

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE
6718 RIO GRANDE BOULEVARD NW
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
October 11, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

Present:

Larry P. Abraham, Mayor
Don Lopez, Trustee / Mayor Pro Tem
Pablo Rael, Trustee
Mary Homan, Trustee
Allen Lewis, Trustee

Kelly S. Ward, Administrator
Stephanie Dominguez, Clerk *excused
Nancy Haines, Treasurer
Tim McDonough, Planning & Zoning Director
Bill Chappell, Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Abraham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: **Trustee Lopez** moved approval of the agenda. **Trustee Rael** seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried, 4-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD [3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT] - (PLEASE SIGN IN WITH THE CLERK IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN ITEM THAT IS NOT ALREADY ON THIS AGENDA)

NONE.

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. INTRODUCTION OF LOS RANCHOS LITTLE LIBRARIES PRESENTED BY CARLA ARAGON.

Carla Aragón discussed the little libraries in the Village of Los Ranchos. The concept of a little library is very simple, receptacles are filled with books in the community. The little library is based on the honor system, if you take a book, leave a book. Barbe Awalt, and her husband, Paul Rhett, suggested starting a little library in the Village. The little libraries will be located on Fourth Street and in Hartnett Park near Village Hall. The New Mexico Book Co-Op will keep the little libraries stocked with books.

B. BERNALILLO COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE PRESENTED BY

ACTING CHIEF AND INTERIM DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER OF PUBLIC SAFETY GREG PEREZ.

Acting Bernalillo County Fire Department Chief and Interim Deputy County Manager of Public Safety Greg Perez provided an overview of fire department related activity in the Village. Chief Celaya has recently resigned. The Village's new fire truck is operational and the department has ordered a new brush truck. To date this year, there were 1,200 calls for service of which 895 were firebox calls (firebox is a defined area).

C. AGRICULTURE IN THE VILLAGE PRESENTED BY FERGUS WHITNEY, AGRICULTURE PROGRAM MANAGER.

Fergus Whitney, Agriculture Program Manager, discussed agriculture in the Village and agriculture related projects and events.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

A. MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 – REGULAR MEETING.

MOTION: Trustee Rael moved approval of the consent agenda. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried, 4-0.

5. **REPORTS**

A. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Abraham reported on the following:

- Closed on the property located at 336/338 Osuna.
- The fire department's pancake breakfast at the Growers' Market on Saturday was successful.

B. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Administrator Ward reported on the following:

- The property inventory list was provided in the Trustee's meeting packet.
- Anticipate a recommendation to award RFP # 2017-5-1 Fourth Street Construction at the November meeting.
- The Village Vision this month featured historic photos from the Village.
- Requesting to move the December 13, 2017 Board of Trustees Meeting to December 6, 2017.

C. **PLANNER'S REPORT**

Planner McDonough reported on the following:

- Working on the annual storm water report. The report is open for public

- comment for forty-five (45) days.
- Selected a new Planning and Zoning Intern.

D. LEGAL REPORT

Attorney Chappell reported on the following:

- Continuing to work on various ordinance revisions.

E. WASTE MANAGEMENT REPORT

Dan Darnell, Waste Management, reported on the following:

- Entered into a four-year contract with the Village.
- Introduced operations team to the Village Trustees: Dax Sikes and Costas James.

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

A. CASH REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2017.

Treasurer Haines said the ending cash balance as of September 30, 2017 is \$8,047,322.30, which is a decrease of \$240,043.98 for this month. The year-to-date excess deficiency of revenue over expenditures is \$145,881.37. The unusual or significant item was the final payment of the Luthy notes in the amount of \$329,519.97.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval of the September 2017 cash report as presented. **Trustee Homan** seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

NONE.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2013 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER 9 LAND USE REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 2, ZONING AND ZONE MAP, SECTION 3, DEFINITIONS, §9.2.3, AND SECTION 4 GENERAL REGULATIONS, §9.2.4, CLARIFICATION OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FOOT SETBACK (280) IN CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 7, A-1 AGRICULTURAL/ RESIDENTIAL ZONE §9.2.7, SECTION 8, A-2 AGRICULTURAL/ RESIDENTIAL ZONE, §9.2.8, AND SECTION 9, A-3 AGRICULTURAL/ RESIDENTIAL ZONE, §9.2.9. (ORDINANCE #263)

Planner McDonough said this ordinance was advertised and we worked with Mr. Chappell on how to integrate the amendment in the codified ordinances.

MOTION: Trustee Lopez moved approval of Ordinance #263. **Trustee Rael** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Trustee Rael-aye, Trustee Lopez-aye; Trustee Homan-aye; Trustee Lewis-aye.

VOTE: The motion carried, 4-0.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2013 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER 9 LAND USE REGULATIONS, ARTICLE 2, ZONING AND ZONE MAP, SECTION 22 SIGNS, (K) POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS §9.2.22.

Planner McDonough said Mr. Chappell has reviewed the proposed amendment. The amendment removes the restriction of when political signs may be posted, removes restrictions for signs on private property, and implements a two-week deadline for political signs to be removed from right-of-ways after the conclusion of an election.

Attorney Chappell said the time restriction for the placement of political signs was removed because courts have consistently ruled that time requirements are arbitrary.

MOTION: Trustee Homan moved approval to advertise the amendment. **Trustee Lewis** seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried, 4-0.

10. TRUSTEES ROUND TABLE (INFORMAL) DISCUSSION

Members of the Board discussed various informal topics. No action was taken.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque this **8th** day of **November 2017**.

ATTEST:



Stephanie Dominguez, Village Clerk