



MEETING MINUTES of the IGNACIO TOWN BOARD

Monday, April 6, 2020 – 6:30 PM

Remote Public Meeting

I. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Cox called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. She gave the zoom etiquette information, and observed a moment of silence.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Stella Cox, Trustee Edward Box III, Trustee Sharon Craig, Trustee Sandra Maez, Mayor Pro Tem Alison deKay, Trustee Tom Atencio

Absent: Trustee Dixie Melton (excused absence)

Guests: Chris May, Clark Craig, Mandy Brown, Shannon Mullane, James Brown

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

IV. CONSENT AGENDA (items were originally on the March 16th meeting agenda)

A. Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2020

B. Financial Records – Check Register for February 2020

Mr. Atencio asked about Badger Daylighting; he suggested this needs to be included in the budget for next year if this will be an ongoing expense. Tuggy stated that it can be added to the budget. He also asked about the charges from SEH; Mr. Garcia stated those are invoices from our engineer for the Becker/Goddard Intersection and the Land Use Code Update.

Action: Trustee Craig moved to approve the consent agenda. Mayor Pro Tem deKay seconded the motion. Mayor Cox requested a roll call vote. The motion passed unanimously.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ColoTrust Investment (item was on March 16th meeting agenda)

Mr. Garcia stated that, in spite of the drop in interest rates due to the COVID-19 crisis, he wanted to see if the Board was still interested in the opportunity to invest with ColoTrust. If so, he will draft a resolution for the Board to consider at the next meeting. Discussion ensued regarding if and when to move money, options of other companies to invest with, etc. Mr. Garcia addressed each of these questions and stated he will bring a resolution to the next meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Becker/Goddard Intersection Design Discussion (item was on March 16th agenda)

Mr. Garcia reviewed each of the design options; the Board members asked questions and made comments which Mr. Garcia addressed. Mr. Garcia stated that the Town will be the local lead agency and that will be reflected in the IGA with CDOT. The Town hopes to have a joint work session with the ISD Board to formulate an IGA with them as

well that will cover cost sharing of this project. Mr. Garcia's recommendation is to continue with the project. The Board concurred that Alternate 3 is what they would desire, and they gave the authority to the Mayor to sign the IGA. Mr. Garcia stated that he will reach out to the Superintendent of the School District regarding the IGA. Trustee Box asked if there had been an outreach to the Tribal Planner so that we are in compliance with the ICAP. Mr. Garcia stated that he did reach out to Doug McDougall, the Tribal Planner; he and Mayor have also talked with Chairman Sage and the Tribal Attorney.

B. Election Update

Ms. Dunton stated that this will be a drive-through polling place election. Information has been disseminated via the website and Facebook; signs will be set up at 6:30 AM tomorrow morning. Detailed instructions will be available at the first polling booth. All election judges are ready to go. There will be walk-up voting available for pedestrians coming off the Goddard Ave parking lot of Town Hall.

C. COVID-19 Update

Mr. Garcia stated that he, Chief and Mayor Cox have been on multiple webinars and conference calls to stay up-to-date on the latest developments during this crisis. Information is being posted regularly on the Town's website, Facebook page and front door of Town Hall. There is also a lot of information regarding Federal Aid funding for small businesses. This dissemination of information will continue. Mr. Garcia stated that 60% participation in social distancing is the key to flatten out the curve; if not, this may be pushed out into the middle to late summer months. Mr. Garcia requested that Chief also give an update.

Chief stated that the Governor has extended the Stay-At-Home Order through April 26. As of today, there are 5,172 positive cases in the state, 31 local cases (6 of those are in Archuleta County). Farmington and San Juan County has 60 cases, and they are on the rise. IPD has received three complaints regarding non-compliance with the public health orders; all of them were unfounded. Chief also stated that, with the Casino closed, the number of gaming-related calls will be down for this year and that will affect the Gaming Grant monies for next year. There is an increase in alcohol-related calls as well as in-house disturbances.

Mr. Garcia asked Mr. Howlett to give an update as well. Mr. Howlett stated the Public Works Department is working on shifts to comply with the social distancing guidelines. Everything is on schedule and running smoothly during this crisis. The Spring Clean-Up has been postponed and the new date will be included in the newsletter.

VII. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Craig stated that Senator Bennet and Senator Gardner are encouraging the Colorado Legislation to ensure that the cities and municipalities receive the funding that is coming from the Federal Government.


Mayor Cox asked Mayor Pro Tem deKay to give an update on the call-in center hours. Mayor Pro Tem deKay stated that the hours are 8 AM to 5 PM seven days a week, and the Tribe is planning to continue that for at least another month.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Action: Being no further business before the Board, Mayor Cox called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Box III moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Maez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, April 20, 2020, at 6:30 PM via Remote Public Meeting.



Stella Cox, Mayor



Date



Attest: Tuggy Dunton, Town Clerk