

# VILLAGE OF CIMARRON

## MINUTES REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024 6:00pm

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

The Mayor and Council led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge for NM State Flag. Pastor Ellen Swain officiated the invocation for the meeting.

### II. Roll Call

Mayor Eloy Brazil                      Councilor Colin Tawney                      Councilor Ernie LeDoux  
Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia                      Councilor Miriah LeDoux

### III. Approval of Agenda

*Councilor Colin Tawney moved to approve the agenda for July 10, 2024. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0*

### IV. Approve/Disapprove Minutes

a. Regular Meeting Minutes June 12, 2024

*Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia moved to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of June 12, 2024, as presented. Councilor Colin Tawney seconded. Approved 4-0*

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

- Seth Mangini informed the Governing Body that there is funding available for electric charging stations and he would like to talk to staff about the opportunity to apply for chargers in Cimarron.

### VI. Correspondence and Appreciations

- Mayor Eloy Brazil read a letter from a resident of Cimarron Rick Hobbs. Mr. Hobbs offered his appreciation for the good work Alex Martinez has been doing for the Village. Mayor Brazil also thanked Renee LeDoux for helping Alex lay the sod at the pavilion.

### VII. Council Comments (Limited to 3 minutes)

- Councilor Colin Tawney thanked Anthony Martinez and his family for the great fireworks display for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.
- Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia thanked all who worked to install the sod.

### VIII. Reports by Departments and Boards-

a. Mayor's Report

Mayor Eloy Brazil reported on the events in the pavilion and what a success they all have been. He thanked the Cimarron Volleyball girls for the great job in helping to put in the flower beds for the NM Clean & Beautiful project. He thanked Valorie Garcia and Miriah LeDoux for the planning of the Cimarron Days event and thanked the Chamber for organizing the Mayor Fun Run. He also reported he met with Ray Ramos from NM Rural

Water Association and he explained the plant issues and the resolutions Joseph Martinez has been able to implement for the water plant. He also expressed his concerns of the heavy traffic in old town and the speeding he has observed. Councilor Ernie LeDoux reported he has contacted NMDOT and will follow up with them in the traffic division. Mayor Eloy Brazil mentioned that maybe additional signage and possibly a portable speed detector unit could be purchased for the area between the Cemetery and the bridge on Hwy 21.

b. Village Administrator's Report

Submitted. Councilor Ernie LeDoux asked Admin Shawn Jeffrey to contact Maniscalco again to see if they will bring a trailer and the Village public works could load the white goods and get them hauled off.

c. Public Works Report

Submitted

d. Police Department Report

No Report

e. Fire Department Report

Chief Cris Coca reported they have had five call. August 22 & 23 they will be hydrant testing and there are three hydrants out of order and they are located by Cimarron West, Lambert Hills, and the Mercantile.

f. Ambulance Report

No Report

g. Cemetery Board Report

No Report

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

a. Check Report and Deposit Register from June 11, 2024 through July 10, 2024

*Councilor Ernie LeDoux moved to approve the check report and deposit register from June 11, 2024, through July 10, 2024. Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia seconded. Approved 4-0*

b. NM Local Government Law Firm Bill for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Councilor Colin Tawney moved to approve paying the NM Government Law Firm bill in the amount of \$415.43. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0*

**X. Discussion-**

a. Update: Truck Show August 2-4, 2024

Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia reported she has met with the Millers and they will be taking care of the truck show on 10<sup>th</sup> street and her and Councilor Miriah LeDoux will be organizing the park activities. Councilor Miriah LeDoux reported they will be advertising in Raton and Las Vegas. Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia also added they will be adding the event to the NM Tourism calendar. Mayor Eloy Brazil thanked them both for organizing and putting the event together.

b. Noise Ordinance

Councilor Colin Tawney recommended to have the noise ordinance include a fine of \$200 for the penalty of people using a jake brake in Village limits. Admin Shawn Jeffrey said she will locate the ordinance and bring it back with the recommendation.

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

a. Ordinance 294 Wastewater System Improvements

*Councilor Ernie LeDoux motioned to approve ordinance 294. Councilor Colin Tawney seconded. Approved. 4-0*

b. Ordinance 295 Annexation of 90.86 acres Wastewater Plant

*Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia motioned to approve Ordinance 295 annexation. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved. 4-0*

c. Kurita Water Program Purchase

Mayor Eloy Brazil reported when he spoke to Ray Ramos from NM Rural he explained this program will be an asset for the public works and will provide valuable off site monitoring. Councilor Colin Tawney motioned to approve the Kurita Water Program Purchase. Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia seconded. Approved. 4-0

d. Ordinance 296 UTO Uniform Traffic Codes

*Councilor Ernie LeDoux motioned to approve Ordinance 296 UTO traffic codes. Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia seconded. Approved 4-0*

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

a. Resolution 2024-022 Vacate Alley Block 107- Behind Swanks

*Councilor Colin Tawney motioned to approve Resolution 2024-022 vacate alley in block 107. Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia seconded. Approved. 4-0*

b. Resolution 2024-023 NMDOT COOP Match Waiver

*Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia motioned to approve Resolution 2024-023 NMDOT COOP Match Waiver. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved. 4-0*

c. Resolution 2024-024 Prohibiting the use of engine brakes in the Village of Cimarron incorporated limits

*Councilor Colin Tawney motioned to approve Resolution 2024-024 Prohibiting the use of engine brakes in the village of Cimarron. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved. 4-0*

d. FY25 Vector Control Service Agreement Colfax County

*Councilor Ernie LeDoux motioned to approve FY25 Vector Control Service Agreement with Colfax County for \$1000 per season. Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia seconded. Approved. 4-0*

**XIII. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LITIGATION AND LIMITED PERSONNEL MATTERS AS PER NEW MEXICO OPEN MEETINGS ACT 10-15-1 SECTION H SUBSECTIONS 2 & 7:**

**Limited Personnel Matters**

- a. Public Works Department
- b. Confirmation of Anthony Fernandez resignation

*Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia motioned to adjourn to executive session to discuss the items listed. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved 4-0*

*Roll Call Vote: Councilor Colin Tawney-present, Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia-present, Councilor Miriah LeDoux-present, Councilor Ernie LeDoux- present 6:41pm*

**XIV. Return to Regular Session**

*Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia moved to approve to return to regular session. Councilor Ernie LeDoux seconded. Approved. 4-0 7:26*

Mayor Eloy Brazil reported the only items discussed were those listed on the agenda and no decisions were made.

Roll Call: Mayor Pro Tem Valorie Garcia-Yes, Councilor Colin Tawney-Yes Councilor Miriah LeDoux-yes, Councilor Ernie LeDoux- yes

**XV. Approve/Disapprove confirmation of Anthony Fernandez resignation**

*Councilor Colin Tawney moved to approve the confirmation of the resignation of Anthony Fernandez. Councilor Miriah LeDoux seconded. Approved. 4-0*


**XVI. Items for Next Agenda**

Charging Station options

**XVII. Adjourn**

*Councilor Ernie LeDoux moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Colin Tawney seconded. Approved 4-0 7:29 pm*

APPROVED THIS 19 DAY OF AUGUST 2024

  
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Eloy Brazil, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Shawn Jeffrey, Clerk-Administrator