

MINUTES
TOWN OF EDGEWOOD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – NOVEMBER 14, 2018 @ 6:30 P.M.
TOWN OF EDGEWOOD COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 171 State Rd. 344

CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Bassett called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Councilors Present: Sherry Abraham, Linda Holle, John Abrams and Audrey Jaramillo (telephonically).

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres, Deputy Clerk Carla Salazar, Chief of Police Ron Crow, Planning and Zoning Administrator Tawnya Mortensen, Code Enforcement Officer Michelle Schmidt, and Staff Amelia Alderete and Courtney LaBrum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

MOTION: Councilor John Abrams made a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilor Linda Holle seconded the motion.

VOTE: All Councilors voted aye. The motion carried.

II. PRESENTATION: Local Election Act: Santa Fe County Clerk, Geraldine Salazar, Randy Autio, Town Attorney, Juan Torres, Clerk/Treasurer and Carla Salazar, Deputy Clerk.

Santa Fe County Clerk, Geraldine Salazar spoke on the Local Election Act that went into effect July 1, 2018. A Public Hearing on this matter will be held during the Town Council meeting on December 19, 2018.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Town Council Meeting Minutes for October 17, 2018
- B. Planning and Zoning Meeting Minutes for September 24, 2018
- C. Librarian Report: Quarter 4 FY18 and Quarter 1 FY19
- D. Library Advisory Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2018
- E. Police Report for the month of October 2018
- F. Planning & Zoning Report for the month of October 2018
- G. Call for Public Hearing: Ordinance No. 2018-13, Local Elections Act Ordinance. To be heard December 19, 2018

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

VOTE: All Councilors voted aye. The motion carried.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS


- A. Matters from the Moriarty-Edgewood School District: Superintendent, Teresa Salazar

Teresa Salazar, MESD Superintendent, spoke on the School District's No Nicotine Policy which includes E-cigs and vapes. She announced that the Moriarty High School would be closed an extra week during the Christmas Holiday due to construction.

- B. Comp Plan Update: Tawnya Mortensen, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Ms. Mortensen spoke briefly about the Comp Plan Meeting held November 13, 2018 and advised that a second Comp Plan Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 20, 2018.

- C. Public Comment on General Matters.

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Greater Edgewood Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, **Linda Burke** reported on the Chamber's upcoming events.

D. Matters from the Mayor

The Celtic Festival, held on October 20, drew a crowd of 1800-2000 people. The event sponsors would like to stage the event in Edgewood again next year.

Mayor Bassett and Councilor Holle (First Choice Community Healthcare (FCCH) Board Member) attended the UNM School of Medicine Alumni Reunion Awards Dinner, where FCCH received the Alumni Association's 2018 Visionary Site Award. The award recognizes NM health systems that embody the mission of the UNM School of Medicine. Edgewood is home to one of FCCH's 9 clinics.

Mayor Bassett attended a Special Prayer time at the new Estancia Valley Classical Academy (EVCA) on October 28th, sponsored by the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Men's Prayer Group. He had the opportunity to tour the school as well. The Mayor also attended EVCA's formal ribbon cutting and public grand opening on November 10.

The Edgewood Police Department held their annual Halloween Trunk or Treat event in the parking lot in front of the Library on October 31. It was well attended, even though it was a cold evening.

The following individuals were elected to area offices on November 6:

Mr. Rudy Garcia, District 3 County Commissioner

Dr. Greg Schmedes, State House District 22 (located west of Rte. 344)

Mr. Matthew McQueen re-elected to State House District 50 (located east of Rte. 344)

These individuals will be invited to the Town's Legislative Breakfast to be held December 11.

The first Public Meeting to obtain citizen input on the Town's Comprehensive Plan Update was held November 13, with a second Public Meeting scheduled November 20. The public is encouraged to attend and share their ideas with the committee.

The Mayor issued a reminder that the Santa Fe County Treasurer's Office will be accepting property tax payments at the Senior Center on November 19 and 26 from 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Bassett reported the new Town website has been rolled out and requested feedback of the site.

