

TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2010

A regular meeting of the Red River Town Council was held Tuesday, February 23, 2010 at the Red River Conference Center. Mayor Linda Calhoun called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Linda Calhoun	Present
Councilor George Woerndle	Present
Councilor Debbie Hubbard	Present
Councilor Ben Richey	Present
Councilor Jenny Hawkes	Present

A quorum was present

3. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Linda Calhoun gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to approve the agenda for Tuesday, February 23, 2010. Councilor Debbie Hubbard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting – January 26, 2010

Councilor Ben Richey made a motion to approve the minutes for January 26, 2010. Councilor Jenny Hawkes seconded the motion and the motion carried.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR
JANUARY, 2010.

Town Administrator Russell Church presented the financials for January, 2010. He reported the gross receipts collected for the month of December, 2009 were up 16% from December of 2008. The Lodger's Tax collected for December was up 5.7% from December of 2008. Councilor Woerndle made a motion to approve the financials collected for December, 2009. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

7. REPORTS

COMMITTEES

- a. PUBLIC SAFETY
*See attached report
- b. PUBLIC WORKS
Public Works did not have a meeting this month.
- c. PARKS AND RECREATION
*See attached report
- d. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
*See attached report
- e. LODGERS TAX ADVISORY BOARD
*See attached report

MAYOR'S REPORT

- a. Attended a NEPA meeting in Albuquerque with Russell Church. Sponsored by the NM OHV alliance. It was very informative and useful.
- b. February 5th was Municipal League Day at the legislature. Had a NMML Board Meeting after the luncheon. The main focus right now is the census. We need to begin a push through the website, the list serve and the Miner to make everyone aware of how important it is to be counted. Census is about power and money, because it will be used for redistricting of Congressional seats and federal funding.
- c. Attended Tourism Day on February 9th. Rebecca Latham, Russell Church and I attended the Tourism Commission meeting and the TANM luncheon. Rebecca was elected to the TANM Board. The news from the tourism commission is pretty grim. They are looking at cutting the tourism budget by 1.6 million. TANM is working diligently on this issue.
- d. The Special Legislative Session begins on Monday, March 1.
- e. Sunday, February 28th is the ribbon cutting and dedication for the new Fire Station. Tours will begin at 2:00 PM and the program will begin at 2:30 PM. Bob Perry is working with Ryan, our CDBG rep to finish the close out on the grant.

- f. Trinity West attended water school two weeks ago and passed his Level II waste water certification.
- g. Public Works has been extremely busy with snow removal and frozen water. Please tell them how much we appreciate everything that they do for the Town.
- h. Bob Perry submitted a grant today for some portable bins that can be used to collect cans and bottles during special events and events at the conference center for recycling. We should hear on that mid April.
- i. The estimate for the decals for the new buses came in at \$3500 per bus. We only have \$1000 left in the original funds. Bob is working with the state and was able to successfully secure additional ARRA funds through DOT to fund the project. The buses and decals will be completely funded with stimulus money.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- a. The Town has had over 15 frozen water lines and frozen sewer lines. The frost line has moved lower than it has ever been in past years.
- b. The Town has experienced multiple breakdowns of our vehicles.
- c. The UV systems at the treatment plant are up and running.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORS REPORT

- a. Vollmer Public Relations is actively working with journalists to visit and write about Red River.
- b. NM Tourism Department's Eco-tourism – hoping to partner with the state on this initiative as long as it doesn't get cut by the legislature.
- c. Geiger – Red River appeared on “Destination Polaris” at the end of January, which was shot here during our September media tour.
- d. RedRiver.org – All businesses have the opportunity to submit an enhanced listing to Rebecca Latham. Photo, 100 words, amenities, and social networking links.
- e. IGC – Enchanted Circle working with the IGC again to deliver packets to the legislators.

- f. ECMC – Adding itineraries to enchanted circle.org and working with Eddie Dry on possibly becoming a national scenic byway.

8. PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
(No Items)

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of:

- 1. Resolution 2010-03/Rate Structure/Water Sampling Fees

Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-03. Councilor Debbie Hubbard seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Councilor Debbie Hubbard, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Jenny Hawkes, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Resolution 2010-03 was adopted.

B. Introduction of:

- 1. Ordinance 2010-03/2009 Amendments to New Mexico-Uniform Traffic Ordinance 2004 Compilation

Councilor Debbie Hubbard made a motion to introduce Ordinance 2010-03/2009. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Councilor Debbie Hubbard, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Jenny Hawkes, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. The motion carried.

10. PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. Ordinance 1020-01/Repealing Ordinance 1989-3/Fair Housing & Non-Discrimination

Councilor Debbie Hubbard made a motion to adopt Ordinance 1020-01/Repealing Ordinance 1989-3/Fair Housing & Non-Discrimination. Councilor Richey seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Councilor Debbie Hubbard, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Jenny Hawkes, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. The motion carried.

2. Ordinance 2010-02/Alarm Ordinance

Councilor Debbie Hubbard made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2010-02/Alarm Ordinance. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Councilor Debbie Hubbard, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Jenny Hawks, aye. The motion carried with the change in the yearly fee from \$35.00 to \$10.00.

11. OTHER

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Beth Hodges
Assistant Clerk

Linda Calhoun
Mayor