

Village of Cuba
Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, January 5, 2022 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Court Complex

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Mayor Velarde asked for the roll call.

Mayor Velarde	present
Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	present
Council Member Weippert	present
Council member Delgado	present
Council Member Olivas	absent

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Weippert made the motion. Council Member Delgado seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on October 27, 2021

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Weippert made the motion. Council Member Delgado seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez asked if the Cuba Coyotes 4-H was recognized. Ms. Casados said they were and it is in the warrants. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any further discussion. There was none. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the monthly warrants for the Village of Cuba for the month of November and December 2021

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Council Member Weippert seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. There was none. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the monthly warrants for the Cuba Housing Authority for the month of November 2021 and December 2021

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Weippert made the motion. Council Member Delgado seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. There was none. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the Management Representation Letter and the Village of Cuba Annual Financial Audit for June 30, 2021 in "DRAFT" form submitted to the NM Office of the State Auditor on December 15, 2021 for review and approval

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Weippert made the motion. Council Member Delgado seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. Mayor Velarde asked Ms. Casados what the finding was. She said unmodified with no findings. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the Appointment of Election Board per NM State Statute; 12-2-6 for the Municipal Officer Election to be held on March 1, 2022

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Council Member Weippert seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. There was none. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the approval to promote Mr. Brian L. Velarde from Cuba MVD Part-time Clerk to Full-time MVD Clerk, who has successfully completed all MVD Certifications from the Santa Fe Division Office

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. Mayor Velarde said for clarification, there was a full time MVD clerk that left and he is currently the only MVD clerk. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any further discussion. There was none. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action to hire Mr. Joseph J. Aquino a Certified Police Officer for the Cuba Police Department

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Council Member Weippert seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. Council Member Weippert asked how many officers there are now. She was told 5. Mayor Velarde said he is staying in Cuba, in PD Housing. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any other discussion. There was none. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the sealed bid received for RFP No. CPL-2021-G.O.bond to construct the Cuba Public Library Technology Room, submitted by Frederkind Construction, LLC on November 11, 2021

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Council Member Weippert seconds the motion. Council Member Weippert asked if there was only the one bid. She was told yes. Mayor Velarde read the amount of the project to be charged as \$235,200.00 plus tax. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the Lodger's Tax Agreed Upon Procedures and Independent Accounts' Report for June 30, 2020 prepared in bound form, submitted by Ricci & Company.

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Weippert made the motion. Council Member Delgado seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked Ms. Casados about this. Ms. Casados said this is the annual audit of the Lodger's Tax. The next will be June 30, 2021. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	ye

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the NM Department of Cultural Affairs Grant Agreement in the amount of \$4,977.92 for the Cuba Public Library: Project No. A20-E5296

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Council Member Weippert seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked Ms. Casados about this. Ms. Casados said this is a grant submitted every year for books, computers and systems for the technology room. She said Mr. Neville submitted it. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the 2022 Holiday Schedule established for the Village of Cuba Employees

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Weippert made the motion. Council Member Delgado seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. Mayor Velarde asked Ms. Casados if they are the same as last year, nothing added, nothing changed. Ms. Casados said it is the same, no changes. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Discussion, Consideration and Action of the purchases in the amount of \$1,150.00 for the Christmas Community Event held on December 11, 2021, submitted by Ms. Victoria Dominguez

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Council Member Weippert seconds the motion. Mayor Velarde asked if there was any discussion. Mayor Velarde asked for a roll call vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez	yes
Council Member Weippert	yes
Council Member Delgado	yes

Motion carries.

Review of the Municipal Court Report for October and November 2021

Report reviewed.

Update of the Cuba Police Department addressed by Chief of Police Manuel Romero

Chief Romero was not present.

Review of the Cuba Volunteer Fire Department Notice of Award of Stipends in the amount of \$25,000.00. Review of a proposed resolution amended the Retention Incentive Nominal Fee Program in "DRAFT" form. Review of the Cuba VFD BY-LAWS in "DRAFT" form addressed by Fire Chief Rick Romero.

Chief Romero said this is a grant they applied for along with the Fire Protection Grant last year. He said it was approved and they already have the funds in the General Fund. He said this will make them the same as everyone else paying 10 dollar stipends instead of the 7. He said this will be a grant awarded annually. He said this will save the General Fund about \$10,000.00 in paying the stipends that are paid now, and the \$2,400.00 for the Administrative Assistant. Chief Romero said the majority of the money is budgeted for publicity, signage, recruiting and working with the schools for Jr. Firefighters. Mayor Velarde asked if the stipends are paid per incident. Chief Romero said they are paid per incident, for training and meetings. He said they wording is the same as before.

Public Comment

Mayor Velarde asked if there was any public comment.

Ms. Carey Beam asked if there is still an opening for the Library Director position. Mayor Velarde said not at this time. He said there is an applicant they are interested in. She asked if the Lodgers Tax report is something they will be able to put on the Village of Cuba website for review. Mayor Velarde said yes.

Mr. Martin Maestas said they are still working on the corrective cleaning of the ditch. He said it is a slow process. Mayor Velarde asked if there is still a lot of brush causing overflow. Mr. Maestas said yes. Council Member Weippert said it really needs to be cleaned. She said she mentions it almost every meeting. Mayor Velarde said they can not go in and mess with the ditch. Council Member Weippert said it is not a ditch. She said it is more like a creek. She said according to the Floodplain procedures,

there are supposed to be fines for these things but she understands why the Corps does not want to dig down.

Chief Romero said in 2021 they had 314 calls. He said in December they had 4 fires, 10 medical calls, 4 motor vehicle accidents and 5 public assists. He said they are involved with the training with the Police Department and in they acquired and handed out 500 presents throughout the Village to the young and old. He said they had fun doing that. He said they are working with the State Fire Marshall on some arson investigations. He said he is proud to announce they have 2 newly licensed EMT's.

Mayor Velarde asked if there was any further comment. There was none.

Adjourn

Mayor Velarde asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Delgado made the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez seconds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Approved Minutes for January 5, 2022

The minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 have been officially approved by the Governing Body on January 26, 2022.

Vandora P. Casados, Clerk-Treasurer

