

ALAMOSA CITY COUNCIL
Wednesday May 7, 2014
Minutes of the Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Alamosa City Council was called to order on the above date by Mayor Josef Lucero at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present at roll call: Mayor Lucero, Councilors Greg Gillaspie, Rusty Johnson, Charles Griego, Ty Coleman, Jan Vigil and Michael Stefano. A quorum was declared. Also present: Asst. City Manager Don Koskelin, City Attorney Erich Schwiesow, and City Clerk Kristi Duarte.

AGENDA APPROVAL. It was moved by Councilor Gillaspie and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT

A. Audience Comments

Rhonda Borders from the Friends of the Library updated Council of the activities and thanked the Library staff for their assistance.

B. Follow-Up
None.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

A. Oath of Office, Chief Police Duane Oakes.
City Clerk Kristi Duarte administered the Oath of Office to new Police Chief Duane Oakes.

B. Life Saving Awards.
Chief Oakes presented lifesaving awards to Corporal Joey Spangler, Officer Tate Kindschuh, and Officer Daniel Alderton.

C. Proclamation, Mental Health Month.
Council presented the Proclamation to Clarissa Woodworth.

D. Proclamation, Historic Preservation Month.
Council presented the Proclamation to members of the Historic Preservation Committee.

CONSENT CALENDAR A. It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Stefano to approve Consent Calendar A as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
Items:

C. 1. a. Award of Bid, Skid Steer Loader

C. 7. a. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting April 16, 2014

REGULAR BUSINESS

C. Business Brought Forward by City Staff

1. City Manager

a. Potential Aviation Economic Development Project.

Members of the Rocky Mountain UAS (Unmanned Aircraft Systems) presented a potential economic developmental project that they are hoping to bring to the San Luis Valley as one of their test sites. What they are requesting from Council at this time is support in order to move this project forward.

It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Johnson to support this project and to move forward. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Works

a. Discuss the purchase of two new membrane trains for the Water Treatment Plant.

Don Koskelin spoke regarding the treatment plant membrane performance which had a significant drop off in April 2013. He is recommending that two trains be replaced this year with the higher capacity membranes for a cost of \$218,000.

It was moved by Councilor Griego and seconded by Councilor Coleman to approve \$218,000 to purchase the equipment including the operating costs associated with the new membrane trains. The motion carried unanimously.

7. City Clerk/Municipal Court

a. Discuss June 18 and July 2 meeting schedule and direct staff.

The June 18, 2014 regular meeting falls during the Colorado Municipal League Annual Conference and Council members will be unavailable to meet. Council has directed staff to prepare a resolution to cancel the June 18th regular meeting and it will be rescheduled to be held on July 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. All agenda items scheduled for both of these meetings will be heard at that time.

E. Committee Reports

Councilor Gillespie reported on Golf Board meetings and the upcoming events at the golf course.

Councilor Vigil reported on the AS&F Committee and Alamosa Board of Education meetings.

Councilor Johnson reported on the Airport Board and the Tree Board meetings.

Councilor Coleman reported on the DRG meeting.

Mayor Lucero reported on the Community Corrections meeting that he attended in Montrose.

F. Staff Announcements

Don Koskelin advised Council that this is his last meeting. He thanked them for the past 21 years.

Heinz Bergann spoke in regard to the upcoming meeting for the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board.

LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY ACTIONS

A. Consent Calendar B

B. 1. Special Events Permit, Alamosa Lil' Grizzlies, Five Star Riders Car Show, May 17, 2014.

It was moved by Councilor Stefano and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve Consent Calendar B as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Mayor Lucero spoke in memorial of long time Councilman Ron Green.

Mayor Lucero along with Councilors thanked Don Koskelin for his 21 years of service with the City of Alamosa and wished him the best of luck in his retirement.

Councilor Vigil thanked Heinz and his staff and also recognized the Boy Scouts for all of their hard work with the recent tree planting project.

Councilor Johnson stated that he is hosting a BBQ for Council on Friday, May 9th. As this is a social event, no city business will be discussed.

Mayor Lucero and Council congratulated Chief Duane Oakes on being promoted to the position of Chief of Police.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Kristi Duarte, City Clerk

Josef P. Lucero, Mayor