

City of Rio Communities Public Hearing Minutes

October 10, 2019

- Mayor Pro-Tem Peggy Gutjahr called to order the public hearing at 10:05 am.
- Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Peggy Gutjahr, Councilors Bill Brown and Arturo Sais.
Present: Municipal Clerk Lisa Adair
- Craig Tabet one of the owners of Tierra Del Sol Golf Club, thought this should be a straightforward deal, this Golf Course has been around for over 51 years, they just recently bought it in April and has gained over 1200 new members from around the area, around Albuquerque, Rio Rancho and Socorro. So, they have found a lot of different people be at the golf course and trying to make this place a success for both the community and for us. He and his brother Clint Tabet have been golf professionals for the last 8 years and been working there for the last 16 years, pretty much grew up there and is Uncle Jay went in with them, thanks to their late grandfather Herman Tabet. With the liquor license it should be straight forward and knows there is some issues with having them as Belen, but he has always made sure it comes out Rio Communities ever since we were established this community and knows back in the day it was Belen, honestly to him, he thinks when it says Belen it makes us seem a little hasty and doesn't seem like we are in a community that is going to be safe, Rio Communities sound a little better for us, even when doing these memberships people where saying they are not going to travel to Belen and he said no we are in Rio Communities and they would say "I thought it was Rio Rancho". He then said he wants to make sure it is not an issue with you guys, Rio Communities is Rio Communities and they are putting everything they possibly can as Rio Communities and the ones they can't they are still trying to change out.
- City Manager stated the reason that this is here is because the Mormon Church would not sign on the dotted line and that is why we are going through all of this.
- Craig Tabet said what he heard was they don't mind it, since obviously they have been here for so many years, obviously they do not want to have it in writing. He then stated he hopes they will approve this for him.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr asked if you are in the process of finishing the rest of the things that say Belen.
- Craig Tabet said he has been making sure that everything that he has setup saying Rio Communities, making sure with the accountants that have set up the paperwork says Rio Communities and he has talked with everyone here that it is setup with Rio Communities.
- Jay Tabet said he would like to just state that his dad's funeral was just on Tuesday and said his dad had a lot of history in Rio Communities and he enjoyed Rio Communities.
- Daniella Tabet said the golf course is our home, they are proud of it, the kids have been raised here and she is the bar manager and it is their home.
- Jay Tabet said he was in shock that there is having an event today at noon for the County, 280 people will be there.
- Councilor Sais said the Golf Course is definitely positive for our Community, always been and always will be and then said as a business owner we need to support you.
- Mayor Pro-tem Gutjahr said being there are no objects to the transfer of the liquor license, we the governing body approve the transfer.

Adjourn

- The Public Hearing was adjourned at 10:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth (Lisa) Adair, Municipal Clerk

Date: _____

Approved:

Mark Gwinn,
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Gutjahr,
Mayor Pro-tem

Bill Brown,
Councilor

Joshua Ramsell,
Councilor

Arturo R. Sais,
Councilor