

Regular Meeting Minutes-February 17,2021

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tularosa met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 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: Mayor Margaret Trujillo
Trustee Janie Portillo-Absent
Trustee Patrick Garcia
Trustee Robert Sainz
Jeni Alexander-Absent

Also present was Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk and Attorney Jefferson Rhodes

At 6:00 P. M. Mayor Margaret Trujillo 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, Trustee Garcia seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried. Trustee Garcia also asked for a 30 second moment of silence to honor the memory of the late Dianna Brusuelas-Guilez for her 32 years of service to the Village of Tularosa.
2. Valarie Delgado, Finance Officer asked to approve Resolution #2020-2021-7 Revised Budget figures for certain line items in the Villages budget for fiscal year 2020-21. Valarie explained that these were just line item clean ups before budget hearings. She also explained that they were transfers from in and out of different dept. line items. Trustee Sainz asked if anyone else had any questions about this matter and if not he was wanting to motion to approve. Trustee Sainz motioned, Trustee Garcia seconded the motion, all members voted aye. Motion carries. Roll Call: (Garcia) present (Sainz) present.
3. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk asked to approve Resolution #2020-2021-8 to authorize the submission of a 2021 Colonias Infrastructure Application. Rebekah explained that this is the Villages annual application done every year to apply for funding. Trustee Garcia motioned, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion, all members voted aye. Motion carries.
4. Julian Martinez, resident asked if they can receive water services from the Village of Tularosa for the area of N.E. Bookout Rd. Mr. Martinez stated that several residents in that area are very interested in having city water. He presented a list of about 10 residents who were interested. Trustee Garcia stated that he believed that the closest meter was at the Hightower property and goes

through the field. Richard Guilez (Utility Supervisor) explained the exact area that would need services and the what the process would be to get it done. Mayor Trujillo asked if the landowners are willing to pay for the piping as the Village just cannot afford something like that at this time. She also stated that as long as their group was willing to pay for the piping for the infrastructure that the village would do the manual labor to get it done. Julian Martinez asked if they could get a round about figure of how much the piping would cost to get it done. Richard Guilez stated that he would get some figures together and provide them to Mr. Martinez. Mayor Trujillo told Mr. Martinez to get with his group and see what they would like to do and how many are willing to get on board than they can revisit this request even if they have to have a special meeting. Trustee Garcia motioned to postpone, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion, all members voted aye. Motion carries.

5. Janie Portillo, Trustee asked to amend Section 151.05 of the Tularosa Code of Ordinances Providing for Permit Fees. Trustee Portillo was absent so Trustee Garcia motioned to Postpone, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion, all members voted aye. Motion carries

6. Rebecca Michael, Resident had a presentation on Police Dept Reserve programs throughout the state of New Mexico. She provided information and resources for our Board to consider having a Reserve program and all of the positive elements it would bring to the Police Dept.

7. Unscheduled correspondence and public comments (3 minutes)

Richard Guilez (Utility Supervisor) explained to the Board that he had the Environment Inspector to come down to check out the Waste Water Treatment Plant. He explained that there is a lot of things that need to be done that hadn't been done in many years. Richard stated that he is aware of what needs to be done and is going to get on it right away so that we can get the plant running up to spec.

Stephanie Dubois (resident) was appreciative of the police patrol on her street. Deborah Hernandez (Kennel Officer) mentioned that the Kennel lot had an extreme amount of mud and it was hard to drive through and asked if maybe someone could throw some rock down to make it easier to park and drive. Richard Guilez stated that he would go throw a load of rock down fix the problem. Trustee Garcia asked Chief Heisinger how Officer Mendez and Officer Cory were doing. Chief Heisinger stated that McGuinness can let him know since he was their training officer. McGuinness stated that they are doing great no problems. He also said that Mendez and Velasco will be going to the academy in July. Trustee Garcia informed them that they have been having issues with the west side of town about trash and code violations. McGuinness explained that they have really been patrolling that area and have seen less activity in that area. Mayor Trujillo asked that the area of West 3rd needs to be addressed and ticketed for code violations. She also stated that some areas have been cleaned up so

some residents are responding to the violations.

8. Old Business: None

9. New Business: None

10. Adjourn: 7:15 PM

Margaret Trujillo

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ATTEST: (seal)

Rebekah Bryant
Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk