



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR RATON CITY COMMISSION
MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 AT 6PM

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Segotta called the meeting of the Raton City Commission to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE:

Answering roll call was Mayor Neil Segotta, Mayor Pro-tem Linde' Schuster, Commissioners: Lori Chatterley, Ron Chavez and Don Giacomo. Also present were City Manager Scott Berry, Clerk/Treasurer Michael Anne Antonucci and 3 visitors.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, CITIZEN OF THE MONTH AND/OR PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION, SERVICE AWARD, CONGRATULATIONS, CONDOLENCES, HOLIDAY SCHEDULES AND CITY/MUNICIPAL EVENTS:

- Next Regular Commission Meeting Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 6 pm
- Notice of Potential Quorum: A Quorum of City Commissioners may attend a meeting with NM MainStreet during their annual site visit on October 10, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. at City Hall at the Commission chambers located at 224 Savage Avenue. This meeting will include a review of progress with strategies and projects, as well as future goals and needs and how NMMS can assist with resource identification, technical assistance and project implementation.

V. COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

Frank Cimino, representing Phil Long Ford, was present to voice concerns with Rio Grande East of 2nd Street. He stated that this area has become a real hazard and it is difficult to see traffic coming from the South. He also stated that there have been at least 3 accidents this past year. Mr. Cimino suggested that the City consider making Rio Grande from 2nd a one-way turn down to 1st Street. He also voiced concerns with the broken windows at the old J.C. Penny building. City Manager Berry stated that he thinks it is a good suggestion to make that a one-way street and that signage and pavement markings would be required. He also stated that he would consult with NMDOT.

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VI. ACTION ITEMS/ PUBLIC HEARINGS/ORDINANCES/ RESOLUTIONS/ CITY MANAGER'S REPORT- The City Commission may discuss and/or take actions on the following agenda items:

A. *Approval of the August 22, 2019 Special Commission Meeting Minutes.*

Commissioner Chavez made a motion to approve minutes for the August 22, 2019 Special Commission Meeting. Mayor Pro-tem Schuster seconded the motion. No further discussion took place and the motion passed 5-0 with all voting "aye".

B. *Deliberate and Act on Acceptance of DFA FY20 Final Budget Approvals for the City of Raton, Raton Water Works and Raton Public Service.*

City Manager Berry reported that approval letters were received from DFA for all three entities. Clerk/Treasurer Antonucci stated that no changes or corrections were requested by DFA therefore the budgets were the same as those approved by the City Commission. She also noted that per state statute, budgets approved by the Local Government Division are required to be made part of the minutes of the governing body. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-tem Schuster to Accept the DFA FY20 Final budget Approvals for the City of Raton, Raton Water Works and Raton Public Service. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Chatterley and carried 5-0 with all voting "aye".

C. *Deliberate and Act on Event Form for 25th Annual PBW/Kiwanis Walk/Run for Domestic Violence Awareness.*

City Manager Berry reported that the event does not require any street closures but noted that maps of the routes were included for emergency services. Clerk/Treasurer Antonucci also reported that the City also received a copy of Raton PBW's certificate of insurance. A motion was made by Commissioner Chatterley to approve the event form for the 25th Annual PBW/Kiwanis Walk/Run for Domestic Violence Awareness. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Giacomo and carried 5-0 with all voting "aye".

D. *Deliberate and Act on Memorandum of Understanding Between the State of NM, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department and City of Raton.*

City Manager Berry introduced the Memorandum of Understanding and stated that the agreement allows for funding up to \$7,000 to off-set costs associated with a hazardous materials response to a WIPP transportation event. A motion was made by Commissioner Chatterley to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between the State of NM, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department and City of Raton. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Schuster and carried 5-0 with all voting "aye".

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E. *Deliberate and Act on Resolution 2019-51 Authorizing and Approving Submission of a Completed Application for Financial Assistance and Project Approval to the New Mexico Finance Authority for a Planning Grant.*

Jason Phillips discussed the application for a planning grant and noted that the estimated cost to update the City of Raton's Comprehensive Plan would be about \$50,000 and that the City would have to match 50% if the planning grant was awarded. He also reported that he has reached out to the company who originally did the City of Raton Comprehensive Plan in 2003 and that they stated that it should be updated every 5 years. He stated that since the plan update would be less than \$60,000.00, he will obtain a proposal from Consensus Planning to do the update and will bring to the Commission for approval after the funding is awarded by NMFA. A motion was made by Commissioner Chavez, seconded by Commissioner Chatterley to Authorize and Approve Submission of a Completed Application for Financial Assistance and Project Approval to the NM Finance Authority for a Planning Grant. The motion carried 5-0 with all voting "aye".

F. *City Manager's Report*

City Manager Berry reported the following: (1) Northern Mountain Constructors Inc started the Hart/Brilliant Paving Project today and anticipates completion in early October. (2) Announced that the City of Raton will post a job notice seeking an Economic Development Director. (3) Reported that he has spent time working in partnership with the Dam Safety Bureau and the State Engineer's Office on an agreement for Engineering Services for Lake Maloya Spillway Feasibility Analysis to evaluate improvements to the spillway and to collect geotechnical and seismic data on the dam abutment. (4) Announced that he and Mayor Segotta will travel to Albuquerque on September 17th to attend a Southwest Chief event and that he will also attend the CDBG Application Hearing on September 23rd.

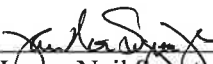
Mayor Segotta stated that the NMML Annual Conference was very nice.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

CITY OF RATON

ATTEST:



James Neil Segotta, Jr., Mayor




Michael Anne Antonucci, City Clerk