

Regular Meeting Minutes–December 2019

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tularosa met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 6:00 P. M. in the Court Conference Room of the Public Safety Facility located at 609 St. Francis Drive, Tularosa, New Mexico.

Present: Trustee Janie Portillo
Trustee Patrick Garcia
Trustee Robert Sainz
Trustee Jeni Alexander

Also present was Margaret Lucero Village, Village Clerk and Attorney Jefferson Rhodes

At 6:00 P. M. Mayor Pro-Tem Janie Portillo called the meeting to order asking that all rise and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the Flag of the State of New Mexico.

1. Trustee Sainz made a motion to accept the agenda and consent agenda. Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried
2. Valarie Delgado, Finance officer, asking to approve resolution 201-20-12 to revise certain line items as described in the FY 2019-2020 budget. Margaret stated this budget revision was to correct those budget line items. Trustee Garcia approved to the resolution, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
3. Linda Vigil, Librarian, asking to approve the accept the funding for 2 positions under the Senior Employment Program. This would allow for expanded programs and these positions are paid for through a State Grant. Trustee Sainz approved the motion for the 2 positions. Trustee Garcia seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
4. Margaret Lucero, Village Clerk, asking to approve the Change in Ordinance 270. Asking for permission to send out the Notice to Adopt. Trustee Sainz motioned to approve the Notice to Adopt Changes to Ordinance 270. All members voted aye. Roll Call preformed. Motion carried.
5. Richard Guilez, Maintenance Supervisor, asking to approve the pay raise for Manual Reyes in the amount of \$1.00/hour. Item died due to lack of motion. Motion to postpone item was made by Janie Portillo. The motion to postpone item was carried by vote. All members voted aye to postpone. Motion carried.

6. Richard Guilez, Maintenance Supervisor, asking to approve the pay raise for Dakota Dorame in the amount of \$1.00/hour. Item died due to lack of motion. Motion to postpone item was made by Janie Portillo. The motion to postpone item was carried by vote. All members voted aye to postpone. Motion carried.

7. Margaret Trujillo, Mayor asking to amend Personnel Policy in Section 20.09 to read 'shall' instead of "may". Trustee Portillo motioned to approve the amending of personnel policy. Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

8. Margaret Lucero, Village Clerk, asking to allow the networking with Sunny and local Master Gardeners to revitalize the rose gardens in the medians. Margaret stated that when NMDOT realized that citizens were performing the watering and maintenance of the roses, DOT told the Village that it was a liability and the Village would have to be responsible for those existing roses. Margaret has been approached by this group to see if there is any way for networking, possibly getting volunteers and donations to help with the program. Trustee Sainz said he likes the idea of working with other groups if everyone understands it will not fall on the Village, as we do not have the men or the time. Trustee Sainz motioned to approve. Trustee Garcia seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

9. Michael Gruger, TAHC, is asking for assistance with the annual Luminaria event with sand drops and escorts for the lighting as some with clean up. Michael said he has been in contact with the Police Chief and Mesa Verde the construction company. They will be willing to help with the clean up and DOT will have the signs out for the event. Trustee Garcia motioned to approve the help with the event. Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

10. Patrick Garcia, Trustee, asking to approve performance pay awards in the amount of \$100.00 per employee. Trustee Garcia motioned to approve the performance pay awards for employees. Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

11. Unscheduled correspondence and public comment:

1. Tom McKeon, feels the Village needs to look at the deposit for water accounts, should look at making it one months plus fees. He said to have a Merry Christmas. Trustee Garcia thanked Tom for all his hard work on the Veterans Park and asked again about starting the brick program. Tom stated that Richard was going to help with the changing of the lights as well.
2. David Shields, Bohannon Huston, Clayton and Hagee lanes are done. District 2 is coming to closeout project. WWTP Linear repair is done and will have final close out in a few weeks. File Construction was awarded

water transmission line project and will have pre con on December 19th. Colonias granted our extension for this project and the loan will close in early January.

3. Robert Sainz, Trustee, was asked again about the moving of payment box. A tree needs to come down and it will go up by the museum. A question about the Red Brick Building; are the repairs being done within the National Historical Registers specifications. Michael Gruger stated he is working on this project and yes. They have asked and made sure all repairs are done correctly.
4. Patrick Garcia extends a Very Merry Christmas to everyone.

12. Old Business:

13. New Business:

Patrick Garcia, Trustee, the Village really needs to have a meeting and look at developing an Ordinance that deals with the trees throughout the Village.

14. Adjourn: 6:50

Margaret Trujillo, Mayor

ATTEST: (seal)

Margaret Lucero, Village Clerk