

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS de ALBUQUERQUE
6718 RIO GRANDE BOULEVARD N.W.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

November 8, 2006 - 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Larry P. Abraham, Mayor

Donald T. Lopez, Trustee/Mayor Pro-Tem

Mary Homan, Trustee

Tim McDonough, Trustee

Pablo R. Rael, Trustee

Annabelle Silvas, Clerk

Juan Vigil, Administrator

Terry Nighbert, P&Z Director

Nancy Haines, Treasurer

Sherry Tippett, Attorney

Greg Perez, Fire Chief

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1. CALL TO ORDER

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval of the agenda. Trustee Rael seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one signed up for Public Comment.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING –OCTOBER 11, 2006

There were no additions or corrections to the Minutes.

B. DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. LAW ENFORCEMENT/BCSD

2. FIRE

3. ANIMAL CONTROL

MOTION: Trustee Rael moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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4. REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Abraham reported that:

- The Eminent Domain Task Force will be submitting its final recommendations to the Governor. He said they voted and it was a split vote but they will work out the details.
- He and Administrator Vigil met with Dr. Linda Contos, a veterinarian who owns Town and Country. They discussed housing the Village's dogs and cats and they are setting up a program to board the stray animals. They are also introducing a microchip program.
- The barn received a certificate of completion.
- He has talked with a couple nurseries about donating a replacement for Mrs. Dimas' tree. She will be turning 106 years old on December 24.
- The Guadalupe Art Tour will be held on Sunday, December 3.
- They are working on the *Business Directory* and hope to have all the business licenses and home occupations renewed by December 31 so that the *Business Directory* can be completed by February 2007.
- He met with Manny Gonzales, Bernalillo County Area Commander, and they interviewed not only a Sergeant, but 3 Officers who applied to cover the Village. He said they were great candidates and 2 of the Deputies actually live in the Village.

B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vigil reported that:

- They have received the final agreements on the \$902,000 in federal funds. They have submitted the reimbursement for right of way purchase and should be receiving that revenue within the next couple of weeks.
- Today (11-8-06) 6 horses were running loose on Rio Grande Blvd. He, the Mayor, the Animal Control Officer and several neighborhood residents made sure that they were not on the road; and that no one was injured. The horses were safely harnessed and walked back to their corral.
- They met with Secretary Rhonda Faught a few weeks ago to talk about open space and asked whether she would consider donating or transferring title to the open space we have under lease agreement. She didn't seem to have a problem with that but said she will discuss it with her staff. They also talked about allocations under GRIP funding and she felt fairly confident that the Village would receive the funds that were proposed in last year's appropriation.

C. PLANNER'S REPORT

Planner Nighbert reported that:

- Fourth Street is in its 37th week of construction and it is 87% complete with 87% funds expended. They put the last topcoat on the north bound lanes of 4th Street from Osuna to Schulte. They have made a lot of progress from Willow north to Osuna. They are getting ready to put the last parts of the pipe in Osuna and pave the east-bound lanes. They are

also beginning work on Change Order No. 3 which will be the last part to be dug up on 4th Street and traffic will be switched to both sides on the east lanes to finish the work. They hope to start close-out after Thanksgiving.

- The barn received a certificate of completion as occupancy of an agricultural building. There is some interior work that has to be designed and completed before any occupancy for assembly can be permitted. They plan to establish an SOP on what the barn can be used for but until that time it will remain fenced. The glass is in, the sky lights are in and all they need are latches on the windows from the inside. They did a good job on the barn and most of it is new.
- The RFP for the new main fire station went out and the mandatory pre-proposal meeting was held on October 31. Seven firms picked up bid packages and they hope to perform short-list interviews on December 4. They hope to have the contract before the Board by the December 13 meeting.

Trustee McDonough asked if there was going to be a display of Kit Sergeant's archeological findings incorporated into the barn.

Planner Nighbert responded that it is part of the consideration but not until the barn can be secured.

Administrator Vigil said there is a request in the legislative resolution for the funds to be used for the design, lighting, sprinkler system and security system for the barn.

Mayor Abraham said there is a house on the property at 4th and Schulte that is 80 years old that was built for Mr. Schulte and his bride. He said it is about 1200 square feet and the home is moveable. He said he would like to see it moved somewhere in the Village and it could be used to house the artifacts. He said these are things that are under consideration.

