

**TOWN OF RED RIVER  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Red River Town Council held NOVEMBER 23, 2015 at the Council Chambers, Red River Conference Center. Mayor Calhoun called the meeting to order at 9:07 A.M.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Linda Calhoun	Present
Councilor Dan Foley	Present
Councilor Ben Richey	Present at 9:20 A.M.
Councilor George Woerndle	Present
Councilor Steve Cherry	Present

**3. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Linda Calhoun gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor George Woerndle made motion to approve the agenda for NOVEMBER 23, 2015. Councilor Steve Cherry seconded the motion.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting October 26, 2015. Councilor Dan Foley seconded the motion.

**6. RECOGNITION OF TOWN EMPLOYEES:**

**a. Krystle Rivera 5 years of service**

Mayor Calhoun recognized Krystle Rivera for her service of 5 years to the Town of Red River.

**7. HAYDUK KING PRESENTATION**

David Hayduk King gave a presentation of the Red River is New Mexico True. The Music Television ad will air this spring. Mayor Calhoun asked about the Town of Red River's website. David explained it is under web development with two designs for approval. Visitor Center design is still in progress.

**8. GEORGE K. BAUM & COMPANY PRESENTATION**

Mark Valenzuela gave a presentation of finance options for the Town of Red River. General Obligation bonds which are constitutionally authorized, voter approval, on a voter ballot. Paid from property taxes with a 4% of assessed valuation over a 20 year period to pay off debt. A GO bond has to be something of bricks and mortar.

A bond cycle program would allow the Town of Red River to structure their General Obligation debt in a way that would keep the debt service mill levy at a consistent rate. The bond cycle program would also allow the Town to time the issuance of debt with the need of capital for infrastructure projects. The Town can schedule bond issuances to match the award of state or federal funding approvals in anticipation of using funds for matching funds.

Mayor Calhoun stated The Town of Red River has a preliminary engineering report for the Water Treatment Plant/ water system for upgrades that will cost about 5.2 million to 6.8 million. The Town has asked the water trust board for 1.3 million for new water storage tank. At the State & Federal level the funding continues to get smaller and smaller. The State of New Mexico is encouraging municipalities to find other ways of funding. The Town Revenue Bond is paid off, which make the Conference Center paid in full.

## **9. DISCUSSION OF: RED RIVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLAN**

Courtney Henderson presented the Council with the Chambers Plan

1. The Chamber would like to continue operating from its current location in the northeast corner of the Conference Center.
2. The Chamber wishes to become fully independent of the Town in terms of direct funding.
3. The Chamber will advocate for around \$160,000 in event infrastructure to enhance the visitor experience and lay the template for growth.
  - a. Install hardware for hanging street banners over both entrances on Main Street.
  - b. Build a permanent multi-purpose stage in Brandenburg Park.
  - c. Install 5' wrought-iron fencing around Brandenburg Park.
  - d. Use the same fencing to enclose and landscape the area behind the Conference Center for a riverside venue.

Karen Kelley spoke requesting that the Chamber would like a long term lease agreement on paper. The Chamber is willing to pay double of what the rent is now. The Chamber would like to request Special Event money for the 2015-2016 year the amount is somewhere between, \$12,000.00- \$15,000.00. Chamber would like to request vendor fees for the past year that have run through the Town in the amount of \$11,300.00. Request a yearly flat fee amount for Brandenburg Park and use of the Conference Center. Memorial Day 2015 funding from vendors the Chamber is still waiting on funding.

Mayor Calhoun apologized for not receiving Memorial Day funding she thought Brad had taken care of it. Mayor Calhoun will make sure it is paid. Mayor is not aware of the flat fee with the Conference Center and will look into the yearly fee. The vendor fees are a Town Ordinance which would have to be changed if that was something that the Council would want to do. It keeps other vendors coming into Town setting up and selling and taking away from business owners that actually pay a yearly business license fee each year. It helps money to be put back into the Town for trash pickup etc. Last year the Chamber came to the Council and requested the vendor fees waived from Aspencade to help their budget which was given back. One of the reasons the Town has not moved forward with the special event funding is because there were unanswered questions. Surveys and wristbands and how you

keep up with attendance during your events? Octoberfest it was recorded that 2014- 5,500.00 and 2013-8,000, 2015-3,400 people that attended, the numbers do not add up to what the funding request that come through.

