trespassing signs and we will loose access to the land. Mr. Jones said they are affiliated with the New Mexico Wildlife Federation will fight to keep these land public.

Trustee Patrick Garcia asked the question on the stand of the Otero County Commission, it was stated that the county commission is not in favor of what the Public Lands Alliance does.

Mayor Ray Cordova said that he doesn't feel that the state can afford undertake these lands, he feels the federal government has better resources.

**4. Jennifer Gruger-Information on Tularosa Arts & History Council and request to close Granado Street for "Halloween on Granado Street"**

Ms. Jennifer Gruger gave the Mayor and Board of Trustee an update on the formation of the Tularosa Arts & History Council naming the officers and encouraged membership. Village Clerk Dianna Brusuelas-Guilez asked Ms. Gruger if her organization would be interested in taking over the Christmas Eve Luminaria Program since Mr. Donald Powell is no longer doing it. Mr. Richard Gutierrez said he has spoken to Patsy Morales who has shown an interest in overtaking the program in prior years and that Ms. Morales would like to meet with the Mayor. Ms. Gruger said that program is in line with what their organization is about and possibility they could take the project in the future.

Ms. Gruger proceeded to inform the Mayor and the Board that they have opened up a contest for ages 14-18 to submit a logo for the "Halloween on Granado Street". Applications been passed out to Alamogordo High School, Tularosa High School and are trying to make contact with Mescalero schools and would like to make contact to home schooled students. Ms. Gruger then requested to close Granado Street on Monday, Halloween night.

Trustee Robert Sainz moved to approve the closure. Motion was seconded by Trustee Patrick Garcia.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

**5. Approve Payment of \$3,056.00 for luminaria candles to Morris Tyler**

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved and Trustee Deanna Montoya seconded to approve the payment of \$3,056.00.

**6. Approval of archiving personnel files and Ordinances into Laserfiche and to a permanent storage hard drive for \$8, 160.69 to Professional Document Systems**

Trustee Deanna Montoya moved to have the personnel files and ordinances archived into Laserfiche by Professional Document Services for \$8,160.69.

Trustee Patrick Garcia seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

**7. Approval of Resolution 2016-2017-06 becoming a member of the COG (Council of Governments) and desiring the services of the South Eastern New Mexico Economic Development District**

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles moved to approve Resolution 2016-2017-06 desiring the services of SENMEDD and becoming a member of the Council of Governments.

Trustee Robert Sainz seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

**8. Appointing Ray S. Cordova as Voting Delegate and Trustee Robert Sainz as Alternate for the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the New Mexico Municipal League**

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles moved to appoint Robert Sainz as the Voting Delegate and appointing Mayor Ray S. Cordova as the Alternate for the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the New Mexico Municipal League.

Trustee Deanna Montoya seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

**9. Richard Gutierrez-Approval of agreement with Gabriel Cisneros to render assistance in relation to matters involved in obtaining appropriations in the amount of \$32,212.50**

Trustee Patrick Garcia moved to approve the Agreement of \$32,212.50 with Gabriel Cisneros to assist in obtaining appropriations.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

**10. Review Ordinance 260 amending Section 95.04 providing for unlawful restraint of dogs, providing definitions, penalties & a permit process to allow tethering of Dogs**

Chief Chuck Wood requested that the permit process be deleted from the draft ordinance and explained that if a dog run is on a moving object like a trolley it does not pertain to this law.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles moved to allow the Village Attorney to move forward with the process of publication of the ordinance.

Trustee Deanna Montoya seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Garcia, aye. Trustee Montoya, aye. Trustee Sainz, aye. Trustee Telles, aye. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Village Attorney Jeff Rhodes said he would move forward with the process and have the ordinance ready to be adopted at the next regular meeting.

**11. Old Business**

None

## 12. New Business

Trustee Robert Sainz asked Mayor Cordova is he was able to meet with the entities as discussed at the work session. Mayor Cordova responded no, because he was in Alamogordo most of the day at meetings. Trustee Sainz said so we are not sure about the volunteer's drivers license. Mayor Cordova said by the time he returned from the meetings some employees had gone home. Mayor Cordova said he would visit with the Senior Center tomorrow.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles asked Mayor Cordova if he had gotten a hold of Susan. Mayor Cordova said no. Trustee Deanna Montoya said she would try to talk to her soon.

David Shields from Shannon-Huston said the water plant is done, they are just waiting for a motor which Ray Ramos will install. The computer programing should be finished by the end of the month. They are working on the design of the transmission line.

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles asked about the wells, Mr. Shields said an extension has been requested.

Trustee Patrick Garcia asked Police Chief Wood if all his positions were currently filled. Chief Wood responded that all dispatcher positions were full but they were still lacking one police officer position.

## 13. Adjourn

Trustee John 'Ray' Telles moved to adjourn and was seconded by Trustee Deanna Montoya.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:05 P. M.

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Ray S. Cordova, Mayor

ATTEST:

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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 September 21, 2016.