



MEETING MINUTES of the IGNACIO TOWN BOARD

Monday, July 1, 2020 – 6:30 PM

Remote Public Meeting

- I. **CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER:** Mayor Cox called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. She gave the zoom etiquette information, and observed a Moment of Silence, Moment of Gratitude, and Reflection of Hope.
- II. **ROLL CALL**
Present: Mayor Stella Cox, Trustee Tom Atencio, Trustee Edward Box III, Trustee Sharon Craig, Trustee Sandra Maez, Trustee Dixie Melton
Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Alison deKay
Guests: Chairman Sage, Clark Craig, C Chavez, unknown caller (970-553-0190)
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
None
- IV. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. La Plata County Intergovernmental Agreement – Agreement for Distribution of CARES Act Funds from DOLA

Mr. Garcia gave a background on this item. CARES Act Funds are being administered by DOLA through the counties. Total funds for La Plata County and its municipalities are \$4,823,037.00. Most of this money is going to the County; the municipalities' share has been reduced by 65%. The County based this metric on the federal guidelines; however, other counties are using a different metric that is based on population in the municipalities and the unincorporated areas of their counties.

Mr. Garcia reviewed how the funds will be expended and commented that many of these do not apply to Ignacio. The approved expenditures are: acquisition and distribution of medical and protective supplies, technical assistant in mitigation of COVID-19 related threats to public health and safety, public safety measures taken in response to COVID-19, quarantining individuals, establishment of temporary public medical facilities, maintenance of county jails to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions, and care for homeless populations to mitigate COVID-19 effects and enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

Current expenses through May are only a few thousand dollars; projected expenses through the end of the year are unknown at this time. The recommendation is that Ignacio project that we will expend all of the funds that are allocated to us, and that we pursue the option of increasing the amount. If the funds were disbursed solely based on population, Ignacio's portion would increase from \$35,053.00 to \$77,900.00

There may also be funding available for assisting businesses in their recovery from the effects of COVID-19. This program has yet to be developed. Mr. Garcia stated there are still a lot of unknowns; his recommendation is that the agreement be approved as a minimum and that Mayor be given the authority to sign the agreement.

Action: Trustee Craig moved to allow the IGA to move forward with the current funding as the minimum after obtaining answers to questions from the County; Trustee Box III seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution 08-2020 – Corona Virus Relief Fund (CVRF) Opt-In Authorization

Mr. Garcia explained that this resolution is required to be able to access the Corona Virus Relief Funds that are available through DOLA. It directs staff to create the DOLA Portal account to obtain the reimbursements.

Action: Trustee Craig moved to approve Resolution 08-2020; the motion was seconded by Trustee Atencio. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Temporary Modification of Premises Due to COVID-19 for Porky’s Smokehouse

Ms. Dunton explained that Mr. Goetz submitted his application to the State and the State has already responded with approval. The local licensing authority needs to approve the application as well. This will allow for seating in the parking lot just outside the patio area of Porky’s so that he can maintain the necessary physical distancing especially when he has the musicians playing on Friday and/or Saturday evenings.


Action: Trustee Box III moved to approve the application; Trustee Maez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. ADJOURNMENT


Action: Being no further business before the Board, Mayor Cox adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, July 13, 2020, at 6:30 PM via Remote Public Meeting.



Stella Cox, Mayor



Date



Attest: Tuggy Dunton, Town Clerk