**10. FINANCIAL REPORT and APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR SEPTEMBER, 2015.**

Councilor George Woerndle made motion to approve the financial report and approval of expenditures for October, 2015. Councilor Steve Cherry seconded the motion.

**11. COMMITTEES**

**a. Public Safety**

No Quorum

**b. Public Works**

See attached

**c. Parks & Recreation**

See Attached

**d. Economic Development/ Lodgers Tax Advisory Board**

See Attached

**e. Recycling**

No Quorum

**Mayors Report**

- **Mayor Calhoun attended the National League of Cities in Nashville TN**
- **Mayor Calhoun attended the Infrastructure Finance Conference in Albuquerque**
- **Municipal League Executive Board & NM Association of Counties Executive Board meeting. Legislative priorities were discussed and it's a 30 day session**
- **Tax Reform committee that the Municipal League formed and will meet on the December 12<sup>th</sup> which Mayor Calhoun will be on the board**

**12. PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**

**a. Amend Ordinance 2000-5, Article 25, Enforcement, Section A**

Brenda Sloan the Planning and Zoning Administrator explained that the Committee would like to keep Deke Willis as the Deputy Planning and Zoning Administrator. The Council may appoint a Planning and Zoning Administrator and a Deputy, Planning and Zoning Administrator who shall have the authority

and duty to enforce this Ordinance. Should the Council fail to appoint a Planning & Zoning Administrator and a Deputy Planning and Zoning Administrator, the Mayor or his designated representative shall perform the duties of the Administrator set forth in the Ordinance. Lack of knowledge or alleged lack of knowledge of the requirements of this Ordinance shall be to justify violation of the Ordinance.

Councilor Steve Cherry made motion to accept the Recommendation to Amend Ordinance 2000-5, Article 25, Enforcement, Section A to add Deputy Planning and Zoning Administrator. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor

Dan Foley, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Motion carried.

**b. Amend Ordinance 2004-05, Article 5, Building Permits, Section E, Item 1**

Brenda Sloan the Planning and Zoning Administrator explained, that after plats, plans and drawings have been approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator (in case of absence of the Planning & Zoning Administrator, the Deputy Planning & Zoning Administrator shall have the authority to approve or disapprove.)

Councilor Dan Foley made motion to accept the Recommendation to Amend Ordinance amend 2004-05, Article 5, Building Permits, Section E, Item 1, by adding the Deputy Planning and Zoning Administrator. Councilor Steve Cherry seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Dan Foley, aye. Motion carried.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. CONSIDERATION OF:**

**1. Resolution 2015-30 Water Trust Board Application**

Councilor George Woerndle made motion to approve Resolution 2015-30 Water Trust Board Application. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor Dan Foley, aye. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Motion carried.

**2. Resolution 2015-31 Grant Agreement**

Mayor Calhoun explained this Resolution supersedes Resolution 2015-25 add a signature name to the grant agreement. Councilor Steve Cherry made motion to approve Resolution 2015-31 Grant Agreement. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor Dan Foley, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Motion carried.

**3. Resolution 2015-32 Election Resolution**

This resolution is for Municipal Elections for 2- Council Positions and 1-Judge Seat and a General Obligation Bond question on the ballot available in March of 2016. Councilor Ben Richey made motion to adopt Resolution 2015-32 Election Resolution with an amendment of a General Obligation Bond question on the ballot. Councilor Dan Foley seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor Dan Foley, aye. Motion carried.

**4. Resolution 2015-33 Merit Incentives**

Councilor Dan Foley made motion to accept Resolution 2015-33 Merit Incentives for a one-time incentive of \$500.00 for full time employees and \$250.00 for year-around part time employees. Councilor Ben Richey seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Councilor Dan Foley, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Motion carried.

**14. PUBLIC HEARING**

**a. Ordinance 2015-03 Uniform Traffic Ordinance**

Councilor Steve Cherry made motion to approve Ordinance 2015-03 Uniform Traffic Ordinance. Councilor George Woerndle seconded the motion. Mayor Calhoun called roll call vote. Councilor Dan Foley, aye. Councilor Ben Richey, aye. Councilor George Woerndle, aye. Councilor Steve Cherry, aye. Motion carried.

**15. OTHER**

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 11:05 A.M.

  
Kimberly Leach, Deputy Clerk

  
Linda Calhoun, Mayor