

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2007
6:00 @ COMMUNITY CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER - The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Odum at 6:05 p.m. in the Community Center.

PLEDGE OF ALLAGIANCE – The Pledge was led by Councilor Thompson.

ROLL CALL - Municipal Clerk Kulhan forgot to do the roll call. Those present at the meeting were: Mayor Odum, Councilor Baca, Councilor Cordova, Councilor Thompson, Finance Officer Cobby, and Municipal Clerk Kulhan. *Councilor Perkins was absent.* Also present at the meeting were: Judy Montague, Danny Diaz, Dennis Parker, Inge Parker, Doug Strong, Kelley Strong, Shelia Park, Tom Park, Craig Kerkman, Eldon Berglund, Mary Berglund, Frank Schmidt, JoAnn Martinez, Anna Roth, Jeff Carr, Netta Walker, and Eric Fincher of the Chronicle.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Councilor Cordova motioned to approve the agenda with the following items removed: 1. The October financial reports since they were not ready yet. 2. Under New Business, the replacement of Councilor Perkins, appointment of offices and committees, appointment of the NERPO officer and alternate, and the appointment of Suzy Rose as alternate judge. Councilor Cordova mentioned waiting until after there is an organizational meeting. There was no list of offices or committees given to the Council. Councilor Baca seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Councilor Thompson motioned to approve the minutes of June 19th Regular Council Meeting. Councilor Cordova seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Mayor Odum called upon Finance Officer Cobby to explain the Budget Resolutions. Cathy Cobby explained Budget Resolution 2007-17 was for General Fund, 2007-18 was Lodgers' Tax Promo, 2007-19 was for the Library, 2007-20 was for the Streets. These resolutions were for revenues and expenditures not budgeted in FY 2006/2007. The plowing expenses were paid out of pocket; we are still waiting for reimbursement from the Emergency Disaster Relief monies. Resolution 2007-21 is VOID since it was already budgeted.

ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCILOR PERKINS RESIGNATION – Mayor Odum read aloud the fax received from Councilor Perkins. Councilor Perkins stated in his fax, that he was resigning his post as Councilor for the Village of Eagle Nest because of health and family issues.

ATTORNEY CONTRACT – Councilor Cordova motioned to extend the contract of Robles, Real & Anaya as attorneys for the Village of Eagle Nest. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. Councilor Baca expressed her concern about the Mayor not wishing to be represented by this law firm. Mayor Odum stated she didn't have a problem working with this law firm and stated that since this firm is already up to speed on

various legal matters, such as water rights etc., she thought it would be best to retain them as legal council. Mayor Odum called for the vote. The motion passed 3-0.

VILLAGE WEBSITE/TO ALLOW CHAMBER OUT OF CONTRACT – Councilor Baca motioned to release the Chamber of Commerce from their contract with the Village to manage the Village’s website. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

BID # 2007-01 PROPANE – Mayor Odum asked Cathy to explain the bids. Cathy stated she sent out bids to 9 companies and received 2 back. One from Ameri-Gas and one from Northern New Mexico Gas Company. The results of the bids received were as follows:

1. Ameri-Gas – a bid of \$.18 (cents) over laid in cost which is \$1.19250 as of 07-02-07. Bid price per gallon will be \$1.37250.
2. Northern New Mexico Gas – The sliding scale price as of June 12, 2007 is refinery price of \$1.31 plus \$.19 (cents) per gallon, totaling a price of \$1.50 per gallon.

Both of these are on a sliding scale.

Councilor Thompson motioned to accept the propane bid from Northern New Mexico Gas Company. Councilor Cordova seconded the motion. The discussion that followed was Councilor Thompson stating Northern New Mexico Gas was reliable and had very good service. Councilor Baca agreed. Mayor Odum called for the vote. There being no further discussion, the motion passed 3-0.

TASTE OF NEW MEXICO/JUDY MONTAGUE – Judy stated this was an event sponsored by the Chamber. This was an event that was planned before, but fell through. The Chamber is hoping to build on the success of this year. She stated the St. Claire Winery of Las Cruces New Mexico would like to obtain a Special Dispenser’s Permit. It will be presented before a Special Council Meeting on July 27, 2007.

CHAMBER REIMBURSEMENT/LTP-MONIES – Budget Resolution 2007-18 will request the extra amount of \$197.00 to increase the revenue and expenditure for Lodgers’ Tax/Promo in the line item of advertising. This will cover the total amount requested. The total amount of Lodgers’ Tax/Promo collected will cover the extra \$196.06 spent for advertising. The Chamber has submitted the proper documentation for the reimbursement of this request. Councilor Thompson motioned to approve the Chamber reimbursement. Councilor Cordova seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF SIGNATURES FOR ACCOUNTS/DEPOSIT BOX – Since there is a new Mayor, new signature cards must be filled out for the accounts at the following banks: International Bank-2 accounts, 1st National-2 accounts, and Bank of America-3 accounts. For accounts and names, see attached. Councilor Cordova motioned to approve the names for the signature cards. Councilor Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. The signatures for the deposit box must be done by resolution and will be addressed at the July 27th special meeting.

MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Odum reported she was excited and the staff has been helpful. She set up meetings with Mayor Calhoun of Red River, and Mayor Pavlotich of Cimarron. She attended a luncheon on July 20th in Taos presented by KOAT-TV, where

she spoke about Eagle Nest to 35 representatives from Taos and anchor man Doug Fernandez. On the 21st she met with Congressman Tom Udall. While he was here, he presented the U.S. Flag to local veteran Paul Ferguson. Mayor Odum stated she was honored to pin the congressional medal on Mr. Ferguson. On the 23rd she received a call from Senator Pete Domenici's office offering congratulations and any assistance if needed. He would assign a person to answer questions to research where we can be helped. Mayor Odum stated she would like to start a newsletter to keep folks informed of village happenings. The Mayor stated there were three positions open and soon to be posted. Administrator, Deputy Clerk, and Transit Station Attendant. She thanked Gary Thompson and Anita Ramsey-Schultz for their service to the Village. She also met with Tappen Mahoney, of Dennis Engineering, to get up to speed on the waste water projects and met with Grant Consultant, Gabe Cisneros.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS – None at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Fire Department-Cathy stated they are continuing with the loan process for the water tender, and Chief Hissem is in Idaho on a fire. Library-Councilor Baca reported the library is now an official state public library. The Library will receive \$2,221.20 from state aid allocated funds and \$3,854.66 in GO bond funds for July 2007 to 2010. Librarian Luann Lorence also secured a PACHUG grant from the Gates foundation of \$2,235.00, which will be used to purchase computer programs. The next Library board meeting will be July 31st at 5:30 p.m. Beautification-Councilor Baca thanked Dennis and Inge Parker for taking care of the flowers at Sullivan Park, and thanked all the local businesses for watering the flowers in front of their businesses. The next Beautification Committee meeting will be in August, but the date hasn't been determined. ERP-Mayor Odum stated there was no date yet for the next committee meeting.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – JoAnn Martinez from Northern New Mexico Gas, thanked the council for awarding them the propane bid. Doug Strong inquired about volunteering for a committee and wanted to know what committees there were. Mayor Odum informed him of the committees.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA – Supplement for the Eagle Nest Senior Citizen's Center.

ADJOURN – Councilor Thompson motioned to adjourn. Councilor Cordova seconded. The motion passed 3-0. The regular Council meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Approved this ___ day of _____ by a vote of ___ in favor and ___ opposed.

The next regular meeting of the Eagle Nest Village Council will be August 21, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in the Eagle Nest Community Center.

SEAL

CLERK