

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2010
5:30 P.M.

The Council of the City of Ruidoso Downs met in regular session on December 13, 2010. Mayor Armstrong called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and asked Peggy LuJane to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Armstrong asked Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer to take roll call. The following were present:

Councilor Olivo
Councilor Holman

Councilor Williams
Councilor Hood

Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer informed Mayor Armstrong there was a quorum.

Also present:

Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer
Terri Mosley, Finance Director
Steve Dunigan, Planning & Zoning Director
Jim Kofakis, Interim Museum Director
Zach Cook, City Attorney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was approval of the agenda.

Mayor Armstrong entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

Councilor Olivo moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Councilor Hood.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was approval of the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Armstrong entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Councilor Williams moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilor Holman.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 22, 2010

Councilor Williams moved to approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 22, 2010. Seconded by Councilor Holman.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLES

Councilor Williams moved to approve Accounts Payables. Seconded by Councilor Holman.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was to Unfinished Business.

There was no Unfinished Business.

OTHER BUSINESS (items are for discussion only-no action will be taken)

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was Other Business and no action would be taken.

There was no Other Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was - Consider Approving Personnel Recommendation-Position-Part-Time Outreach/Gift Shop Assistant I-Hubbard Museum of the American West.

Mayor Armstrong entertained a motion to approve Personnel Recommendation-Position-Part-Time Outreach/Gift Shop Assistant I-Hubbard Museum of the American West.

Councilor Williams moved to approve Personnel Recommendation-Position-Part-Time Outreach/Gift Shop Assistant I-Hubbard Museum of the American West. Seconded by Councilor Hood.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was - Consider Approving Agenda Briefing Memorandum - Prior Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Expenditures-Invoiced in Fiscal Year 2010-2011-Family Vision Center-\$260.22.

Mayor Armstrong entertained a motion to approve Agenda Briefing Memorandum - Prior Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Expenditures-Invoiced in Fiscal Year 2010-2011-Family Vision Center-\$260.22.

Councilor Holman said they kind of have a background of how this happened and it never should have happened. He said if there was a question it should have been turned over to the appropriate department with a comment or no comment and to just not pay. The way it was handled was not a good situation. He said he noticed there were so many City employees doing other people's business

that sometimes they don't get their own done. Had this been handled differently it could have been a better situation.

Mayor Armstrong said they hope this would not happen again and were making the corrective actions.

Councilor Williams asked what the story was? What was the delay and what was the concern in paying this?

Terri Mosley, Finance Director said this was billed directly to the Police Department box number so they weren't aware of it. They became aware of it when the employee brought it to their attention just recently.

Councilor Williams asked if this billing was covered under insurance?

Terri Mosley, Finance Director said it was to go to the academy.

Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer said it was her understanding when an officer attends the Police Academy they have to go through a series of vision, hearing and medical review and this is how this came about. The director at the time chose not to pay for it because he felt the evaluation for the employee at the academy was just too high.

Councilor Williams asked if he had this exam before the academy would he be billed personally because this is a Civil Summons for the money. They were asking him to make payment. So, being billed numerous times it appears it was overlooked or determined to be too high. He said he would like to mention that he didn't want this brought out into a public forum that they aren't taking care of their business.

Councilor Holman said this was an isolated situation and directors should question a bill and it should be forwarded to the Finance Department.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was - Consider Approving Wastewater Treatment Plant Operating Invoice for October and November 2010.

Mayor Armstrong entertained a motion to approve Wastewater Treatment Plant Operating Invoice for October and November 2010.

Terri Mosley, Finance Director said there were two months of billing because on the October billing the date on the top was not the correct date of when she received the billing. She said she received the billing with some other bills from them and she missed the deadline for getting it on the last Council meeting.

Councilor Olivo moved to approve Wastewater Treatment Plant Operating Invoice for October and November 2010. Seconded by Councilor Holman.

Councilor Holman said he can't help going back to an ongoing problem but there were some things that he will continue to maintain and that is the increased volume that goes into Wastewater Treatment

Plant. One of the reasons is Mescalero being added as a Ruidoso customer and that increases our expenses of not only the monthly operating but the overall cost of the plant. He said the Village has caused us some problems and some goes further back to when the river was made a cold-water fishery and the requirements of phosphorus and nitrogen.

Roll call votes: Councilor Olivo, Aye; Councilor Williams, Aye; Councilor Holman, Aye; Councilor Hood, Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

(All concerns to be addressed only to the Governing Body as a Whole with a 3-minute Time Limit)

Mayor Armstrong stated next item on the agenda was Public Input.

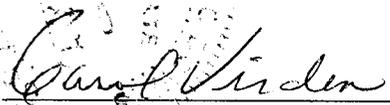
There was no Public Input.

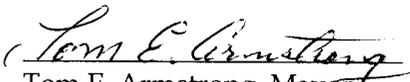
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Armstrong entertained a motion for adjournment.

Councilor Hood moved to adjourn at 5:50 p.m. Seconded by Councilor Holman.

All were in favor and motion passed.


ATTEST:

Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer


Tom E. Armstrong, Mayor