# CENTER TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING MAY 14, 2024 5:30 P.M.

A workshop was held for the presentation of the Audit.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gallegos at 6:17 p.m.

# **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Gallegos	Р
Mayor Beiriger	Р
Trustee Lopez	Р
Trustee Gonzales	E
Trustee Sanchez	Р
Trustee Barela	Р
Trustee McClure	Р

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the Audit and set a date for an Executive Session for Personnel Issues was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Trustee Sanchez. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

# CITIZEN COMMENTS

Nadine Martinez – read a letter from Anthony Lucero about his termination. Mr. Lucero believes that he has been wrongfully terminated. Mr. Lucero talked about Jaime and the termination. There are few thoughts – Why is Keith signing a termination. Nadine feels that it is a conspiracy theory.

Jennie Doran – Ms. Doran had one concern with animal control. Ms. Doran did not contact because they do not answer after hours. Ms. Doran believes they need to come up with a number just for animal control, they cannot call the police all the time. More dogs in Town need to be licensed.

Adeline Sanchez – Ms. Sanchez long-time resident and is here in support of Anthony Lucero. It is unfair to Anthony and the community. Evaluations on employees? Who gives the supervisor the right to fire employees it should be up to the Board. Make it right.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes – There were no questions asked.

Court Report – Natalia gave the Court report.

Police Report – Chief thanked the council for their support. The court tickets were short as they just hired new officers. Chief Fresquez read a quote that was inspirational for the betterment of the Town of

Center. Chief Fresquez is implementing better tracking with the K9 program, training and their succession. Chief Fresquez has added training programs to the Dept. Trustee Sanchez talked about the lack of tickets with so many speeders. Trustee McClure asked about the camera's, Chief Fresquez responded that they are just waiting on some parts.

Public Works Dept. Report – Jaime presented his report about his work during the month. The Sanitation has received quite a few plugged sewers. The Sanitation District may make a policy to start charging customers if they are called out more than a few times. Jaime met with Attorney Trujillo about the issues on 3<sup>rd</sup> and White. The owners must submit a variance to the planning commission before a letter is issued. Also talked about the letter from XCEL. The gas price has been going up.

Utilities – Two newest utility workers have left the Town of Center. Marcus resigned and Ty is a no show.

Water - No Questions.

Streets and Parks – The staff attended the pruning class, and came back with some grant information. Trees were planted around the park. The bathrooms were cleaned and are ready to go. Tables were placed at the park. The flag poles are very delicate and need to be replaced. Code Enforcement – There were Thirty- one building permits issued, has been helping Streets and parks with snow removal and cleaning. Jaime will be meeting with Keith, Rose and Chief, Looking for a better protocol. Trustee Lopez recommended a larger generator that would service a building that would be warm in the winter for the community. Trustee Sanchez said that there are no code violations reported from Sergio. Jaime said that he told Sergio to be equal with everyone. Trustee McClure said that this has been ongoing for five months. Duran variance is not on the agenda.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Barela, seconded by Trustee Lopez. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

### **PAYABLES**

A motion to approve the payables was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Swear In New Officers – Chief Fresquez swore in all the officers.

National Officers Week – Jennie Doran presented the officers with a goodie bag for National Officers week.

Special Events Permit – St. Francis Jerome Catholic Church – San Juan Fiesta – The Church was seeking a special Events permit for San Juan Fiesta. A motion to approve

CDOT – MOU for the New No Parking Signs – Problem with people parking in the right of way. School Buses have been waiting to go. Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger said there is a sign in place on Hwy 112. Total cost of the signs will be over \$5,000. Jaime would like to know if the Board to proceed or not.

Approval of the 2023 Audit – Jessica Bogner and Kelene Sandoval presented the audit to the Town Board in a work session and Jessica read the letter about their audit opinion to the community. A motion to

approve the audit as presented was made by Trustee Barela, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries

Date for Executive Session – The Board set a possible Executive Session for May 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

RG Weed Management – MOU – There is a law for weed removal. They have been doing this for a while. The old town Shop and parks around Town for goat heads and weeds. Twice a year. A motion to approve the MOU with RG Weed Management was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Trustee Lopez.

CALENDAR ITEMS – URA Community Room on May 15, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m. May 16, 2024 Interview for 6:00 p.m. and an Executive Session depending on Attorney Trujillo's availability.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING – Adrian Duran – Variance

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Barela, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Rose Marie DeHerrera – CMC Town Clerk Archie Gallegos Mayor