



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TOWN OF MESILLA
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 8, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

- TRUSTEES:** Nora L. Barraza, Mayor
Stephanie Johnson-Burick, Mayor Pro Tem
Carlos Arzabal, Trustee
Jesus Caro, Trustee
Veronica Garcia, Trustee
- STAFF:** Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez, Town Clerk/Treasurer
Kevin Hoban, Fire Chief
K.C. Alberg, Marshal
Ron McGillivray, Public Works Director
Enrique Salas, Lieutenant
Gloria Maya, Recorder
- PUBLIC:** Sally Williams Russel Hernandez
John Montoya Joe Foster
Carroll Susan Krueger

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Barraza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Barraza, Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick, Trustee Arzabal, Trustee Caro, Trustee Garcia.

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & APPROVAL

Motion: To approve agenda, **Moved by Trustee Arzabal, Seconded by Trustee Arzabal, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson-Burick.**

Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes
Trustee Arzabal Yes
Trustee Caro Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes

4. PUBLIC INPUT – The public is invited to address the Board for up to 3 minutes.

Ms. Williams reviewed her concerns regarding Board of Trustee minutes.

- 1 -Requested the board remove the minutes from consent agenda
- 2 -omissions or errors
- 3 -meetings starting at 5:55 not 6:00
- 4 -no mention of Mr. Keeney's intervention
- 5 -does not believe item 7 was seconded by Trustee Caro
- 6 -do not include the comment from County Clerk on how many times the town was involved in discussion
- 7 -Judge Frieze should have been asked to come to podium if responses were inaudible
- 8 -Judge Frieze response to Trustee Arzabal's question was that based on concerns the town should opt out
- 9 -lack of transparency
- 10 -requested listening to audio recording

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12 Ms. Krueger reviewed her concerns and questions regarding Board of Trustee minutes.

- 13 -county never recognized the division of parcels
- 14 -Mayor Barraza commented the Fresquez family did not go through the town process
- 15 -Fresquez family did go through the town's re-zoning process
- 16 -county does not have any records

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18 **5. CLOSED SESSION** – pursuant to NMSA 1978 Chapter 10-15-1(H)(2): discussion limited
19 to personnel matters in the Public Works Department. – *Nora L. Barraza, Mayor.*

20 **Motion:** To enter Closed Session – pursuant to NMSA 1978 Chapter 10.15.1 (H)(2): discussion limited to
21 personnel matters in the Public Works Department, **Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson-Burick,**
22 **Seconded by Trustee Garcia.**

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24 **Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes =4).

25 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

26 Trustee Arzabal Yes

27 Trustee Caro Yes

28 Trustee Garcia Yes

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30 Entered Closed Session at 6:10 p.m.

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32 **Motion:** To enter Regular Meeting after discussion limited to personnel matters in the Public Works
33 Department – pursuant to NMSA 1978 Chapter 10.15.1 (H)(2); no action taken, **Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem**
34 **Johnson-Burick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.**

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36 **Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes =4).

37 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

38 Trustee Arzabal Yes

39 Trustee Caro Yes

40 Trustee Garcia Yes

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42 Entered Regular Meeting at 6:38 p.m.

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44 **6. *APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA** – The Board will be asked to approve by one
45 **motion the following items of recurring or routine business. The Consent Agenda is marked**
46 **with an asterisk *:**

47 **Motion:** To approve consent agenda as amended, **Moved by Trustee Arzabal, Seconded by Trustee**
48 **Garcia.**

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2 Trustee Johnson-Burick requested removing minutes from the consent agenda.

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4 Trustee Arzabal recommended sending the corrections to Ms. Stoechner-Hernandez.

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6 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick responded hers is not a friendly amendment.

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8 **Amended Motion:** To remove minutes from consent agenda, **Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick,**
9 **Seconded by Trustee Garcia.**

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11 **Amendment Motion Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes =3 No=2).

12 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

13 Trustee Arzabal No

14 Trustee Caro No

15 Trustee Garcia Yes

16 Mayor Barraza Yes

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18 **Original Motion Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes =4).

19 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

20 Trustee Arzabal Yes

21 Trustee Caro Yes

22 Trustee Garcia Yes

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24 **A. *BOT Minutes – Minutes of a Regular Meeting on June 24, 2019.**

25 **Motion:** To approve minutes, **Moved by Trustee Arzabal, No Second – motion failed**

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27 **B. PZHAC Case 060923 - 2461/2489 Calle Principal, submitted by Joseph W. Foster; a request**
28 **for a zoning permit to allow the repair or replacement of the cinderblock wall around Ruby Sun**
29 **Spa, and the widening of doorways in the wall at this address. Zoned: Historical Residential**
30 **(HR). *Approved by consent agenda***

31 **C. *PZHAC Case 060924 - 2461/2489 Calle Principal, submitted by Joseph W. Foster; a request**
32 **for a zoning permit to allow the repair or replacement of window frames in the building at this**
33 **address. Zoned: Historical Residential (HR). *Approved by consent agenda***

