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THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTALES met in regular session Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at the Memorial Building, 200 E. 7th Street, Portales, NM in full conformity with the rules and regulations. Mayor Pro-Tem Miller called the meeting to order and asked City Clerk Martinez-Terry to call roll. Those present and constituting a quorum were:

MAYOR: Sharon L. King (absent)

MAYOR PRO-TEM: Michael G. Miller

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Matthew Tod Hunton Oscar H. Robinson
Leo Lovett Antonio O. Salguero (absent)
Lenard Michael Lucero Keith A. Thomas
Dianne Y. Parker

STAFF PRESENT: Doug Redmond, City Manager Marilyn Rapp, Finance Director
Joan Martinez-Terry, City Clerk Karen Chandler, Utility Billing Supervisor
Steve Doerr, City Attorney Jamie L. Rose, Chief Purchasing Agent
Shelley Johnson, Recruitment Coord. Christine Mitchell, I.T. Technician

OTHERS PRESENT: Joshua Lucero, Press Amelia Redmond
Annetta Byrd Stephanie Chandler
Justin Banister Garry Johnson

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked Oscar Robinson, Councilor, to give the invocation, and Keith Thomas, Councilor, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the New Mexico flag.

(A) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S):

1. Regular Meeting of November 4, 2014.

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked the Council to consider the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 4, 2014. He asked for questions and, hearing none, asked the pleasure of the Council. *Councilor Hunton made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 4, 2014 as presented. Councilor Thomas seconded the motion. All Council members present voted in favor of the motion. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

(B) PRESENTATION OF “EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER AWARD” FOR JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2014 (3RD QUARTER) TO KAREN CHANDLER, UTILITY BILLING SUPERVISOR

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked Karen Chandler, Utility Billing Supervisor, to come forward to receive the “Employee of the Quarter Award” for third quarter 2014. Mayor Pro-Tem Miller thanked Ms. Chandler for her service and asked how long she had worked for the City. Ms. Chandler answered that she had been with the City for 28 years and hoped to work another 28. She received a standing ovation in appreciation of her service.

(C) PRESENTATION OF CLEAN & BEAUTIFUL CLEAN CAMPUS WINNER FOR FALL 2014

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked for the presentation of the Clean Campus trophy. Councilor Parker made the presentation of the trophy to Valencia School to Ms. Sandra Harris, Principal for Fall 2014 to be displayed at the school. Ms. Harris thanked the City for the trophy and expressed appreciation of the custodians of the school for their hard work. She commented that the Custodians would be proud to receive the trophy.

(D) RATIFICATION OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT’S ACTIONS REGARDING BILLS FOR SEPTEMBER 2014

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked Ms. Marilyn Rapp, Finance Director to present the bills for September 2014. Ms. Rapp told the Council that the total paid in the month of September 2014 was \$1,475,683.28. She told the Council that this was an average amount paid for the month. Ms. Rapp said that the October bills would be a bit higher. She stated that the amounts were within budgeted limits. She asked for questions from the Council; and for ratification of the bills.

September 2014

Pooled Cash Fund	999	\$1,475,683.28
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Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked the pleasure of the Council. *Councilor Parker made the motion to ratify payment of the bills for September 2014 as presented. Councilor Lovett seconded the motion. All Councilors present voted in favor of the motion. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

(E) NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 713, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, DELETING AND REPLACING SECTION 5-7, CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC, CHAPTER 5, (SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 129 OF THE CITY OF PORTALES, NEW MEXICO). THIS CHAPTER IS KNOWN AS, AND CITED AS, “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.”

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked City Clerk Martinez-Terry to present information on Ordinance 713, which will amend Chapter 5 (Alcoholic Beverages) of the City Code. Martinez-Terry told the Council that the ordinance was outdated and needed to be amended to facilitate applying for a governmental liquor license. She commented that the amendment would not affect the rest of the chapter. Mayor Pro-Tem Miller asked the pleasure of the Council. *Councilor Lovett made the motion to approve a Notice of Intent to adopt Ordinance No. 713, An Ordinance amending, deleting and replacing Section 5-7, Consumption in Public of Chapter 5, (Section 1 of Ordinance No. 129 of the City of Portales, New Mexico known as, and cited as, “Alcoholic Beverages. Councilor Lucero seconded the motion. All Councilors present voted in favor of the motion. No abstentions. Motion carried.*

(F) OTHER BUSINESS/CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor King asked for items of Other Business.

Question regarding ongoing work at Avenue O & Highway 70: Councilor Parker asked about the work that has been going on at Avenue O and the highway. City Manager Redmond responded that this was testing and abatement work on underground storage tank. He added that the work being done will bring the property up to acceptable standards.

Ute Water Authority (ENMWUA): Councilor Lovett reported that the Authority has completed research on entities like the ENMWUA that have done this type of work without an executive director. He commented that the Authority will meet on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at the assembly room in the Clovis City Hall to discuss hiring of an executive director to protect their interests. He asked the members of the Council to attend. City Manager Redmond told the Council that he and Councilor Thomas would be attending and offered the Council a ride in his city vehicle.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Pro-Tem Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Joan Martinez-Terry, City Clerk