

BELEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 2, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Mayor Jerah Cordova called the Regular Meeting of the Belen City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call taken by Brian McBain, City Clerk.

PRESENT:

Councilor Frank F. Ortega
Mayor Pro-Ronnie Torres
Mayor Jerah R. Cordova
Councilor Robert Noblin
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr.

NOT PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER:

Andrew DiCamillo

CITY CLERK:

Dorothy Chavez

REPORTER:

Clara Garcia, VC News Bulletin

OTHERS:

See attached Sign-in Sheet

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Cordova led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Councilor Ronnie Torres made a motion.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Danny Bernal Jr. seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Danny Bernal	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to approve the minutes dated 01.21.20 as presented.

Councilor Frank F. Ortega made a motion.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Ronnie Torres seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Danny Bernal	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

PUBIC COMMENTS

Randy Geddings-spoke in regards to the 10th & Esperanza Street/Intersection. There is a crosswalk in which his handicap wife uses to walk his grandson to school daily. This crosswalk needs to be painted, the pot holes need to be fixed, and the handicap ramp needs to be fixed. He also asked if Chief Harris can send patrol as the vehicles do not stop at the stop sign either.

Leo Prevot-spoke regarding the hospital property.

Alfonso Santistevan-spoke

PRESENTATION

- a. Kathleen Pickering-spoke on the 2020 Census Outreach and Support that will be taking place via the Library. She presented literature and the various ways of assistance to the public on how to comply with the 2020 Census.
- b. Chief James Harris-gave a power point presentation of the final 2019 Crime stats.
- c. Judge Kathy Savilla-gave a presentation of the Belen Municipal court 2019 Court stats.
- d. Roseann Peralta, Finance Director gave a 2nd Quarter Financial Report/Presentation.

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. **APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL** of a Resolution accepting the Municipal Records Retention Policy and Email Retention Guidelines for the City of Belen. Presented by Dorothy Flores. There were questions/concerns from council regarding the email portion of retention.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.

Councilor Frank Ortega made a motion to approve.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Robert Noblin seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr.	Yes
Councilor Ronnie Torres	not present
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes Motion Carried

- b. **APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL** of award package on Tank 5 rehab, pending funding agency approval. Presented by Ralph Jaramillo.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.

Councilor Frank Ortega made a motion to approve.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Ronnie Torres seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr.	Yes
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes Motion Carried

- c. **APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL** of Ordinance #2018.05 Code Section 13.121.090 Entitled Utility Rates and Charges to amend delinquent account fee. Presented by Andrew DiCamillo, City Manager.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.

Councilor Danny Bernal Jr. made a motion to approve.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.
Councilor Ronnie Torres seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	No	
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr.	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

- d. **APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL** to amend the Ordinance #1998-15 Entitled Alcoholic Beverages in Municipal Buildings and o Municipal Property. Presented by Steve Tomita, Director, Planning and Zoning.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr. made a motion to approve.
Mayor Cordova asked for a second.
Councilor Ronnie Torres seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	No	
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr.	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

Public Comment:

- Robert Geddings is opposed to this amendment.
- Mike Cava does not feel this will bring any growth to the city, he is opposed to this amendment.

- e. **APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL** of ordinance #2013.02 Entitled Vacant or Foreclosed Structures to amend registration fee. Presented by Steve Tomita, Director, Planning and Zoning.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.
Councilor Ronnie Torres made a motion to approve.
Mayor Cordova asked for a second.
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr. seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Danny Bernal Jr.	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

Public Comment:

- Robert Geddings is in favor of this amendment.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

City Managers Report:

Andrew DiCamillo reported the following:

- Tagged on the last action on vacant building amendment. They will now begin to look into a more accurate number of vacant buildings.
- Met with department heads today
- Risk Management, they will now be doing an assessment of inventory in all departments for equipment.

