

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 13, 2015  
4:30 P.M.

The Council of the City of Ruidoso Downs met in regular session on April 13, 2015. Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and asked Linda Brillante to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Williams asked Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer to take roll call. The following were present:

Councilor Miller  
Councilor Morales (via teleconference)

Councilor Perry  
Councilor Ritter

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

Also present:

Alexandra Bobbit, City Attorney  
Mary Castaneda, Finance Director  
Christopher Rupp, Police Chief  
Dale Graham, Project Manager  
Billy Crouch, Associate Director HMAW

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was Approval of Agenda.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion for Approval of Agenda.

Councilor Miller moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Councilor Ritter.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was Approval of the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion for Approval of the Consent Agenda.

Councilor Miller moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 23, 2015.

Councilor Miller moved to approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 23, 2015. Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLES

Councilor Miller moved to approve Accounts Payables. Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was – Mayor’s Comments.

Mayor Williams said I would advise people right now to not go up La Canada and Griffith. It is really nasty so if you have family or friends there just wait.

Mayor Williams state the next item on the agenda was – Councilor’s Comments.

Councilor Miller said we had our Easter Egg Hunt on April 4<sup>th</sup> down at Riverside Park. It was a beautiful day and we probably had close to 200 children. We hid 2000 Easter eggs with Park & Rec helping and our Beautification Committee. We also have our Great American Cleanup coming up on April 25<sup>th</sup>. We’ll start at All American Park at 8:00 in the morning and take bags and clean wherever you want either Highway 70 or side streets. The City will pick up the bags and we will have lunch, hamburgers and hot dogs around 11:00. Tell everyone to come out.

Councilor Perry said that’s on the 25<sup>th</sup>?

Councilor Miller said we have a lot of Youth Groups helping this year.

Mayor Williams said the next item on the agenda was – Update by CH2M HILL Engineers, Inc. on the Sewer Line Relocation.

Mayor Williams said it looks like we've been dished. CH2M has not shown up and they were supposed to give Council a presentation and update on the Sewer Line Relocation project that is going to commence in the near future. The first phase of it though is starting from the sewer plant to the village line. Whenever they decide they want to respect our request for their presence we'll have that information passed on. I am a little perturbed by that. They can do it with other entities so they can definitely do it for us.

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was - Discussion and Possible Action - Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment - Ginger (Virginia) Houldsworth and Cynthia Trujillo (2).

Councilor Miller said this is part of our grant money for Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful which comes out of New Mexico Clean & Beautiful once a year. We were lucky enough to get our grant money again this year. It's a requirement from our grant provider that we have some Youth Employment and that's what this is all about. These are two teachers that already came and cleaned the baseball field and the park and now they are going to help plant the garden in our Outdoor Learning Center down here in the park, and shrubs, and help keep the park beautiful. Plus, for them doing these things are also coming to our Great American Cleanup. That goes for the next three coming on the list as D, E, and F. They are doing Youth Employment for our grant money. We really appreciate them and they bring parents with them and that's a lot of people helping out. They'll be coming all through May too.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion to approve - Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment - Ginger (Virginia) Houldsworth and Cynthia Trujillo (2).

Councilor Morales moved to approve - Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment - Ginger (Virginia) Houldsworth and Cynthia Trujillo (2). Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was - Discussion and Possible Action - Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment - Myra Lucero and Aisela Magana.

Councilor Miller said this is another two teachers bringing Youth Groups. I forgot the first one on D and that was the 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church. Myra Lucero and Aisela Magana are both bringing their 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade classes out to teach them about litter and planting and taking care of places to make them beautiful. We really appreciate the groups and they are helping our community.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion to approve – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment – Myra Lucero and Aisela Magana.

Councilor Morales moved to approve – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service agreements to Provide Youth Employment – Myra Lucero and Aisela Magana. Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was – Discussion and Possible Action – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment – Rose Helmke and Adrianna Castro.

Councilor Miller there are some more teachers here from Sierra Vista to bring their classes out to plant shrubs and do a cleanup too. We will be seeing all of these groups at our Great American Cleanup too. Also, with our grant money we have provided “Waste in Place” lesson plans to teach at school. When they come out here to plant and things they sit down and they have to tell what they did and why they did it. That’s why we call this our Learning Center at the park.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion to approve – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment – Rose Helmke and Adrianna Castro.

Councilor Perry moved to approve – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Service Agreements to Provide Youth Employment – Rose Helmke and Adrianna Castro. Seconded by Councilor Morales.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was – Discussion and Possible Action – Personnel Recommendation – HMAW Department – Position – Museum Exhibits Technician.

Dakota Crouse said what I bring today is a recommendation for our open position we’ve been advertising. I’m recommending Ms. Brittany Porter to take that position. She has shown quite a few qualifications particularly in formal education for this. She has obtained a Bachelor’s Degree in History from New Mexico State University, a Master’s Degree in Anthropology and a Graduate Certificate in Museum Studies and Resource Management. Part of that course work is focusing on how to properly care and handle collections. While she was getting her Graduate Degree and Certificate taken care of she was able to get the

Peter and Wyeth Hurd house on the National and State Register of Historical Places. Due to these facts I think she is the most qualified for the position.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion to approve – Personnel Recommendation – HMAW Department – Position – Museum Exhibits Technician.

Councilor Miller moved to approve – Personnel Recommendation – HMAW Department – Position – Museum Exhibits Technician. Seconded by Councilor Ritter.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Williams asked Brittany to come up and meet the Councilors.

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was – discussion and Possible Action – Agenda Briefing Memorandum – New Members – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Committee.

Mayor Williams said I would like to bring this forth for Sebrina Lundquist and Cynthia Trujillo to be members of the Beautification Committee.

Councilor Miller said Sebrina is at Nob Hill and Cynthia is at Sierra Vista.

Mayor Williams entertained a motion to approve – Agenda Briefing Memorandum – New Members – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Committee.

Councilor Perry moved to approve – Agenda Briefing Memorandum – New Members – Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful Committee. Seconded by Councilor Ritter.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was from the Consent Agenda – Discussion and Possible Action – Wastewater Treatment Plant – Invoices – February 2015.

Councilor Miller moved to approve – Wastewater Treatment Plant – Invoices – February 2015. Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was from the Consent Agenda – Discussion and Possible Action – Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant – Parametric Billing – February 2015.

Councilor Miller moved to approve - Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant - Parametric billing - February 2015. Seconded by Councilor Perry.

Roll call votes: Councilor Miller, Aye; Councilor Perry, Aye; Councilor Morales, Aye; Councilor Ritter, Aye. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was - Updated Financial Status Reports - Hubbard Museum of the American West and Lincoln County Transit.

Mary Castaneda , Finance Director said these figures are tentative. Lincoln County Transit had a beginning cash balance of \$39,464.75. Revenues were \$1,352.00. Grant reimbursements were \$10,018.16. Expenditures were \$7,285.56. Ending balance was \$43,549.35. The museum had a beginning cash balance of \$6,465.24. Revenues were \$9,611.63. Transfers were from the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter from the Lodgers' of \$27,500. Expenditures \$25,929.59. Ending cash balance was \$17,647.28.

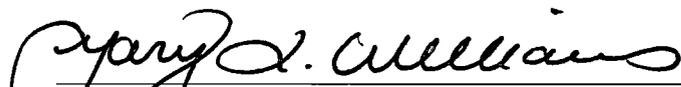
PUBLIC INPUT

Mayor Williams stated the next item on the agenda was - Public Input.

There was no Public Input.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to attend to Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

  
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Gary L Williams, Mayor



  
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Carol Virden, City Clerk/Treasurer