## Regular Meeting Minutes-April 28, 2021

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tularosa met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 28, 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 Trustee Patrick Garcia Trustee Robert Sainz Jeni Alexander-Absent

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

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 Portillo made a motion to accept the agenda, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.
- 2. Michael Heisinger, Chief of Police asked to approve the appointment of Albert Barela to the position of Dispatcher with a 6-month probation at a pay rate of \$12.25hr. Trustee Portillo motioned, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carries.
- 3. Deanna Montoya, Senior Center Director asked for the approval of the reopening plan for the Senior Center. She explained that most seniors were not interested in coming back as they can only eat there but not use the whole facility yet due to the restrictions from the NM Aging and Long-Term Services Dept. Trustee Sainz thanked Deanna for doing a great job at the Senior Center as even though they have all the restrictions the numbers were up. Trustee Garcia motioned, Trustee Portillo seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carries.
- 4. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk asked to approve the appointment of Trisha Brewer Utility Billing Clerk to full time status as she has completed her 6 month probationary period. Trustee Sainz motioned, Trustee Portillo seconded the motion, all members voted aye. Motion carries.
- 5. Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk requested to adopt the amended ordinance

Section 151.05 of the Tularosa Code of Ordinances Providing for Permit fees. Trustee Garcia motioned, Trustee Portillo seconded the motion, all members voted aye. Motion carries

- 6. Michael Heisinger, Chief and Christopher McGuinness, Sergeant presented information on a Victims Assistance program they are planning on implementing into the Tularosa Police Dept. They explained that they will be offering services to Juveniles and families in relation to domestic calls, sexual assault etc. They already have many volunteer services to help with this program. Several Churches, Counselors, Boys & Girls Club, District Attorney, Victims Advocates, Boy Scouts of America, Martial Arts Instructors, and Emotional Support are a few of the volunteers to help get this program started. This was just a discussion and no action was taken.
- 7. Baxter Pattillo & Larry Sterling from Alamotero Land Surveyors LLC requested a review and approval for a summary subdivision. Baxter explained that they have already went through Otero County to get approval but since they were within 5 miles of the Village limits it is considered extra territorial jurisdiction which needed approval from the Village of Tularosa. Trustee Portillo motioned, Trustee Sainz seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carries.
- 8. Unscheduled correspondence and public comments:

Mark, Individual wanted to thank the Village of Tularosa for the trespass notices at the Tularosa Creek as they have made a huge difference in the traffic on private property. He also asked about getting some permanent signs put out there that would last a long time and be durable for weather. Mayor Trujillo informed him that they would look into that during the budget hearings to see if the village could afford doing that.

Jen Gruger, Secretary of Planning and Zoning asked if they could get a workshop together to go over the comprehensive plan. Mayor Trujillo explained that Stephanie Dubois can ask for a workshop at any time.

David Shields, Engineer from Bohannon Houston wanted to update how things were going with the sewer plant. He explained that we were on track with the project and will use the 500,000 to make improvements. He explained that we still had time for changes since it is not set in stone with the decision that was made for the sewer plant. He also said that we also are applying for the street improvements through the nmdot to get a few streets done. He also said that they were waiting on the RFP to be put out so they can turn in a bid for that so they can remain our engineer on our projects.

9. Old Business: None

10. New Business:.

11. Adjourn: 7:30 PM

Margaret Trujillo, Mayor

ATTEST: (seal)

Rebekah Bryant, Village Clerk