MINUTES TOWN OF EDGEWOOD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 23, 2020 @ 6:30 P.M.

TOWN OF EDGEWOOD COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 171A State Rd. 344

CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Bassett called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.

Councilors Present: John Abrams, Audrey Jaramillo, Linda Holle, and Sherry Abraham.

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres, Police Chief Darrell Sanchez, Administrative Assistant Courtney LaBrum, and Secretary Rachel Martinez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made the motion to approve the agenda. Councilor Abraham seconded the

motion.

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye.

Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Council Meeting Minutes for July 22, 2020

- B. Council Meeting Minutes for July 29, 2020
- C. Council Meeting Minutes for September 9, 2020
- D. Planning and Zoning Report for the month of August 2020
- E. Code Enforcement Report for the month of August 2020
- F. Police Report for the month of August 2020
- G. Animal Control Report for the month of August 2020
- H. Road Department Report for the month of August 2020
- I. Municipal Court Report for the month of August 2020

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made the motion to approve this evenings consent agenda using the

originally drafted minutes for July 22, July 29, and September 9 for the town council as

drafted by the Clerk/Treasurer. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

Councilor Abraham commented on July 22nd minutes in reference to monthly Wastewater reports. She also commented on the Road Department report, and the Police Department Report and the decline in calls to the Police Department.

Councilor Jaramillo stated she wanted to add the comments she emailed to Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres to the September 9th Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Bassett stated that meeting minutes are not verbatim.

The Governing Body discussed the changes Councilor Jaramillo wanted made to the July 29th meeting minutes.



VOTE:

Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted nay. Councilor Abraham voted nay. Councilor Holle voted aye. Mayor Bassett voted aye. The motion carried.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Public Comment on General Matters

Tom McGill

Jerry Powers

Karen Kiser

Martha Eden

Linda Burke

B. Matters from the Councilors

a. Councilor Sherry Abraham

Councilor Abraham pointed out the repeated comments that the Governing Body keeps hearing and asked who is responsible for our Wastewater Treatment Plant. She stated she would like information about the Wastewater Treatment Plant in a timely manner. She also asked what is happening with the permit the Wastewater Treatment Plant is in the process of reapplying for along with several other questions regarding the plant. Councilor Abraham stated that someone needs to be in charge of following up with decisions made by Council at meetings.

b. Councilor John Abrams

Councilor Abraham stated he is waiting for info to make decisions. He also stated he is happy to see there is movement with the Resolution on road design standards.

c. Councilor Linda Holle

Councilor Holle pointed out several items of importance in the monthly reports from Planning and Zoning, Code Enforcement, the Police Department, Animal Control, and the Road Department and thanked the Town of Edgewood staff.

d. Councilor Audrey Jaramillo

Councilor Jaramillo thanked everyone for participating and requested that we share the link to GoToMeeting. She stated she has been contacted about residents not being able to comment over the phone for Town Council meetings and stated it would be more efficient to share the link She also wanted to clarify a rumor that she was contacted about in regards to the Town losing five Police Officers. Mayor Bassett stated the Town has one officer who is on a National Guard deployment and another who is on family medical leave. Councilor Jaramillo stated she would like to have a meeting regarding town hall. She would like an update on districting and would like to get roads on the agenda. She also commented on the Wastewater report, and stated it needs to be done monthly.

C. Matters from the Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres stated that the Town has been getting several calls requesting to lower the speed limit on Jane Lane. He stated a survey was sent out on September 23, 2020 to all the residents of Jane Lane asking if they would like to initiate a traffic study on that road. If the majority would like that done, then it will be brought before the Governing Body for allocation of funding. Councilor Abraham recommended that the Town look into purchasing their own equipment to do road traffic counts. Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres stated the Town is working with Axon and Verizon to get Dash-Cams installed in the police vehicles. Completion is scheduled for the end of November. He stated that early voting for the 2020 General Election is scheduled at Edgewood Town Hall October 17th – October 31st. Mr. Torres also mentioned that the Road Department, Police Department, and Maintenance Supervisor James Solomon are working together to expand the Police Department's rear parking. The Town's request to the State for millings was granted. Those millings will be put down on the police department parking lot. Lastly, Mr. Torres stated that IT Administrator Jesus Velazquez is in the processes of getting

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the dispatch service squared away. Regarding districting, Mr. Torres is still waiting for a final quote from the Company Research and Polling. The Company is holding off until the final Census data comes out.

D. Matters from the Mayor

Mayor Bassett announced Animal Control Officer Mike Ring's retirement after 14 years of employment with the Town of Edgewood.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Discussion, Consideration and Action on Resolution 2020-19: Signatory Authority for Bank of the West Account

Mayor Bassett stated that the Town has had this account for years, and the Bank needs a Resolution granting someone Signatory Authority. He stated it will be the same three that have Signatory Authority now.

MOTION: Councilor Holle made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-19. A Resolution

Authorizing Signatory Authority for Bank of the West Account. Councilor Abraham

seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Jaramillo votes aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye.

Councilor Holle voted aye. The motion carried.

B. Discussion, Consideration and Action on Resolution 2020-20: Budget Adjustments

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres informed Mayor-Council of the two Budget Adjustments in this resolution. He stated the first one was regarding the Police vehicle that was in an accident this past May, and the second adjustment was for the long-awaited Road Design Standards.

Councilor Jaramillo asked if the Town will have public input before the design standards are put in place.

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres stated this will impact Ordinances and there will have to be Public Hearings for everything that is proposed.

Councilor Abraham stated that there should be parameters and asked if the Town should use what Santa Fe county has. She also asked if the Town adopts these standards, will NMDOT be required to follow them.

Councilor Abrams stated this would only apply to roads dedicated to the town, not State roads.

MOTION: Councilor Jaramillo made the motion to approve Resolution 2020-20 Budget Adjustments.

Councilor Abrams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye.

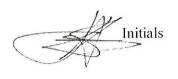
Councilor Abrams voted aye. The motion carried.

C. Discussion, Consideration and Action on approving the financial report for the month of August 2020

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres presented the financial report for the month of August 2020.

Councilor Abraham asked about the Election costs.

Mr. Torres broke down the election costs for Mayor-Council



Councilor Abraham requested that any more attorney fees for EPCOR be approved through the Governing Body.

Councilor Jaramillo stated the Town needs to explore things the public may actually want.

MOTION:

Councilor Abrams made the motion to approve the financial report for the month of August

2020. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

VOTE:

Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye.

Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

V. CALENDAR REVIEW

A. Clean-Up/Free Dumpster Day - September 26, 2020

B. Next Regular Council Meeting - October 14, 2020

Mayor Bassett mentioned the Drive-Boo event happening at 6:00p.m. on October 30th.

VI. ADJOURN

MOTION:

Councilor Abrams made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Holle seconded the

motion.

VOTE:

Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye.

Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

Mayor Bassett adjourned the meeting of September 23, 2020 at 7: 41p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 14th day of October 2020.

John Abranis, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Juan Torres, Clerk/Treasurer

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