

TOWN OF LA JARA

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Regular Meeting

Date: June 11, 2015

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Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the La Jara Town Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Zaragoza at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Zaragoza

Roll Call:

Present were Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.

Absent: Trustee Espinoza

A quorum was present.

Also Present were: Town Manager Koenig, Town Attorney Valdez, Chief of Police Dan Martinez, Town Clerk Shawn Pagnotta, Deputy Clerk Krista LaBlanc.

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Valdez moved to approve the agenda and Mayor Pro Tem Medina seconded.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Approval for Consent Calendar

Mayor Pro Tem Medina moved for the approval of the Consent Calendar and Trustee Cummings seconded.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

Guests: Tony and Darleen Buhr, and Rebecca Martin.

T & D liquor store owners Tony and Darleen Buhr came to ask the town permission to make an addition modification to their building. They presented a map that gave a description of what the addition modification would look like. Their intention is to build an addition to house refrigerated coolers for the purpose of displaying and storing beer products. Mayor Zaragoza had a few questions regarding the cooler modification. Trustee Gallegos asked about fire exits and safety.

Approval for Modification of Premises for T&D Liquor

Mayor Pro Tem Medina moved for the approval of the cooler addition modification, and Trustee Cummings seconded.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

Rebecca Martin with the Summer Baseball Program, came to ask for a donation from the town to help support the Conejos County Program. She explained how the money would be utilized, how many kids are participating, and how long the program will run. The council approved a \$300.00 donation.

Approval of \$300.00 donation for the Summer Base Ball Program

Mayor Pro Tem Medina moved for the approval of \$300.00 donation for the Summer Base Ball Program and Trustee Salazar seconded.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.
Nays: None
Motion Carried.

Recognition of Scheduled Public Comment

There were no comments.

Recognition of Unscheduled Public Comment

No comments

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Koenig stated that the audit will be on June 30th to July 2nd. He talked about the Trunk Line Project and stated that the project is running according schedule. He reminded the council that the CML conference is on June 16th through 19th, 2015. Koenig stated that we would begin working on the budget in September for 2016. He asked the trustees to submit to him any projects that they would like to include in the 2016 budget. Koenig stated that 2016 is going to be a lot better financial year for the town. He read a letter from GOCO congratulating the town on the award of the planning grant for the park at 312 Main Street.

A request was made to go into executive session.

Approval of Executive Session

Trustee Salazar moved to go into executive session for discussion of a matter required to be kept confidential by the following federal or state law, rule, or regulations under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(c). and Mayor Pro Tem Medina second.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.

Nays: None

Mayor Zaragoza stated: "The executive session was concluded at 8:05 p.m. and returned to the open meeting. The participants in the executive session were Attorney Valdez, Town Manager Koenig, Trustee Valdez, Trustee Salazar, Mayor Zaragoza, Mayor Pro Tem Medina, Trustee Cummings, Trustee Gallegos, Town Clerk Pagnotta, Deputy Clerk LaBlanc, and Chief Martinez. For the record, if any person who participated in the executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, I would ask that you state your concerns for the record. Seeing none, the next agenda item was to move forward with the motion to give Town Manager Koenig, Town Attorney Valdez and Chief Martinez authority to move forward with the NBC Documentary.

Approval of the NBC Documentary

Mayor Pro Tem Medina moved to allow Chief Martinez, Town Manager Koenig, and Attorney Valdez to participate in the NBC Documentary, Trustee Salazar second.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Approval of the Town Managers Report:

Trustee Salazar moved to approve the Town Managers Report and Trustee Cummings seconded.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Town Attorney's Report:

Town Attorney Ray Valdez stated he drafted a summons and complaint form for violations of the weed ordinance. He stated that the new ordinance has clear language indicating the violations and removes any discretion from the judge. Town Attorney Valdez talked about the relocation of his office. He also discussed how long he will be out of town on vacation. Mayor Zaragoza thanked him for all the hard work.

Approval of the Town Attorney's Report:

Mayor Pro Tem Medina moved to approve the Town Attorney's report and Trustee Valdez seconded.

Vote Results:

Ayes: Trustees: Cummings, Salazar, Gallegos, Valdez, Mayor Zaragoza, and Mayor Pro Tem Medina.

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Town Board of Trustees Comments:

Trustee Valdez- Stated that a representative from Red Cross will be coming to our area and will be handing out fire alarms.

Trustee Salazar- Had no comments

Mayor Pro Tem Medina- Asked if lamp posts could be put in the budget for next year. She also talked about inviting Rick Rodriguez to be a new member for the Planning and Zoning Committee. Trustee Gallegos asked why there was not a public hearing for the Faucet property. Trustee Salazar explained that public meetings are for town business. Mayor Pro Tem Medina thanked maintenance for putting out the flowers.

Trustee Cummings- Had a few concerns about weed control. Town Manager Koenig assured him the weeds had been taken care of. He also wanted to compliment everyone who participated in the painting of the Northerner's Senior Center. He also stated that the flowers look great and good job to maintenance on mosquito control.

Trustee Gallegos- Stated she was glad to see the town used the weed eater to take care of the weeds next to her husband's business. Mayor Zaragoza stated that the town now sprays the weeds that are next to businesses. Trustee Gallegos stated that she feels the town park does not look as good currently, then it had in the past. Town Manager Koenig assured her that it is being maintained properly and gave her the watering schedule.

Mayor Zaragoza- Stated that maintenance did a great job on the weeds and all the cleanup. He commented on how wonderful our town looks. Mayor Zaragoza stated that the Glory Days needed volunteers, and he thanked Chief Martinez for setting up the markers for the parade line up. Zaragoza stated that he would like to contact someone from Xcel Energy to fix the light pole outside of Town Hall. Zaragoza read a letter of proclamation that will be taking place in August.

New Business:

Nothing to report.

Old Business

Nothing to report.

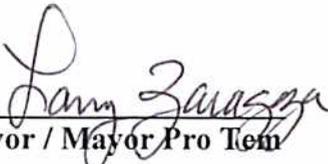
Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Medina moved to adjourn and Trustee Cummings seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by





Mayor / Mayor Pro Tem