

**TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 25, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Red River Town Council was held Tuesday, November 25, 2008 at the Red River Conference Center. Mayor Linda Calhoun called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Linda Calhoun	Present
Councilor George Woerndle	Present
Councilor Debbie Hubbard	Present
Councilor Ben Richey	Absent
Councilor Jenny Hawkes	Present

A quorum was present.

3. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Linda Calhoun gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Calhoun requested that Item 8 under Reports be moved to Item 7 due to the presenter needing to return home to Albuquerque. Councilor George Woerndle moved to approve the agenda with the change. Councilor Debbie Hubbard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting – October 28, 2008
- b. Special Meeting – November 13, 2008
- c. Special Meeting – November 14, 2008

Councilor Debbie Hubbard moved to approve the minutes for October 28, 2008, November 13, 2008 and November 14, 2008. Councilor George Woerndle seconded the motion and the motion carried.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT/APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR OCTOBER 2008

Town Administrator Russell Church gave the financial report for October, 2008. Councilor George Woerndle moved to approve the expenditures for October, 2008. Councilor Debbie Hubbard seconded the motion and the motion carried.

7. PRESENTATION/ ANNE OANDASAN/ RPO

Ms. Oandasan from the North Central New Mexico Economic Development District gave a presentation on the variety of programs under the NCNMEDD. These programs are designed to encourage employment opportunities and to facilitate a stable and diversified local economy and improve local economic conditions.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. PUBLIC SAFETY

A quorum was not present.

B. PUBLIC WORKS

A quorum was not present.

C. PARKS AND RECREATION

A quorum was not present.

D. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Economic Development Committee met on November 11, 2008 and the following was discussed:

- 1) Director's Report was given
- 2) Conference Center Updates
- 3) Advertising Updates
- 4) Committee Member Report was given.

(Attachment 1)

E. LODGERS TAX ADVISORY BOARD

The Lodgers Tax Advisory Board met November 11, 2008. Town Clerk Georgiana Rael reviewed funds 214 and 298. The Economic Director gave her report.

(Attachment 2)

F. MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Special Council Meeting / December 2, 2008

Mayor Calhoun stated that a Special Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 2, 2008 to approve Resolutions to complete the CDBG program application and award RFP #908 Ultra Violet Disinfection System.

2. Budget Conference Report

Mayor Calhoun reported that at the annual budget conference DFA, Local Government and NMML advised that funding for the upcoming legislative session was minimal. They recommended a minimum of a 5% decrease be adjusted in expenditures in this year's fiscal budget. Mayor Calhoun also reported that the Town should go to the State Board of Finance to request emergency funding to bring the new fire station to a point in construction that will allow us to at least store and protect equipment through the winter.

9. PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION (No Items)

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ratify:

1. Jake Pierce to the Public Safety Committee:

Councilor George Woerndle moved to ratify Jake Pierce to the Public Safety Committee. Councilor Debbie Hubbard seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Councilor Jenny Hawkes, aye. Councilor Debbie Hubbard, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. The motion carried.

B. CONSIDERATION OF:

1. Resolution 2008-19/ Merit Incentives for Town Employees

Councilor Debbie Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution 2008-19 Merit Incentive for Town Employees. Councilor George Woerndle seconded the motion. Roll Call vote. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Debbie Hubbard, aye. Councilor Jenny Hawkes, aye. The motion carried.

11. PUBLIC HEARING

C. DISCUSSION OF:

PUBLIC INPUT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROJECTS

Mayor Calhoun briefly went over the Community Development Block Grant Project objectives with the public and invited the public to express ideas to the Council about what type of projects they would like to see the Town apply for. The Mayor also stated that the project needed to be chosen from our Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan. The following were requested:

- Robert Perry, Grants Administrator for the Town of Red River came forward and spoke in support of the Red River Fire Station. He also stated that the Claim Jumper Street Project be the next logical project.
- Jerry Hogrefe, Town Marshal came forward to support the Red River Fire Station as the initial project. He would also recommend a Judicial/ Police Facility with technologies for reporting systems that are up to date.
- Aaron Stacy came forward to request infrastructure in the Tenderfoot area such as replacing water/sewer lines and paving. He also requested that the Inferno bridge be refurbished.
- Ed Saint, Planning & Zoning Administrator came forward to expand the need for CDBG funding for the fire station because of the necessity to store expensive apparatus out of the weather.
- Russell Church, the Town Administrator came forward on Mr. Johnny Mutz' request to suggest that the Town apply for land purchase funding to trade with the USFS to use for affordable housing.

12. OTHER

Rebecca Latham advised that the Red River Ski Area will open on November 26, 2008 and because of the new snow making equipment the ski area will open runs to Broadway.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 7:50 P.M.

Georgiana Rael

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Municipal Clerk

Linda Calhoun

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Mayor