

**Minutes
Town of Clifton
Town Council – Work Session
October 5, 2017
10:00 A.M.**

Members Present

Felix Callicotte, Mayor
Luis Montoya, Vice Mayor
Barbara Ahmann, Councilmember
Laura Dorrell, Councilmember
Ray Lorenzo, Councilmember
B. Waddell Reyes, Councilmember
Ray West, Councilmember

*Excused

Discussion:

Discussion regarding the road maintenance plan for town streets: Town Manager, Ian McGaughey stated that the council has expressed the need to develop a road maintenance plan.

The Public Works Director provide a priority list of 5 town streets that he feels are in need of immediate attention. In addition to the priority list, Mr. Barela provided cost estimates for two types of material to reconstruct each of the priority streets.

Discussion and comments from members of the council regarding the town undertaking street improvement projects included their concern that the town does not have all the necessary equipment to handle a complete reconstruction, concern regarding the unknown information at the base of each street; concern that design to address drainage would have to be considered; concern that current road conditions are level with sidewalks and also concern that a reconstruction project is not coordinated with any of the utility companies who may have upgrades or improvements plans/scheduled of their own. Additional concern from Councilmember West was that there is also no road maintenance plan for those roads/streets which have recently been improved.

After a lengthy discussion on the matter, Councilmember West suggested that a committee might be formed to evaluate town roads/streets; consider and work with local utilities to better coordinate a plan and address plans for reconstruction and maintenance.

Discussion regarding equipment necessary to implement a road maintenance plan for town streets: Mr. McGaughey provided the Council with information on the quote provided by the Asphalt Zipper Company. Also recalled that this equipment model no longer be available and the new model will be significantly more expensive.

Comments from the Council included concerns that this piece of equipment would only handle one portion of a road improvement project; worried that a long-term debt would obligate future

councils' to the purchase and would prefer to allocate the purchase in a future budget.

In closing the discussion, Mayor Callicotte suggested that consideration of whether to formally move forward with the purchase should be included in the next regular meeting agenda.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember West, second to the motion was made by Councilmember Reyes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Approved:

Felix Callicotte, Mayor

Attest:

Esperanza Castaneda, Town Clerk