TOWN OF RED RIVER
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 26, 2019
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. CALL TO ORDER
   A regular meeting of the Red River Town Council held March 26, 2019, in the Council Chambers
   at the Red River Conference Center. Mayor Calhoun called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL
   Mayor Linda Calhoun                               Present
   Councilor Steve Cherry                            Absent
   Councilor George Woerndle                         Present
   Councilor Dan Foley                               Present
   Councilor Sloan Covington                         Present

3. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - March 26, 2019
   Councilor Dan Foley made a motion to approve the agenda for March 26, 2019.
   Councilor Sloan Covington seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   1. Special Meeting - February 25, 2019
   2. Regular Meeting - February 26, 2019
   3. Special Meeting - March 1, 2019
      Councilor George Woerndle made a motion to approve the minutes from the special
      meetings on February 25 and March 1 and the regular meeting on February 26.
      Councilor Dan Foley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT and APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR FEBRUARY 2019
   Town Administrator Clerk Georgiana Rael reported gross receipts for the month were as follows:
   Construction was down 20.33% or $3,729, Retail Trade was up $11,483 or 15.33%, Real Estate
   was up $10,868 or 41.62%, Accommodations and Food was up $7,774 or 25.44%. Year-to-date
   66.66% of the budget has been used. Gross receipts collected for the month were up $85,429 or
   53.64%. Year to date gross receipts were up $161,608 or 12.59%. Lodger’s tax for the month
   was up $9,000 or 11% with two lodges not reporting. Year-to-date Lodger’s tax up $15,501 or
   2.94%.
   Following discussion, Councilor Sloan Covington made a motion to approve the financial report
   and expenditures for February 2019. Councilor George Woerndle seconded the motion. The
   motion carried.

7. COMMITTEES
   1. Public Safety
      No quorum
2. Public Works/Recycling
No quorum

Isaac Cisneros was present and gave an update on the meter replacement project. Jeff and Kevin are working hard and have replaced 50 meters and 40 registers. Public Works has been working on touching up roads. Testing on the Hatch Tank will be happening on Wednesday and Thursday. We are going back to the Town of Taos for our cardboard recycling as the new County facility is not large enough to accommodate our trucks.

3. Parks & Recreation
No quorum

4. Lodger's Tax Advisory Board/Economic Development
No quorum

- MAYORS REPORT
Mayor Calhoun reported that we hosted the Enchanted Circle Council of Governments the previous Wednesday. It's a newly formed group of Mayors, Administrators, and County Commission to work together on priorities for the area. They will also be looking at seeking funding as region along with the North Central Economic Development group. Friday they will meet in Santa Fe with the Ski Area to talk about water rights. We report ours weekly, they report theirs monthly. There is always a difference and the State does not like that, so we need to make sure we are reporting the same. We are still negotiating with the State and with the County regarding the E911 tax. The Mayor met with someone from NM Taxation and Revenue last week and will be speaking with him again tomorrow. We should be receiving about $100,000 per year from the tax that was enacted almost two years ago. The County is having a hard time giving it up to us and we are not going to let it go. Mayor Calhoun was in Washington DC a couple of weeks ago and had the opportunity to sit down with each one of our Legislators. Jenna and the Mayor were both on a Commission to serve for the appointment for a new District 8 Judge and made recommendations to the Governor.

8. NEW BUSINESS

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF:

   1. NMFA Funding - Workforce Housing
Following discussion, Councilor Dan Foley made a motion to approve the continuation of working on NMFA funding. Councilor George Woerndle seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Covington - yes, Councilor Foley - yes, Councilor Woerndle - yes. The motion carried.

   2. Financing of Backhoe 606-Internal Service Funds
Following discussion, Councilor Sloan Covington made a motion to approve financing of a backhoe on a ten-year plan with option to accelerate the payments. Councilor Dan Foley seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Woerndle - yes, Councilor Covington - yes, Councilor Foley - yes. The motion carried.
9. **MOTION TO ADVERTISE**
   1. **Ordinance 2019-03 Amendment to ROV Ordinance 2016-06**
      Following discussion, Council Dan Foley made a motion to approve the motion to advertise Ordinance 2019-03 amending Ordinance 2016-06. Councilor Sloan Covington seconded the motion. Deputy Clerk Kim Leach took a roll call vote. Councilor Woerndle - yes, Councilor Covington - yes, Councilor Foley - yes. The motion carried.

10. **OTHER**
    A Special Council meeting is scheduled for funding for Taos Air on April 10th at 5:00 PM. A Public Hearing is scheduled for the beer/wine license for Yesterday’s Diner on May 6th at 9:30 AM followed by a budget workshop.

    A letter was received from Bob & Karen Raborn about Officer Jeff Allen and how helpful he was in assisting them with changing a flat tire in inclement weather on February 26th.

    A letter was received March 1st from Marshal Tim Boren regarding Officer John Pellizari who observed an intoxicated female who was crossing Main Street. When he initiated contact, she was physically violent and verbally abusive. He was able to manage the situation and take control of her without incident and without injury to her.

    The DeSilva and McLellan families sent a card thanking the members of Red River EMS for saving their father’s life and allowing them to make more memories with him.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**
    With no further business, Mayor Calhoun adjourned the meeting at 5:39 PM

    [Signatures]

    Georgiana Rael, Administrator Clerk
    Linda Calhoun, Mayor

    Transcribed by Holly Fagan