

CITY OF AZTEC  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 26, 2021

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Victor Snover called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

**I. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- A. Invocation led by Commissioner Randall
- B. United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Lewis
- C. New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Lewis

**II. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Mayor Victor Snover; Mayor Pro-Tem Rosalynn Fry (Virtual); Commissioner Austin Randall; Commissioner Mark Lewis; Commissioner Michael A. Padilla Sr.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Paul Eckert; City Attorney Steven Murphy; City Clerk Karla Sayler

**III. PRESENTATION**

San Juan Watershed Group - Alyssa Richmond

Alyssa presented the commission with a power point on the update of the Animas river habitat enhancement and bank stabilization project with the City of Aztec. She mentioned the project goals and scope of work for riverside park and animas river. She presented before and after pictures in the presentation.

**IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS**

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to approve the agenda; SECONDED by Commissioner Lewis

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Commission Meeting Minutes October 12, 2021

- B. Resolution 2021-1255 Authorizing Opening and Closing of Time Certificates of Deposit for City
- C. Resolution 2021-1256 Authorizing Opening and Closing of Time Certificates of Deposit for City
- D. Special Budget Resolution 2021-1257 approval for the Rehabilitation of Reservoir #1

MOVED by Commissioner Lewis to approve the agenda; SECONDED Mayor Pro-Tem Rosalynn Fry All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

#### VI. ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA

#### VII. CITIZENS INPUT (3 Minutes Maximum)

NONE

#### VIII. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2021-518 Amending Chapter 11 Business License Regulations  
Delain George stated that this is to amend business license regulations related to cannabis. There have been no changes to the ordinance. She mentioned there was a workshop and three meetings related to the cannabis business licenses and land use. The ordinance is to bring in the cannabis regulations related to the application and licensing process.

MOVED by Commissioner Padilla to approve Final Adoption of Ordinance 2021-518 Amending Chapter 11 Business License Regulations; SECONDED by Commissioner Lewis

Four Voted Aye Commissioner Randall voted Nay: Motion Passed Four to One

B. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2021-519 Chapter 16 Business License Fees to Establish Fees for Cannabis Businesses

Delain George stated this ordinance is related to the related to cannabis businesses. There have been no changes or comments. Delain mentioned the fees will range from \$35.00 to \$250.00. Mayor Snover stated that he has not received any kind of communication for or against the cannabis ordinances.

MOVED by Commissioner Lewis to approve Final Adoption of Ordinance 2021-519 Business License Fees to Establish Fees for Cannabis Businesses; SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem Fry

Four Voted Aye Commissioner voted Nay: Motion Passed Four to One

C. Aztec Sparkles Lighting Contest Awards

Ed Kotyk stated they are wanting to establish the award amount for the contest. He mentioned that last year they offered \$250.00 per winner, they are doing something different this year and selecting 5 residential winners and 5 commercial winners. It would be \$250.00 for each residential and \$250.00 for each commercial winner. He stated this is what the staff has proposed, but if the commission wants to award more or less they are open to that. City Manager Paul Eckert stated he wanted to clarify that last year they handed out 5 total and this year it will be 10 total. Mayor Snover asked if it would be the same as usual and they would pick from their district. Ed stated per recommendation there will be a winner from each district but the commissioners will not be selecting from their own district. Ed is working on a system to randomize who gets what district. There are still some details to work out on the commercial winners, but he hopes that commissioners can go as a group to vote on the 5 winners. City Attorney asked how the winners get this awarded to them. Delain stated that they get to use their electricity through the month of December and in January it is awarded to their account.

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Aztec Sparkles Lighting Contest Awards in the amount of \$250.00 per winner; SECONDED by Commissioner Padilla

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

#### **VIII. QUASI JUDICIAL HEARING**

None

#### **IX. COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

City Manager Paul Eckert stated that he sent an email to the mayor and commissioners regarding the 4CED energy meeting coming up on Thursday and Friday.

City Attorney Murphy had nothing to report.

Commissioner Randall apologized for missing the river tour today but couldn't make it due to work. He appreciates the City Attorney for asking questions and doing a good job.

Commissioner Lewis stated that he received a notice from the Bureau of Reclamation they are expecting Navajo Lake to be at a shortfall next year, and users will probably have to reduce use by 7%. At this time this is what they are guessing because they don't know what the winter is going to be like.

Commissioner Padilla mentioned thanks for the report on San Juan Watershed. He was very impressed with how well informed those that are doing the construction on it are. He also mentioned that next Tuesday is the City Election, and gave the candidates the best will. He is impressed with the majority of the Candidates running in the election.

Mayor Pro-Tem Fry stated she attended EDAB and there were lots of interesting updates on projects. She is proud of all the things that are getting started. She also attended the Oktoberfest parade and wanted to congratulate the Chamber for the event. She mentioned the Chamber is

increasing their membership and that she is excited for that. She mentioned Northwest New Mexico Seniors will be meeting November 10<sup>th</sup> which she will be attending.

Mayor Snover stated he has an ECHO board meeting Wednesday. He mentioned the Veterans Day Parade that he and his JROTC will be in on November 11<sup>th</sup>. He stated that Election Day is about a week away and we will be seeing results shortly thereafter. He was very impressed by Oktoberfest, and the coordination of the event.

Steve Morse stated that there is an active water leak that is pretty major on Zuni. He stated that it is flowing and the crews will be out working on it. It is on Zuni but there are probably a few streets that are out of water. He mentioned that the sewers are done on McWilliams Rd. and that the Soil and Water District are looking to get into their new home on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. Ruins Road south bound lane was shut down on Monday, they have it opened up and he is hoping by the end of the week they might be out of the street. They will still have sidewalk work to do, but the street will be open by the end of the week. North Main is moving along, the water and sewer is mostly in as well as the storm water. They are now looking to re-grading and start setting the curb and gutter next week. The irrigation is set to be done by January, asphalt by April, concrete by June and landscape by September.

#### **XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Meeting</b>
Closed Session Pending Litigation Police Department	November
McWilliams Road Paving Project Design Firm Approval	December
NM 173 Waterline Relocation Construction Contractor Approval	December
Award Architecture Design for Senior Center Kitchen Remodel	December/January
South Aztec Water Line Design Firm Approval	January
Blanco Arroyo Culvert Replacement Project Design Firm Approval	January

There was no discussion on upcoming event list.

**POTENTIAL FUTURE CITY COMMISSION ITEMS- (Appearing on the Agenda within 30-90 days):**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Snover moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm SECONDED by Commissioner Lewis

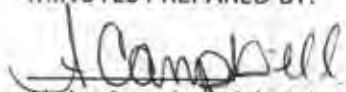


  
Mayor Victor Snover

ATTEST:

  
Karla Saylor, City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

  
Alisha Campbell, Administrative Assistant

