

**COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BOSQUE FARMS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 20, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Russell Walkup called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Mayor Russell Walkup, Mayor Pro Tem Ronita Wood, Councilor Bryan Burks, Councilor Michael Cheromiah and Councilor Tim Baughman. Clerk Administrator Melissa Velasquez, Assistant Clerk Mary Langley, Treasurer Yvonne Maes, and Police Chief Andrew Owen.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 10-15-1H (2) NMSA, 1978, REGARDING HIRING OF A POLICE OFFICER & UTILITY WORKER

Councilor Burks made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 5:46 p.m. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Councilor Baughman made a motion to reconvene at 6:20 p.m. Councilor Burks seconded the motion. All in favor, with the exception of Councilor Cheromiah, against. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Clerk Administrator Velasquez stated that discussion during executive session was limited to 10-15-1(H) (2) regarding personnel matters and nothing further was discussed.

4. SILENT INVOCATION

Mayor Walkup advised we have an older population in the Village, if anyone knows of anyone sick and in need of any assistance to let us know. Thank a first responder for what they do.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Cheromiah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Burks made a motion to reorganize items under 14 using A-C identifiers, strike item 14C and approve the remaining agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Wood seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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7. PRESENTATIONS

Auditor is not present to present auditor's report.

8. APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 16, 2023, Regular Meeting

Mayor Walkup stated the minutes for the Regular Meeting March 16, 2023, would stand as presented.

9. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Chief Owen presented the Police Department report for March 2023.

10. MAYOR & COUNCILOR'S REPORT

Councilor Baughman is helping the clerk and department heads with some policy issues.

Councilor Cheromiah attended the steering committee meeting, and it went great.

Councilor Burks has nothing to report.

Mayor Pro Tem Wood advised everyone that Raymond from the library is leaving. There are dance classes going on at the library and the summer program is coming up. The fair program will be coming out soon. Also attended the committee meeting and was surprised that so many people attended. It was a very good meeting.

Mayor Walkup stated as of May 1st we will have the keys to the property next door.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Maes presented the treasurer's report for the month of March 2023.

Councilor Burks made a motion to approve the treasurer's report for March 2023. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

12. NON-AGENDA ITEMS-DISCUSSION LIMITED TO 1 ½ MINUTES

Mayor Eastman, resident, spoke about the issues of having people selling puppies on the side of the road every weekend near McDonalds. Requested the BFPD enforce that during the weekends.

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13. OLD BUSINESS

A. VRECC Update

Clerk Administrator Velasquez gave an update on behalf of VRECC. Advised Belen has signed the MOU Agreement. Belen's benefit program is with Albuquerque, that will allow for an easy transition when they are ready to fully migrate to us.

14. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Open Meetings Act Resolution 1021-23

Mayor Pro Tem Wood made a motion to accept the Open Meetings Act Resolution 1012-23. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

B. Consideration of Hiring a Police Officer

Councilor Burks made a motion to approve the hiring of Adam Jaramillo as a police officer, pending his background results. Councilor Baughman seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

C. Consideration of Hiring a Utility Worker

Item was stricken.

15. Adjournment

Mayor Walkup adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF MAY 2023.

Russell Walkup, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Melissa Velasquez, Clerk/Administrator