



CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
August 10, 2020

The Regular Council meeting was held at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers at 915 N First, Bloomfield, NM. Due to the COVID-19 State of Public Health Emergency the Council Meeting was available to the public via phone conference. The meeting was in full conformity with the laws and rules of the Municipality.

In attendance were Mayor Atencio, City Manager George Duncan, City Clerk Crystal L Hornberger, Councilor Sue Finch, Councilor George Walter, Councilor Ken Hare, Councilor Tony Herrera, Finance Director Kimberly Simpson, City Engineer Jason Thomas. Attending via phone was City Attorney Ryan Lane and Chief Police David Karst.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Atencio called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilor Walter offered the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilor Finch moved to approve the agenda. Councilor Herrera seconded. Approval was unanimous.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approve Council Meeting Minutes from July 27, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Atencio requested a correction noting the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was offered by her and not City Manager George Duncan. Mayor Atencio called for a motion to approve council meeting minutes from the July 27, 2020 with the correction. Councilor Walter moved to approve with the correction. Councilor Finch seconded. Approval was unanimous.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion and Possible Action Adopt Ordinance 487 an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 299 Relating to Penalties for zoning violation. Police Chief David Karst

Police Chief David Karst requested approval to adopt Ordinance 487 an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 299 Relating to Penalties for zoning violation. Councilor Hare moved to approve. Councilor Walter seconded. Councilors Hare, Walter, and Herrera were in favor. Councilor Finch was opposed.

- B. Discussion and Possible Action Adopt Ordinance 488 Amending Ordinance 484, Allowing Acceptance of Additional Funds for CWSRF Loan 101. City Engineer Jason Thomas**
City Engineer Jason Thomas requested approval to adopt Ordinance 488 Amending Ordinance 484, Allowing Acceptance of Additional Funds for CWSRF Loan 101. Councilor Finch moved to approve. Councilor Hare seconded. Approval was unanimous.
- C. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Kimberly Simpson as Bloomfield City Treasurer. Mayor Cynthia Atencio**
Mayor Atencio called for a motion to Appoint Kimberly Simpson as Bloomfield City Treasurer. Councilor Finch moved to approve. Councilor Hare seconded. Approval was unanimous.
- D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the City Owned Fitness Center. City Manager George Duncan**
Discussions were held regarding the city owned fitness center. Mayor Atencio called for a motion to open the fitness center on a temporary trial of 30 days and then council would revisit. Councilor Finch moved to approve. Councilor Herrera seconded. Councilors Finch, Walter, and Herrera were in favor. Council Hare was opposed. Councilor Hare stated for the record that not having someone in the fitness center at all times puts the city at risk.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

7. PUBLIC INPUT (Limited to five [5] minutes per person):

A. Comments from the Public

There were no public comments.

B. Comments from Department Heads and/or Council

Councilor Hare made comments regarding the community Farmers Market.

City Manager George Duncan made comments regarding a tree that had been planted in memory of Kathy Schlapp.

8. CLOSED SESSION: *Council did not go into closed session.*

The City Council may go into closed executive session pursuant to the provisions of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act, New Mexico State Statute Section 10-15- 1(H) to discuss pending/threatened litigation in the case of Culpepper v. Town of Farmington, A-1-CA-37156, and limited personnel.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Atencio called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 pm. Councilor Walter moved to approve., Councilor Finch seconded. Approval was unanimous.

ATTENTION TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: *If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the City Clerk's office at 632-6300 at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.*

Attest:

Crystal L. Hornberger
Crystal L Hornberger, City Clerk

Cynthia Atencio
Cynthia Atencio, Mayor

