

**CENTER TOWN BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2023  
5:30 P.M.**

A Financial Workshop was held at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:22 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

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Bryam Ornelas - Mr. Ornelas owns Smiley Duct Welding LLC. Mr. Ornelas talked about how he went to school to be a welder. Mr. Ornelas has stored his equipment at a different area, removing it from his house. Mr. Ornelas feels that the Town is picking on him. Mr. Ornelas will fight the order to remove his items. Mr. Ornelas handed out pictures to the Board. Mr. Ornelas asked if they want Center to grow or cut their wings off. That's why businesses are scared to open businesses in the Town. Jaime Aguilar also talked as the owner. Mr. Aguilar feels that Mr. Ornelas is trying hard and has done well. Mr. Aguilar told Mr. Ornelas that he could use his property to store the equipment. Mr. Aguilar feels that he could be a great addition to the Town.

**FINANCIALS**

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

**PAYBLES**

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

Appointment of New Board Member – Bill McClure was appointed by the Board of Trustees to fulfill the term vacated by Trustee Duran. The Oath of office was administered by Attorney Trujillo.

Introduction of New Hires - Tabled

Town of Center/School Officials – Center Community Park Funding Process - Brian talked about the work they have been doing with the UC Denver for the design of the park. The Town and School have had public meetings to talk about the designs that were presented. The School has been to proceed with phase A of Phase 1. This project has part of Economic Development to bring people to downtown. Yohn Vigil with the School he is a Teacher at the School. The track is in really bad shape; we could Kick start the project with the Track. The IGA states that anything that needs to be done has to be approved by the Town Board. It would be ready in a year. Mr. Vigil loves the community and purchased property to build a home. Mr. Yohn would like a letter of approval to proceed. Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez said that there was a concern about the damage that could be caused by future construction. Mr. Vigil said they may turn into placing in the turf. A motion to approve Community Park funding project and the beginning of the track and field was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Barela. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

Model Traffic Code – Chief Fresquez would like to keep things consistent. Rose emailed all Board Members the Model Traffic Code Ordinance. The next step would be a hearing on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M. two publications. Three model traffic code in the Clerk’s office. A motion to move forward with the hearing and adoption on October 24, 2023 was made by Trustee Beiriger, seconded by Trustee Gallegos. Roll Call –All in favor. Motion Carries.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Strong Communities Grant – The Town was not considered for this grant. The reason was that there was a two block radius. The Town will apply for a new 2 million dollar infrastructure grant.

#### CALENDAR ITEMS

Planning Commission – October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Board Meeting – October 10<sup>th</sup> and October 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Review for a Financial Committee – Setting policy for reserve funds and investment policy.

Citizens Comments – Replies to the comments from Citizens.

Brian has talked with Bryam about his issues, Mr. Ornelas - October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Gonzales. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries. Meeting Adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Submitted by,

Rose Marie DeHerrera –CMC  
Town Clerk

Peggy Martinez  
Mayor Pro-Tem