- 911 emergency communications, he spoke with Tommy Sanchez regarding some of our updates, and GIS, Lisa will be working more on this to bring us up to compliance.
- Projects, I am starting to get a handle on them. He asked Steve Tomita to be the point of contact for more of the projects that we have on hand.
- Met with Mid Region Council of Governments to review the funding we have and to make sure we are on top of all aspects.
- Campana/Ross specific project is progressing. Ralph is working hard to get this completed as far as paperwork from property owners.
- Streets, he is very impressed with Steve Petit, he is being pro-active on the roads to help when it comes time for the possible flooding that takes place due to weather.
- Josh Kerns advised that the City of Belen will be hosting for the first time the youth Golden Gloves event, and I25 youth Basketball, they have applied for 3 different grants. He got a donation from Tree's that Please.
- We have some issues with W-2's and they are working out the kinks with the Payroll vendor.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Councilor Torres stated: nothing to report

Councilor Noblin stated:

- He attended the Matanza
- He also visited the Veterans Center and encourages everyone to try and see it.
- He attended the Chamber meeting as well.

Councilor Bernal stated:

- Announced the individual that was there was shadowing him, he is happy to help with youth.
- He asked Chief Harris if he can get more patrol in the area of Mr. Reddings cross area.
- He attended a Chamber meeting
- Met with Mayor and IT department regarding City website and media.
- Attended a Main Street Building meeting.
- Watched a Belen High School drama.
- Met with a Veteran Michael Byrd, he plans to help Belen with Veterans who are homeless and assisting him.

Councilor Ortega stated: attended a ribbon cutting for a healthcare facility for Paul Baca.

Mayor Cordova stated:

- He attended the Matanza he was fantastic, tons of people and a lot of activity.
- Meeting with a transmission line coming through Valencia County moving Wind Energy.
- Met with IT and Councilor Bernal regarding website and social media.
- Met with Historic Properties Board

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to adjourn from regular council meeting in order to enter into Executive Session.

Councilor Ronnie Torres made a motion to approve.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Robert Noblin seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes
Councilor Danny Bernal	Yes
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes

Councilor Robert Noblin Yes Motion Carried

Mayor Jerah Cordova asked for a motion to re-enter the Regular Council Meeting from Executive Session.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.

Councilor Frank F. Ortega made a motion to approve.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Ronnie Torres seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Danny Bernal	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION ITEM

The Collective Bargaining Agreement Ratification has been approved.

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion.

Councilor Danny Bernal Jr. made a motion to approve.

Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Frank F. Ortega seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Danny Bernal	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Cordova asked for a motion to adjourn.

Councilor Frank F. Ortega made a motion to approve.

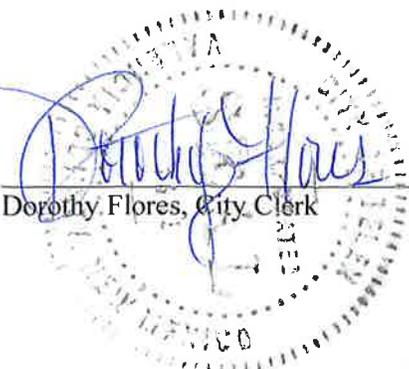
Mayor Cordova asked for a second.

Councilor Robert Noblin seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilor Frank Ortega	Yes	
Councilor Danny Bernal	Yes	
Councilor Ronnie Torres	Yes	
Councilor Robert Noblin	Yes	Motion Carried


Jerah Cordova, Mayor


Dorothy Flores, City Clerk

CITY OF BELEN
 City Council Regular Meeting

February 3, 2020

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PRINT NAME	REPRESENTING
Daniel	Daniel
Roady Gattings	ESPERANZA DR BeLEN NM
Kathy Picky	Library
Kayla Laywell	Rep Tomes Small
Impony	CENTRAL PARKWAY, LLC
Alfonso Bantistevan	Self
Ralph Jaramillo	COB
JIM SLOAN	BHPRB
BRET RUFF	BELEN FIRE DEPT
Dina E. Holcomb	City
Orlando Sathilland	Self
Danny Goodson	Citizen
Paul + Loretta Baca	
Jon Goro	
MIKE CAVA	CITIZEN
Dane Bowley	Library
Briana Zierau	
SCOTT GERSON	BPD