



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, September 19, 2018
103 Water St. Elephant Butte, NM 87935
ACTION MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Skinner called the Meeting to order at 2:00pm, and Councilor Atwell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Deputy Clerk Newberry called the roll.

Mayor Pro Tem Skinner, Councilor Lafont, Councilor Trager and Councilor Atwell were all present.

Mayor Kent was absent.

Deputy Clerk Newberry declared a quorum was present.

In attendance 2 members of the Press

STATEMENT OF OPEN MEETINGS RESOLUTION AND THREE MINUTE LIMIT PER SPEAKER ON ALL ISSUES

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Pro-Tem Skinner made motion to approve agenda as submitted. Council Trager seconded, motion carried 4-0.

MAYOR PRO-TEM AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mayor Pro-Tem Skinner shared with Mayor Kent in sharing their appreciation for the staff and volunteers at Elephant Days city celebration. Discussion for next year Elephant Days is has begun. Mayor pro-tem Skinner reported the statewide Rio Grande Trail has been approved. It will include the City's existing walking path into the designated Rio Grande Trail; it will connect New Mexico communities and open public accesses along the river from Colorado to the Texas border. The Rio Grande Trail hosted on-line a virtual open house. Deadline for public comment via website is on October 5th. She also reported the funding for construction of a new facility at Sierra Vista Hospital was approved.

Councilor LaFont had nothing to report at this time.

Councilor Trager had nothing to report at this time.

Councilor Atwell had nothing to report at this time.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David DuVall reported efforts to move forward with the installation of sewer lines and connection points along both Butte Blvd. and Warm Springs Blvd. He suggested these connections would open up the community and future development. City manager met with Bohannan-Huston to discuss methods of installing

lines along Butte Blvd later this year. He is actively working to secure all related details and indicated he would soon present council with formal proposal to consider. He is currently working on improvement project for Organ Park, such as installing amenities to enhance the facility's usefulness and attractiveness for all ages.

Sierra Del Rio golf course staff additions and changes. Starting early October there will be a new pro-course manager and new bar manager, there will also be a new dress code that will establish a professional atmosphere for the facility.

CLERK-TREASURER REPORT

Deputy Clerk had nothing to report at this time.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Boone had nothing to report at this time.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Code Enforcement Officer Spencer reported on code enforcement related calls for the year. Her final day with City is on August 21, 2018.

CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Pro-Tem Skinner made a motion to approve the Consent Items: Approval of Meeting Minutes; September 5, 2018. Councilor Trager seconded the motion.

Deputy Clerk Jessica Newberry (called each Councilor for a Roll Call Vote)

**Mayor Pro Tem Skinner voted yes.
Councilor Lafont voted yes.
Councilor Trager voted yes.
Councilor Atwell voted yes.
Motion carried.**

REGULAR ITEMS

Resolution 18-19-125 Approval of SVH Refinancing

Deputy Clerk Jessica Newberry (called each Councilor for a Roll Call Vote)

**Mayor Pro Tem Skinner voted yes.
Councilor Lafont voted yes.
Councilor Trager voted yes.
Councilor Atwell voted yes.
Motion carried.**

Resolution 18-19 -124 Approval of Rio Grande Trail

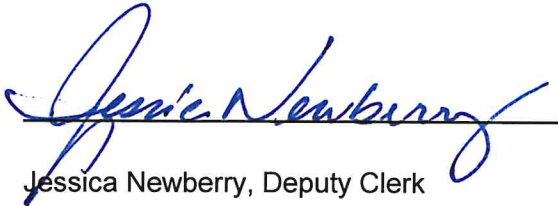
Deputy Clerk Jessica Newberry (called each Councilor for a Roll Call Vote)

**Mayor Pro Tem Skinner voted yes.
Councilor Lafont voted yes.
Councilor Trager voted yes.
Councilor Atwell voted yes.
Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.

Minutes approved and adopted at the meeting of the City Council on October 3, 2018



Jessica Newberry, Deputy Clerk

Attest:



~~Melissa Apodaca,~~ 
Clerk-Treasurer

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