

TOWN OF CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 26, 2025
5:15 P.M.

A financial Workshop was held at 5:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gallegos.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Gallegos	P
Mayor Pro Tem Beiriger	P
Trustee Lopez	P
Trustee Gonzales	P
Trustee Sanchez	P
Trustee Barela	P
Trustee Garcia	P

AGENDA – A motion to approve the Agenda with the change in numbering for the Planning Commission Ordinance from 577 to 407 was made by Trustee Barela, seconded by Trustee Garcia. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Municipal Judge Position

A motion to go into executive session concerning the Municipal Judge Position, a discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of the City Council or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of the City Council or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees; was made by Trustee Barela, seconded by Trustee Garcia. Roll Call - all in favor motion Carries.

A motion to adjourn out of Executive Session was made by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

James Sanchez – Trustee Sanchez submitted his resignation from the Town Board for the position of the Municipal Judge. Trustee Sanchez would like to thank the Board for everything.

At this time Mayor Gallegos added three items to the Agenda – Resignation of Trustee Sanchez, appointment of Interim Judge and the posting for a new Board Member.

RESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE SANCHEZ – A motion to accept the resignation of Trustee Sanchez was made by Trustee Garcia, seconded by Trustee Barela. Roll Call – All in favor. Trustee Sanchez – Abstained. Motion Carries

INTERIM JUDGE – A motion to appoint James Sanchez as Interim Judge at the same salary was made by Trustee Garcia, seconded by Trustee Gonzales. Roll Call – All in favor – Motion Carries. Cole and Attorney Trujillo were given the authority to hire someone permanent within 60 days.

BOARD MEMBER - Cole said we had thirty days to appoint a new Board Member. A motion to advertise for a New Board Member with applications due by the next meeting September 9, 2025 was made by Trustee Garcia, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger. Rose corrected that it was 60 days.

FINANCIALS

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

PAYABLES

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

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Ann Cunningham presented the report, they were able to hold a meeting this month. Ann said that at their next meeting, they will address the accessory dwelling units. The deadline is October 3rd for the accessory dwelling grant, it does have a 25% match. Ann wanted to remind that there is grant funding. Cole asked if we could opt in next meeting, Jaime will get her the codes. The Town needs the letter of interest.

Utility Commission Report –

Rose presented the report in the absence of Morgan Beiriger– Morgan stated that they have been learning the specific roles and responsibilities of each team. The Commission would like to identify pain points and determine where the commission can offer improvements. The Commission is working on a proactive billing model; they want to be proactive instead of reactive. The Commission would like to reduce the workload for the utility department, provide more consistent billing rates and improve transparency. Jed Ellithorpe has been instrumental in this effort.

Cole talked about the meeting in Nebraska and they discussed what the legislation has passed. Trustee Lopez talked about the solar issues and implementation. They learned about the Green Energy going into our system.

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of New ED Employee – Cole introduced Director of Economic Development. Ryan Leclair said he is happy that they hired him for the Town of Center. Mr. Leclair hopes to bring Economic help to the Town and to consolidate some of the Department Head projects. Mr. Leclair is looking forward to serving the Board and the Community.

Cole has also offered a position to a new AmeriCorps person.

Development Review Services Contract – The Contract was sent to the Board prior – A motion to approve the Development review services contract was made by Trustee Barela, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

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

Selection of Events Committee Board – Cole recommended that the Board approve the list of Board and Community members for an Event committee. A motion to approve the list of Committee Members was made by Trustee Lopez, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

OLD BUSINESS

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Attorney Trujillo read Ordinance 407 out loud. The Ordinance must state that only two members that owns a business or owns property can be on the Board, and five students and with only one vote. A motion to approve Ordinance 407 with the changes to be made by Attorney Trujillo was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Beiriger. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

CALENDAR ITEMS

September 20th – Free Trash Day

September 20th – Craft Fair

September 30th – CML Dinner

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Gonzales, seconded by Trustee Barela. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Submitted by,

Rose Marie DeHerrera – CMC
Town Clerk

Daniel Gallegos
Mayor