

**VILLAGE OF QUESTA  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017  
VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
6:00PM**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**

Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:0pm.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Gallegos asked Village Clerk Renee Martinez to take roll.

Present:

Councilor Lawrence Ortega

Councilor Brent Jaramillo

Councilor John Anthony Ortega arrived at 6:02pm.

Not Present:

Councilor Julian Cisneros

Also Present:

Administrator Loretta Trujillo

Village Clerk Renee Martinez

Finance Director Karen Shannon

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Gallegos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo

Second: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

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

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

- Regular Meeting, January 24, 2017

Motion: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

Second: Councilor Brent Jaramillo

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

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To approve the minutes of January 24, 2017 - Regular Meeting as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

- Special Meeting, January 28, 2017

Mayor Gallegos asked that the minutes of January 28, 2017 be tabled until the next regular meeting. A motion to table the Special Meeting minutes of January 28, 2017 until the next Regular Meeting of February 28, 2017 was made by Councilor Lawrence Ortega, seconded by Councilor Brent Jaramillo

In Favor: All  
Opposed: None

To approve the table of the minutes of January 28, 2017 until the meeting of February 28, 2017. All voted yes. Motion carried.

VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *(It is the policy of the Governing Body to accept public comment. Because your particular issue is not on the agenda the Governing Body cannot respond immediately, but may direct staff to address issues at a future Council Meeting. Public comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes.)*

There were no public comments.

## VII. **PRESENTATIONS**

### A. Questa Art – Ms. Sandra Harrington

Mayor Gallegos stated that Ms. Harrington has graciously been distributing information to visitors on our behalf since September of 2016. Art Questa has been serving as our temporary Visitor's Center.

Ms. Sandra Harrington of Questa Art, informed the Governing Body that since taking this on in September, visitors have been stopping by regularly. She stated that visitors said they read about Questa and decided to come by and visit the area.

Mayor Gallegos asked Ms. Harrington if she thought a centralized location for information makes more sense than multiple business locations distributing the information. She stated that if the goal is to bring more visitors to Questa, marketing really helps. Once people get here they want and expect to connect with somebody who has the knowledge of the area and can direct them. Also to tell them that we appreciate them coming to Questa. She stated that she is happy to continue if needed. She is busy during the summer with her business and may not have the time visitors may need, but is definitely willing to continue. The sign definitely helped. A lot of people came to Questa to see the church. She stated that whatever marketing that was done, certainly helped.

Councilor Brent Jaramillo thanked Ms. Harrington for distributing the information. Councilor John Anthony Ortega also thanked Ms. Harrington.

## VIII. **UPDATES/DISCUSSION**

### A. Future of Visitor's Center

Ms. Trujillo asked for direction on how the Governing Body would like to move forward with the Visitor's Center. Ms. Trujillo stated that the QEDFB did approve \$35,000.00 in their budget for tourism and marketing. Of this \$35,000.00, \$5,000.00 has already been spent during this fiscal year. Ms. Trujillo stated that she has provided a budget synopsis for their review which includes \$20,000.00 for someone to run the visitors center from April through September. Ms. Trujillo stood for questions.

Mayor Gallegos stated that part of the QEDFB request is that they would provide funding for the Village to run the Visitor's Center out of their location or they would manage the tourism and marketing. Councilor Brent Jaramillo



asked if this money was cash on hand. Ms. Trujillo stated that it has been approved but the Village would have to request it from them.

Councilor John Anthony Ortega asked Ms. Trujillo what her opinion is regarding the Visitor's Center. Ms. Trujillo stated that she thinks it will work either way, no matter who runs it.

Ms. Trujillo was given direction to make the request to the Fund Board for the funding and for staff to place an action item on the next regular meeting agenda for the approval of a Visitor's Center Coordinator position along with a scope of work.

