

**CENTER TOWN BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 22, 2023  
5:30 P.M.**

A financial workshop was held at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order 6:19 p.m. by Mayor-Pro Tem Martinez.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Garcia	E
Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez	P
Trustee Beiriger	P
Trustee Gonzales	P
Trustee Gallegos	P
Trustee Barela	P

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Arnold Sanchez – Mr. Sanchez said that he appreciated the 50’s celebration and what the Town did for the community. The firework display was very impressive. Arnold thanked Brian, Tony, Rose and Peggy. The Police kept us safe. For one day it took us away from our problems, we came together as the community.

Mitch Garcia – Mona talked for Mitch. The Town puts on a big party but neglects its residents. Expectations are not being met. The Board is letting the Town manager dictate and blaming old Board members. The excessive spending continues. We must learn to be obedient servants.

Audrey Chavez – Recommend the appointment for the next board member. Ms. Chavez would like it to be the next highest votes received in its last election. Believes it would be food for thought. The utility costs –prior would sign a contract in June for gas. What are the plans for the winter months?

Mona Garcia – Was not able to attend the festivals, went to watch the fireworks. The fireworks were very nice. Thanked the board for the nice day.

Ann Cunningham – Read a quote prior to speaking about something is really bothering her lately. Ann Cunningham is tired of all the bullying and the negativity. If we as residents work with Board it would be

better. It is very depressing if we can't have meeting without slandering and calling people names. There are three sides to everything there is A, B and C. Would like to see more amenities and it doesn't matter what color we are or what we wear. Find a positive way.

Bill McClure – CML and CCI lobbying group for Prop HH. If it's voting for they will take Tabor away. Would like if the Town is siding with CML that they read it in full. It will cost the taxpayers money. Would be giving up you rebate. Does not feel it is in the best interest of the Town.

#### FINANCIALS

A motion to approve the July financials was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Beiriger. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

#### PAYABLES

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

#### NEW BUSINESS

Strong Communities Grant – Letter of Intent – Division of housing was not selected. This is to put the Town in line for grants. The WSLV Roadmap team along with other communities and assessing the need for housing in the six counties. They can hire a consultant. Brian gave some examples of using lot sizes a little better. IHOP grant working with SEH on the codes. Brian talked about qualifying strategies and that we can apply for up to 4 million dollars to help with the North 90. We may not qualify but the Town is going to try. Brian wants to keep the Board and the Public aware of future possible grant opportunities.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Vacant Board Chair Discussion – The Board has sixty days to either hold an election or receive letters of intent to serve. October 3<sup>rd</sup> is the 60<sup>th</sup> day. An election would cost tax payers money because we will have an election in April 2024. Attorney Trujillo agreed that the best thing would be to receive the letters of interest. The Letters due the 14<sup>th</sup>, workshop the 19<sup>th</sup> and decision the 26<sup>th</sup>. A motion to approve the appointment and receive letters of interest was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Beiriger. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

URA – Filed w/ State – Brian said that once they had the public hearing to enact the URA. The Town received the letter back. The Town is officially a Town with an URA.

CHFA Ship TA- Applied with the CHFA development of 30 units or less. Five unit duplexes. Phase 1 was presented. Over a course of three or four years.

#### CALENDAR ITEMS

September 12<sup>th</sup> – Town Board meeting

September 19<sup>th</sup> – Workshop to review Letter of Interest.

September 26<sup>th</sup> – Town Board meeting

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Barela. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

Submitted by,

Rose Marie DeHerrera – CMC  
Town Clerk

Peggy Martinez  
Mayor Pro-Tem