

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 10, 2014**

**5:30 P.M.**

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo called the Regular Meeting of the Belen City Council to order at 5:30 P.M. Roll call taken by Leona Vigil, Deputy Clerk.

**PRESENT:** Councilor David Carter  
Mayor Pro-Tem Jerah Cordova  
Mayor Rudy Jaramillo  
Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos  
Councilor Wayne Gallegos

**CITY MANAGER, CMC:** Mary Lucy Baca

**DEPUTY CLERK, CMC:** Leona Vigil

**CITY STAFF:** See Attached Sign-In Sheet

**REPORTER:** Clara Garcia, VC News Bulletin

**OTHERS:** See Attached sign-In sheet

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to approve or disapprove tonight’s Agenda. Councilor Wayne Gallegos made a motion to approve. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes  
Councilor Audrey Vallejos Yes  
Councilor Jerah Cordova Yes  
Councilor David Carter Yes Motion carried

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for pending or threatened litigation, limited personnel matters, and land acquisition.

Councilor Wayne Gallegos made a motion to go into Executive Session for those stated. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes  
Councilor Audrey Vallejos Yes  
Councilor Jerah Cordova Yes  
Councilor David Carter Yes Motion carried

Mayor Jaramillo asked for a motion to leave the executive session and return to the open meeting. Councilor Wayne Gallegos made a motion to return to the open meeting. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos Yes

Councilor Audrey Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion carried

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion that discussion was limited to those mentioned and no action was taken. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos moved the motion. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion carried

**ACTION ITEMS**

**APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE NM DOT MAP PARTICIPATION: Mary Lucy Baca, City Manager**

Mary Lucy informed the Council that this issue was discussed at the last meeting, and it is before the Council tonight for approval or disapproval.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to approve or disapprove the NM DOT MAP participation. Councilor Wayne Gallegos moved to approve the participation. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF THE CANVASS OF THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON MARCH 4, 2014: Mary Lucy Baca, City Manager**

Mary Lucy Baca announced the canvassed election results with the Council; a copy of the canvassed results are attached hereto and made an integral part of these minutes by reference.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to approve or disapprove the canvass of the Regular Municipal Election. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos moved to approve the canvass. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE CITY COUNCIL DURING THE PRECEDING TWO YEARS**

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo informed the public that after every election, approval is sought for all of the action taken for the last two years.

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to approve or disapprove the action taken by the Council for the last two years. Councilor Jerah Cordova moved approval. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion carried

Before Mayor Jaramillo asked for adjournment, he congratulated those candidates that ran; “everyone ran a clean race”. He congratulated Jerah Cordova on his seat as Mayor, Frank Ortega and Darleen Aragon on their seats as Councilors, and Kathy Savilla on her seat as Judge. Mayor Jaramillo thanked Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos for serving for the time she got appointed. He thanked Lucy for being Interim City Manager for two years and Manager for two.

**ADJOURNMENT OF PRESENT CITY COUNCIL (SINE DIE)**

Mayor Rudy Jaramillo asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion.

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes	
Councilor Audrey Torres-Vallejos	Yes	
Councilor Jerah Cordova	Yes	
Councilor David Carter	Yes	Motion Carried

**New City Council**

The Honorable Magistrate Judge John Chavez administered the Oaths of Office and issued the Certificates of Election to the newly elected officials.

Municipal Judge Elect:	Kathy M. Savilla
Councilor Elect:	Darleen J. Aragon
Councilor Elect:	Frank F. Ortega
Mayor Elect:	Jerah R. Cordova

**Roll Call**

**PRESENT:** Councilor David Carter  
Councilor Darleen Aragon  
Mayor Jerah Cordova  
Councilor Frank Ortega  
Councilor Wayne Gallegos

**Election of Mayor Pro-Tem**

Mayor Jerah Cordova informed the public that the Mayor Pro Tem is selected on an annual basis every March. Mayor Cordova explained that Mayor Pro Tem is selected on a rotating basis, so that everyone gets an opportunity. Mayor Cordova announced that this year is Councilor David Carter’s turn.

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion. Councilor Frank Ortega moves approval of Councilor David Carter serving as Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Cordova asked if there was a second. Councilor Wayne Gallegos seconds the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Wayne Gallegos	Yes
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Councilor Frank Ortega                   Aye  
Councilor Darleen Aragon                Aye  
Councilor David Carter                    Yes                    Motion Carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to adjourn tonight’s meeting. Councilor Wayne Gallegos motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilor David Carter seconds the motion.

Councilor Wayne Gallegos                Yes

Councilor Frank Ortega wanted to take a moment to honor Herman Madrid. Herman Madrid was an employee of the City of Belen; he was the supervisor of the Streets and Parks Department. At this time the public paused for a moment of silence.

Councilor Frank Ortega                   Aye  
Councilor Darleen Aragon                Yes  
Councilor David Carter                    Yes                    Motion Carries

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerah R. Cordova, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Lucy Baca, Interim City Manager, CMC