#### IX. **ACTION ITEMS** – (Discussion, Consideration & Action)

##### A. Approval to apply for a CDBG Economic Development Grant (To be used towards Village's match of EDA Grant)

Ms. Trujillo asked for direction from the Governing Body regarding moving forward with applying for this \$50,000.00 CDBG Economic Development Grant. This grant will be used for the 50/50 match that the Village will need for the EDA grant for the build-out of the Business Park. Mr. Madueno has recently submitted information to cut down the scope of the complete build out to reduce the cost. Ms. Trujillo stated that she does not have a lot of details about this grant but has been in contact with Mr. Steve Lacey from DFA. She wanted to get the Governing Body's feedback before she moved forward.

Councilor John Anthony Ortega asked Ms. Trujillo what the match amount would be. Ms. Trujillo stated that it will be 50% of the grant amount. Mayor Gallegos stated that the thought was to do a phase build out and get the southeast corner of the infrastructure and road. \$1.9 million from Wilson & Co. was put out there, EDA stated that it would be fine that we downsize our request from \$3 million to \$1.9 million. About \$950,000.00 would possibly be our match; with \$500,000.00 possibly coming from CDBG. The other portion, Chevron has offered to participate with the match from what we get from CDBG. Letters of commitment will be needed from potential businesses regarding jobs; the match is \$35,000.00 to each job.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he believed that we already had this discussion 3 or 4 months ago. Ms. Trujillo stated that it was discussed but from what she recalls, the QEDF was going to take the lead on it. She stated that now that Mr. Chino is no longer with the QEDF, she wants to make sure that it is ok that she takes the lead. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that in his opinion, we discuss pursuing something and months down the road we are still having to give direction to move forward; we lost 3 or 4 months.

Motion: Councilor John Anthony Ortega

Second: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

To approve moving forward with the \$50,000.00 CDBG Economic Development Grant. All voted yes. Motion carried.

##### B. Approval of Youth Center Renovation Project Design

Ms. Trujillo stated that she would like direction of which option, A or B the Council would like to pursue. Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated we don't have the money for Option B. There is a total of \$90,000.00 minus the architectural fee of \$20,000.00. Councilor Brent Jaramillo asked if the Arts in Public Places fee was included. In certain appropriation projects we are required to take a percentage of the amount and purchase art supplies. He is not sure of the percentage. Ms. Trujillo stated that she will get that amount.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked for clarification on exactly what the Council was being asked to approve. Ms. Trujillo stated that she is asking the Council to approve the design they would like. Her recommendation is option A. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he is frustrated that when Mr. Henry was here last, we specifically asked him to come back and give us a detailed budget. Ms. Trujillo stated that Mr. Henry was not able to make this meeting. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if he provided a budget. Ms. Trujillo stated no.

Councilor John Anthony Ortega stated he would like more information and is willing to motion to table this item until Mr. Henry can come back and explain. Ms. Trujillo asked what the Council wanted the budget based on. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated on the \$90,000.00. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated at the last meeting. Mr. Henry stated we had \$40,000.00 for construction, which raises a red flag. Where is the other \$50,000.00 going?

Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that a budget included in the packet would help.

A motion to table this item until the next meeting was made by Councilor John Anthony Ortega. Seconded by Councilor Lawrence Ortega.

In Favor: All  
Opposed: None

To approve to table this item until the next meeting. All voted yes. Motion carried.

#### C. Approval of Billboard Lease Agreement Contract with KKH, LLC.

Ms. Trujillo stated that the contract for the billboard has expired. Ms. Trujillo stated that the agreement is 450.00/month for 12 months if we want to continue with it. The artwork belongs to the Village, we are leasing the space. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked where the billboard is located. Mayor Gallegos stated it is on the south end coming into Taos from the south. The location isn't ideal but we can look for a better location that opens up for next year. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if the QEDF was paying for this. Mayor Gallegos stated that it is already in the marketing budget, if it is decided not to renew the contract we will have an additional \$5,400.00 in the budget that we can use somewhere else. Councilor John Anthony Ortega stated that he thinks we need the billboard out there; in the meantime we should shop around.

Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo  
Second: Councilor John Anthony Ortega

In Favor: All  
Opposed: None

To approve the billboard lease agreement contract with KKH, LLC. All voted yes. Motion carried.

#### D. Approval of Project for FY 2017/2018 Local Government Road Program

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked Ms. Trujillo why this wasn't presented to us at the last meeting. Ms. Trujillo stated that it wasn't available for the last meeting. We didn't receive until after the agenda was finalized. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if Ms. Trujillo had a recommendation for the Council. Ms. Trujillo stated that she receives a lot of calls regarding Upper Embargo Road and Lower Embargos Road. Councilor Brent Jaramillo suggested Lower Embargo from 522 up to the bridge as well as the bridge, Upper Embargo Road or combining it with the MAP project on Cabresto Road. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if it is ok to match DOT funds with DOT funds; can we use it for the match. Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated no. The length can be extended. A discussion was held regarding the MAP project funding amount. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he is fine with combining the two as long as the NMDOT doesn't come back and tell us we can't match the project monies.



It was decided that the project be named Paving and Drainage Improvements on Cabresto Road.

Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo

Second: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

To approve the submission of the Project for FY 2017/2018 Local Government Road Program as Paving and Drainage Improvements on Cabresto Road. All voted yes. Motion carried.

X. **FINANCIALS** – Ms. Karen Shannon, Finance Director

A. Review of December 2016 Monthly Budget Performance Report

Ms. Shannon passed out the final audit packets to the Council and informed them that our auditor will be here at the next meeting to present it and answer any questions they may have.

Ms. Shannon stood for questions regarding the December 2016 Monthly Budget Performance Report. She stated that there is nothing critical, yet. We did receive \$50,000.00 from Homeland Security for the water emergency. We need to finalize it all so that they can make their final determination of how much they are going to fund. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if all of the emergency invoices, backup and documentation was on file so that it can be looked at. Ms. Shannon stated yes. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if there was going to be more expenses to the Village for the emergency after January 17th. Ms. Trujillo stated that the only expense to us after the 17th is a temporary employee. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked that pre-January 17th, includes the overtime for employees that worked during the emergency. Ms. Shannon stated yes. Ms. Trujillo stated that the 17th landed on a Tuesday, some overtime payed will be at the Village's expense that is non-reimbursable. Councilor John Anthony Ortega requested that he would like to see on paper, top to bottom, the total cost of the emergency; what was spent, where it was spent and what exactly is reimbursable. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he would like this information also. Ms. Shannon stated that the deadline to provide them with the information is the end of next week. Ms. Shannon stated that she is hoping to get them all of the information by then so that it is in the works of getting approved by them on their side, so we can get our money. Ms. Trujillo stated that the infrastructure costs are not reimbursable. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked why they are not. Ms. Shannon stated that the infrastructure should have been taken care of within our own budget all along. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that the Village costs for this emergency will more than likely be over \$ 200,000.00? Councilor John Anthony Ortega asked if we have that kind of money. Ms. Shannon stated that we had a cash balance budgeted at over \$300,000.00 at the end of this fiscal year, so it would be coming out of that. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if this satisfies our reserve requirement. Ms. Shannon stated that's satisfying our reserve requirement. Ms. Trujillo stated that we had built up a good chunk, thank goodness. Councilor John Anthony Ortega asked where the DFA loan will go towards. Ms. Shannon stated that it will go towards the 25% that Homeland Security will not pay. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked Ms. Shannon if the spreadsheet that is sent to Homeland Security is not the only document sent; the backup is also sent to them. Ms. Shannon stated that she provides all the backup. A file with all the backup must be kept if we are ever audited and if they request it, she must provide it.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he feels like we were in emergency and everyone was saying we had to get this and this done and fixed. He is not sure if anyone here took the time to review invoices and proposals. He stated that we paid a \$150,000.00 to drill a well, without a proposal; all we got was the bill. He sees invoices from King and Mr. Romero; did we know how much we were going to be paying them or were they told to just come and do the job and don't worry about how much it is going to cost? Mayor Gallegos stated that this was part of Homeland Security's position; bring what you need, put them to work. It was part of their position to bring in whatever resources we needed to get the work done. Proposals were not part of the arrangement with Homeland Security. Mayor Gallegos stated that King Industries came in and wanted to bring in a contractor and we told them no, we have local contractors that can do the work. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that all this time he was under the

