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Call to Order

- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr called to order the city council regular business meeting at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

- Stephanie Finch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

- Present: Mayor Pro tem Peggy Gutjahr, Councilors; Bill Brown, Joshua Ramsell and Jim Winters.
Present: Municipal Clerk Lisa Adair and Finance Officer/Treasurer Stephanie Finch.

Approval of Agenda

- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr as for the removal of agenda item resolution 2020-xx NMDOT road fund program & request for match waiver.
- Councilor Brown moved to accept the agenda as changed. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4- agenda for the City Council Regular business meeting for June 23, 2020 was approved as amended.

Approval of Workshop Minutes and City Council Regular Business Meeting Minutes

- Councilor Ramsell moved to approve the Workshop and Regular Business meeting of June 9, 2020. The Motion was second by Councilor Brown. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4-0 vote the workshop minutes of June 9, 2020 and the city council regular business meeting minutes of June 9, 2020 were approved.

Public Comment

- No public comments

Accounts Payable approval

- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr stated that the accounts payable will be uploaded to the website and went over a couple of highlights to the larger items: Fire Department Doors and Library Expenses due to be reimbursed by grant.
- Councilor Brown moved for the acceptance of Accounts Payable from June 11, 2020 to June 23, 2020. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Brown-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4-0 vote Council approved bills to be paid.

Resolution 2020-xx NMDOT Road Fund Program & Request for Match Waiver

- removed

Professions Service agreement for Legal Services: Between the City of Rio Communities and Robles, Rael & Anaya, P.C.

- Finance Officer/Treasurer explained previously the City was paying for legal services by the hour for what was coming up. She then stated that they worked with the attorney to pay a flat rate every month so that the City could be sure all documents, Ordinances and resolutions are legally sound before Council approved; we will be charges 1,700 a month plus gross receipts tax, with a trial period of 6 months, and explained that City has already paid \$18,000 this year in attorney

fees and this would be \$20,000 for the whole year, and the attorney will adjust the fee after 6 months based on hours of usage.

- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr said this is one of the things that we have learned with issues in the last 6 months and tuning the ordinances; we will working out internally a flow chart who will be able to contact the attorney and currently the contact person is Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem
- Councilor Ramsell said this is a good move, it will prevent extra cost backtracking.
- Councilor Ramsell moved to approve the Professions Service agreement for Legal Services: Between the City of Rio Communities and Robles, Rael & Anaya, P.C. The motion was second by Councilor Brown. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4-0 vote Council approved the professional service agreement for Legal Services agreement between the City or Rio Communities and Robles, Rael & Anaya, P.C. The contract was then signed by Mayor Pro tem Peggy Gutjahr.

Council Reports

- Councilor Brown had no report.
- Councilor Ramsell reported on the Census saying Rio Communities is number two in the State with a 68.7% response rate, with Bosque Farms as number one.
- Councilor Winters challenge Bosque Farms to a contest to see who could get more people to take the Census and began a discussion.
- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr gave kudos to the code enforcer and public works department who have been out filling potholes and after the first of the year the large potholes will be filled by a contractor.

Executive Session NMSA 10-15-1(H)(8) - for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body.

- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr said number ten is Executive Session NMSA 10-15-1(H)(8) - for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body, and asked what is the pleasure of the Council.
 - **Motion and roll call vote to go into close session**
 - Councilor Ramsell moved to go into Executive Session NMSA 10-15-1(H)(8) - for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body by roll call vote. The motion was second by Councilor Brown. Vote: Councilor Winters-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4-0 vote Council went into executive session for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body. NM Section 10-15-1(H)(8) at 6:21 pm.
 - **Motion and roll call to go back into regular business meeting session**
 - Councilor Ramsell moved with a roll call vote to go back into regular business meeting session. The motion was second by Councilor Winters. Vote: Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Winters-yes Councilor Brown-yes and Councilor Gutjahr. With a 4-0 vote Council went back into the regular business meeting session at 7:06 pm.
 - **Welcome everyone back and statement by the Mayor Pro-tem**
 - Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr stated on June 23, 2020 closed executive session was held; the matters discussed in the closed session were for the discussion of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body as posted on the agenda and any one who was outside, we have invited back in.

Action Item – Consideration & Decision – Mayor Pro-tem of the purchase, acquisition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body.

- Mayor Pro tem Gutjahr recommends pursuing the conversation with the owners of property to move forward to see about purchase. Councilor Ramsell moved to accept the recommendation. The motion was second by Councilor Winters. Vote: Councilor Brown-yes; Councilor Ramsell-yes; Councilor Winters-yes and Councilor Gutjahr-yes. With a 4-0 vote the motion was approved to move forward with discussion regarding the purchase of land.

Adjourn

- Councilor Brown moved to adjourn. The motion was second by Councilor Ramsell. With a 4-0 vote the City Council regular business meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Date: _____

Approved:

Mark Gwinn,
Mayor

Margaret (Peggy) Gutjahr,
Mayor Pro-tem/Councilor

Bill Brown,
Councilor

Joshua Ramsell,
Councilor

Jim Winters,
Councilor