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AGENDA

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF MAGDALENA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019
VILLAGE HALL 108 N. MAIN STREET 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 12, 2019
6. APPROVAL OF CASH BALANCE REPORT
7. APPROVAL OF BILLS
8. MAYOR'S REPORT
9. CLERK'S REPORT
10. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE DECISION CONCERNING REQUEST TO CHANGE LIBRARY DAYS
11. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE DECISION CONCERNING MAGDALENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ISSUES
 - a. FOLLOW UP ON "WELCOME TO MAGDALENA" SIGN
 - b. LETTER FROM MAGDALENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN REGARDS TO OLD TIMER'S
12. EXECUTIVE SESSION – 10-15-1 (H)(2), LIMITED PERSONNEL MATTER
 - a. ASSISTANT CLERK
13. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE DECISION CONCERNING APPROVAL TO HIRE ASSISTANT CLERK
14. PUBLIC INPUT – 1 TOPIC PER PERSON - 3 MINUTE LIMIT
15. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO REVISION UP TO 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING DATE AND TIME (NMSA 10-15-1 F). A COPY OF THE AGENDA MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE VILLAGE OFFICE, 108 N. MAIN STREET, MAGDALENA, NM 8725. IF YOU ARE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY WHO IS IN NEED OF A READER, AMPLIFIER, QUALIFIED SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER OR ANY OTHER FORM OF AUXILIARY AID OR SERVICE TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE VILLAGE CLERK AT 575-854-2261 AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING OR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF MAGDALENA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019 AT 6:00 PM**

DRAFT

Mayor Richard Rumpf called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Richard Rumpf, James Nelson, Lynda Middleton, Donna Dawson, Clark Brown, Jan Keenly – Clerk/Treasurer, Attorney Kathy Stout

GUESTS: Elizabeth Briggs, Cricket Courtney, Ivy Stover, John Larson, John Briggs, Catherine DeMaria, Michael Zamora, Fritz Kapraun, Mike Danielsen, Sarita Johnson, John Lee, Michelle Grecco, Carleen Gomez – Deputy Clerk

Mayor Richard Rumpf requested that Mr. John Larson lead the gallery in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Dawson motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Nelson motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the July 22, 2019, as presented, seconded by Mrs. Middleton. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Middleton motioned to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of July 30, 2019, as amended, seconded by Mr. Nelson. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CASH BALANCE REPORT: Ms. Dawson asked why the Waste Water account had a negative balance. Clerk Keenly stated that she was out on training and will have to look into what the reason is. Ms. Dawson motioned to approve the cash balance report, as presented, seconded by Mr. Brown. The motion carried by unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Deputy Clerk Gomez stated that she would like to add invoices from the following vendors: Wex Bank in the amount of \$2,638.45 and Quill in the amount of \$1,496.89.

Mrs. Middleton motioned to approve the bill list with the addition, seconded by Ms. Dawson. The motion carried unanimously.

Airgas USA, LLC	\$363.98	Baker Utility Supply	\$630.90
Eagle Wholesale Company	1,595.39	El Air, LLC	697.14
EMS Billing Services	297.76	Ernest Welding	1,257.18
JR Library Guild	1,176.60	Med-Tech Resources	2,036.56

Nance, Pato & Stout, LLC	638.25	Napa Auto Parts	183.91
NTS Communications	79.80	Purchase Power	320.99
Quill	1,496.89	Rak's Building Supply	248.99
Romero's Tires	3,089.02	Sierra Propane	37.56
Socorro Electric Coop	118.57	Tyler Technologies	2,773.95
Verizon Wireless	1,153.42	Waterway of New Mexico, LLC	1,696.08
Wex Bank	2,638.45	WNM Communications	1,103.17

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Rumpf gave an update on the new windows for the library. He stated that he met with Tyler Scartaccini on plans for the library. Mayor Rumpf stated that he got a quote for \$5,027.40 for the windows from Don's Windows & Doors. Mayor Rumpf stated that he would like to move forward on things. He stated that there would be four windows on the west side of the building and on the other windows the guides would be removed for the sashes. He stated that the labor would be free. Mayor Rumpf added that there would need to be new siding on the west end of the building as well. He stated that the windows would be screwed, caulked and the building would be repainted.

