

REGULAR MEETING JUNE 11, 2018

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Tularosa met in a Special Meeting on Monday June 11, 2018 at 6:00 pm 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 Jeni Alexander
Trustee Patrick Garcia
Trustee Robert Sainz

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

At 6:00pm. 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.

Consideration of Agenda

- 1. Consideration of Agenda and Consent Agenda**
 - a. Minutes of May 14, 2018-Regular & Organizational Meeting & Minutes from May 24, 2018 Special Meeting
 - b. Site & Sign Permits-May 2018
 - c. Business Registrations- May 2018
 - d. Village Bills List
 - e. Public Library Monthly Report
 - f. Next Regular Meeting-July 18, 2018

Trustee Portillo motioned to approve the agenda. Second came from Trustee Alexander. All Trustees voted aye. Motion carried.

2. Maureen Schmittle, NM Dept. of Health, Tulie Trails Planning Group, is presenting an overview of activities from the last two years.

Maureen gave a very informative power point presentation about what the group Tulie Trails is involved in. She thanks the Village for patterning on several projects throughout the community from the Village Rose walking loop out the by Senior Center to the fitness equipment that were installed in parks along with signs and instructions on how to use to the equipment. These projects were also done in part by the Keep Tularosa Beautiful Volunteers and some items were purchased through

that grant. She said that she was available to help with projects and grant networking opportunities. She stated that she had worked with Margaret in the past and they work very well together and she would be more than happy to help in any way. The Trustees thanked her for the presentation and all the work for the Tularosa Community.

3. Annette Rodriquez, would like the Village to support her in opening a recycling center in the Village at 385 Central Ave.

Ms. Rodriquez stated she would like to open a metal recycling center in Tularosa. She thinks Tularosa would be a wonderful place to have a shop. She is currently wanting to open at 385 Central. She stated that she owns the a recycling center in El Paso, she deals only in metals, which is driven by the stock market. She understands that the County has a small recycling center but she would do the metals part, not the others.

Trustee Garcia stated he was concerned with the noise and the eye sore that it might be on the main street going through the community. Trustee Sainz agreed. He stated that it was a noble cause and thanked her for coming but the location is an issue for him as well.

Ms. Rodriguez thanked the board for their time. No motion taken.

4. Karen Lerner, Tularosa Community Ditch, asking for easements through Children s Park for the re-alignment of the ditch.

Ms. Lerner presented the board with information on the Tularosa Community Ditch asking for current easements through Children's Park to change. The Ditch community is making some infrastructure upgraded as the ditch will become more aligned allowing for better water flow. This process is in the planning phases, an engineering firm has been hired. The ditch is waiting on the preliminary reports to see where the ditch and re-alignment would be. They are asking for the current easements that they have to be changed.

Mayor Trujillo stated that the Village and Ditch Community need to work together. She thanked Karen and the Ditch Community for coming and meeting with her. She asked for a motion.

Trustee Portillo motioned to grant the easement change for the ditch re-alignment. Trustee Alexander seconded the motion.

Trustee Garcia asked about the trees. Karen stated the Ditch Community is trying to save the trees that are along the current ditch to move the re-alignment so it doesn't disturb the roots. They too do not want to lose any trees if possible in this re-alignment

Mayor Trujillo asked for all those in favor. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

5. Mayor Margaret Trujillo, approve appointment of Gilbert Martinez to the

position of Water Plant Operator at \$20.00/hr with 6 months probation.

Mayor Trujillo asked to approve the hiring of Gilbert Martinez. She stated that he has levels in both water and waste water. He is currently on 6 months probation. He is learning the system and seems to be doing good.

Trustee Portillo motioned to approve the hiring of Mr. Martinez, Trustee Alexander seconded the motion.

Trustee Garcia stated that he understands that the Village needs someone with levels, however he wants the Supervisor Richard Guilez to monitor his progress not Ray Ramos. Mayor Trujillo stated that the supervisor will monitor him, but he is on 6 months probation so if he is not working out, he will be let go.

