

MINUTES
VILLAGE COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020
8:30A.M.
CITY HALL

PRESENT: Mayor Louie Gallegos, Councilor Albert Sena, Councilor Elizabeth Steele, Councilor Esther Segura and Clerk Jamie Wall.

ABSENT: Councilor Gerald Cline

OTHERS PRESENT: Sheriff Roybal, Lt. Mike Gauna, Lisa Stinnett – De Baca County News

MAYOR LOUIE GALLEGOS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 8:33 A.M.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gallegos requested Council review agenda for approval. Mayor Gallegos recommended the Council approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION: Albert Sena

SECOND: Esther Segura

That the Council approves the agenda as presented.

All voted yes, motion carried.

Show of hands 3-0

COUNCILOR GERALD CLINE ARRIVED AT 8:39 A.M.

2. CONSIDERATION OF LEPP TRAILER PURCHASE

Mayor Gallegos and Council heard a presentation from Sheriff Chad Roybal regarding an LEPP purchase of a trailer with wireless CCTV capability. Sheriff Roybal explained this trailer had two cameras mounted on a connecting pole that could monitor areas experiencing crime, illegal dumping, conduct event observation and in addition had license plate ID recognition capability. The trailer monitoring system could be viewed remotely and also had parameter alarm function. The cost of the trailer came to \$24,982.28. Councilor Albert Sena inquired if funding was available in the LEPP fund and what the price included. Sheriff Roybal stated the price included freight, setup, and a Wi-Fi connection. Clerk Wall reported the LEPP fund did have adequate funding to cover the purchase.

MOTION: Albert Sena

SECOND: Esther Segura

That the Council approves the LEPP purchase of a trailer with wireless CCTV capability in the amount of \$24,982.28.

All voted yes, motion carried.

Show of hands 4-0

3. CONSIDERATION OF COVID-19 PLANNING AND PROCEDURES

Mayor Gallegos and Council discussed updates how each department of the Village would take precautions for the COVID-19 safety measures. Mayor Gallegos stated the Village was keeping up to date with mandates from the Governor's office as well as directives from the Center for Disease Control. Protocols were made as follows:

Senior Center: Meals will continue being provided to both congregate participants and home delivered clients. Congregate clients will be allowed to take the meal to-go or have the meal delivered to their home. Arrangements can be made with Director Sonja Williams who is keeping up to date with all mandates from NM Area Agency on Aging. The current meal delivery procedures have been extended to June 30, 2020.

Library: Library is currently closed. Staff not currently on medical leave will receive Paid Emergency Administrative Leave. Council will re-evaluate situation periodically.

EMS: EMS will use regular personal protective equipment with the addition of masks. Mayor Gallegos reported Dr. Brown from Santa Rosa who also serves as the Medical Director for the Village EMS Service will aid in getting additional PPE supplies for the Ambulance Service.

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Airport: Airport will operate without any modification.

Street: Street Department will operate without any modifications. Extra caution will be taken when picking up trash by wearing provided gloves.

Water/Wastewater: Water and Wastewater Departments will operate without any modification.

Utility Accounts: Delinquent utility accounts for the Village Water & Sewer will be notified if disconnection status is reached. Notification will state water service will not be interrupted as hand-washing hygiene is effective in the prevention protocol for COVID-19. Notice will be placed on account holder's door stating service will not be interrupted and account holder is to call for balance due amount from Village Hall to be paid by April 6, 2020. Council will re-evaluate situation periodically.

Village Hall: Village Hall will remain open with a sign placed on the door encouraging the use of the utility drop box for payments with the exception of cash payments which are to be paid inside. Temporary plexi-glass partitions have been purchased from the Lumber yard, assembled, and placed on the counter to separate office staff taking utility payments from the public.

Parks: Mayor Gallegos and Council discussed closure of Dallas Park and Bosque Redondo Lake Park. Barricades would be placed at the entrances of both parks and would be periodically monitored by law enforcement with a trespass citation being issued for violators. Signage will be placed on the barricade rope stating COVID-19 as the purpose for the closure.

MOTION: Elizabeth Steele

SECOND: Esther Segura

That the Council approves the COVID-19 protocols for immediate implementation by Village of Fort Sumner staff.

All voted yes, motion carried.

Show of hands 4-0

Mayor Gallegos stated the next meeting of the Council would be a Regular Meeting on April 13, 2020 and would most likely be a meeting by video conference or similar method in order to comply with the Governor's order of gatherings no larger than five persons. Mayor Gallegos stated Clerk Jamie Wall would be coordinating the meeting and giving the public notice.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:13 A.M.

MOTION: Albert Sena

SECOND: Esther Segura

All voted yes, motion carried.

Show of hands 4-0

APPROVED:

MAYOR


LOUIE GALLEGOS

ATTEST:


JAMIE WALL, CLERK