impression that Romero's Excavation was donating his services. Mayor Gallegos stated that the first 5-7 days were volunteer time. Once he got in the hole and started actually doing the work he started charging. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that again, we are talking about this after the fact. He stated that he was taken aback with some of the unpaid vouchers. For example, we paid over \$155,000.00 for two tanks that we never used. He stated that he has to say, that he believes that we were careless in not being more accountable with all the expenses we incurred during this emergency. Mayor Gallegos stated that he understands, the 2 tanks were directives from the Governor. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he understands, the Governor is not going to do something arbitrarily, she made that directive on information she got or had. Mayor Gallegos stated that that the information was from Mr. Mitchell. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he only brings up the tanks because those tanks came in on the day that water was restored to the schools from the Village system. In reality they were not necessary; Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he understands what the Mayor is saying but he feels that Homeland Security should have told the Governor that we didn't need them anymore. Mayor Gallegos stated that it was a Saturday that we still did not have water to the school, and how long was it going to take to get the tanks here; it was going to take a week, so let's get them here. Mayor Gallegos suggested that when we get all the information from Ms. Shannon maybe we can go over it and how the process went. Councilor John Anthony Ortega suggested a work study session to go over all of this information. He stated that looking at the financial report, the overtime is going against everyone's budget. Ms. Shannon stated that all the emergency expenses are on the emergency line item in the general fund. Any overtime that was not part of the emergency is in the department line items.

#### B. Approval if Internal BARS

There were no Internal BARS.

#### C. Approval of DFA Bars - Resolution No. 2017-01

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked Councilor Jaramillo if it is standard practice to pay vendors or wait until we were reimbursed from funding agencies. Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated that in prior instances we were able to submit for reimbursement and turn it around within 2-3 weeks. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked why we can't do that now. Ms. Trujillo stated that now that we are caught up, from this time forward we can easily do this.

Motion: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

Second: Councilor Brent Jaramillo

Roll Call:

Councilor John Anthony Ortega	NO
Councilor Lawrence Ortega	YES
Councilor Brent Jaramillo	YES

Ms. Martinez stated that without a majority of the Council voting yes, this Resolution does not pass.

Councilor John Anthony Ortega stated that he is willing to change his vote but needs a hard copy of the financials from here on out. For the record, Councilor John Anthony Ortega changed his vote to a YES.

Roll Call:

Councilor John Anthony Ortega	YES
Councilor Lawrence Ortega	YES
Councilor Brent Jaramillo	YES

To approve Resolution No. 2017-01. All voted yes. Motion carried



#### D. Approval of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

Ms. Shannon stated that the available cash for each fund is included. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if we will be able to recover from this. Ms. Shannon stated that this is the reality and she hopes we can. She stated that when we file our 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report and we don't have our cash reserve in place, we will be on probation and have to report monthly. She hopes to have the money from Homeland Security by then. Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated that he thought that as long as we have it by June 30<sup>th</sup> we would be ok. She stated we have to have it by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter according to our budget analyst. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stressed that we need to have a work study very soon regarding the budget.

Motion: Councilor John Anthony Ortega

Second: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

To approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report. All voted yes. Motion carried.