Mayor called for a vote. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

6. Margaret Lucero, Grants Coordinator, asking to approve the new FY19 KTB grant.

Margaret stated that the Village had received the award for the FY19 KTB grant. She is asking for approval.

Trustee Portillo motioned to approve, Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. No discussion. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

7. Margaret Lucero, Grants Coordinator, asking to approve Resolution # 2017-2018-20. This is to adopt annual certifications for CDBG Grant.

Margaret stated that each year the Village adopts annual certifications for the CDBG Grant.

Trustee Patrick Garcia motioned to approve. Trustee Sainz, seconded the motion. All members voting aye. Motion carried

8. Margaret Lucero, Grants Coordinator, asking to approve Resolution # 2017-2018-21 for LGRF 2018-2019 Project L200416, repaving of Clayton Lane

Margaret asked to approve the resolution to accept LGRF for the repaving of Clayton Lane. Margaret stated that this receiving these funds is huge. Margaret applied for these funds within a few weeks of starting with the help of David Shields. Margaret stated that Clayton lane was picked because the engineering specs had already been accomplished through the sewer main project.

Trustee Garcia asked why Clayton and not other streets and Margaret answered because of the timing and a new engineering report would have cost the village more than what the Village could spend and still meet the match.

Trustee Portillo motioned to approve, Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

No action was taken.

Motion to go back into regular session made by Trustee Garcia with a second from Trustee Portillo. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

13. Mayor Margaret Trujillo, approve pay increase for Margaret Lucero, Village Clerk and Grants Coordinator, she has completed her probation period.

Mayor Trujillo asked to approve a pay increase for Margaret Lucero, the Village Clerk and Grants Coordinator. She stated that Margaret is very knowledgeable. She has taken on every task that she has been given and is currently doing two jobs. The Mayor stated that she is afraid that Margaret might leave if the Village does not compensate her for the work that she is doing. She is much more than just a clerk.

Trustee Portillo motioned to approve a pay raise. Trustee Alexander seconded the motion. Trustee Garcia stated that Margaret does do a fantastic job and the Village is lucky to have her and he believes she is worth the raise, but would like to see others who have been here longer be able to have a raise as well. He is not in favor of the amount. The Mayor stated again that Margaret was currently doing two full time jobs well and deserves the raise. The Mayor stated that the Supervisors are going to be doing evaluations for merit based raises for all employees during for the upcoming year.

Mayor called for a vote. Trustee Portillo, aye. Trustee Alexander, aye. Trustee Garcia, no. Trustee Sainz, aye.

Motion passed. 3-1 vote

14. Mayor Margaret Trujillo, to approve an A Notice of Public Hearing to formally initiate the rezoning process under 154.39 (A) (1).

Mayor Trujillo asked to approve a Notice of Public Hearing to formally initiate the rezoning process under 154.39 (A) (1).

Trustee Garcia motioned to approve to move forward on the rezoning process. Trustee Robert Sainz seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

15. Unscheduled Correspondence and Public Comments (3 Minutes)

Randy Borrer, citizen, wanted to say that Samantha Chavez is doing a great job with the recreation. He understands the struggles of living in a small community and thinks that Samantha is doing a great job and is really bringing in the kids and offering events for the whole community, not just the young or the old.

The Mayor thanked him for his comments, she said it is good to hear some good news, not just the bad.

16. Old Business:

17. New Business:

The Mayor warned everyone about the fire danger and told everyone to be safe.

18. Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn made by Trustee Portillo, seconded by Trustee Alexander.
Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm

Margaret Trujillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Margaret Lucero, Tularosa Village Clerk

The written minutes are the official minutes of the meeting. The recorded Compact Flash are part of the minutes only for interpreting any ambiguity in the written minutes. When the minutes are approved and signed the written minutes are the official minutes of the meeting.

Minutes were approved at the July 18, 2018 meeting.