

Mayor Pro-Tem

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## MINUTES FOR THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order - Mayor Sweet called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Members Present: Mayor Roger Sweet, David Ryan, Mano Sanchez, Bob

Wilson, Monique Alton Absent: Heather Gutierrez

Others: Michael Nealeigh, Talia Michelle, Chief Joe Moreno, Janet

Phillips, Fred Simmank, & Jim Cox

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Sweet led the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda

After discussion of the number of the Resolution in Agenda item 5, Trustee Wilson moved to approve the agenda; Trustee Ryan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes 2-21-2024

Trustee Ryan moved to accept the minutes of the 2-21-2024 meeting. Trustee Alton seconded the motion. The Motion passed unanimously

- 5. Jim Cox Finance Advisor
  - a. Resolution 2024-006 Budget Adjustment

Financial Advisor Jim Cox explained the reasons for the Budget Adjustment for several funds for the quarter ended December 2023. These included:

Transfer of accounting amounts from the General Fund to the Fire Fund and Law Enforcement Protection fund to satisfy the legal requirements and to transfer amounts from other funds to the General Fund to meet reserve requirements.

After discussion, Trustee Wilson moved to approve Resolution 2024-006;

Trustee Alton seconded. Motion unanimously

Mr. Cox then related more information about the financial status of the Village. These included:

On the question of the vendor payment for the Fiscal Year 22 Fire Fund disbursement, Mr. Cox replied that the approximately \$33,000 check had been written but not sent.

The Trustees asked about the large amounts of invoices not paid per the schedules provided. Mr. Cox replied that the Village is making progress toward paying down these items. He also relayed that all current invoices are being paid on schedule.

The Court Fund was also discussed. After legally reserved amounts were accounted for, the remaining amounts were transferred to the General Fund. He also answered other questions relating to DFA approval on cash receipts relating to the library.

Mayor Sweet said that there are weekly meetings with Mr. Cox on the financial matters. Office staff and department heads are part of these conversations when needed. Mr. Cox then left the meeting.

- 6. JVCU Signature Update as of 3-28-2024
  - a. Add Michael Nealeigh
  - b. Remove Roger Sweet & Dave Ryan

Mayor Sweet stated that signature changes were necessary to remove Mayor Sweet and Trustee Ryan as signatories as of March 28, 2024 and add Mayor-Elect Nealeigh as a new signatory.

Trustee Ryan moved that these changes be made; Trustee Alton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## 7. Reports

- a. Maintenance-Written report submitted.
- b. Bath House-Written report submitted.
- C. Library- Written report submitted. Also, Librarian Janet Phillips also related that funds have been received and library repairs can soon be scheduled. Librarian Phillips thanked everyone who attended the Sandoval County Commission meeting in opposition to the proposed County Library Ordinance. The Commission voted to table this vote indefinitely.
- d. Court- Written report submitted.
- e. Wastewater-Written report submitted.
- f. Police Chief- Written report submitted. Also, Chief Moreno went over some of the items on his report. Also, he related that he is the only officer now and no hiring will be done because of the Village finances. Next month Chief Moreno will be asking for Council approval to dispose of the current police vehicle.
- g. P & Z Commission- Two written reports submitted. Also, P&Z will be electing a new chairman.
- h. Volunteer Fire Department- No written report was submitted.
- i. Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board-Written report submitted.

## 8. Mayor's Report

- a. Mayor Sweet Mayor Sweet thanked all of the employees and volunteers.
- b. Mayor Pro-Temp Ryan Trustee Ryan expressed that his time as Trustee has been good and that he will still be here to offer any help to the Village.
- c. Trustee Wilson Trustee Wilson suggested that the monthly meeting be held on other than Wednesday so that the Village Clerk can be present. Through

- this fiscal year, these would be "Special Trustee Meetings". In the next fiscal year, per Open Meetings Act, the regular meeting day could be designated.
- d. Trustee Sanchez Trustee Sanchez related that the Village and the Interim clerk was berated at the County Canvas. The Sandoval Signpost was given bad information about the cost of the vote. Also, Mayor Sweet has not appreciated the hard work of the Village receptionist and interim clerk.
- e. Trustee Alton Trustee Alton emphasized that it is ok to speak up when things are not right. She said she learned at lot as Trustee.
- 9. Adjourn Trustee Wilson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Trustee Ryan Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.