



**NOTICE OF CITY OF ELEPHANT BUTTE
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
103 Water Avenue
Wednesday, May 14, 2025 – 11:00AM**

Minutes*

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Mortensen called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Phillip Mortensen – Present

Mayor Pro Tem Kim Skinner – Absent

Councilor Cathy Harmon – Present

Councilor Mike Williams – Present

Councilor Skylar Arnold – Present

City Clerk Cobleigh conducted a roll call and declared a quorum.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Council Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Councilor Harmon made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Councilor Williams seconded the motion. 3-0.

City Clerk Cobleigh conducted a roll call vote.

Councilor Harmon – Yes

Councilor Williams – Yes

Councilor Arnold – Yes

Motion Carried.

STATEMENT OF OPEN MEETINGS RESOLUTION & 3 MINUTE LIMIT PER SPEAKER ON ALL ISSUES

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments can be made in person, by phone or given to the City Clerk by email (l.cobleigh@cityofebnm.gov) before the meeting.

None Submitted.

5. ELEPHANT BUTTE FIRE DEPARTMENT

a. Fuego Fire Safety

Chief Long presented the State Fire Marshal's Community Outreach program "Fuego Fire Safety" to the City Council and Staff. Chief Long provided an educational power point of the Fuego Fire Safety that he shows at the local elementary school. Chief Long stated that Elephant Butte Fire Department is the only department participating in Fuego Fire Safety in the state.

b. Emergency Medical Services

Chief Long reported that Elephant Butte Fire Department has received state certification on both of the fleet ambulances. By having both ambulances certified through the state this opens up new grants through the state for the department regarding EMS specifically. Chief Long stated that for the first two years the department will receive \$7,000.00 for EMS services, after the two years the department will be eligible to receive up to \$35,000.00 annually for EMS. At this time the Elephant Butte Fire Department is certified

to transport patients at a “life over limb” capacity and not at a fulltime paid service provider. Once the department is ready to move into that capacity they will be able to begin billing for transport services.

6. COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Councilor Harmon asked if there was anywhere local that could refill fire extinguishers? Chief Long stated that there is nowhere local that can provide that service and gave Councilor Harmon the name of the company that the City of Elephant Butte and Elephant Butte Fire Department utilize for their extinguishers.

Councilor Arnold mentioned that her son had taken part in the Fuego Fire Safety recently and enjoyed it.

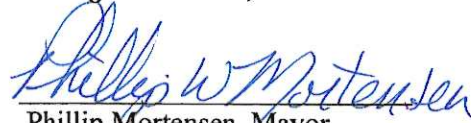
Councilor Williams clarified again that the Elephant Butte Fire Department is the only one in the state participating in the Fuego Fire Safety. Chief Long confirmed.

Mayor Mortensen thanked Chief Long for all his hard work with the Elephant Butte Fire Department.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mortensen adjourned the meeting.

Minutes approved and adopted at the City Council meeting on June 11, 2025.


Phillip Mortensen, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lindsey Cobleigh, City Clerk

