

TOWN OF LA JARA

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Special Meeting
Date: July 20, 2021

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Call to Order

A Special Meeting of the La Jara Town Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Medina at 6:00 p.m. Meeting was held at La Jara Town Hall at 221 Broadway Street.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Medina.

Roll Call

Present were Trustees: Gallegos, Espinoza, Wagoner and Mayor Medina.

Absent: Trustees Valdez and Villagomez

A quorum was present.

Also present were: Town Manager Zaragoza, Town Attorney Pacyga and Police Chief Lujan.

Approval of Agenda.

Mayor Medina made a request to change the agenda, moving new business before old business.

Motion: Trustee Gallegos made a motion to move new business line item 5 before old business line item 4 on agenda; seconded by trustee Wagoner.

Vote Results: Ayes: Trustee Gallegos, Espinoza, Wagoner and Mayor Medina

Nays: None

Motion: Carried

Richard Ruybal from the La Jara Rotary Club was requesting donations to purchase 4-H animals. Ruybal explained that a little over \$8,000.00 was donated the previous year and was used to purchase 4-hogs and 1-sheep. Ruybal explained that the \$200.00 donation is split \$100.00 to the 4-H Club and \$100.00 to the dictionary project. The dictionary project funds are used to purchase a hard cover dictionary for third grade school children in Conejos County.

Motion: Trustee Gallegos made a motion to approve a \$200.00 donation to the La Jara Rotary Club; seconded by trustee Espinoza.

Vote Result: Ayes: Trustee Gallegos, Espinoza, Wagoner and Mayor Medina

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Mayor Medina moves forward to talk about the request for the beer garden special permit for the La Jara Glory Days. This is a one day permit for the event and the board members are all in agreement to approve the permit.

Motion: Trustee Espinoza makes a motion to approve the beer garden one day permit; seconded by Trustee Wagoner.

Vote Result: Ayes: Trustee Gallegos, Espinoza, Wagoner and Mayor Medina

Motion: Carried

Mayor Medina begins to speak about the last item on the agenda which is the lease purchase agreement for the maintenance building from SLV Federal Bank. Town Manager Zaragoza shows the trustees two lease agreements; one for \$92,000 and the other for \$125,000. Zaragoza suggests the \$125,000 purchase agreement would be best because of price increases. He goes on to explain the original price for the maintenance shop which was \$86,000, and with cost increases is now at \$125,000. Zaragoza mentions that with the increase in price for materials contractors have increased their amounts ranging \$2,000-\$5,000. Trustee Gallegos expresses concerns regarding the purchase agreement stating she doesn't feel this is a good time to make this purchase. Gallegos states she'd like to make a motion to hold off on it for a year or two because she of collateral purposes. Zaragoza expresses his concern for maintenance department not having a proper maintenance facility. Trustee Espinoza explains that the Town has bigger issues like the water/sewer system that needs replacing. Espinoza mentions that she has had an issue with the project from the beginning and feels that town funds could be used in better ways. After discussing all concerns regarding the building loan, board trustees agree to table the decision until a full quorum is present.

Motion: Trustee Gallegos makes a motion to table the decision until full quorum is present; seconded by trustee Wagoner.

Vote Result: Ayes: Trustee Gallegos, Espinoza, Wagoner and Mayor Medina

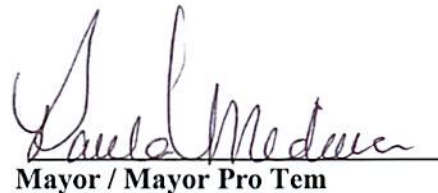
Motion: Carried

Adjournment:

Mayor Medina moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by


Assistant Clerk- Felicia Gomez


Mayor / Mayor Pro Tem

