

City of Rio Communities Workshop Minutes
Tuesday December 10, 2019

- Mayor Pro-Tem Peggy Gutjahr called to order the city council workshop at
- Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Peggy Gutjahr, Councilors; Bill Brown, Arturo Sais and Joshua Ramsell.
Present: City Manager Leisa Haynes, Municipal Clerk Lisa Adair and Treasurer/Finance Officer Stephanie Finch

Accounts payable report

- Finance Officer Stephanie Finch went over the fire department's accounts payable: cancelled Subscription that was not being used, vehicle maintenance expenses, fuel charges, brochures and literature to hand out.
- Finance Officer Finch went over the city's accounts payable: card service center, code enforcer fuel, vehicle transportation, supplies, City Manager expenses for Nashville conference, other conference expenses, business cards, Tyler Tech, and other expenses. There were no questions.

Resolution 2019-xx Official Holiday's - discussion

- Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr mentioned Resolution 2019-xx Official Holiday's,
- Clerk Adair explained President's Day was added and why some holidays were off by a day.

Resolution 2019-xx Resending of Resolution 2018-137, 2018-139, 2018-140 and 2019-152 – Discussion

- Clerk Adair explained several resolutions but cannot find any other City, as an example, that has had to do the same thing and asked the Council to table this until December 18th, having a Special Meeting in the beginning and then go into a workshop after.

Public input/questions to address the above agenda item (3) minutes to address the Council

- Resident asked about the grant to repair roads and when it is going to be done. The process for the NMDOT grant was explained.
- Resident asked about a library. The Council explained there was a free library that was going to be put back up and a library was on the Capital Outlay.

Cleanup Dates – Discussion

- Council went over the cleanup dates, third Saturday of the month except November, and made correction to the date that would affect the health fair, the cleanup will be moved to April 25.

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- No comments were made.

Cancel December 24th Workshop and City Council Regular Business meeting - discussion

- Council had a discussion, deciding the meeting would be held December 18.

Southside of City Hall remodel next steps – discussion

- Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr mentioned that FBT had done a design for the building and it included the South side of the building and parks and trails, and she would like Council to see that.
- Councilor Ramsell said he does recall the parks and trails and began a discussion.
- Manager Haynes explained how the money was used for the remodel and continued with the discussion.

- Finance Officer Finch explained that this was money from reimbursement from the Capital Outlay and we have another \$25,00 grant that was for this building that we must use soon, by June 30, 2020, or we lose it.
- Council continued the discussion on the \$175,000 for the building.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr said the next steps before moving on are resolving concerns about the P&Z room and the technology in the rooms, who will do the work and oversee the project, and engineering and continued the discussion.

Manager Report

- Manager Leisa Haynes went over her report: “Endless Views, Endless Opportunities” as a possible tagline, enclosure for vehicles, 100 volunteers for Citizen Patrol and guidelines need to be explained, sick staff, auditors should be finished by Friday with their report, Christmas decorations are up and social media has had positive feedback, City Manager meeting was great, talking about a Council and staff retreat to get on the same page with everyone and is looking into a facilitator for that, Public Work Strategic Plan, discussed public works employees, working with EDC to have a real estate showcase with 3 minute presentations for realtors and developers as a group, and Council will be announcing the Solid Waste choice

Council reports & agenda items – 30 minutes

- Councilor Ramsell said on Horner just passed the second speed bump after the water department there is a major pothole.
 - Councilor Sais said he talked with Gordon about changing the signs on City Hall and began a discussion.
 - Councilor Sais said asked about animal control charges and began a discussion.
 - Councilor Sais asked once again about the flagpole to slow down cars in the parking lot.
 - Councilor Brown had meeting dates of the older American to be put on the City’s calendar.
 - Councilor Brown said regarding the traffic calming on Rio Communities Way will be given to the Deputy Clerk to design in CAD.
 - Councilor Brown said the founders’ group would like to have the free library put up again and began a discussion.
 - Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr said she is cleaning up the priority list and would like Council to rank them.
 - Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr said she and Councilor Ramsell met with Danny, Brian Culp and Susan Moran regarding district 1 fire department. She then said they are aware that we are going to a paid chief and they are doing a general aid agreement to all areas.
 - Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr said about a month ago, she got a call from the Governor’s office and mentioned the discussion regarding the zip code.
 - Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr said the building next door they did close on the building and explained what it will be.
 - Mayor Pro-Tem Gutjahr further update on Mark and said he is in a rehab center in Rio Rancho.
 - Manager Haynes mentioned the swearing in will be Sunday, December 29th at 2 p.m. at in Council Chambers.
- The City Council workshop was adjourned at 11:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Adair, Municipal Clerk
(Transcribed by Amy L. Lopez, Deputy Clerk)

Date: _____

Approved:

Mark Gwinn,
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Gutjahr,
Councilor Mayor Pro-tem

Bill Brown,
Councilor

Joshua Ramsell,
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Jim Winters,
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