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MINUTES FOR THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING:
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM

1. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Present were Mayor Sweet, Mayor Pro-Tem Ryan, Trustees Wilson, Sweet, and Sanchez, Librarian Janet Phillips, and community members Tom Mnich, Debi Peterson, and Mike Nealeigh.
2. Pledge of Allegiance-The Mayor led the Pledge.
3. Approval of Agenda-Trustee Wilson moved that the agenda be approved. Trustee Sanchez seconded, and the agenda was unanimously approved.
4. Approval of Minutes from 2-20-19 Meeting-Mayor Pro-Tem Ryan moved that the minutes from the council's previous meeting be approved. Trustee Sweet seconded, and the minutes were approved as presented.
5. Reports
 - a. Maintenance-Submitted
 - b. Bath House-Submitted-Trustee Wilson asked whether the online scheduling is working (because of the negative comment in the manager's report). Mayor Sweet said the bath house does receive requests for reservations online, and that online scheduling has brought in at least 30 appointments since it started being used after the renovations. Mayor Pro-Tem Ryan asked why the bath house employees do not seem to like online scheduling. Ms. Dickey explained that any time they are ready, the bath house personnel could begin using their POS system to track all their appointments online, but they are not ready to get rid of the appointment binder yet.

- c. Library-Submitted-Ms. Phillips explained that the Senate did not place as much funding in the Rural Library Endowment as she had hoped, however the bill may still pass.
 - d. Court-Submitted
 - e. Wastewater-Submitted
 - i. Boron-Ms. Dickey explained that Wastewater Operator Ms. Nalezny is concerned because the new EPA rules for sewer effluent would cause her to have to treat for Boron and get it below naturally occurring levels. This would be extremely costly and complicated. Ms. Nalezny prefers to write a letter to NMED asking for a waiver to this unrealistic Boron standard in wastewater.
 - f. Police Chief-Submitted
 - g. P & Z Commission-Not Submitted-Mike Nealeigh from the P&Z Commission was able to attend. He spoke briefly about the Air B&B/VRBO issue, expressing the commission's belief that such short-term rentals should be required to get a Conditional Use Permit. The P&Z Commission also recommends collecting contact information from absentee landlords and recognizes that parking at Air B&B/VRBO's may become an issue that will have to be addressed.
 - h. Volunteer Fire Department-Submitted
 - i. Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board-Not Submitted
6. Clerk/Treasurer's Report-Ms. Dickey explained that most departments are within their budget for this time of year. Revenues are a little below what we had expected. The audit report will be hopefully be presented next meeting, and grant reimbursements for the Bath House renovations are coming in. Ms. Dickey informed the council about the progress on getting the North Mooney Bridge repaired, which should be complete by the end of April.
7. Adopt policy on fees for use of Leyba Land-This will be finalized at the next meeting of the council.
8. Discuss process for changing Lodgers' Tax Ordinance-Ms. Dickey explained the process, which we can begin in May. The only concern is that at the state level, it is unclear when the Lodgers' Tax Ordinance is officially "in effect". Ms. Dickey will research and let the council know at the next meeting.

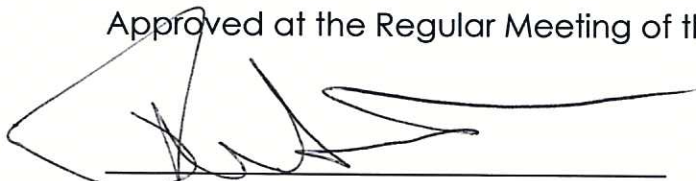
9. July 4th Planning-Monique Alton volunteered to plan the July 4th festivities, assisted by Billy Ehret. They are beginning to plan the fireworks, a parade, and vendors in the park. Mayor Sweet said that Sharon Chism is also willing to help if needed.

10. Mayor's Report

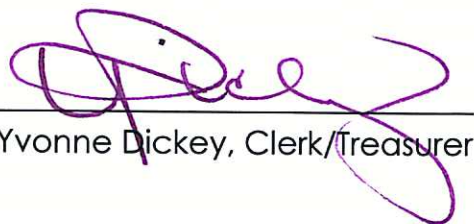
- a. Mayor Sweet-Mayor Sweet asked the council to begin thinking about Volunteer of the Year. Some names put forward include Beverly Musgrove and Debi Peterson. Mayor Sweet also informed the council that another Star Party is planned at the Historic Site and Ms. Phillips is adding an activity at the library that attendees can participate in for before it gets dark. Congressman Ben Ray Lujan will meet with the Mayor, Chief Nunez, and law enforcement professionals from up and down the Valley to discuss the crime situation on March 21st.
- b. Mayor Pro-Tem Ryan-Nothing to report.
- c. Trustee Wilson-Nothing to report.
- d. Trustee Sanchez-Trustee Sanchez told the council that through his activities with the American Legion, he was put into contact with someone who would be willing to sponsor a balloon glow during Light Among the Ruins. The consensus was that Light Among the Ruins is already almost too big for the community to handle, and perhaps there is a better time for a balloon glow.
- e. Trustee Sweet-Trustee Sweet explained that her bill has passed the Senate and the House, and once the Governor signs the bill, Naturopathic Physicians will be able to be licensed in New Mexico. Everybody expressed their congratulations to Trustee Sweet.

11. Adjourn-At approximately 7:45, it was properly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Approved at the Regular Meeting of the Village Council April 17, 2019



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