The Mayor announced that Ms. Destiny Price has joined the Town Staff as an intern from Workforce Solutions.

Mayor Bassett encouraged all to attend the Town's 3rd annual Christmas tree lighting on December 7 at the soccer field. The event will include musical performances by area schools, free refreshments and a bonfire.

Lastly, Mayor Bassett congratulated Ms. Leota Harriman's recent election to President of the New Mexico Press Association and wished her well for her tenure at the Association. Ms. Harriman is Editor and Publisher of The Independent newspaper.

E. Matters from the Councilors

a. **Councilor Audrey Jaramillo**

None

b. **Councilor Sherry Abraham**

None

c. Councilor John Abrams

None

d. Councilor Linda Holle

Councilor Holle, Board Member of the NCRTD (North Central Regional Transit District), announced that Mr. Michael Broussard, NCRTD's Edgewood bus driver, was awarded NCRTD's Above and Beyond Award 3rd Quarter 2018 for outstanding customer service. Councilor Holle also thanked all who supported the NCRTD GRT Reauthorization Bond in the recent election. 73.37% of the voters in Santa Fe County voted for the reauthorization.

Councilor Holle reported that NMSU will offer a Master Gardener program in 2019. Classes will meet on Thursdays 6 p.m. - 9 p.m., February 7 – May 2 in Moriarty. The cost for all course materials is \$120. Contact Torrance County Extension Office for more information.

F. Matters from the Clerk/Treasurer

a. Update on the Wastewater System

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres gave an update on the notice of violation from NMED (New Mexico Environment Department). He stated that the Town responded in writing to the violations and as soon as he receives a response from NMED he will schedule a meeting for NMED to update the Governing Body. He also stated that Auto Zone has connected to the waste water collection system. Deputy Clerk Carla Salazar provided an update on the waste water collection system project and showed pictures of the construction work being done. She stated the project was on time and on budget.

b. Arts in Public Places

Mr. Juan Torres stated he has checked into getting some local art work put up in the building but the selections from Arts in Public Places were very slim. The Town will be looking into other options of local artists that would like to display their work in the building.

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. PUBLIC HEARING (Legislative):** Discussion, Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 2018-11 Authorizing the Town of Edgewood ("Borrower") to enter into a loan agreement with the New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED") for the purpose of obtaining Project Loan Funds in the principal amount of \$450,000.00 and Loan Subsidy Grant Funds in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a total funded amount of \$650,000.00 to be heard November 14th, 2018.

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres spoke about getting screens put in at the sewer plant. Councilor Sherry Abraham asked if there were funds left over if the excess funds would go towards the violations. Deputy Clerk Carla Salazar advised that was a possibility.

Mr. Tom McGill, questioned the loan and inquired if it had been taken into consideration to have enough funds to pay the violations. It was explained that when the Town estimated the funding needed for the waste water plant no violations had been cited.

Mr. McGill also asked if the Town had taken soil samples. Mr. Juan Torres stated that the Town had done soil sampling and the results were good.

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-11 authorizing the Town of Edgewood to enter into a loan agreement with the New Mexico Environment Department. Councilor Holle seconded the motion

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted nay. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

- B. Discussion, Consideration and Action the Financial Report for the month of October 2018.**

Clerk/Treasurer Juan Torres presented the financial report.

Councilor Abraham questioned if the Maids were still being paid. October was the last payment made to the Maids for their services.

Councilor Holle questioned the attorney fees charged to the Legislative Department. Mr. Autio stated he would review who contacted him and why the bill was so high.

Councilor Abraham questioned the Wilson payment and Deputy Clerk Carla Salazar explained it was for engineering services.

MOTION: Councilor Holle made a motion to approve the Financial Report for October 2018. Councilor John Abrams seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

C. Discussion, Consideration and Action on a request to delay the implementation of Resolution 2018-24

Mayor Bassett recused himself and Mayor Pro Tem John Abrams took the gavel.