34 **D. *PZHAC Case 060925 - 2461/2489 Calle Principal, submitted by Joseph W. Foster; a request**
35 **for a zoning permit to allow the replacement of a two -foot high yard wall along Calle de**
36 **Guadalupe on a property at these addresses. Zoned: Historical Residential (HR). *Approved***
37 ***by consent agenda***

38 **E. *PZHAC Case 060926 - 2461/2489 Calle Principal, submitted by Joseph W. Foster; a request**
39 **for a zoning permit to allow landscaping on a commercial property at these addresses. Zoned:**
40 **Historical Residential (HR). *Approved by consent agenda***

41 **F. *PZHAC Case 060918 – 1874 West Union Avenue, Arturo and Pedro Jurado; a request for a**
42 **zoning permit to allow the installation of a loading dock on a commercial building at this**
43 **address. Zoned: General Commercial (C). *Approved by consent agenda***

44 **G. *PZHAC Case 060920 – 2250 Calle de San Albino, submitted by Robert Hamilton, a zoning**
45 **permit to allow the repainting of a dwelling at this address. Zoned: Historical Commercial**
46 **(HC). *Approved by consent agenda***

47 **H. *PZHAC SIGN Permit 060928 – 2411 Calle de San Albino, submitted by Shauna Martinez**
48 **for “TruArt of the Earth”; a request for a zoning permit install a wall sign at this address.**
49 **Zoned: Historical Commercial (HC). *Approved by consent agenda***

- 1 I. ***PZHAC Sign Permit 060929** – 2411 Calle de San Albino, submitted by Wendy Weir for
2 “Agave Artists”, a request for a zoning permit to install a wall sign at this address. **Zoned:**
3 **Historical Commercial (HC). *Approved by consent agenda***

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5 **7. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 6 **A. For Approval:** The award of a construction contract for the Bowman Street Reconstruction
7 and City of Las Cruces Water Line Improvements Project. – **Rod McGillivray, Public Works**
8 **Director.**

9 **Motion:** To approve the award of a construction contract for the Bowman Street Reconstruction and City of
10 Las Cruces Water Line Improvements Project, **Moved by Trustee Arzabal, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem**
11 **Johnson-Burick.**

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13 Mr. McGillivray stated 6 bids were received; A-Mountain Construction was the lowest bidder coming in at
14 \$223K without the add alternates. The budget amount is \$263,644.

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16 Mayor Barraza asked if this is awarded tonight when will we be breaking ground on this project.

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18 Mr. McGillivray responded the 90-day duration project should begin in August.

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20 **Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (**summary:** Yes =4).

21 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick Yes

22 Trustee Arzabal Yes

23 Trustee Caro Yes

24 Trustee Garcia Yes

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27 **8. *STAFF REPORTS:**

28 Community Development

29 Community Programs

30 Finance Department

31 Fire Department

32 Marshal’s Department

33 Public Works Department

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35 **9. BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

36 Mayor Pro Tem Johnson-Burick stated MPO Special Meeting will be Wednesday, July 10th at 1:00 p.m. at
37 county chambers.

38 Trustee Garcia stated she will be attending the MPO Special Meeting and Open Meeting Act (OMA) training
39 in Deming the morning of July 10th.

40 Trustee Arzabal stated he will be attending the OMA training in Deming; CEO meeting on July 21st.

41 Mayor Barraza stated she attended RTD Meeting on June 25th; will be attending SCCOG Meeting on July
42 28th, OMA training and MPO Special Meeting on July 10th. The Chihuahuas will host Mesilla Night in
43 August. Summer Music Series is being well attended. The July 4th event went very well with minor
44 incidents.

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46 **10. BOARD OF TRUSTEE/STAFF COMMENTS**

47 Mr. McGillivray reviewed status on the town’s projects.

48 -Local Government Road Fund engineering selection

49 -Phase 2 McDowell Wastewater project engineering selection

50 -closing out Calle de Parian project

51 -trail deadline may need to be extended

52 -Calle de Picacho drainage project engineering selection

1 -Bowman Street will continue as the contract was approved tonight.

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3 Trustee Arzabal asked when Capital Outlay be awarded to the municipalities?

4 Ms. Stoechner-Hernandez responded Capital Outlay will be funded through the State General Fund this year;
5 shortening the time we get agreements from the State agencies. We are waiting on the agreements for three
6 projects which will come forth to the trustees.

7 Mayor Barraza encouraged everyone to attend the OMA and Inspection of Public Records Act trainings on
8 July 10th presented by the State Attorney General's office in Deming.

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10 Mr. Hernandez stated it may be a good idea to include the Planning and Zoning Commission for these
11 trainings.

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13 **11. ADJOURNMENT**

14 **The Town of Mesilla Trustees unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting. (Summary: Yes-4)**

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16 **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:07 P.M.**

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18 **APPROVED THIS 22nd DAY OF JULY, 2019.**

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Nora L. Barraza

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Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez

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Town Clerk/Treasurer

