

**CENTER TOWN BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 19, 2024
5:30 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Garcia.

POLICE OFFICERS PAY

Brian discussed the difference between Salaried and Exempt Employees. Chief Fresquez is an exempt employee – the Chief is an exempt employee. Chief Fresquez will stay exempt with the extra time paid in a form of a bonus of 3% and will be visited every 30 days. Paula has done three different scenarios for the increase in wages for Police officers that are not exempt. Cpl. Fresquez pay will go to \$31 per hour during the shortage and all officers out of program. All new officers starting pay will be \$23.50 for six months and will move to 24.50 after. A motion to approve the change to the department pay was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez, seconded by Trustee Gallegos. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

MEAN CONTRACT

The Board discussed the difference in a five- year contract and the twenty - five-year contract. The pro's and Con's. The five year will have an increase to the Town. The twenty-five-year contract will have less of an increase and a position on the Board. A motion to postpone the decision until the 26th meeting was made by Trustee Gonzales, seconded by Trustee Beiriger. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – POLICE DEPARTMENT

A motion to go into Executive session was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez, seconded by Trustee Gonzales. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

A motion to adjourn out of executive was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Barela. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries. Meeting ended at 8:11 p.m.

Submitted by,

Rose Marie DeHerrera – CMC
Town Clerk

Anthony Garcia
Mayor