Mayor Rumpf stated that he would be out Thursday and Friday in Ruidoso attending the Rural Water Association Meeting.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Keenly stated that she attended level 1 classes through CNM for NM Edge. She added that she will take level 2 classes next. She stated that the Village is doing better than many municipalities in the State. She also stated that she will be attending Clerk School in October.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

EMS

EMS Coordinator Jim Nelson reported that there were three calls in the month of July.

FIRE

Mr. Nelson reported that there were also three Fire calls in the month of July.

MARSHAL

A report was submitted by Marshal Michael Zamora and reviewed with the Board. Marshal Zamora reported that Deputy Dylan Coslin was still attending the Law Enforcement Academy and doing good there.

JUDGE

A report was submitted by Municipal Judge Kayla Scartaccini and reviewed by the Board.

PUBLIC WORKS

A report was submitted by Utility Manager Jacob Finch and reviewed by the Board. Mayor Rumpf stated that the trash truck was fixed and is running. He stated that it needed a new compressor.

LIBRARY

A report was submitted by Librarian Ivy Stover and reviewed with the Board. Ms. Stover stated that she submitted the annual report for the State Library. Ms. Stover stated that she would like to change the days of operation at the library beginning Labor Day. She stated that she would like to be off on Sundays and Mondays. Mrs. Middleton stated that the request could be put on the next agenda.

DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE DECISION CONCERNING REQUEST FOR LODGER'S TAX FUNDING TO ADVERTISE 2019 MUSIC ON MAIN IN MAGDALENA

Mr. Fritz Kapraun stated that he supports Music on Main and added that all those involved and everyone he has spoken with agree that the event is a good thing. Ms. Catherine DeMaria stated that there were hotels booked, and restaurants and businesses saw anywhere between 95 to 110 people at different points. She stated that she was happy with the sale of tickets and is now requesting \$656.50 instead of the original \$956.50.

Ms. Dawson asked if non-profits were now being allowed to request lodger's tax. Clerk Keenly stated that as long as the events are putting heads in beds they can request funds.

Ms. Ivy Stover stated that the library saw about ten people due to the event. Mr. Clark Brown stated that there were also many people in his place of business during the Music on Main event.

Mrs. Middleton motioned to approve \$656.50 in lodger's tax funding to Music on Main, seconded by Ms. Dawson.

Mayor Rumpf suggested that Clerk Keenly request a roll call vote:

Mrs. Middleton – AYE, Ms. Dawson – AYE, Mr. Brown – AYE, Mr. Nelson – AYE

The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE DECISION CONCERNING APPROVAL TO POST AND ADVERTISE ASSISTANT CLERK POSITION

Ms. Dawson asked if the Village could give preference to individuals who have applied before. Mrs. Middleton stated that preference could be given to individuals who have actually worked for the Village before.

Ms. Dawson motioned to post and advertise the Assistant Clerk position, seconded by Mr. Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT – 1 TOPIC PER PERSON – 3 MINUTE LIMIT

Mrs. Cricket Courtney stated that an I Heart Magdalena Ice Cream Social will be put on, on September 21, 2019 at the Senior Center. She stated that the social will be a way to discuss three things people like about Magdalena. She stated that volunteers are needed to serve ice cream.

Mr. Mike Danielsen reported that over \$3,000.00 was raised for the Community Park at the recent Enchilada Dinner.

Ms. Catherine DeMaria reported that the music went so well that the event will be put on again next year.

Mr. John Briggs stated that there will be a potluck in celebration of the late Dr. Dan Klinglesmith's life at the Kid's Science Fair Café. He stated that it would be on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Mr. Briggs stated that Dr. Klinglesmith set a great example for everyone.

