

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
ARTESIA, NEW MEXICO**

January 14, 2020

The City Council of the City of Artesia, New Mexico met in the City Council Chambers at City Hall on Tuesday, January 14th, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in regular session with Mayor Raye Miller presiding, and the following present to wit:

Kent Bratcher	Manuel Madrid Jr.
Bill Rogers	Luis Florez
George G. Mullen	Jeff Youtsey
Terry Hill	Raul Rodriguez

The following were absent:

Also, present:
Aubrey Hobson, City Clerk/Treasurer
Matt Byers, City Attorney

It was determined that a quorum was present. The invocation was given by Councilor Rodriguez and all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Requests for City Facilities

None.

City Departments and Employees

Community Development Director Jim McGuire introduced the new Recreation Specialist Connor Barry.

Special Reports

Mayor Miller stated to the Council the Department of Transportation would like to present a presentation at the next Council meeting and advised the meeting will start at 5:00 p.m. on January 28th, 2020.

Mayor Miller informed the Council the candidates filing for the Municipal Election for the March 3rd, 2020 election.

Consent Agenda

Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve the consent agenda removing Item 5 A, B & C. Councilor Rogers provided a second and upon vote, the motion carried 8-0.

**CONSENT AGENDA
December 10, 2019**

- 1. Approval of Minutes** **November 26, 2019**

2. **Consideration of Bids:**

3. **Contracts, Leases and Agreements:**

A. *Approval of the sublease between Ralph C. Watts and Canary Drilling Services, LLC and Canary Production Services, LLC for Lot 6 of Block 2 of the Industrial Park of Artesia, 2405 N. Parkland Ave.

4. **Appointments:**

5. **Personnel Resignations, Hirings, Promotions, and Transfers:**

Upon recommendation of the Mayor, subject to successful completion of required pre-employment testing, permission to:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
1. <u>Derrick Cumpston</u>	Water	Technician	\$2482 per month CA22

A. Hire:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
1. <u>Manuela Ramos</u>	Commission on Aging	Maintenance Tech	\$1988 per month CA13

B. Promote:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
1. <u>Brandy Rogers</u>	Finance & Administration	Utility & Cash Collections Supervisor	\$2951 per month CA29

A. Accept the resignation of Christopher Mendoza, Street Department Equipment Operator, effective December 27, 2019

B. Accept the resignation of Rick Bently, Firefighter, effective December 19, 2019

C. Accept the retirement of Ronnie Baize, Commission on Aging Van Driver, effective February 28, 2020

D. Failure to complete probation period - James C. Abner, Solid Waste Department Equipment Operator, effective January 10, 2020

E. Failure to complete probation period - Jadrien Reza, Street Department Equipment Operator, effective January 10, 2020

6. **Dates of Hearing:**

- A. Approval to set a public hearing on February 11, 2020 for consideration of an ordinance for Case No. 19-11: Final Plat for the Hightower Redivision Amended Plat, Block 4, Lots 2, 3, 4, & 5 Replat and Dedication; Location: North side of Bullock Ave., between Roselawn Ave. and 4th St.; Owners: Christine A. May, Shea L. Church, Deniece L. Fournier, and City of Artesia
- B. Approval to set a public hearing on February 11, 2020 for consideration of an ordinance amending Title 3 Chapter 4 of the Artesia City Code concerning the Library Board

7. *Travel and Training:

- A. Police – Permission for three (3) employees to attend the Euthanasia Technician Certification in Albuquerque, NM
- B. Police – Permission for two (2) employees to attend the Buckle Up NM Recertification Training in Albuquerque, NM
- C. Legislative and Executive – Permission to attend the 31st Annual Municipal Day in Santa Fe, NM
- D. Water – Permission to attend the NM Water and Wastewater Association (NMWWA) annual school in Las Cruces, NM
- E. Fire – Permission to attend the EMS Committee meetings in Santa Fe, NM

8. Routine Requests for City Facilities:

9. Routine Resolutions (to be assigned a number by staff)

10. Budgeted Items:

11. *Quarterly Journal Entries

12. Non-budgeted Items:

13. *Payment of Bills

Councilor Rodriguez moved to approve Item 5 A, B & C. Councilor Rogers provided a second and upon vote, the motion carried 8-0.



Public Hearings - including consideration of final passage of any ordinance as to which proper notice has been published.

- A. Consideration and approval of adoption of the 2019 Amendments to the Uniform Traffic Code and Amendment to the Penalty Assessment Ordinance.

Mayor Miller asked to postpone the item until the next Council meeting on January 28th, 2020.

Mayor Miller asked for public input.

Councilor Rodriguez moved to postpone the item until January 28th, 2020. Councilor Rogers provided a second-the motion carried 8-0.

Period for Hearing Visitors

None.

Comments from Public Officials and Contracted Services

None.

Committee Reports

Recreation - Councilor Rodriguez stated the Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled January 20th, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Personnel

Human Resource Director Sandi Countryman presented stats and stood for questions.

Public Safety

Police

Police Chief Kirk Roberts presented stats and stood for questions.

Several Councilors commended the Police & Fire Department for their service.

Fire

Fire Chief Kevin Hope presented stats and stood for questions.

Community Development

Community Development Director Jim McGuire presented stats and stood for questions.

Infrastructure Department

Infrastructure Director Byron Landfair presented stats and stood for questions.

City Attorney

City Attorney Matt Byers stood for questions.

City Clerk

A. Approval of the purchase of Real Property

City Clerk Aubrey Hobson stated the purchase of property is adjacent to the Industrial Park.

Councilor Bratcher moved to approve the purchase of real property. Councilor Youtsey provided a second-the motion carried 8-0.

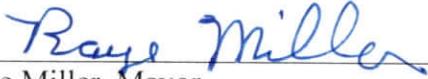
Mayor

None.

New or other business from Councilors

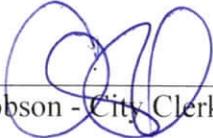
Councilor Bratcher stated he will be absent for the next Council meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m. on January 14th, 2020.



Raye Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Aubrey Hobson - City Clerk