

**REGULAR MEETING
Of the
City of Anthony Board of Trustees
Council Chambers
820 HWY 478
Anthony, NM 88021
Wednesday, September 21, 2016
6:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mayor Diana Murillo – Trujillo

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** by Mayor Diana Murillo – Trujillo

3. <u>ROLL CALL</u>	Present: Trustee Fernie Herrera	YES	NO
	Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO
	MPT Erica Ramos	YES	NO
	Trustee Betty Gonzalez	YES	NO
	Mayor Diana M. Trujillo	YES	NO

Quorum Established **YES** NO

Translation from English to Spanish and Spanish to English is available upon request.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER**

A motion to add Mayor and Trustee comments as item 8., and move adjournment to item 9. was made by:

1st Motion: MPT Erica Ramos 2nd Motion: Trustee Gloria Gameros **AIF**

A motion to approve the agenda order as amended was made by:

1st Motion: Trustee Gloria Gameros 2nd Motion: MPT Erica Ramos **AIF**

5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes for Regular Meeting of September 7, 2016

B. Minutes for Special Meeting of September 12, 2016

MPT Ramos asked that if the minutes of September 7, 2016, under item 11. “MPT Ramos...” to add that she had asked about the process and when will we work on putting together and Citizens Advisory Committee.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the amendments requested by MPT Ramos was made by:

1st Motion: MPT Erica Ramos 2nd Motion: Trustee Gloria Gameros **AIF**

6. **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR – PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Fernando Ramirez, Finance Officer addressed the Mayor and Board of Trustees to inform them of a payment that was paid to the IRS for late fees and penalties due from payments made in previous and current years. The payments were not actually paid late; however, they were allocated to the wrong fiscal quarter. Once the mistakes were identified, and the payments were transferred to the right fiscal quarter, a late fee was assessed. The City was not previously been notified of these payments that had been misapplied until Fernando Ramirez received a notice in the mail, in mid September. He called the IRS to find out that penalties and late fees have been assessed but all tax payments are current.

Fernando also presented the BOT with a spreadsheet that shows that currently the revenues received YTD for the fiscal year is exceeding budget expectations.

7. **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION**

- A. Consideration and Action to approve a Resolution No. 2015-020 (AMENDED). A resolution of the City of Anthony, New Mexico to set service fees for the City of Anthony Library. Draft resolution attached.

Drafted by: Christy Sifuentes

Presented by: Mary Hall – City of Anthony Librarian

1st Motion: Trustee Gloria Gameros 2nd Motion MPT Erica Ramos

Roll call vote

Trustee Fernie Herrera YES NO

Trustee Gloria Gameros YES NO

Mayor Pro Tem Erica Ramos YES NO

Trustee Betty Gonzalez YES NO

~~Tie Breaker vote by Mayor if needed~~ YES NO

Unanimous vote, **motion passes.**

- B. Consideration and Action to select and approve an individual to fill the vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Letters of Interest attached.

Presented by: Mayor Diana Murillo – Trujillo

A motion to select Ms. Sarah Holguin was made by:

1st Motion: Trustee Fernie Herrera 2nd Motion: Trustee Betty Gonzalez

Roll call vote

Trustee Fernie Herrera YES NO

Trustee Gloria Gameros YES NO

Mayor Pro Tem Erica Ramos YES NO

Trustee Betty Gonzalez YES NO

~~Tie Breaker vote by Mayor if needed~~ YES NO

Majority rules; **motion passes.**

8. **COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES**

Trustee Betty Gonzalez – I noticed on last months bank reconciliation that the Mayor signed her own check. This is an absolute no no and I want to make sure that this does not happen again.

MPT Erica Ramos – When will the new website be ready?

Mayor Diana Murillo – Trujillo – It should be ready by late next week. We are finishing up a few last things.

MPT Erica Ramos – When can we start on forming the Citizens Advisory Committee, I was expecting to see it on this agenda. Also, have we heard anything on the status of the handbook that Josh is working on?

Christy Sifuentes – The resolution for the Citizens Advisory Committee will be on the next agenda. The outcome of today's vote for the vacant Planning and Zoning seat has some bearing on the possible nominations for that committee. As for the handbook, Josh is still working on it. He did say it would take a while, and is nothing that could be conquered quickly but I will call him for an update.

Trustee Gloria Gameros – None

Trustee Fernie Herrera – None

Mayor Diana Murillo – Trujillo – I have some concerns about a resident who has become threatening. I specifically ask you [Trustee Herrera] not to instigate his behavior. Just like you once feared for your safety and that of your family, I do as well. I remember how upset you were when this individual threatened your wife at the movie theatre. If you once felt that threatened, why would you instigate him to the point where he makes me feel threatened? If it were reversed, I would never do that to you.

Trustee Fernie Herrera – Let me just say that the individual that we are referring to is Victor Ray Montoya. I am not going to lie to anyone, I do not instigate or condone violence. I tell it like it is and what they do is on them. I cannot control that.

MPT Erica Ramos – You do not make corrections to his posts and he feeds off of it. I was appointed by the Mayor and you as a board member voted unanimously. I was nominated by Trustee Gameros as MPT and you second the motion, but for some reason he doesn't know that part. He calls me her minion, and that I do whatever she says. That is not true, If I don't agree with her or something she proposes or says, I let her know. He is not interested in solutions. I've tried to meet with him. He does not want to find solutions.

Chief Joe Baca – That is true, he is not interested in solutions. I blocked him, he used to tag me in in everything. I don't care to see him defaming everyone. What he posts is flat out lies, he is nothing more than a trouble maker. I suggest that anyone that has any sort of conversation with him record it, if not, he will twist your words and lie. He came into City Hall and caused some trouble then went out and posted all over Facebook how he was mistreated, that's a lie. I have the video recording because we record everything, and she was more than patient with him. She handled him very well. He was the irate one.

Trustee Fernie Herrera – It is against the law to record someone without them knowing.

Chief Joe Baca – That is a flat out lie, only one person has to know and that one person can be the person recording.

Trustee Gloria Gameros – He just did what he set out to do. We are allowing him to cause us problems which is what he wants. He twists words and he lies. I do not know him personally but I have seen his posts. Trustee Herrera, maybe you are afraid he will retaliate against you if you speak up to correct some of this stuff that he posts. Maybe you can try to deescalate the post or can just not respond or engage in his posts at all.

Trustee Fernie Herrera – I do not condone his behavior.

Danny Barreras – Well with that attitude...

Trustee Fernie Herrera – You don't have the floor.

Trustee Gloria Gameros – This is like a virus and it just spreads. We need to work as a team and we cannot allow him to come in with his personal agenda and we cannot have personal agendas. We need to work together. I do not believe that Trustee Herrera means any harm. We all just need to block Victor.

Chief Joe Baca – That is why we record him every time that we deal with him. If I were any of you I would at least voice record any conversation that you may have with him because he makes things up and he will slander you. Trustee Gameros you are right, it is like a virus, and he keeps bashing and bashing. He doesn't want solutions, he wants to cause problems.

8. ADJOURNMENT

1st Motion: MPT Erica Ramos 2nd Motion: Trustee Gloria Gameros AIF
7:56PM

ATTEST:


City Clerk, Christy Sifuentes




Mayor, Diana Murillo – Trujillo