

**MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF EDGEWOOD**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 @ 6:30 P.M.**  
**TOWN OF EDGEWOOD COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 171A State Rd. 344**

**CALL TO ORDER.**

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

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

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres, Deputy Clerk Carla Salazar, Chief Ron Crow, Secretary Courtney LaBrum and Administrative Assistant Amelia Alderete.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Mayor Bassett spoke about the Parliamentary Procedures and detailed how the meetings would be conducted.

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All Councilors voted aye. The motion carried.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Town Council Meeting Minutes for August 14, 2019
- B. Town Council Meeting Minutes for September 4, 2019
- C. Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes for August 13, 2019
- D. Parks and Recreation Report for the month of August 2019
- E. Planning and Zoning Report for the month of August 2019
- F. Police Report for the month of August 2019
- G. Wastewater Report for the month of August 2019

Councilor Jaramillo requested to pull item II. G. Wastewater Report for discussion.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the changes made to Item II. B the September 4<sup>th</sup> Council meeting minutes that were provided to Council and pulling item II. G. for discussion. Councilor Abraham seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All Councilors voted aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Jaramillo asked about an update on the Notice of Violation. Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres advised that they are working on resolving the violation. Councilor Abraham asked for an update at the next meeting.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve Item II. G. Councilor Jaramillo seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** All Councilors voted aye. The motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Hotel PPA Update: Scott McCall

Mr. McCall gave a report on the hotel activities and the PPA Agreement.

- B. Public Comment on General Matters

The Governing Body considered Public Comment from the following residents:

- Louis Abraham
- Chuck Ring

 Initials

C. Matters from the Councilors

a. **Councilor Audrey Jaramillo**

Councilor Jaramillo requested that the Resolution regarding the process of formulating the Council Agenda be placed on an upcoming Agenda.

She thanked Mayor Bassett for adding the discussion about the Old Town Hall to the Agenda.

b. **Councilor Sherry Abraham**

Councilor Abraham thanked Mr. McCall for his update. She stated that she thought the Town should work together with EPCOR to solve the water issues. She also spoke about her concerns regarding the Election Term Extensions.

c. **Councilor John Abrams**

None

d. **Councilor Linda Holle**

Councilor Holle spoke about the Grand Opening of the First Choice Greenhouse and Hoop House taking place on October 4<sup>th</sup>.

D. Matters from the Clerk/Treasurer

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres provided to Council a handout of a draft Ordinance for franchise taxes for Council consideration. He stated that this would provide additional revenue for the Town. He also stated that Century Link is now charging their customers Edgewood GRT. Councilor Jaramillo asked about the issue with Wells Fargo, Juan advised that they were still waiting to hear back from the Government Liaison.

E. Matters from the Mayor

Mayor Bassett spoke about the South Horton Rd paving project that began on September 16<sup>th</sup>. He stated that he spoke to the attorney about the Election situation and the attorney stated that it does not affect Council or Governing Body election terms.

### III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Discussion, Consideration and Action on the appointment of Ben Wiltbank to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

**MOTION:** Councilor Holle made a motion to approve the appointment of Ben Wiltbank to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. Councilor Abrams seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

B. Discussion, Consideration and Action on issuing an IFB for construction and placement of the Pedestrian Bridge across Bachelor Draw.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve issuing an IFB for construction and placement of the Pedestrian Bridge across Bachelor Draw. Councilor Jaramillo seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. Councilor Holle voted aye. The motion carried.

C. Discussion, Consideration and Action on Resolution 2019-21: A Resolution Authorizing filing of an application for financial assistance from the New Mexico Water Trust Board.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-21: A Resolution Authorizing filing of an application for financial assistance from the New Mexico Water Trust Board. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

Councilor Abraham asked about the expense of the project. Deputy Clerk Carla Salazar stated that

the Town will be responsible for a 5% match on the grant that would be for design and planning only.

**VOTE:** Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. The motion carried.

#### **IV. CLOSED SESSION**

- A. As per motion and roll call vote and pursuant to NMSA 1978, (H)(8) the following will be discussed in closed session: Purchase, acquisition, or disposal of real property (§ 10-15- 1(H)(8)). Specifically, the property at 1911 Old Highway 66, Edgewood, NM 87015.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to NMSA 1978, (H)(8) the following will be discussed in closed session: Purchase, acquisition, or disposal of real property (§ 10-15- 1(H)(8)). Specifically, the property at 1911 Old Highway 66, Edgewood, NM 87015. Councilor Jaramillo seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted nay. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

Council left for Closed Session at 7:27 PM

Council returned from Closed Session at 7:31 PM.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to return to Open Session, returning from Closed Session where only the topic of Purchase, acquisition, or disposal of real property. Specifically, the property at 1911 Old Highway 66, Edgewood, NM 87015 was discussed and no decisions were made. Councilor Abraham seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Abrams affirmed that nothing was discussed in Closed Session except the Purchase, acquisition, or disposal of real property as noted on the agenda and no decisions were made. Councilor Holle so affirmed. Councilor Abraham so affirmed. Councilor Jaramillo so affirmed. Mayor Bassett so affirmed.

#### **V. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Action on Authorizing Mayor Bassett to sell or lease the property at 1911 Old Highway 66, Edgewood, NM 87015.

**MOTION:** Councilor Abraham made a motion to list the property with a qualified Commercial Broker and give Mayor Bassett the authority to sign the agreement. Councilor Jaramillo seconded the motion.

Councilor Abraham suggested fixing up the property and making it presentable and hire a qualified realtor to sell or lease the property or possibly repurpose the building.

**VOTE:** Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Holle voted aye. The motion carried.

#### **VI. CALENDAR REVIEW**

- A. Town of Edgewood Open House at various locations – September 20, 2019 @ 4 - 6 p.m.  
B. Town of Edgewood 20 Year Celebration at Town Hall- September 20, 2019 @ 6 - 8 p.m.  
C. Woofstock at the Soccer Field Park - September 21, 2019 @ 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
D. Next Regular Council Meeting – October 2, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.

 Initials

Councilor Abraham requested to have the Notice of Violation update on the next agenda. Councilor Jaramillo requested that the Resolution regarding the process of formulating the Council Agenda be placed on an upcoming Agenda.

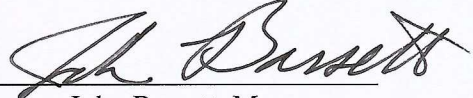
**VII. ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Councilor Abrams made a motion to adjourn the meeting of September 18, 2019. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.


**VOTE:** All Councilor voted aye. The motion carried.

Mayor Bassett Adjourned the meeting of September 18, 2019 at 7:45 pm.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2019.**

  
John Bassett, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Juan Torres, Clerk/Treasurer