

**CENTER TOWN BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 9, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Garcia at 6:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Garcia	P
Mayor Pro-Tem McClure	P
Trustee Gallegos	Phone
Trustee Sanchez	Phone
Trustee Beiriger	Phone
Trustee McClure	P
Trustee Martinez	P

A motion to approve the agenda with two changes, remove Kiwanis and add both trailers was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Trustee Martinez. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no Comments

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes – No questions.

Police Report – Chief Meek said that there were not a lot of crimes. There was a large increase in traffic offenses. The stay at home order has affected the crimes. The Cadets will finish June 19th, they will begin FTO shortly thereafter. The department has been busy with the COVID response and planning. Mayor Garcia asked about a protocol during the COVID, they are still responding the same way with the exception of wearing masks and gloves.

Court Report – There was not much on the court report. The court was canceled due to the COVID. Trustee McClure would like to meet with the judge during an executive session. June 23rd at 5:00 for personnel issues.

Public Works

- a. Utilities – There were no questions
- b. Water – The water meter project is causing quite a bit of shut offs. Due to some broken valves a good portion of the Town is having to be shut off.
- c. Streets and Parks/ Animal Control – Mayor Pro-Tem McClure asked about the new piece of playground equipment and that it needs pea gravel. They will re-tape off the playground

equipment at the parks. Animal control - A call out may be more for than one dog. There is one light out at the Casa Blanca Park and they have not been able to locate the part.

d. Building Report –Mayor Garcia asked about the roof.

Payables – Mayor Pro Tem McClure asked about k-Lawn it is a service for the parks.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Trustee Sanchez.

Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

A motion to have the Municipal Judge meet with Town Board to discuss her position with the Town was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Trustee Gallegos. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

MANAGERS REPORT

Covid Update – Mr. Murillo with the Center Schools has a very good plan with the outreach program.

Mr. Murillo has a three step program. Phase 1 is handouts. Phase 2 is personal contact they are keeping track with an excel spreadsheet. Phase 3 is going out into the community. Mr. Murillo showed a short video. Mr. Murillo feels we could use more education on face masks. Create a mask wearing culture, and work with different communities to provide necessities. There is more a fear of losing pay than the covid if they were exposed with no symptoms. Mr. Murillo said to stay safe and stay strong. The Chief was made incident commander for the COVID. Fresh Harvest has a good campaign for the virus and Brian downloaded some of those videos. There have been 104 positive cases in Center this is including Rio Grande and Saguache County.

Mary Valles – This is a water meter pit accident. The attorneys from all involved and are trying to figure out the responsible parties. Attorney Trujillo the Town is the only defendant in the case at this point.

Other companies include IConergy, Gardener Excavation and Mountain States Pipe and Supply. Trustee McClure asked if the victim is being able to get the services that she needs. Attorney Trujillo will talk to her attorney. Trustee Martinez will reach out to see if she needs any resources.

NEW BUSINESS

Trees in Casa Blanca Park –Absmier –Brian said Mayor Pro Tem McClure had reached out about the Trees, would like to get a professional service to replant the trees and make sure of the survival of them. We could use Conservation Trust Funds. A motion to approve hiring Absmier to replace the trees and secure their survival was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McClure, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

Flower Beds – Mayor Pro-Tem McClure asked about hiring Margaret Trujillo to tend to the flower beds. A motion to hire Margaret Trujillo to tend to the flower beds was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McClure, seconded by Trustee Gallegos. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

Citizens watering – Variance for Children’s activities – Brian was contacted by a citizen about having a variance stated to be able to have the water on for kids to play in. The Board discussed opening the water park, but decided to table it to the July meeting to see where the COVID numbers are. After discussion the board felt like they would not approve any variances concerning the request from the citizen.

OLD BUSINESS

K-9 Discussion & Vote – Brian said the Sgt. Fresquez and Chief Meek talked with each Board Member individually to answer any questions. Trustee Sanchez said she spoke with Sgt. Fresquez and with Chief

Meek and feel that we need to move forward with the K-9. Trustee Gallegos said that he feels we need to move forward. Trustee Beiriger also agrees. Trustee McClure said he has a few issues about how the revenues and expenses will be budgeted and allocations. Trustee McClure also would like it in writing about seizures and any monies is put in firm writing and would go toward the Police department k-9. If it is a different type of seizure goes directly to the General Fund. Attorney Trujillo told the Board that the D.A. office is in charge of seizures. Chief Meek said that they would establish the procedure of seizures with clear distinguish of what is seized. The dog belongs to Sgt. Fresquez; the training will be done by a security company. They are required to log the training and stops that are made.

A motion to approve the K-9 with the stipulations was made by Trustee Martinez, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

La Sierra Bar Variance- Variance for Camper but would like to live in while he is in Center. Lalo has been calling to fill out the paper work; staff found the paperwork today so would like to be at the next meeting. Brian said that we stay consistent.

Trailer on Torrez St. – Trustee Sanchez said we need to be consistent, when the Torrez’s lived there they knew they could not replace it. Trustee McClure feels that the Town allowed it when he put in the electricity, water and sewer. Attorney Trujillo also suggests we stick with the codification and not allow any of them there.

A motion to have both parties to have their trailers removed within 10 days or to be moved and if they do not comply they will both be sued was made by Trustee Gallegos, 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 McClure. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

Submitted by,

Rose Marie DeHerrera – CMC
Deputy Clerk

Anthony Garcia
Mayor