

TOWN OF CENTER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 8, 2021
5:30 P.M.

A public hearing was held at 5:30 p.m. for the dental clinic CDBG grant.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Garcia	P
Mayor Pro-Tem McClure	P
Trustee Gallegos	P
Trustee Sanchez	P
Trustee Beiriger	P
Trustee McClure	P
Trustee Martinez	P

A motion to approve the agenda with the addition of one item to the payables was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Trustee Gallegos. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – There were no comments made.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes – No questions were asked.

Police Dept. Reports – Beatrice Gutierrez was given a Public Servant award. Chief talked about the recent drug bust...Chief discussed about future drug busts they will be having. There was a joint effort from various departments in the Valley. The utility department also helped with water being turned off to the housing units. Two trafficking charges and in possession of stolen property charges were filed. More charges could be added. The Board asked questions about the additional charges and how they will be handled. Trustee Martinez asked about the sharps program and why the Town would not be participating? Chief will look into the program. Chief talked about a program they found for Sgt. Fresquez to become a trainer. The training will be for eight weeks, the cost will be \$6,000 plus an additional \$5,500 for the dog that he will train while he is there. Sgt. Fresquez talked about the program in a little more detail.

Court Report – No questions were asked.

Public Works Reports –

Utilities – The crew is installing transformer boxes.

Water – The water meters that are on the same line, will be split in the next two weeks. There were eighty meters that were worked on and only fifteen reads were populated. The technical people are on the issue. The old water tower site was cleaned up. Trustee Martinez asked if they do dead ends when they are jetting the lines, Dave told her that they do.

Streets and Parks – Trees were installed in the park. Paving will be done at the end of July. They are trying to straighten out the sixth street issue before they commence paving. Trustee McClure said that it needs to be surveyed.

Building Report – Mayor Pro-tem asked if they would consider putting in a mural on the front of the building.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mayor Pro-Tem McClure, seconded by Trustee Gallegos. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

PAYABLES

A motion to approve the payables was made by Trustee McClure, seconded by Martinez. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

MANAGERS REPORT

Housing Grant/DOLA – Brian talked about the grant and how it will be requisitioned and invoiced. Brian said that we could take it out of the gas or the light and power accounts and then pay it back.

American Rescue Plan – Brian said that they came out with the amounts that will be available to the municipality. The Town of Center will be receiving \$569,000 in two installments one in 2021 and the next will be in 2022. Brian will sit down with DOLA and review the parameters that they can spend the money on. Brian mentioned that we will have to monitor the amounts for auditing purposes. Brian will have an idea about how the money can be spent at the next meeting. Every County, every municipality and special Districts got their own money.

Resiliency Road maps – to include various communities will come together for recovery to needs to the areas that are most needed. Money will be used to pay for a private consultant to monitor the needs.

Workshop for the selection on the Planning Committee, there are eleven community members that are interested. Brian was thinking that the workshop could be held on June 14th. Brian would also like to have a name established at that time.

Urban renewal training will be held on June 17th at 5:30 to 7:30.

House Fire at 550 Broadway Armando Gutierrez – The trailer was a total loss.

Car Show – Would the Town be willing to donate to the car show.

A motion to approve a donation of \$500 per incident was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

June 19th – Solstice event 12-8 p.m.

Town Clean- up will be on Friday – Mayor Garcia wants them to sign up for the clean up on Facebook.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business

OLD BUSINESS

Center Sanitation District – Brian reiterated about the Sanitation meeting that he attended and all the issues with the Jetter truck. They have been using RMS utilities and an agreement with Monte Vista to help with plugged lines. The Sanitation District has been paying the bills. Dave got a quote for a trailer. The quote is \$46,000 for a Jetter trailer, if they train it is \$53,000. What the discussion is if there is negligence on our end that it would come at a cost to the Town. The Board gave Mayor Garcia the authority to negotiate it. The Sanitation District would like the Town to purchase the trailer and then bill

the Sanitation District. Trustee McClure asked why the Sanitation District couldn't write the check since it will be part of the District. Trustee McClure feels that we need to review the IGA. Both sides agreed that there were issues on both sides. Attorney Trujillo said that we need to discuss the issues of responsibility of during the IGA discussions.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Gallegos, seconded by Trustee Beiriger. Roll Call – All in favor. Motion Carries.

Submitted by,

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Deputy Clerk

Anthony Garcia
Mayor