#### E. Approval of Unpaid Vouchers

Ms. Shannon resented the vouchers.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega inquired about the following:

- Don Chalmers Ford – Ms. Shannon stated it was the purchase of the Police Vehicle. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if this should have come to Council for approval. Ms. Shannon stated that this was included as part of the budget. Councilor Jaramillo stated that our Procurement Policy states that anything over \$20,000.00 should come before Council for approval.
- Taos County Treasurer – Ms. Trujillo stated it was for the E911
- Wilson & Co. – Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked if Ms. Trujillo has contacted Mr. Moore about bringing the change order before the Council. She stated that she has, he hasn't gotten back to her.
- UNM-Taos – Ms. Trujillo stated it was for leadership training she is taking.

Motion: Councilor Brent Jaramillo

Second: Councilor John Anthony Ortega

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

To approve the unpaid vouchers as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried

XI. **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*)

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

Re: Performance Evaluation

A motion to enter into Executive Session was made by Councilor John Anthony Ortega, seconded by Councilor Lawrence Ortega.

Roll Call:

Councilor John Anthony Ortega YES

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363 Councilor Lawrence Ortega YES

364 Councilor Brent Jaramillo YES

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366 Mayor Gallegos stated that the Governing Body will go into Executive Session to discuss only the item listed. The  
367 Governing Body entered into Executive Session at 7:57pm.

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369 Ms. Trujillo asked if she would need to be present for Executive Session. Mayor Gallegos stated that they would  
370 call her in if need be.

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372 A motion was made to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:52pm by Councilor John Anthony Ortega, seconded  
373 by Councilor Lawrence Ortega.

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375 Roll Call:

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377 Councilor Lawrence Ortega YES

378 Councilor Brent Jaramillo YES

379 Councilor John Anthony Ortega YES

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381 Mayor Gallegos stated that only the evaluation of the Village Administration was discussed during closed session.  
382 There was no action was taken. A copy of the evaluation will be distributed to Ms. Trujillo. A request for a Special  
383 Meeting for Monday, February 20, 2017 will be scheduled to allow Ms. Trujillo to review the evaluation.

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## 385 XII. MATTERS FROM ADMINISTRATOR, MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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387 Councilor Lawrence Ortega inquired about the Veteran's memorial and if there is a plan in place to get the names  
388 updated. Mayor Gallegos stated that he has taken this on and would like to sit with Councilor Ortega sometime this  
389 week so we can go over some things regarding this.

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391 Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated that work has begun on the 2017 Healing Field. He stated that they've asked Medal  
392 of Honor recipient Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Leroy Petry to be the guest speaker at the ceremony this year. They have also  
393 reached out to the family of Mr. Valdemar DeHerrera, Bataan Death March survivor, so that he may be honored at  
394 the ceremony.

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396 Councilor John Anthony Ortega stated that near the sewer plant there is a beaver dam that needs to be taken care of.  
397 Ms. Trujillo stated that NM Game & Fish have been contacted and they stated that it is our responsibility to demolish  
398 the dam. Ms. Trujillo stated that the public works crew were supposed to be out there last Friday; she will meet with  
399 Mr. Trujillo and get an update. Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated that there is another dam by Mr. Bob Jaramillo's  
400 that is forming again. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked why were responsible for cleaning the Red River. Ms.  
401 Trujillo stated that we are in charge of demolishing the dam because it has an effect on our infrastructure. Councilor  
402 Lawrence Ortega asked if the Army Corp of Engineers has any involvement. Mayor Gallegos stated that part of a  
403 discussion last week was to make sure if there were any application or permits requirements to have excavators larger  
404 than a backhoe to go out there. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he would caution that Mr. Trujillo go out  
405 there and start working on the river without getting the Army Corp of Engineer's approval.

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407 Councilor John Anthony Ortega asked if Ms. Shannon could sit down with Ms. Raynelle Cordova and explain the  
408 EMS budget to her.

