

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 22, 2010

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo called the Regular Meeting of the Belen City Council to order at 6:00 P.M. Roll call taken by Mary Lucy Baca, Acting City Manager.

PRESENT:

Mayor, Rudy Jaramillo
Wayne Gallegos, Mayor Pro-Tem
Councilor, Mary T. Aragon
Councilor, Jerah R. Cordova
Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo

CITY STAFF:

Mary Lucy Baca, Acting City Manager
Audrey Torres, CMC Deputy Clerk
Michael Steininger, Finance Director
Mike Chavez, Chief of Police
Robert Uecker, Airport Manager
Manny Garcia, Belen Fire Chief
Robert Rimorin, Utility Director
Arthur Baca, BPD
Eddie Jaramillo, BPD
Robert miller, BPD
Dan Robb, BPD
Stephen Hall, BPD
Steve McKenzie, BPD
Andrew DiCamillo, P/Z
Steve Flores, BPD
John, BPD
Joe Chavez, BPD
Derek Eteyan, BPD
Jose Natividad, BPD
Phillip Montano, PBD
Martin Benavidez, BPD
Adam Keck, BPD
Veronica Chavez, BPD
Joe Portillo, PBD

OTHERS:

Norman McDonald, City Attorney
Brent Ruffner, VCNB
Gilbert Tabet, Circle T
Martha Saiz, Citizen

Roxanne Trujillo, Citizen
Joe M. Saiz, Citizen
Clayton Ten Eyck, Molzen-Corbin & Associates
Tony Savilla, Citizen
Randy & Priscilla Krause, Citizens
Sonny Sanchez, Citizen
Martin Benavidez, BAC
Rod Storey, Citizen
Gloria Sanchez, Volunteer
Frank & Louise Ortega, Citizens
Kim McKenzie, Citizen
Aurelio H. Padilla, Citizen
Lena Malcom, Citizen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked Frank Ortega to lead the pledge of allegiance.

ACTION ITEMS

REORGANIZATION:

CONFIRMATION OF ALL CITY EMPLOYEES:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo read the next agenda item in reference to confirmation of all City Employees and entertained a motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Wayne Gallegos moved to confirmation all City Employees. Councilor Mary T. Aragon seconds the motion.

Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo	Yes
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes
Mayor Rudy Jaramillo	Yes
Councilor Jerah R. Cordova	Yes
Councilor Mary T. Aragon	Yes

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo advises motion carried.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo advised they met with the appointed individuals and discussed that as a governing body is to look at an evaluation of the departments at a three and six month level to see how the departments are being run. The governing body wanted to see what is happening and how departments are run as a new Council and Mayor that would be the best direction they want to take to have accountability to the constituents. At the 180 day evaluation the Council will have the option to reconsider the confirmation of the appointed positions.

Councilor Jerah R. Cordova advised there had been some concerns with double dipping in the community by some employees, the state legislature has passed an anti-double dipping bill. Mary Lucy Baca advised there are four employees, who are considered double dippers. What will happen effective July 1 is those employees will have to pay their share of PERA.

APPOINTMENT OF APPOINTED POSITIONS:

CHIEF OF POLICE:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo read the next agenda item in reference to appointment of Chief of Police and submitted the name of Mike Chavez and entertained a motion. Councilor Jerah R. Cordova moved to approve Mike Chavez for Chief of Police. Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo seconds the motion.

Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo	Yes
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes
Mayor Rudy Jaramillo	Yes
Councilor Jerah R. Cordova	Yes
Councilor Mary T. Aragon	Yes

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo advises motion carried.

FIRE CHIEF:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo read the next agenda item in reference to appointment of Fire Chief and submitted the name of Manny Garcia and entertained a motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Wayne Gallegos moved to approve Manny Garcia for Fire Chief. Councilor Mary T. Aragon seconds the motion.

Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo	Yes
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes
Mayor Rudy Jaramillo	Yes
Councilor Jerah R. Cordova	Yes
Councilor Mary T. Aragon	Yes

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo advises motion carried.

AIRPORT MANAGER:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo read the next agenda item in reference to appointment of Airport Manger and submitted the name of Robert Uecker and entertained a motion. Councilor Mary T. Aragon moved to approve Robert Uecker as Airport Manager. Mayor Pro-Tem Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion.

Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo	Yes
Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes
Mayor Rudy Jaramillo	Yes
Councilor Jerah R. Cordova	Yes
Councilor Mary T. Aragon	Yes

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo advises motion carried

RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD BELEN INDUSTRIAL PARK POINT-OF-USE ARSENIC TREATMENT SYSTEMS: Clayton Ten Eyck, Molzen-Corbin & Associates.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo read the next agenda item in reference to recommendation to award Belen Industrial park point-of-use Arsenic Treatment Systems as presented by Clayton Ten Eyck, Molzen-Corbin & Associates. Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a little bit of history and clarification as to why it needed to be done tonight. Clayton advised the purpose for this evening is to recommend the award of the Belen Industrial park Point-of-use arsenic treatment system project. The project has a high sense of urgency to start and complete, funding for this project which is out of the Governor's water innovation fund grant money, is in jeopardy of being lost if it is not spent by May 15, 2010. They have met with the contractor and he has been briefed on the urgency of the project as well.

The contractor, TLC Plumbing and Utility, believes that if everything is expedited they will be able to complete the project and bill for the contents by the May 15, 2010 date. The well that services the three users of the Belen Industrial Park water system is high in arsenic and the state has required that the City provide notices to each of the users regarding the high arsenic content.

Councilor Jerah R. Cordova asked who would be funding the project. Clayton advised the funding for the project is from the Department of Finance Authority through the Governors water innovation fund grants no funding will be required from the City. The bid was \$74,398.00 excluding gross receipts tax.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked if there were any further questions or comments and if none he so entertains a motion to approve as presented. Councilor Lorenzo Carrillo moved to approve as presented. Councilor Mary T. Aragon asked Norm McDonald, City Attorney if she would be able to vote and not be considered a conflict of interest as she is an employee of the MRGCD one of the users on the system. Norman McDonald advised it would not be a conflict of interest. Mary T. Aragon seconds the motion, motion carries.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting.

Councilor Jerah R. Cordova moved to adjourn this meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion, motion carried.

/s/

Rudy Jaramillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/

Mary Lucy Baca, Acting City Manager

Transcribed by:
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Procurement Specialist