Mr. John Lee stated that there is a complaint that the Magdalena Chamber of Commerce is not doing enough in the public eye so they are doing a social on the Golden Spur patio on August 27, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. He stated that there will be pizza and non-alcoholic beverages available.

Ms. Dawson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m., seconded by Mr. Brown. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Keenly
Clerk/Treasurer

Richard Rumpf
Mayor

Minutes Taken By:

Carleen Gomez, CMC
Deputy Clerk

**Magdalena Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
Magdalena, New Mexico**

ZW Richard Rumpf, Mayor, and
Village Board Members
Village of Magdalena
Magdalena, New Mexico

August 23, 2019

A Resolution by the Chamber

Dear Mayor Rumpf and Village Board Members:

The Magdalena Chamber of Commerce is very grateful for ongoing cooperation and collaboration with the Village government, and many of us see aspects of the Village in an up-and-coming light that is most encouraging for its future. However, as discussed at the July 17, 2019, meeting of the Chamber, many village folk were disappointed regarding obvious problems during this year's Old Timers Reunion. While we believe that everyone involved was well-intended, and that the Reunion, for volunteers and even employees, is a labor-of-love, problems this year were so serious that many of our Chamber members are deeply concerned. Therefore it was voted by our officers at our July 17th meeting that the Chamber would produce and issue this *Resolution* to be submitted to you and to Village Board members, expressing concerns and suggestions.

A number of our members are primarily concerned about two things. The first is the negative image given to Magdalena when events like the Reunion are not properly executed. The second is lower attendance, meaning fewer customers to buy gas, eat at our cafes, and visit our galleries. There appears to be a severe lack of transparency, and there are too many rumors as to what happened.

To try and improve this situation, the Chamber Board suggests that the Village appoint a person or a committee to review issues such as why the rodeo did not happen at the last moment and what will happen to the money raised to put it on. The reviewer(s) should report back to the Village within 30 days or a reasonable time set by the Village. You can then decide whether it is in Magdalena's best interest to continue to support the Reunion as presently structured. If not, the current management should not be allowed to use the rodeo grounds and the services of the Marshal's office. The proposed review would also assist groups such as the Chamber in deciding whether to continue to promote the event. Hopefully this effort will allow the development of a long-term Strategic Plan for what should be Magdalena's most important annual festival.

We can acknowledge, however, there were aspects to this year's Reunion that were effective. The parade featured a much stronger display of animals, for example, than recent years. Events like those at the Catholic Church seemed vibrant and fun for the crowd involved there. The Kiwanis Breakfast on Sunday morning was a great success. Indian Village was set up with many activities like the annual chain saw competition, involving impressive ponderosa logs. The street dance was described as a great time for

many people with good music.

But there were Chamber members who noticed, for example, that the widely and dramatically advertised Indian dancers were no-shows. We are not aware why. Most striking, of course, was the cancellation of the rodeo, apparently even after some cattle had been unloaded. We are not aware of the circumstances and details.

No matter the reasons why, the members and officers of Magdalena Chamber attending our July 17th meeting were resolved that the Village must take action to establish major changes that will give the event the best chance for a recovery in 2020. We have heard many ideas for improvements building on successful elements of the Reunion. There's considerable enthusiasm, for example, for something along the lines of a youth horse show -- open to the public and well promoted through appropriate equine channels -- to become part of a program to keep the arena busy through the weekend. An optimistic spirit remains. Clouds over the 2019 reunion do in fact have silver linings.

It may require forceful action for a reallocation of authority. In this message, we are simply resolved to encourage and support necessary action, while recognizing the earnest spirit for the Reunion that so many long-contributing volunteers have shown with dedication.

Very truly yours,

Dr. John W. Lee, President
Fritz Kapraun, Vice President
John W. Briggs, Secretary
Michele Grecco, Treasurer

Magdalena Chamber of Commerce