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410 Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated that there is a fire hydrant 'hissing' on Old Red River road by Mr. Bob Jaramillo's  
411 residence. Ms. Trujillo stated she will have the public works go out and check it.

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413 Mayor Gallegos informed the Council that Mr. Mike Trujillo, from the Senior Center Program came to La Cienega  
414 to meet with him along with Living Design Group. There are some remedies that they are going to propose. A full



evaluation will be done on the property. Potentially, \$500,000.00 will come from the County side for the senior project. Mayor Gallegos stated that nothing is set in stone, he is just looking to see what is available.

Mayor Gallegos stated there may be a potential EPA meeting for Friday February 24<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Gallegos stated that in regards to Mr. Danny Garcia's findings, regarding the over diversion, that we set up a meeting with the Office of the State Engineer and present them with the findings.

Councilor John Anthony Ortega asked if Mr. Nick Trujillo was following up on the data and readings that Mr. Garcia had been doing. Ms. Trujillo stated that to a certain extent; she understands that there is some information that Ms. Coleman didn't receive so she will have to follow up with the public works department. They are giving Ms. Coleman the daily readings from the tank but not from the wells. She will follow up. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked that they still get the consumptive reports to compare with the pumping reports. Ms. Trujillo stated that they have started this process but there are questions as to the way it's being recorded. A discussion was held regarding the multiplier on the meters and how it is billed. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that this is an issue. Councilor John Anthony Ortega stated that this is another reason we have to have a work study on the whole water system and department. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that he does not believe we need a consultant to come in and show us how to read a meter. Ms. Trujillo stated that she did not want to bring this report to the Council without her understanding it first.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked about the status of the NRDA project. Ms. Trujillo stated that at the last QLDT meeting, Jack from the forest service reported that the project was in the final stages of approval. Ms. Trujillo stated that she called Lance from Roles, Rael & Anaya and he has not heard anything. Ms. Trujillo stated that she has not heard anything about the groundwater portion. Mayor Gallegos stated that the river and groundwater portion have been approved. Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked for a follow up on this. Councilor Brent Jaramillo stated that he received an email as a County employee saying that they want the County to manage the river portion, which doesn't make sense to the County. They want the County to be the fiscal agent. He is not sure why the Forest Service reached out to the County. Mayor Gallegos stated that the trustees are looking for a fiscal agent to handle the money. Councilor John Anthony Ortega stated that we should be the only ones that got money for the groundwater. Mayor Gallegos stated that we are; we got the river and groundwater.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked what the completion date was on the beautification project. Ms. Trujillo stated that she will have to look at the contract. He stated that they requested to suspend for the winter, correct? Ms. Trujillo stated yes. He asked if they said when they would be back. Ms. Trujillo stated no, and that this is money from QEDF and there is no requirement to use the money by any specific day.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked Ms. Trujillo about the Trujillo water rights issue and who at the OSE has she been in contact with. Ms. Trujillo stated that it was Christina Nobster.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked Mayor Gallegos about the corral money. The Mayor stated that it was in the QEDF flexible budget.

Mayor Gallegos stated that the \$100,000.00 that was going to be used to purchase water rights is going to be re-allocated to water improvements. It is going to get pulled from the interstate stream commission and the Senator is looking to get it relocated for us.

Councilor Lawrence Ortega asked Ms. Trujillo about the status of Mr. Anthony Martinez getting a name for us to look into our scada system. She stated that he will get her names by the end of the week. Councilor Lawrence Ortega stated that this is important.

Ms. Trujillo informed the Council that the water meter at Alta Vista has been replaced and is working.

A discussion was held regarding the date of the retreat meeting. It was decided to finalize the retreat dates at Monday's meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Councilor Lawrence Ortega

Second: Councilor Brent Jaramillo

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31pm.

ATTEST:

  
Renee Martinez, CMC



APPROVED:

  
Mark Gallegos, Mayor