



## MINUTES

### VIRTUAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 16, 2020

#### **Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. via Zoom.

The following Trustees were present: Debby Farreau, Lori Finch, Josie Cockrell, Scott Freas, Amy Snell-Johnson, Pam Thompson and Mayor Lisa Jones. A quorum was present.

#### **Audience Participation**

Bryan Golding, 7170 S. Quintero Street, said he is opposed to changing the ordinance regulating rodents.

Allyson Zoellner, 16915 E. Costilla Avenue, wants no legislation or ban regarding rodents, stating that Foxfield is a rural residential community.

Vanessa Guzman, 18149 E. Hinsdale Avenue, asked if elected officials can use professional or personal resources for official Town use.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Jones moved, seconded by Trustee Snell-Johnson, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes – July 2, 2020
- b. Amended Minutes – June 16, 2020
- c. Financial Reports – June 2020

The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Items Removed from Consent Agenda**

None

#### **For Discussion**

##### **2020 Updated Financial Forecast**

Town Administrator Proctor presented the updated financial forecast. The gate project is moving forward per Board approval.

##### **Rules of Procedure Draft**

Trustee Thompson requested more clarity regarding standing committees. Under Meetings, it was agreed to remove paragraph 9, a provision stating that all discussion and motions of the Board and remarks from the public shall be directed to the Mayor. The Board also agreed there should be a period of audience participation during discussion of specific items.

## **Ordinance 2020-03, A Bill for an Ordinance Amending Section 7-1-120(7)(e) of the Foxfield Municipal Code Concerning Rodents**

There was much discussion on this topic, ranging through:

- There is no permanently successful method of control
- Relocation is difficult, expensive and difficult to find land where they can be moved to
- The only means of control are lethal
- The terms in the Code need to be clearly defined

Suggestions for possible action:

- Do not change the Municipal Code concerning rodents
- Change it to just apply to prairie dogs, leaving the wording intact otherwise
- Change it to allow mitigation if the homeowner so desires
- Change it to ban prairie dogs completely and require eradication

The Board conducted a poll on the suggestion of an outright ban requiring eradication, which was approved 5-2, with Trustees Cockrell and Snell-Johnson dissenting. Town Administrator Proctor was directed to draft an ordinance requiring eradication of all prairie dogs within the Town of Foxfield.

### **Reports**

#### **Mayor**

Mayor Jones noted that with the Governor's mask mandate, no municipalities or counties can opt out.

#### **Members of the Town Board**

Trustee Thompson:

- Thanked Town Administrator Proctor for all her research and work on the proposed ordinance
- Reported on a new mail fraud scheme, where the scammer puts a vacation hold on your mail then picks it up at the post office
- Volunteered to organize a Fall Clean-Up if there are enough volunteers
- Noted the vehicle count on Richfield is climbing, as are the speeds

Trustee Farreau:

- Asked if Republic will be doing the Large Item Pick-Up this year
- Asked how many businesses applied for the CARES Act local grants; Town Administrator Proctor responded there were four applications

Trustee Finch:

- Reported that resident Joe Lopez is building a free-standing library box for the Town, which will be located at Richfield and Davies by the central bulletin board

Trustee Freas:

- Asked if any Foxfield Village Center business has put up additional signage
- Requested procedures for ethics or other violations by elected officials be included in the Rules of Procedure

Trustee Cockrell :

- Attended the DRCOG meeting where it was reported that E470 tolls may be lowered
- Was recently notified about a program called Safer Streets Grants, but the deadline is very soon so there is not time to submit a proposal

**Staff**

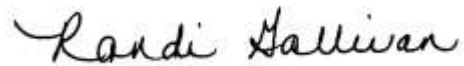
Town Administrator Proctor spoke with SEH and they will ask Straight Line Sawcutting to return to repair some of the warranty work from last year's crack sealing that was done incorrectly.

**Future Agenda Items**

Mayor Jones requested a discussion to clarify policies and procedures for Code Enforcement.

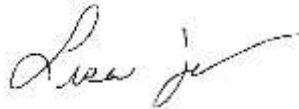
**Adjournment**

Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.



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Randi Gallivan, Town Clerk



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Lisa Jones, Mayor