Code Enforcement Officer Michelle Schmidt spoke about the property cleanup. She stated that the property owner, Mr. Woodard, had requested that Mr. John Bradley speak on his behalf as Mr. Woodard is out of the country on a ministry mission. Mr. Bradley requested that he be given the chance to clean up the property on his own before the Town did it and put a lien on the property. It was agreed that Mr. Bradley would have until December to show that he is able to have the property cleaned. Ms. Michelle Schmidt will get a bid in case Mr. Bradley can't get the cleanup done.

MOTION: Councilor Abraham made the motion to table the resolution 2018-24 until the December 5th meeting. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

D. Discussion, Consideration and Action on Resolution No. 2018-25. A resolution declaring the eligibility and intent of the Town of Edgewood to submit an application to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 RTP funds - E.C.H.O. Ridge Park Trailhead Facilities

Parks and Recreation Administrator, Roger Holden requested permission to proceed with the submittal of the application to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 RTP funds - E.C.H.O. Ridge Park Trailhead Facilities.

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-25 and submit an application to NMDOT for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 RTP funds – E.C.H.O. Ridge Park Trailhead Facilities. Councilor Abraham seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. The motion carried.

E. Discussion, Consideration and Action on Resolution No. 2018-26. A resolution declaring the eligibility and intent of the Town of Edgewood to submit an application to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 RTP funds - Edgewood 7 Multipurpose Trail.

Parks and Recreation Administrator, Roger Holden requested permission to submit an application to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 RTP funds - Edgewood 7 Multipurpose Trail.

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-26 and submit an application to NMDOT for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 RTP funds – Edgewood 7 Multipurpose Trail,

AMENDED MOTION: Councilor Abrams amended his motion to also change the text throughout Resolution 2018-26 from “RTP” to “[TAP][DHI]”. Councilor Abraham seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Jaramillo voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. Councilor Holle voted aye. The motion carried.

VI. CALENDAR REVIEW

- A. Next Regular Council Meeting – December 5th, 2018 at 6:30 pm
- B. Town Offices Closed – November 22nd and 23rd for the Thanksgiving Holiday

The call with Councilor Jaramillo ended.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

- A. As per motion and roll call vote and pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section (§ 10-15-1(H)(7)) the following will be discussed in Closed Session: Pending Litigation. Specifically, City of Albuquerque vs. State of New Mexico Tax and Revenue Department.
- B. As per motion and roll call vote and pursuant to NMSA 1978 Section (§ 10-15-1(H)(8)). Discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights. Specifically, real property.

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made a motion to go into Closed session. Councilor Holle seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye., Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. The motion carried.

Council left for Closed Session at 8:19 P.M.

Council returned to Open Session at 9:16 P.M.

MOTION: Councilor Abrams made a motion to return to Open Session. Councilor Abraham seconded the motion.

VOTE: Councilor Holle voted aye. Councilor Abrams voted aye. Councilor Abraham voted aye. The motion carried.

Councilor Abrams affirmed that nothing was discussed in Closed Session except Pending Litigation; specifically, City of Albuquerque vs. State of New Mexico Tax and Revenue Department and discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights, specifically real property. No decisions were made. Councilor Abraham so affirmed. Councilor Holle so affirmed. Mayor Bassett so affirmed.

VIII. ADJOURN

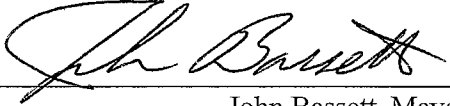
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MOTION: Councilor Abraham made a motion to adjourn the meeting of November 14, 2018.
Councilor Abrams seconded the motion.

VOTE: All Councilors voted aye. The motion carried.

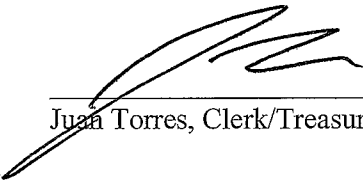
Mayor Bassett adjourned the meeting of November 14, 2018 at 9:17 PM.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2018.



John Bassett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Juan Torres, Clerk/Treasurer