D. LEGAL REPORT

Attorney Tippett reported that:

- She had a hearing in District Court on November 6 regarding the Landau case and she had a motion to dismiss. There was also a motion to join Thomas and Ruth Montoya. The case was not dismissed but the motion to join the Montoya's was denied. She has been working with Linda Seebach to get a lot of paper together to file the Record Proper.
- Initial arraignment hearings before Municipal Judge Garcia were held on November 2 for code violations and lack of compliance with business license renewals.
- She has been working with the Fire Chief on the Sprinkler Ordinance.
- This will be her last meeting and she has enjoyed working at the Village. The Village has been exceptionally understanding about her personal, unfortunate events that have occurred and she thanked Juan for helping get her through that and for all the learning that went on.

E. FIRE DEPT. REPORT

Chief Perez reported that:

- He wanted to correct a typo in his monthly statement. It should read: There were 61 EMS calls for the month of October which was up from 21 in September (he had left September in twice). There were 6 fire calls in October which was down 9 from September.
- Juan Cordova was selected as the new Fire Marshal for the Village of Los Ranchos and with that he hopes to create a new Fire Prevention Division which will take care of public relations, training and performing all of the inspections and fire prevention activities.
- They are performing the final touches on the Sprinkler Ordinance and should have it before the Board at the December meeting.
- They introduced the Vial of Life program at the last meeting and they have had one life saved because of the program. They had a woman who was unconscious in her home and when they went to her refrigerator she had the Vial of Life there and they were able to see all of her medications and contacts right there. He hopes the program will continue to have successes like this one.
- They started a new program called “Adopt A Classroom” at Los Ranchos Elementary School. Each firefighter has adopted a grade level and he and the Fire Marshal will deal with the Special Ed children. There will be a Fire Department presence at the school once a month and they will read to the children or whatever activity the teachers request them to perform.
- The fire hydrant painting is 96% complete and there are a couple dead-end roads that still need to be completed. Flow testing of the hydrants is 86% complete.

Mayor Abraham asked Chief Perez to write an article, without names and addresses, about the Vial of Life for the January 2007 *Village Vision*.

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5. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

None

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

None

7. OLD BUSINESS

None

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8. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2006-11-1 ESTABLISHING THE VILLAGE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE 48th LEGISLATURE 1st SESSION

Trustee Lopez said it looks straight forward and he would recommend approval. He said he thought the lunch with the Legislators last January was an outstanding get together and he recommends doing it again.

Mayor Abraham said they put the lunch off because there was a chance a Legislator might have been lost in the elections. He said they will work on another lunch with the Legislators.

Trustee Homan said on Page 2 of 4 under Amendment No. 1, at the bottom of the page it mentions this GRIP project. She said she thought it was a GRIP II project.

Administrator Vigil said it was something that came up when they met with Secretary Faught. He said it is a misnomer to say GRIP I or GRIP II, it is simply GRIP.

Trustee Homan said at the Municipal League's annual meeting, Secretary Faught was very specific in her presentation to the group stating that she would prefer that all Municipalities write letters of support to the Governor specifically for GRIP II.

Administrator Vigil said he will clarify it and if it needs to be amended, he will insert GRIP II.

Trustee McDonough said he has a question about the Village not having the equipment necessary for signal repair.

Administrator Vigil responded that the Village has done signal repair, such as replacing bulbs, but they don't do the electrical part. He said signal repair was something that was mentioned by Secretary Faught and others because they are redoing all the lights and changing them to LEDs. He said Secretary Faught had hoped that the Village could perform some of those changes.

Trustee Homan asked whether Los Ranchos MainStreet was going to be resurrected.

Administrator Vigil said that the Main Street project for the Village is not the same as the patented name of MainStreet.

Mayor Abraham said he will brief the Board thoroughly before they meet with the Legislators. He said the project he is looking forward to getting funded is a bicycle trail on both sides of Rio Grande to be accomplished at the same time they are putting the sewer in on Rio Grande.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval of Resolution No. 2006-11-1. Trustee Rael seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee McDonough, yes; Trustee Homan, yes; Trustee Lopez, yes; Trustee Rael, yes. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

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9. TRUSTEES INFORMAL DISCUSSION

Trustee Lopez said he has a previous commitment to be in El Paso all next week so he will not be able to attend the Joint Meeting on November 14 at 6 p.m.

Trustee McDonough said he would like to apologize for getting a little long-winded on some of his comments. However, he said he thinks it is important to let people know that their Trustees really understand what they are doing and that they have thought about it.

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10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Trustee Rael seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque this _____ day of _____, 2006.

ATTEST:

Annabelle Silvas, CMC
Village Clerk