

VILLAGE OF CIMARRON

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022 6:00pm

I. Pledge of Allegiance, Salute to the New Mexico State Flag & Invocation

Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge for NM State Flag. Pastor Ellen Swain officiated the invocation for the meeting

II. Roll Call

Absent-Mayor Matthew Gonzales Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos
Councilor Judy B. LeDoux Councilor Ernie LeDoux Councilor Eloy Brazil

III. Approval of Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0

IV. Approve/Disapprove Minutes

a. Regular Meeting Minutes November 9, 2022

Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2022, meeting. Councilor Eloy Brazil seconded. Approved 4-0

V. Comments from the General Public (Limited to 3 minutes)

- Roger Smith spoke to say he would like to get an update on the water plant and the progress of the transition. He would like a concrete report of the status.

VI. Colfax County Update- Commissioner Bret Weir

Commissioner Bret Weir did not attend the meeting

VII. Correspondence and Appreciations

- Councilor Ernie LeDoux reported the Public Works are doing a great job and he has seen them working all over and they are doing a great job.
- Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos read a letter from the Apache Ridge RV- Mr. Varela thanked Danny Martinez for coming out so quickly and for repairing the water leak on Thanksgiving Day.
- Councilor Eloy Brazil reported that last night the public works had a water line break by the school, and they were out late fixing it. He said he appreciates their hard work and dedication. He also acknowledged Admin Shawn Jeffrey for all the work she has done and continues to do for the Village.
- Councilor Judy B. LeDoux spoke to say she appreciates the continued patrolling and presence of the Cimarron Police Department at the school and around the Village. Especially for the continued patrol of the school zone.

VIII. Reports by Departments and Boards-

a. Mayor's Report

No report.

b. Village Administrator's Report

Admin Shawn Jeffrey presented her report, she also reported that today the public works staff and herself attended the alarm training at the plant. The transition will not take place this week due to the water levels are not high enough to sustain the Village for three days in case of problems which the tanks would need to have 40 feet of water additionally the programming is not complete by Tonka. The transition will likely be rescheduled for after the first of the year once the contractor and vendors can all be scheduled again.

Councilor Eloy Brazil asked about the confirmation of the pavilion location. Admin Shawn Jeffrey explained the location committee met and there were four locations that were identified for the pavilion. Mayor Matthew Gonzales confirmed the location would be on the East side of the visitor's center facing North and South. Councilor Eloy Brazil asked if the final determination should have been brought to the Council for a vote. Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos responded that this should be addressed to the Mayor. He recommended a letter or email be sent to the Mayor asking for the Governing Body to be included in the final decision for the location and the item to be placed on the agenda. Councilor Ernie LeDoux said he was on the location committee, and he was not a part of the final decision for the location he said many things were discussed but not the final location. Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos responded again that a letter or email could be written to the Mayor asking for the Council to be included in the final decision.

c. Public Works Report

Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos asked if there is a report for the Public Works- Admin Shawn Jeffrey said she would have to email it later as she is in the process of updating them in the Caselle system.

d. Police Department Report

Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos reported the police report is in the packet and if there are any questions Officer Matthew Dean is present to answer them.

e. Fire Department Report

No report

f. Municipal Judge Report

No report

g. Ambulance Report

No report

h. Senior Center Report

No report

- i. Cemetery Board Report
No report
- j. Beautification Board Report
No report
- k. Code Regulation Board Report
No report
- l. Chamber of Commerce Report
Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos reported the Chamber staff was very involved in the light parade and the tree lighting.

IX. Financials- Each Item listed will be Considered for Action of Approve/Disapprove:

- a. Check Report and Deposit Register from November 5, 2022, through December 9, 2022
Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to approve check report and deposit register from November 5, 2022, to December 9, 2022. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0
- b. NM Local Government Law Firm bill for \$91.69
Councilor Eloy Brazil moved to approve the NM Local Government Law Firm bill for \$91.69. Councilor Judy B. LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0

X. Discussion

- a. Health Care Solutions Colfax County- Village of Eagle Nest
Mayor Jeff Carr of Eagle nest, Administrator Mary Bergland, and EMS Director Jake Mullery presented the Power point for this project. Mayor Jeff Carr explained they have met with several sources, and they are planning to build a hospital and affordable housing. The projects would be applied for in the legislative session in 2023. Admin Mary Berglund reported they have brough extra presentations and surveys for the community to submit their comments. The project would be in Eagle Nest. Mayor Jeff Carr explained the CS Ranch had set some land aside for a new High School in Eagle Nest however that project did not ever develop, and the Village of Eagle Nest is seeking to purchase that land for the medical facility. Mayor Carr provided maps and project information for everyone. He also added he would like to have a Town Hall for this project. Councilor Ernie LeDoux asked if the Colfax General would be operating the facility. Mayor Carr responded that yes, they would. Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos thanked all for the presentation and information, he also added that this project would be a great opportunity to provide additional health care to the Valley area.

XI. New Business- Each Item listed will be considered for Action of Approve/Disapprove/Discuss:

- a. EMS Board Member Appointment
Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to approve the appointment of Laura Gonzales to the EMS Board. Councilor Eloy Brazil seconded. Approved 4-0
- b. License Agreement for Cimarroncito Dam and Boy Scouts of America- Philmont Scout Ranch

Mayor Pro Tem James Gallegos asked Admin Shawn Jeffrey to explain the document. Admin Shawn explained the agreement is for the Cimarroncito Dam Rehabilitation Project. This agreement between Philmont Scout Ranch and the Village of Cimarron outlines the parameters for the project.

Councilor Ernie LeDoux moved to approve the License agreement for Cimarroncito Dam between the Village of Cimarron and Philmont Scout Ranch. Councilor Eloy Brazil seconded. Approved 4-0

c. Perpetual Agreement for Cimarroncito Dam

Admin Shawn Jeffrey explained this agreement is the second part of the documents that need to be executed between the Village of Cimarron and Philmont Scout Ranch. These documents outline the requirements and project expectancies for both parties.

Councilor Ernie LeDoux moved to approve the Perpetual Agreement for Cimarroncito Dam. Councilor Judy B. LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0

d. Amendment for RIP Solid Waste Program

Admin Shawn Jeffrey explained this item is for a time extension for the Solid Waste Funding which will be used once the Vermejo property has been purchased and the project can be completed.

Councilor Eloy Brazil moved to approve the amendment for the RIP Solid Waste Program. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0

e. Close the Friends of the Fire Fund 221

Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to approve to close the Friends of the Fire Fund 221 and send the funds to the fire department to put into the Friends of the Fire Department 501c3. Councilor Eloy Brazil seconded. Approved 4-0

f. Forsgren- Amendment #6 Engineer Contract

Mike Waresak of Forsgren Engineering explained the reasons for the amendment. He said due to delays in equipment and supplies being delivered, the contract had to be extended for the project. The amendment is to increase the engineering \$9,900 to get the contract to the end of the project.

Councilor Ernie LeDoux moved to approve the amendment #6 Forsgren engineer contract. Councilor Eloy Brazil seconded. Approved 4-0

g. Resolution 2022-042 2023 Employee Holiday Schedule

Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to approve Resolution 2022-042 2023 Employee holiday schedule. Councilor Eloy Brazil seconded. Approved 4-0

XII. Items for Next Agenda

1. Pavilion Placement

XIII. Adjourn

Councilor Judy B. LeDoux moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded.
Approved 4-0 6:40 pm

APPROVED THIS 11 DAY OF JANUARY ²⁰²³~~2022~~


Matthew Gonzales, Mayor

Attest:


Shawn Jeffrey, Clerk/Administrator