VILLAGE OF QUESTA
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017
VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6:00PM

I. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS

Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Mayor Gallegos asked Village Clerk Renee Martinez to take roll.

Present:
Councilor Lawrence Ortega
Councilor John Anthony Ortega

Not Present:
Councilor Julian Cisneros
Councilor Brent Jaramillo

Also Present:
Village Clerk Renee Martinez

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gallegos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Councilor Lawrence Ortega
Second: Councilor John Ortega

In Favor: All
Opposed: None

To approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

V. REVIEW OF EMERGENCY VOUCHERS

Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he did come into the office to review all of the invoices related to the water emergency. He stated he did have concerns about some of them and appreciated that Ms. Shannon was able to answer some of them. The following were of concern:

- Credit Card statement – No vendor name on one of the invoices.
- Payroll – Ms. Shannon’s response was adequate.
- Prompt Professional Services – Concerned about the Village working under a home. Mayor Gallegos stated that one of our lines runs under the home, which was a surprise to many. Councilor Ortega stated that this needs to be addressed.
Wilson & Co. – Make sure we have a copy of what they submitted to the state. Inquired if there was any technical work done also.

Vigil Well Drilling – We need the manufacturer information for the pit-less adapter, meters, valves, pressure gauges, etc. The Village needs this information on file.

All American Waste Services – Asked if the porta-potties and tanks were used. Mayor Gallegos stated that they did not get used. Councilor Ortega asked if there was any way to get a discount on this invoice since they were not used. Mayor Gallegos stated that they would remove $2,000.00. Then, Liberty Toilets out of Denver that is contracted under All American Waste contacted the Mayor as to what the payment issue was. They are willing to adjust their services in order to get this resolved.

King Industries – Feels they should have told us what their charges would be per hour. Asked if they are all qualified engineers. Mayor Gallegos stated that they are engineers.

Adame Construction – They mobilized to Questa to do a sewer project and worked half a day and left. Mayor Gallegos stated that they thought the weather conditions were not ideal to start the project and were kept on for a couple of days through the water emergency. Ms. Martinez stated that she asked Mr. Nick Trujillo for a list of items that Adame provided to the Village at that time but Mr. Trujillo has been off for a couple of days.

Romero’s Excavation - Invoice should have dates on it.

Century Club Construction - Tanks weren’t installed until the 9th or 10th of January when we already had water. There was no use of these tanks and would like an adjustment to the invoice.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that there were some requirements from the state in order to convert that 130,000.00 loan to a grant; are we going to be able to do this. Mayor Gallegos stated that they gave us 6 months. Ms. Martinez stated that the attorney contacted her regarding this. She stated she is working with Mr. Anthony Martinez in gathering the information needed to submit to the NMED for the rate study.

Councilor John Ortega asked if we have received any reimbursement from the state. Ms. Martinez stated that aside from the $50,000.00 we received a couple months ago, no we have not. She stated that we are working on the payroll and volunteer hours. Mayor Gallegos stated once the whole packet is submitted we should know what we are going to get. Councilor John Ortega stated Romero’s Excavation should get paid as soon as possible. He stated that we were billed for probably 5 different project managers from different companies and that is concerning to him.

Mayor Gallegos thanked the Council for their opinions and concerns regarding these invoices. He stated that they were approved at a previous meeting, contingent that there were funds available.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he thinks we should wait on paying Adame Construction until we discuss the change-order.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – (The Governing Body may convene into Executive Session at this time pursuant to the NM Open Meetings Act NMSA 1978 10-15-1)

Limited Personnel Matters (Section 10-15-1(H) (2)) – Village Administrator Position

A motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Limited Personnel Matters was made by Councilor John Ortega, seconded by Councilor Lawrence Ortega.

Roll Call:

Councilor John Anthony Ortega YES
Councilor Lawrence Ortega YES

Mayor Gallegos stated that the Governing Body will go into Executive Session to discuss only the item listed. The Governing Body entered into Executive Session at 6:31pm.

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A motion was made to reconvene from Executive Session at 7:25pm by Councilor Ortega, seconded by Councilor John Ortega.

Roll Call:

Councilor Lawrence Ortega      YES
Councilor John Anthony Ortega   YES

Mayor Gallegos stated that there was no action taken.

Direction was given to Ms. Martinez to schedule the applicants for interviews on Monday, April 24, 2017, beginning at 5:30pm.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Councilor John Ortega
Second: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

In Favor: All
Opposed: None

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Renee Martinez, Clerk

Mark Gallegos, Mayor