

City of Rio Communities Council Minutes
Regular Business Meeting
August 26, 2019

Call to Order

- Mayor Mark Gwinn called to order the city council regular business meeting at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

- Jim Winters led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

- Present: Mayor Mark Gwinn, Councilors; Bill Brown, Peggy Gutjahr, Arturo Sais and Joshua Ramsell.
Present: City Manager Leisa Haynes, Municipal Clerk Lisa Adair and Finance Clerk Angela Valadez.

Approval of Agenda

- Councilor Gutjahr made a motion to approve the agenda for Monday August 26, 2019 regular business meeting as amended with item 13 being tabled. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. With a 4-0 vote the agenda for the City Council regular business meeting of August 26, 2019 was approved as amended.

Approval of Workshop Minutes

- Councilor Brown moved for the approval of the workshop minutes of July 9 and the 23rd. The motion was second by Councilor Gutjahr. With a 4-0 vote the workshop minutes of July 9, 2019 and July 23, 2019 were approved as written.

Approval of City Council Minutes

- Councilor Sais moved to approve the City Council minutes of 7/9/2019 and 7/23/2019. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. With a 4-0 vote the City Council regular business meeting minutes of July 9, 2019 and July 23, 2019 were approved as written.

Approval of Special Workshop Minutes

- Councilor Gutjahr moved to approve the special workshop minutes of August 7, 2019. The motion was second by Councilor Brown. With a 4-0 vote the minutes for the special workshop of August 7, 2019 was approved as written.

Public Comment:

- No public comments

Manager Report

- Manager Haynes said we do have houses that will be going up and explained where these areas are. There will be a meeting on September 5 @ 5:30 with different loan originators.
- Manager Haynes said we will be having an LED light test project will began on September 6 and continue until October 4. This will give the opportunity to see the lighting differences.
- Manager Haynes said all the department heads will be going to the municipal league conference.

Accounts Payable approval

- Finance Clerk Angela Valadez asked for approval to pay the bills that were presented at the workshop today.
- Councilor Sais made a motion to pay the bill. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. Vote: Councilor Gutjahr-yes; Councilor Brown-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes and Councilor Sais-yes. With a 4-0 vote the accounts payable for the Fire Department and the City were approved for payment.

Moving Council reports before an executive session

- Mayor Gwinn said we have had discussions at the workshop about moving our council reports to ahead of an executive session when it is on the agenda.
- Councilor Gutjahr made a motion to move the Council reports to before the executive session when an executive session is on the agenda. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. Vote: Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Sais-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4-0 vote it was approved to move council reports before an executive session when it is on the agenda.

Job Description public works

- Mayor Gwinn asked if everyone had a chance to review the job description for public works.
- Councilor Gutjahr asked to amend under general duties “along with setting up/breaking down rooms for meeting or functions”.
- Councilor Brown moved to accept the job discretion as amended. The motion was second by Councilor Gutjahr. Vote: Councilor Sais-yes; Councilor Gutjahr-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes and Councilor Brown-yes. With a 4-0 vote the job description for the public works was approved as amended.

Salary and Wage Scale

- Tabled.

Council Reports

- Councilor Ramsell said if anyone is missing their dog they need to check with the animal shelter, because they are picking them up.
- Councilor Ramsell said the PNM lights project in Albuquerque, replacing all their streetlights to LED will be completed by the end of the year.
- Councilor Sais said can we contact DOT he would like a traffic light to be put in the area of coming into our center.
- Manager Haynes said she is looking into these issues.
- Councilor Brown had no report.
- Councilor Gutjahr said when we are talking about energy needs we need to still follow up with Ann McCartney, she said they can give us a free energy assessment for the City.
- Councilor Gutjahr reminded the citizens patrol meeting will be on September 4 at 6:30 and the health fair is on October 18th.
- Mayor Gwinn said last week the VALEO meeting was held and the topic was on the census.
- Mayor Gwinn said the Council will be at the NMML and Councilor Brown will be graduate from MOLI.

- Councilor Gutjahr mentioned how important it is to fill out the census and explained that people are so afraid to come forth this year because of citizenship questions and continued explaining other things regarding the census.
- Councilor Sais said he has been meeting with Guadalupe Montano sight management from Del Rio Senior Center regarding their shortage on coffee and said the coffee shop will be setting up a booster club.

Adjourn

- Councilor Brown moved to adjourn. The motion was second by Councilor Sais. With a 4-0 vote the City Council regular business meeting was adjourned at 6:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth (Lisa) Adair, Municipal Clerk

Date: _____

Approved:

Mark Gwinn,
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Gutjahr,
Councilor Mayor Pro-tem

Bill Brown,
Councilor

Joshua Ramsell,
Councilor

Arturo R. Sais,
Councilor